

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-\_\_\_\_\_**

**CITY OF TONTITOWN, WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF TONTITOWN  
TO ASSESS CUSTOMERS CONVENIENCE FEES FOR ALL  
SERVICES PAID FOR BY CREDIT CARD, FOR OTHER  
PURPOSES AND DECLARAING AN EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tontitown utilizes the company SOFTtelPay for any services customers use for credit card payments, and may from time to time switch to other credit card vendors who will assess convenience fees, and is thereby assessed convenience fees for every payment; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that convenience fees should be passed along to the customer at the rate which is charged to the City of Tontitown for payment of all services by credit card.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED**, by the City Council of the City of Tontitown as follows:

**Section 1.** As of the effective date of this ordinance, the credit card convenience fees shall be assessed to the customer as follows:

<u>Payment Amount</u>	<u>Convenience Fee</u>
\$0-\$30.00	\$1.95
\$30.01-\$60.00	\$2.95
\$60.01-\$90.00	\$3.95
\$90.01-\$120.00	\$4.95
\$120.01-\$150.00	\$5.95
\$150.01-\$180.00	\$6.95
\$180.01-\$210.00	\$7.95
\$210.01 and above	4% of payment amount

**Section 2.** The city may charge the convenience fees usage to the customer as rates or credit vendors change. Said fees shall be posted inside the Tontitown City Hall for proper notification of convenience charges to customers.

**Section 3.** That all parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

**Section 4.** Should any portion of this Ordinance be deemed illegal and/or unconstitutional and/or held null and void, said findings and/or holdings shall not affect the other portions of this Ordinance and any portion of this Ordinance not so found shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 5.**     Declaration of Emergency. It is hereby found and determined that an emergency is declared to exist, and this act, being immediately necessary for the preservation and protection of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the City and its citizens, shall become effective on the date of its passage and approval by the Mayor. If the Ordinance is neither approved nor vetoed by the Mayor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the Mayor may veto this Ordinance. If the Ordinance is vetoed by the Mayor and the veto is overridden by the City Council, it shall become effective on the date the City Council overrides the veto.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

APPROVED:

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Paul Colvin, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rhonda Ardemagni, City Recorder-Treasurer