

RESOLUTION NO. 21-37

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARICOPA, ARIZONA, APPROVING AN INCREASE TO THE CREDIT CARD SURCHARGE TO AN AMOUNT BETWEEN 3.25% AND 5.0% OF THE TOTAL TRANSACTION AMOUNT DEPENDENT UPON THE CITY MANAGER'S ANNUAL EVALUATION OF ACTUAL COSTS INCURRED BY THE CITY RELATED TO ACCEPTING CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS.

WHEREAS, the City of Maricopa ("City") collects payments from its customers for various City fees, permits, and services; and

WHEREAS, the average cost to the City of accepting credit card payments for fees, permits, and services far exceeds the costs of accepting other non-cash payments; and

WHEREAS, the acceptance of credit card transactions presents potential liability to the City; and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2015, City Council adopted Resolution 15-27 approving a credit card surcharge of 2.75% of the total transaction amount; and

WHEREAS, the costs of accepting credit card payments have increased and the City wishes to recoup such costs by increasing the credit card surcharge to an amount between 3.25% and 5.0% of the total transaction amount; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to A.R.S. §9-499.15, the City has provided written notice of the proposed charges on the home page of its website for at least sixty (60) days before the fees are considered by City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, that the credit card surcharge for credit card payments made to the City shall be increased to an amount between 3.25% and 5.0% of the total transaction amount dependent upon the City Manager's annual evaluation of actual costs incurred by the City related to accepting credit card payments.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, on this 17th day of August 2021.

APPROVED:

Christian Price
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Vanessa Bueras, MMC
City Clerk

Denis Fitzgibbons
City Attorney