

## CITY OF WASILLA

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## COUNCIL MEMORANDUM NO. 94-07

FROM:

Finance Director

DATE:

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SUBJECT: Credit Card Acceptance

Several customers have asked that we establish the ability to accept credit and debit cards for the purpose of paying bills due the city. While we cannot accept debit cards at the present time, we can let people pay their utility and other bills with a credit card.

The administration recommends that council should consider allowing people to pay for most of their transaction with the city with a credit card including, but not limited to:

Utility bills Utility Connection Fees Business Licenses Assessments Driveway Permits Taxi Cab Permits Animal Licenses City Hall Rental Cemetery Plots Foreclosure Cost

and other miscellaneous fees

Sales tax is specifically excluded because it is tax money held in trust by the businesses and should not be subject to the 2.15% transaction fee.

The 2.15% transaction fee should be set up as a General Fund expense in the Finance Budget to account for all transaction fees and terminal rentals. Annual terminal rental would be \$240.00. Annual transaction fees would vary depending on usage. costs are estimated at \$300.00-\$500.00.

Staff respectfully ask council direction in establishing a credit card payment system.