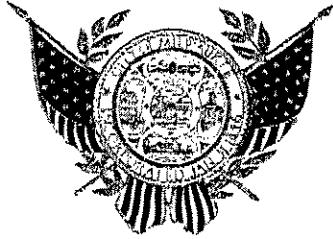


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Ald. Michael J. Murphy, Chair
Committee on Finance and Personnel
Milwaukee Common Council
City Hall, Room 205

Dear Ald. Murphy:

This letter is meant to serve as the written notice required by the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, Section 50-41, of this department's intent to provide City of Milwaukee taxpayers with the additional option of paying their property taxes in full via the Internet by either VISA™ or MasterCard™ credit cards during the current tax collection period of mid-December through January 31st. Currently, taxpayers may choose to pay their property taxes in full via the Internet only by ACH debit to their checking or savings accounts.

The VISA™ or MasterCard™ credit card payment options would constitute an alternative payment channel to be offered in addition to the current US Bank Internet E-Payment application in use for the property tax ACH debits. A convenience fee of 2.5% would be assessed on each transaction and added to the tax payment charged by the taxpayer. This fee is subject to a semi-annual review and may be adjusted based on transaction volume. The City would not incur any transaction fees or any additional monthly maintenance charges for the credit card payment channel. ITMD would incur some set up costs to modify the existing City Web Site to add the credit card payment channel and format the bank's credit card transaction file to post the tax payments made to the tax collection system.

No credit card payments would be accepted in the office or by mail. Only the Internet payment channel would accept VISA™ or MasterCard™ credit card payments in full of the property taxes due.

At no time would any taxpayer's credit card information be stored on any City database.

Working with US Bank and ITMD, it is hoped the additional credit card payment options could be in place by December 1st for the 2007 tax levy.

Sincerely,

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