

RESOLUTION 10-7

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCCALL, IDAHO, ADOPTING A UTILITY PAYMENT CONVENIENCE FEE; PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS; AND, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, at the November 19, 2009 City Council meeting, the City Treasurer presented to Council quotes from three companies that provide the following services: Utility Statement Processing, E-Statement Presentment, and Online Bill Pay. Staff provided estimated costs based on the quotes from the three providers, including setup fees, and the number of statements processed during the last utility billing cycle; and

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2009, Council directed staff to move forward to contract with Billing Document Specialists to provide Utility statement processing, E-statement presentment, and online bill pay; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2009 the Council of the City of McCall approved a contract for services with Billing Document Specialists; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for Billing Document Specialist to charge a fee for providing the convenience of using a credit card to pay a utility bill; and;

WHEREAS, there are other ways for customers to pay their utility bills without the use of a credit card and therefore without a convenience fee; and

WHEREAS, according to Idaho Code 63-1311A a public hearing is necessary when the fee increase is in excess of five percent (5%); and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was properly noticed in the Star News for two consecutive weeks, January 14, 2010 and January 21, 2010; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on January 28, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is of the opinion that it is in the best interest of the utility customers to have the opportunity to use a credit card when paying their utility bill; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is of the opinion that those individuals choosing to use a debit card or credit card should pay the fee and the fee not be paid by those choosing an alternate payment method.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCCALL, Valley County, Idaho that:

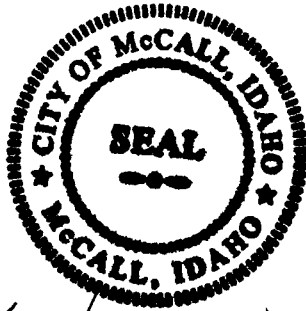
Section 1: The following new fee is hereby adopted as the fee for Utility Payment Convenience when choosing to use a debit card or credit card:

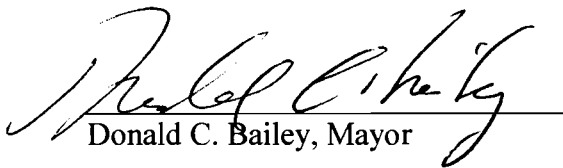
4% of the transaction amount

Section 2: Effective Date: The above fee is effective immediately upon adoption and shall remain in effect until further action by the City Council


Passed and approved this 28 day of January 2010.

CITY OF MCCALL  
Valley County, Idaho



  
Donald C. Bailey, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Bessie Jo Wagner, City Clerk