

City of Newark

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Legislation Text

File #: 14-0226, Version: 1

Dept/ Agency: Finance

Action: () Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending

Type of Service: Accepting credit card, debit card and electronic payments via internet and

telephone

Purpose: To be able to accept credit card, debit card and electronic payments on the internet and

over the telephone for the payment of property taxes, utilities and other fees.

Amount to be Financed: Project Information:

(Description/ Project No./Amount Appropriated/Ordinance No.)

Additional Information:

Invitation: Finance Director, May 6, 2014

WHEREAS, the Government Electronic Payment Acceptance Act (P.L. 1955, c.325) ("Act") authorizes a municipality to establish an electronic fund transfer system upon passage of a resolution by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services has promulgated regulations, N.J.A.C. 5:30-9.1 et. seq. authorizing municipalities to accept credit card, debit card and or electronic payments in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Code; and

WHEREAS, the Acting Director of Finance/Chief Financial Officer has recommended to the Municipal Council the adoption of a Resolution establishing electronic receipts for payment over the internet and via telephone for the payment of property taxes, utilities and other fees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark is in need of being able to accept payments via internet and telephone; and

WHEREAS, payment of property taxes, utilities and other fees by way of credit card, debit card and electronic payment via internet and telephone will create a greater convenience for the City of Newark taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C 5:30-9.4 contracts for acquisition of electronic receipt equipment and services shall be subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

1. The Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Acting Director of Finance/ Chief Financial Officer to accept credit card, debit card and electronic payments for the payment of property taxes, utilities and other fees.

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2. That the use of credit cards, debit cards and electronic payments is subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:30-9.1 et seq. and the Local Public Finance Notice No.CFO-97-2.

STATEMENT

This resolution authorizes the City of Newark to accept credit card, debit card and electronic payments via internet and telephone for payment of property taxes, utilities and other fees.