CHECK ACCEPTANCE POLICY

The City generally accepts payment by cash, check and credit card. The requirements below outline checks that are acceptable, and those that not, as part of the City's administrative policies.

In general, personal checks are acceptable as payment for services. For a personal check to be acceptable, the following information is required:

- The check issuer's name and street address must be pre-printed on the check (P.O. Boxes are not acceptable)
- The Cashier must confirm the issuer's identification and address via photo ID (DL, DMV ID Card, Military ID Care or Valid U.S. Passport), and the ID number of the account holder must be written on check
- The issuer's phone number must be written on the front of the check
- The amounts spelled out and provided as numbers on the check must agree
- The check must be from a California Bank (no personal checks from out of state banks)
- The current date must be on the check (post-dated checks and **NOT** accepted)
- The Cashier accepting the check must write their initials on the check

The City does <u>not</u> accept:

- Two party checks
- Payroll checks
- Starter or Counter checks
- Credit card convenience checks
- Income Tax Refund Checks

WARNINGS

- Be sure you have adequate funds on deposit before you write a check. The City charges a fee of \$58.00 for returned checks.
- Passing a <u>bad check</u> is a crime and the City participates in the District Attorney's Bad Check Diversion Restitution Program.