

# EDC in quagmire over development fees

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El Dorado Hills property owners who paid the Public Safety Development Impact Fee will have to wait a bit longer for promised refunds.

At Tuesday's El Dorado County Board of Supervisors meeting Chief Administrative Officer Don Ashton and County Counsel Mike Ciccozzi told the board refunds will be delayed as the county recently received a claim for payment from an attorney who's representing an El Dorado Hills couple that sued the county and several special districts, alleging that the entities were in violation of the California Mitigation Fee Act.

Ashton and Ciccozzi said they need time to evaluate the claim before making further recommendations.

El Dorado County Auditor Joe Harn said, "We wouldn't have to pay any attorney's fee if we had just followed the law."

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