

**Ordinance~ An Ordinance Of The City Of Bay City, Texas Amending Appendix “B” To Include A “Credit Processing Fee”, To The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Bay City, Texas; And Providing For The Effective Date Thereof.**



## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **BACKGROUND:**

The use of credit cards is a convenient and increasingly popular method of payment for utility bills, permits, rentals and other payments to the City. Acceptance of credit cards is one of the many payment methods offered as a service to citizens and as a way to accelerate collections of amounts owed. Historically, the City has not passed through any credit card fees charged to us by the merchant to our customers. However, the cost of covering these fees has increased, becoming too much to absorb. Therefore, to continue providing effective services to the public, and in lieu of requesting an increased appropriation in budget, staff recommends implementing a fee assigning the cost of City services directly to the individual receiving them.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends City Council approve the Ordinance.

**ATTACHMENTS:** Ordinance