

**Indian River County  
Inter-Office Memorandum  
Office of Management and Budget**

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TO: Members of the Board  
of County Commissioners

FROM: Kristin Daniels  
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DATE: December 4, 2020

SUBJECT: **Interest Rate Change on All County Financing  
(Petition Paving, Utility Assessment Projects,  
Utility Impact Fees, etc.)**

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**DESCRIPTIONS AND CONDITIONS**

Each year the Board of County Commissioners adjusts the fixed interest rates charged by the County for financing utility assessments, utility impact fees, petition paving assessments and any other financing. County policy has been to set this rate equivalent to the prime interest rate as published in the Wall Street Journal and other financial news outlets.

The prime interest rate listed on Bloomberg on December 4, 2020 is 3.25%. Staff recommends decreasing the current interest rate of 4.75% charged by the County, down to 3.25%. The only exception to this interest rate would be for projects directly affiliated with a bond issue for which the bond covenants dictate a different interest rate.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve the fixed interest rate of 3.25%. Staff further recommends that this rate remain in effect for calendar year 2021 for all County financing with the exception of projects directly affiliated with a bond issue for which the bond covenants dictate a different interest rate.

**ATTACHMENT**

County Financing Interest Rate History