



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

**TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR AUTHORITY AND DUTY
RELATED TO THE APPROVAL OF ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PAYMENT
FOR OBLIGATIONS OWING TO THE COUNTY
(ALL DISTRICTS – 3 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve the accompanying ordinance amending Title 2 – Administration, by amending Chapter 2.52 – Treasurer and Tax Collector of the County Code to clarify the Treasurer and Tax Collector's authority and duty related to the approval of acceptable forms of payment for obligations owing to the County.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDATION

Your Board's approval of the accompanying ordinance will update Title 2 of the County Code which reflects the Treasurer and Tax Collector's authority and duty to determine and approve all acceptable media of payment for any obligation owing to the County. This amendment is needed to clarify the language in the County Code to include all media now available for the payment of obligations owed to the County, including payments through electronic commerce, due to technological advances in the banking and finance industry.

Implementation of Strategic Plan

Approval of the accompanying ordinance will further the County Strategic Plan, Fiscal Responsibility, by ensuring the language in the County Code is updated in line with new technology to clearly and accurately reflect the Treasurer and Tax Collector's authority and duty to revise and update cash management and collection procedures used throughout the County. Technological advances in the banking and finance industry has, and is anticipated to continue to, increase and create new payment/collection methods available for obligations owing to the County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no negative fiscal impact to the County. Approval of the ordinance amendment will ensure the continued use of appropriate payment media throughout the County of Los Angeles in line with technological advances in the banking and finance industry.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Treasurer and Tax Collector is responsible to work with County operating departments to revise and update their cash management and collections procedures and to ensure that all revenue due to the County is billed and collected in an appropriate and legal manner. This includes the monitoring of departmental cash management, billing and collection activities to assure compliance with cash management, billing and collection policy and all applicable laws and regulations. The recommended amendment to the ordinance will clarify the existing ordinance language to include all payment/collection media available, including those available due to recent and anticipated technological advances in the banking and finance industry.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the amended ordinance will result in updated and clarified language in the County Code that reflects the Treasurer and Tax Collector's authority and duty related to the approval of acceptable forms of payment for obligations owing to the County.

CONCLUSION

The accompanying ordinance has been provided by County Counsel.

Respectfully submitted,



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Treasurer and Tax Collector

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Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
County Counsel