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ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AN ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION PROCESSING AGREEMENT WITH OFFICIAL PAYMENTS CORPORATION TO ALLOW CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS FOR MUNICIPAL TAXES AND WATER AND SEWER CHARGES AND TO FURTHER ESTABLISH FEES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-07

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Island Heights, County of Ocean, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of the within Ordinance is to establish an agreement with Official Payments Corporation which will allow taxpayers and water and sewer utility customers to pay by means of a credit card or electronic check and to further establish credit/debit card and electronic check fee schedule in connection therewith.

Section 2. The within Ordinance authorizes the Mayor and Borough Clerk to execute an Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A with Official Payments Corporation for electronic transaction processing services.

Section 3. The term of the within Agreement shall be two (2) years with certain renewal and termination options as set forth therein.

Section 4. The following are convenience fees to be charged to the taxpayers and utility users by Official Payments Corporation:

\$2.95 per each Payment Transaction for Property Tax Payments per each Payment Transaction less than or equal to \$10,000.00

\$2.95 per each Payment Transaction for Borough Utilities Payments per each Payment Transaction less than or equal to \$10,000.00

\$15.00 per each Payment Transaction greater than \$10,000.00.

There shall be a Returned Transaction fee for each Returned Transaction in the amount of \$4.00

Section 5. The following credit/debit card convenience fees shall apply to taxpayers or utility customers as follows:

For Property Tax Payments Citizens will pay OPC a convenience fee of 2.75% of the Agency Payment amount, with a minimum convenience fee of \$3.95

For City Utilities Payments Citizens will pay OPC a fee of 2.75% per Payment Transaction with a minimum convenience fee of \$2.95. This program will not allow for the use of Visa for payments.

Section 6. The within Agreement is being authorized in accordance with the provisions of New Jersey Administrative Code Sections 5:30-9.1, et seq.

Section 7. This Ordinance repeals any inconsistent ordinance or ordinances or part or parts thereof.

Section 8. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and publication as required by law.

Section 9. Upon final adoption the Clerk is authorized to forward a duly authenticated copy of the within Ordinance to the Borough CFO, the Tax Collector and Official Payments Corporation.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at the regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Island Heights, in the County of Ocean, held on the 24th day of May, 2011 and will be considered for second reading and final passage at a regular meeting of said governing body to be held on the 14th day of June, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Island Heights Municipal Building, East End & Van Sant Avenues, Island Heights New Jersey at which time and place any person desiring to be heard upon the same will be given an opportunity to be so heard.


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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the foregoing ordinance was duly introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the governing body of the Borough of Island Heights, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey on May 24th, 2011. **FURTHER NOTICE** is hereby given that said ordinance was considered for final passage and adopted after a public hearing thereon, at a regular meeting of said governing body held at the Island Heights Municipal Building, East End & Van Sant Avenues, Island Heights, New Jersey on June 14th, 2011.


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