



Administrative Services Committee Meeting Commission Chamber- 2/21/2011- 12:55 PM

### **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

1. Discuss immediate hiring freeze on all non-essential employee positions with commission approval being required for the employment of essential personnel. (Requested by Commissioner Lockett) ☐ [Attachments](#)
2. Approve Resolution to authorize the Tax Commissioner to accept various forms of payment for property taxes - O.C.G.A. 48-5-9.1. ☐ [Attachments](#)

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Hiring Freeze**

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**Department:** Clerk of Commission

**Caption:** Discuss immediate hiring freeze on all non-essential employee positions with commission approval being required for the employment of essential personnel. (Requested by Commissioner Lockett)

**Background:**

**Analysis:**

**Financial Impact:**

**Alternatives:**

**Recommendation:**

**Funds are Available in  
the Following  
Accounts:**

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:**

**Clerk of Commission**

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**Resolution to authorize the Tax Commissioner to receive various forms of payment for property taxes.**

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| <b>Department:</b>                                    | Tax Commissioner's Office                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Caption:</b>                                       | Approve Resolution to authorize the Tax Commissioner to accept various forms of payment for property taxes - O.C.G.A. 48-5-9.1.                                                                                   |
| <b>Background:</b>                                    | The Georgia General Assembly adopted O.C.G.A. 48-5-9.1 which became effective January 1, 2011 which allowed the governing authorities by resolution, to elect to receive ad valorem taxes in any form of payment. |
| <b>Analysis:</b>                                      | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Financial Impact:</b>                              | None                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Alternatives:</b>                                  | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Recommendation:</b>                                | Adopt resolution.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Funds are Available in the Following Accounts:</b> | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:**

**Finance.  
Law.  
Administrator.  
Clerk of Commission**

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**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TAX COMMISSIONER TO RECEIVE  
PERSONAL, COMPANY, CERTIFIED, TREASURER'S, AND CASHIER'S CHECKS;  
BANK, POSTAL, OR EXPRESS MONEY ORDERS; AND CREDIT CARDS IN  
PAYMENT OF AD VALOREM TAXES AND FEES**

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia General Assembly has adopted O.C.G.A. 48-5-9.1, which permits the governing authority of each county or municipality, by appropriate resolution or ordinance, to elect to receive in payment of ad valorem taxes any form of payment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Augusta-Richmond County Tax Commissioner and the Augusta Richmond County Commission desire to provide the Tax Commissioner with authority to accept personal, company, certified, treasurer's, and cashier's checks; bank, postal, and express money orders; and credit cards in payment of ad valorem taxes and fees; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Commissioners do hereby authorize the Augusta Richmond County Tax Commissioner, pursuant to O.C.G.A. 48-5-9.1 and any other applicable state or local law, to accept personal, company, certified, treasurer's and cashier's checks; bank, postal, and express money orders; and credit cards in payment of ad valorem taxes and fees.

This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

**Duly adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.**

**AUGUSTA-RICHMOND COUNTY, GEORGIA**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
David S. Copenhaver  
As its Mayor

**ATTEST**

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Lena J. Bonner  
Clerk of Commission

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*O.C.G.A. § 48-5-9.1*

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TITLE 48. REVENUE AND TAXATION  
CHAPTER 5. AD VALOREM TAXATION OF PROPERTY  
ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

O.C.G.A. § 48-5-9.1 (2011)

§ 48-5-9.1. (Effective January 1, 2011) Forms of payment

The governing authority of each county or municipality may by appropriate resolution or ordinance elect to receive in payment of ad valorem taxes any form of payment.

**HISTORY:** Code 1981, § 48-5-9.1, enacted by Ga. L. 2010, p. 1104, § 9-2/SB 346.

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