IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$350,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2021 CARES Act Fund to enable the County to assume responsibility for e-check and transaction fees to encourage Jackson County taxpayers to pay real estate and personal property taxes online in connection with the fight against the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.

ORDINANCE NO. 5577, November 29, 2021

INTRODUCED BY Charlie Franklin, County Legislator

WHEREAS, U.S. President Joseph R. Biden, Missouri Governor Mike Parson, and County Executive Frank White, Jr., have all declared, in one form or another, the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic to be a public health emergency; and,

WHEREAS, the County, through its various efforts, plays a significant role in the public health of its citizens and employees; and,

WHEREAS, an appropriate response by the County to this emergency will require significant expenditures from the County CARES Act Fund, which consists of monies provided by the U.S. Treasury for this purpose; and,

WHEREAS, the funding provided by this appropriation will allow the Collection Department to assume responsibility for payment of e-check and transaction fees associated with Pay-It, the current County vendor used to handle online payment of real estate and personal property taxes; and,

WHEREAS, by the County's assumption of these fees, taxpayers will be encouraged to make their property tax payments online to reduce crowds and long lines in the courthouses; and,

WHEREAS, using taxpayers will remain responsible for payment of any percentage based credit card fees; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the following appropriation be and hereby is made:

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION	CHARACTER/DESCRIPTION	FROM	<u>TO</u>
CARES Act Fund			
040-9999	32810-		
	Undesignated Fund Balance	\$350,000	
Collections			
040-1403	56770-		
	Administrative Services Fee		\$350,000

Effective Date: This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its signature by the County Executive.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
Chief Deputy County Counselor	Byan O. County Counselor		
I hereby certify that the attached ordin November 29, 2021, was duly passed on County Legislature. The votes thereon were as			
Yeas9	Nays		
Abstaining	Absent		
This Ordinance is hereby transmitted to the County Executive for his signature.			
12/6/2021 Date	Mary la Spina Clayl of Lagislatura		
I hereby approve the attached Ordinance No.	Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature		
12 (C) 2021 Date	Frank White, Jr., County Executive		
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Funds sufficient for this appropriation are available from the source indicated below.

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

040 9999 32810

ACCOUNT TITLE:

CARES Act Fund

Undesignated Fund Balance

NOT TO EXCEED:

\$350,000.00

Date

Chief Administrative Officer