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TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEES WILL DECREASE IN 2009

On November 10, 2008, the Bellingham City Council approved a Resolution to establish the 2009 TIF at **\$1,695** per p.m. peak vehicle trip, effective January 1, 2009, which is a 9.6% decrease from the 2008 TIF base fee of \$1,875 per p.m. peak vehicle trip.

Transportation Impact Fees (TIFs) are charged to recover the costs of providing new transportation infrastructure to serve development in Bellingham. The 9.6% decrease can primarily be attributed to the significant decrease in permit activity due to the slowing of the local economy, the significant decrease in the Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) revenue generated from development and real estate activity, and the subsequent funding cuts, totaling over \$10 million, that have been made to local transportation infrastructure funding in the 2009-2014 TIP.

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