### CITY OF ST. GEORGE

## BY COUNCIL MEMBER EDMONDS:

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-009**

AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT CHAPTER 4 OF TITLE 1 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO PAYMENT FOR LOCAL CHARGES AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS the City of St. George desires to adopt an ordinance to provide for payments for local charges to the City of St. George.

BE IT ORDAINED by the St. George City Council, State of Louisiana, Chapter 4 of Title 1 is enacted as follows:

#### Section 1. Enactment

# Title 1. CITY ORGANIZATION Chapter 4. PAYMENTS FOR LOCAL CHARGES

# Sec. 401. Types of payments; receipts.

- (a) A payment for any license, permit or fee shall be made at the time of application. A written receipt shall be issued to every individual and entity who tenders payment of cash, check or certified funds to the City.
- (b) Payment of local charges may be made via online checks, bank drafts, ACH and credit cards approved by the Council for the payment of any local charge exceeding \$10. Acceptance of a payment shall not discharge the liability therefore, until final settlement or payment of the local charge is received. The local charge will be deemed paid on the date the payment device was initially received unless the payment is returned for insufficient funds. If any payment is returned for insufficient funds, any license or permit issued shall not be valid until final payment for all local charges and costs incurred for the returned payment is received.

### Sec. 403. Convenience fee.

The City of St. George hereby establishes a convenience fee to be assessed for payments of local charges made via payment devices of the greater of \$1 or 4% of the local charge per transaction.

### Sec. 405. Publication of authorized devices.

A list of authorized payment devices to be accepted for the payment of local charges shall be published on the City's website.

## Sec. 407. Procedures for payment devices.

The City's financial officer shall establish procedures and guidelines for the approval and operation of authorized payment devices.

## Section 2. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall be effective upon publication.

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

For:

Cook, Edmonds, Heck, Himmel, and Monachello

Against:

**NONE** 

Adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024.

Delivered to Mayor on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024:

Lorraine Beaman, City Clerk

Approved this 19th day of August, 2024.

Dustin Yates, Mayor

Received from Mayor on the August, 2024:

Lorraine Beaman, City Clerk

Adopted Ordinance published in *The Advocate* in the <u>30</u> day of Quagest, 2024.