

*****Scam Alert: Protect Yourself/Don't** **Be a Victim!*****

The Washington County Planning Department urges you to be vigilant and to be skeptical of any unsolicited contacts, including calls, emails, or messages, from unknown sources that appear as official business from the department. This is recommended practice, especially for payment requests.

If you receive a request for payment, or if you are in doubt regarding correspondence you have received, please call Washington County Planning Department staff **immediately** at (850) 415-5093.

The Planning Department will never ask for bank account information or for wire transfers as payment of fees. The Department's policy is to accept card payments, cash, and checks with customer permission. Customers are issued a receipt of payment for every transaction.

Also, please note that the Planning Department **does not have a departmental email address.** Email addresses for County staff end in "**washingtonfl.com.**" Contact Dawn McDonald, Senior Planner, dmcdonald@washingtonfl.com, for more information.