COUNTY DEPARTMENT AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	Commissioners	Presenter(s):	Commissioner Horgan
Meeting Date:	Wednesday, February 3, 2010	Type of Request:	New Business

Wording for the Agenda:

Discussion of developing an alternate fee schedule for building permits for structures that do not require a full range of inspections.

Background/History/Details:

Fees for building permits are calculated by the square footage of a structure. These "user fees" are intended to cover the bulk of the cost for the many inspections performed by the county's Permits and Inspections Department staff. A typical residential structure under construction requires many, many inspections and non-residential structures require even more. However, there is a group of structures, such as greenhouses, pole barns, tool sheds, etc. that require very few inspections and far less plan review, etc. from the county.

There has been a request that the county consider establishing a separate fee schedule for permits for these structures that require less man hours from the county during their permitting and construction period.

If the Board concurs, staff will need direction to evaluate and prepare a recommended alternate fee schedule for the Board's consideration and/or adoption at a later meeting.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Staff needs direction on whether or not to prepare a recommendation for the Board's consideration.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

Has this issue come before the Commissioners in the past?		If so, when?	
Do you need audio-visual for the presentation?		Back-up Material Submitted?	

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Approved by Purchasing	Not Applicable	Approved by County Clerk	Yes
Administrator's Approval	Yes		

Staff Notes: