



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-2511, **Agenda Item #:** 4.

7/30/2020

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 4-12 (Registration of Credit Access Businesses) to require credit services organizations to comply with City Code Chapter 4-12, creating an offense and penalty, and amending the 2019-2020 Fee Schedule in Ordinance No. 20190910-002 to add an application fee.

Lead Department

Telecommunications and Regulatory Affairs.

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact

Prior Council Action:

April 9, 2020- Council passed a resolution directing staff to return with this ordinance.

For More Information :

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

Adopted Ordinance No. 20110818-075 in August 2011. Amended Ordinance No. 20151217-073 in December of 2015. On May 18, 2020, the Human Rights Commission recommended that Council approve the ordinance.

Additional Backup Information:

City Council passed Resolution No. 20200409-033 on April 9, 2020, directing staff to assess and update the City's consumer protection ordinances and rules to ensure continued efficacy in light of Texas Attorney General Opinion KP-0277.

If approved, the proposed ordinance will require credit service organizations to comply with Chapter 4-12. This change will address Attorney General Opinion KP-0277. The ordinance also makes clarifying changes to Chapter 4-12 and amends the 2019-2020 Fee Schedule in Ordinance No. 20190910-002 to add an application fee.

Staff recommends that Council approve the proposed ordinance amendments.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.