## TAB 3

## Point Paper Corvus Impact Fee Refund May 5, 2008

**Problem:** Corvus International has requested a refund of impact fees associated with Bel Mare Phase III Tower.

**Background:** On March 13, 2006 the City received payment totaling \$376,848.55 related to building permit fees, water and sewer impact fees, and fire system installation fees on building three of Bel Mare. Other impact fees such as general government, transportation, parks and public safety impact fees were not in place at this time and therefore not applicable. Specific fees collected were as follows:

Description	Amount	
Building Permits	\$259,645.55	
Water Tap Fees	\$ 3,500.00	
Water Impact Fees	\$ 20,032.00	
Water Deposit	\$ 875.00	
Sewer Tap Fees	\$ 400.00	
Sewer Impact Fees	\$ 88,896.00	
Fire System Connection	\$ 3,500.00	
Total Fees Collected	\$373,348.55	
Impact Fees Only	\$117,203.00	

Staff has informed the applicant, Corvus International, that the fees associated with the building department permits are non-refundable, as the permits have since expired. Staff has received a letter from Corvus International confirming that they understand the building fees will not be refunded. After researching the feasibility of refunding impact fees, staff has concluded that it is advisable to move forward with a refund since the impacts associated with the new building did not occur. The total amount of the refund for water and sewer tap and impact fees totals \$117,203. Staff recommends that approximately \$40,000 of the refund can be funded from the impact fee reserve account. The remaining \$77,000 will need to be identified via reductions to CIP projects that were previously approved.

## Alternatives:

- 1. Approve and authorize staff to identify funding sources and refund the impact fees to Corvus International totaling \$117,203.
- 2. Do not approve a refund of impact fees

**Recommendation:** Alternative #1

**Budget Impact:** The impact fee reserve account will be reduced by approximately \$40,000 and will fund a portion of the refund. The Remaining \$77,000 will have to be identified by way of reducing the funding for an existing CIP project that has not yet been spent.

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Letter addressed to Michele S. Hall, City Attorney, attached regarding Bel Mare Pre-paid fees from Timothy Vining, Riviera Dunes Development Partners LLC.



April 24, 2008

Ms. Michele S. Hail City Attorney City of Palmetto 600 17<sup>th</sup> Street West Palmetto, Florida 34221

RE: Bei Mare Pre-Paid Fees

As to the fees paid to the City of Palmetto regarding the permitting of the third building at Bel Mare which has not been constructed and for which the building permits have expired, I acknowledge that all the prepaid impact fees will be returned and that at this time I am not entitled to a refund of any of the non-impact fees paid to the Building Department.

Kindest Regards,

RIVIERA DUNES DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS, LLC

C. Timothy Vining Principal