

**CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA
RESOLUTION 2016-96**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A TRANSACTION SURCHARGE FEE FOR USE OF A DEBIT AND/OR CREDIT CARD FOR PAYMENTS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS AND SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes 215.322 was created to permit local governments to impose a surcharge on credit/debit card transactions to pay the service fee charges imposed when a person uses a credit card, or debit card for the payment of taxes, fees, fines, penalties, court-ordered payments, court costs or other statutorily prescribed revenues; and

WHEREAS, City Council has determined that the use of a credit / debit card is more convenient to the public and a convenience fee added to the amount charged helps reduce the cost to the government for using the card; and

WHEREAS, City Council finds it necessary and desirable to adopt a resolution setting forth the requirements, procedures and standards under which a convenience fee will be imposed for credit and debit card use.

WHEREAS, in order to help defray the costs incurred by the City by authorizing payment by credit card or bank debit card, and pursuant to Section 215.322(5), Florida Statutes, the City Council desires to establish a convenience fee for credit card and debit card transactions to be charged to applicants paying for building permit fees by approved credit cards or bank debit cards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct incorporated herein.

Section 2. On all buildings, structures, or alterations requiring a permit for building, roofing, mechanical, swimming pools, signs, low-voltage electrical or features of fire protection, the following convenience fee is adopted by the City:

As authorized by Section 215.322(5), Florida Statutes, a convenience fee for transactions for applications paying by approved credit cards or bank debit cards shall be charged in an amount of two and fifteen hundredths percent (2.15%) of the building permit fees and other related changes being paid.


The convenience fee must be disclosed prior to the completion of the transaction, for the cardholder to decide whether to cancel the transaction or pay by other method.

In the event of a refund or reconciliation of payment made by the cardholder, the convenience fee is not included in any refund.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately, with implementation upon software program updates to enable processing of convenience fees.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THIS 25th DAY OF OCTOBER 2016.

THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA



Mark Senmartin, Mayor

AYES: Zieg, Bartus, Coldiron, Kelly, Senmartin
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

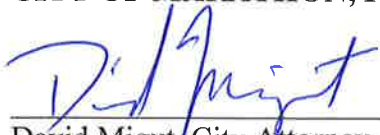
ATTEST:



Diane Clavier, City Clerk

(City Seal)

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA ONLY:



David Migut, City Attorney