

ORDINANCE NO. 2084

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 34, ARTICLE I OF THE NORTHPORT MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO CREDIT CARDS AND RETURN CHECK FEES

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Code of Ala. 1975, §11-103-1, a City may accept credit card payments for charges for municipal services including but not limited to permitting fees, taxes, licenses, utilities, penalties, and fines; and

WHEREAS, the City currently incurs credit card convenience fees for some of the above-mentioned municipal services; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to impose the convenience fee to persons paying by credit card in the amount not greater than the total transaction fees charged by the credit card issuers or processors for transactions; and

WHEREAS, the convenience fee shall apply to all payments made by credit card to the City of Northport.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHPORT, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:


1. Section 34-1 Acceptance of Credit Cards and Convenience Fees , is hereby added to Chapter 34, Article I in the Northport Municipal Code, as set forth in Exhibit "A" which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as if fully set out verbatim.
2. Section 34-2 Fee for returned checks is hereby added to Chapter 34, Article I in the Northport Municipal Code, as set forth in Exhibit "A" which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as if fully set out verbatim.
3. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage and publication.

ORDAINED this the 2nd day of August, 2021.


**CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF NORTHPORT**

BY: 
Jeff Hogg, Its President

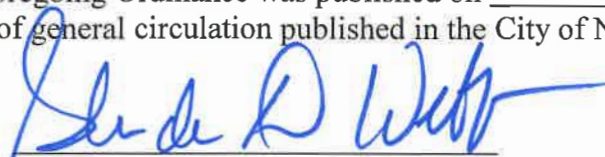
ATTEST:


Glenda D. Webb, City Administrator

APPROVED this the 2nd day of August, 2021.


Bobby Herndon, Mayor

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing Ordinance was published on August 11, 2021, in the Northport Gazette, a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of Northport.


Glenda D. Webb, City Administrator

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EXHIBIT “A”

Section 34-1 Acceptance of Credit Cards and Convenience Fees

Pursuant to Code of Ala. 1975, §11-103-1 the city shall accept credit card payments for charges for municipal services including, but not limited to permitting fees, taxes, licenses, utilities, penalties, and fines.

The City hereby imposes the assessment of a surcharge or convenience fee for persons paying by credit card in the total amounts not greater than the total transaction fees charged by the credit card issuers or processors to the City.

The assessment of a surcharge or convenience fee shall apply to all payments made by credit card to the City and any department in the City.

Sec. 34-2. Fee for returned checks.

Whenever a check or other negotiable instrument payable to the city is refused payment by the drawee for insufficient funds or any other reason, a fee of thirty dollars (\$30.00) shall be assessed against the maker or drawer of said check or negotiable instrument, and such fee shall be due in addition to the face amount of said check or negotiable instrument plus other amounts owed to the city.