

3. Approval to Amended and Restate Pay Connexion Services Terms between Tarrant County and JPMorgan Chase Bank for Credit Card Services for the Tarrant County Tax Assessor- Collector Office



COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER _____

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DATE: 07/16/2024

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL TO AMENDED AND RESTATE PAY CONNEXION SERVICES TERMS BETWEEN TARRANT COUNTY AND JPMORGAN CHASE BANK FOR CREDIT CARD SERVICES FOR THE TARRANT COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR- COLLECTOR OFFICE**

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the Amended and Restated Pay Connexion Services Terms between Tarrant County and JPMorgan Chase Bank for credit card services for the Tarrant County Tax Assessor-Collector Office.

BACKGROUND

JPMorgan Chase Bank provides credit card services to the Tarrant County Tax Assessor-Collector Office to be able to accept payments via Web and telephone for property tax payments, motor vehicle payments, Vehicle Inventory Tax (VIT), and liquor, beer and wine tax.

On November 8, 2016, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #123944, approved the Amended and Restated Pay Connexion Services Terms with JPMorgan Chase Bank. The service term became effective on the start date and continued for one (1) year and may be renewed for two (2) successive one (1) year terms.

On October 15, 2019, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #131365, approved the Second Amendment to incorporate reductions to the credit card fees set forth in Exhibit B (fee schedule) of the service terms.

On October 29, 2019, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #131487, approved the Third Amendment to replace Section 8.1 of the Service Terms section.

With approval, the current Amended and Restated Pay Connexion Services Terms will be extended through July 12, 2024, to prevent any possible interruptions of payment services during the Half-Pay collection period ending on July 1, 2024. This step was proactively initiated due to technical issues that can arise during the transition of POS credit and debit card services. JPMorgan Chase Bank supports the extension of this agreement to assist the approximately 44,000 accounts currently utilizing the Half-Pay option for payment of ad valorem. Such web-based application portion of this service will be terminated effective July 15, 2024.

The Criminal District Attorney's Office has approved this Agreement as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

SUBMITTED BY:	Tax Office	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Krystal Oropeza
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J.P.Morgan

J. Michael Wilson
Managing Director
Commercial Bank

June 14, 2024

Tarrant County, Texas
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Attn: Jerry Cantu, Chief of Staff
Office of Wendy Burgess, Tarrant County Tax Assessor-Collector

Re: Renewal of Pay Connexion Service Terms

Dear Jerry:

With respect to the Amended and Restated Pay Connexion Service Terms between JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A. (the "**Bank**") and Tarrant County, Texas (the "**Customer**") dated November 8, 2016 as it may be amended from time to time (the "**Service Terms**"), the Bank and the Customer hereby mutually agree with respect to the service:

- To renew the web-based application portion of the service through July 12, 2024 and to terminate such web-based application portion of the service effective July 15, 2024.

Please countersign this letter to acknowledge this agreement.

Sincerely,

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.
(Bank)

By:

Name: J. Michael Wilson

Title: Managing Director

Accepted and agreed:

Tarrant County, Texas
(Customer)

By: _____
Name: Tim O'Hare
Title: County Judge
Date: _____

By: 
Name: Wendy Burgess
Title: Tax Assessor-Collector
Date: June 17, 2024

By: 
Name: Katherine E. Owens
Title: Assistant District Attorney *
Date: June 26, 2024

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