

CITY OF CENTRAL

BY COUNCILMEMBER MOAK

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-53

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A TWO-YEAR CONTRACT WITH VPS FOR PAYMENT PROCESSING AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, the City of Central’s services provider, Institute for Building Technology and Safety (“IBTS”), intends to change the permitting software from FIT to GovMotus;

WHEREAS, GovMotus uses Value Payment Systems (“VPS”) for payment processing;

WHEREAS, Value Payment System has proposed to assess payors flat fees for electronic checks and some percentages for debit and charge cards which are less than the 4% convenience fee currently authorized; and

WHEREAS, VPS accepts additional types of credit and debit cards and Apple Pay.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Central, State of Louisiana, as follows:

Section 1. Mayor Barrow is hereby authorized to execute a two-year contract with the third party solution VPS for processing local charges for the City of Central and authorizing VPS to assess a fee for processing local charges to be paid by the payor to VPS. VPS shall not asses processing fees exceeding the following:

Visa, MasterCard and Discover – personal debit cards	1.00%
Visa, MasterCard, Discover and AmEx and Apple Pay – personal credit cards	2.50%
Business & International cards	3.00%
Electronic Checks	\$1.95
Minimum Convenience Fee	\$1.95

Section 2. Conflicts

The specific terms and conditions of this Ordinance shall prevail against prior ordinances of the City to the extent there is any conflict.

Section 3. Severability

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision of this Ordinance is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or parts thereof, other than the part declared invalid. The remainder of

the Ordinance shall not be affected by the declaration of invalidity and shall remain in force and effect.

Section 4. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall be effective upon publication.
Introduced before the Council on November 26, 2019.


This Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

For: Evans, Freneaux, McKinney, Moak, Myer, Wells
Against: None
Absent: Roy

Adopted this 10th day of December, 2019.


Signed this 13th day of December, 2019.

Delivered to Mayor on the 16th day of December, 2019:



Mark Miley, City Clerk

Approved:



David R. Barrow, Mayor

Received from Mayor on the 16th day of December, 2019:



Mark Miley, City Clerk

Adopted Ordinance published in The Advocate on the 25th day of December, 2019.