

**A RESOLUTION BY THE FORT MILL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
RECOMMENDING THE ADOPTION OF REVISED SCHOOL IMPACT FEES BY THE
YORK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION AND YORK COUNTY COUNCIL TO BE
IMPOSED ON NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.**

WHEREAS, the County is authorized to establish and impose impact fees on new development to finance public facilities necessitated by development in accordance with State law Title 6, Article 9, 6-1-910; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Mill School District has completed a study on the imposition of new school impact fees that meets the requirements of the current South Carolina Development Impact Fee Act adopted by the state in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Mill School District has experienced and is projecting a continued significant increase in new public school students as a direct result of new residential development, which has increased the total student population from 5,929 students in 2002 to the current 15,154 students in 2018 that has expedited the need for new school facilities; and

WHEREAS, the projected increase in new public school students has necessitated the Fort Mill School District to pass previous bond referendums in the amounts of \$62.55 million in 2004, \$87.25 million and \$8.7 million in 2008, \$54.3 million in 2013, \$226 million in 2015, and the most current \$190 million 2018 bond referendum which will construct a minimum of two new elementary schools and one new middle school with a required increase of 14 mils to the current millage rate bringing the total rate to 129 mils; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Mill School District Board of Trustees has traditionally used the funds collected from impact fees to lower millage rates whenever possible to reduce the burden on the current tax base; and

WHEREAS, as of Fall 2017, 10,705 new residential properties have been approved for construction in the district that under the projected impact fees provided in the study would offer taxpayers a reduction between 21% to 54 % on their current debt service tax assessments; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Mill School District Board of Trustees has determined that impact fees are appropriate for offsetting new residential development's impact on new school capacity while offering tax relief to our current commercial and residential taxpayers;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fort Mill School Board of Trustees accepts and supports the findings of the impact fee study.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fort Mill School Board of Trustees requests the York County Council, based on the data provided in the impact fee study, adopt the recommended impact fee calculated in the report to be collected by the Fort Mill School District on all new residential development, effective immediately upon approval by the County Council.

Adopted this 9th day of April 2018.

FORT MILL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By:  _____
Kristy Spears, Chair