BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK County of Somerset

ORDINANCE No. 2017-02

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER II, <u>ADMINISTRATION</u>, ARTICLE VIII, <u>ADMINISTRATIVE FEES</u>, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK, TO ADD THIRD PARTY PROCESSING FEES FOR PAYMENT OF TAXES, SEWER CHARGES, REFUSE CHARGES AND OTHER AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS BY ELECTRONIC CHECK AND CREDIT CARDS

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bound Brook, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter II, <u>Administration</u>, Article VIII, <u>Administrative Fees</u>, is hereby amended and supplemented to add a new Section 2-63 entitled "Third Party Payment Processing Fees," to read as follows [new text <u>underlined and marked in bold</u>]:

Section 2-63 THIRD PARTY PAYMENT PROCESSING FEES

2-63.1 Electronic Check and Credit Card Transactions

- a. Residents opting to pay taxes, sewer charges, refuse charges and other authorized payments due to the Borough, shall pay, in addition to the taxes, sewer charges, refuse charges or other authorized payments due to the Borough, third-party processing service fees within the following ranges:
- (1) Service fee for electronic check for payment of taxes: \$0.00 to \$3.00;
- (2) Service fee for electronic check for payment of sewer charges: \$0.00 to \$3.00;
- (3) Service fee for electronic check for payment of refuse charges: \$0.00 to \$3.00;
- (4) Service fee for electronic check for other municipal charges: \$0.00 to \$3.00; and
- (5) Service fee for credit card transactions: 2.75% to 4.50%.
- b. Specific service fees within the foregoing ranges, shall be established annually by resolution of the Borough Council, and amended from time to time, as necessary, to reflect the Borough's contractual costs with the Borough's third-party payment processor.
- c. The service fees established by resolution of the Borough Council shall be added to the tax, sewer, refuse and other authorized payments due.

SECTION 2. Severability Clause.

If any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance and they shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

SECTION 3. Repealer.

All other ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency. In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the Borough, the provisions hereof shall be determined to govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of the Ordinances of the Borough are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

SECTION 4. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect, following adoption and publication in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

ATTEST:

Donna Marie Godleski

Borough Clerk

Date of Introduction: January 27, 2017 Date of Adoption: February 14, 2017 BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK

Robert Fazen

Mayor

By: