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Supreme Court rules Summerville can spend impact fees

CHARLESTON, S.C. The state Supreme Court says Summerville can spend millions of dollars in building impact fees on town projects.

The case was monitored by other towns considering collecting similar fees and by builders who might be affected.

Summerville Town Administrator Dennis Pieper says the court's ruling means the town can move ahead with plans to build a new fire station.

Summerville has collected more than four (m) million dollars in impact fees since March 2003, spending some of the money on parks and fire trucks.

Charleston Trident Home Builders Association sued the town of Summerville three years ago, arguing the town had --not-- shown the fees would only be used on projects allowed by law.

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