CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 92-15(b)

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING THE EXAMINATION OF PREPAID MOBILE TELEPHONY SERVICES SURCHARGE AND LOCAL CHARGE RECORDS.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Utility Users Tax Ordinance Nos., 37-02 and 07-08 of the City of Richmond and the Local Prepaid Mobile Telephony Services Collection Act, the City of Richmond, hereinafter called Local Jurisdiction, entered into a contract with the State Board of Equalization, hereafter referred to as the Board, to perform all functions incident to the administration and collection of the prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charges (Rev. & Tax. Code, § 42101.5); and

WHEREAS, the Local Jurisdiction deems it desirable and necessary for authorized representatives of the Local Jurisdiction to examine confidential prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charge records pertaining to the prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charges collected by the Board for the Local Jurisdiction pursuant to that contract; and

WHEREAS, the Board will make available to the Local Jurisdiction any information that is reasonably available to the Board regarding the proper collection and remittance of a local charge of the Local Jurisdiction by a seller, including a direct seller, subject to the confidentiality requirements of Sections 7284.6, 7284.7 and 19542 of the Revenue and Taxation Code; and

WHEREAS, Sections 42110 and 42103 of the Revenue and Taxation Code sets forth certain requirements and conditions for the disclosure of Board of Equalization records and establishes criminal penalties for the unlawful disclosure of information contained in or derived from the prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charge records of the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED AND ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the City Manager, Finance Director, Tax Administrator or other officer or employee of the Local Jurisdiction designated in writing by the City Manager, Finance Director, Tax Administrator to the Board is hereby appointed to represent the Local Jurisdiction with authority to examine prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charge records of the Board pertaining to prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charges collected for the Local Jurisdiction by the Board pursuant to the contract between the Local Jurisdiction and the Board. The information obtained by examination of Board records shall be used only for purposes related to the collection of the Local Jurisdiction’s prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charges by the Board pursuant to the contract.

Section 2. That the City Manager, Finance Director, Tax Administrator or other officer or employee of the Local Jurisdiction designated in writing by the City Manager, Finance Director, Tax Administrator to the Board is hereby appointed to represent the Local Jurisdiction with authority to examine those prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charge records of the Board for purposes related to the following governmental functions of the Local Jurisdiction:

a) compliance and enforcement of the utility users tax (local charge)
b) administrative functions set out in City’s utility users tax ordinance
c) legal interpretation and enforcement of utility users tax ordinance, including but not limited to refunds and defense of claims against ordinance

The information obtained by examination of Board records shall be used only for those governmental functions of the Local Jurisdiction listed above.
Section 3. That MuniServices, LLC is hereby designated to examine the prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charges records of the Board of Equalization pertaining to prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charges collected for the Local Jurisdiction by the Board. The person or entity designated by this section meets all of the following conditions (Rev. & Tax. Code, § 42110, subd. (b)(2)):

. a) has an existing contract with the Local Jurisdiction that authorizes the person to examine the prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charge records;

. b) is required by that contract with the Local Jurisdiction to disclose information contained in or derived from, those records only to an officer or employee of the Local Jurisdiction authorized by the resolution to examine the information;

. c) is prohibited by that contract from performing consulting services for a seller during the term of that contract;

. d) is prohibited by that contract from retaining information contained in, or derived from, those prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charge records, after that contract has expired.

The contract between the Local Jurisdiction and MuniServices, LLC designated by the Local Jurisdiction to request information from the Board shall be subject to the following limitations (Rev. & Tax. Code, § 42103, subd. (g)):

a) MuniServices, LLC shall, to the same extent as the Board, be subject to Section 55381, relating to unlawful disclosures.

b) the contract between the Local Jurisdiction and MuniService, LLC shall not provide, in whole or in part, in any manner a contingent fee arrangement as payment for services rendered.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the information obtained by examination of the Board records shall only be used for purposes related to the collection of the Local Jurisdiction’s prepaid mobile telephony services surcharge and local charges by the Board pursuant to the contract between the Local Jurisdiction and Board, or for purposes related to other governmental functions of the Local Jurisdiction, as identified above in section 2.

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I CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on September 15, 2015 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bates, Beckles, Martinez, McLaughlin, Pimplé, Vice Mayor Myrick, and Mayor Butt.

NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

ABSENT: None.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
(SEAL)

Approved:

TOM BUTT
Mayor

Approved as to form:

BRUCE GOODMILLER
City Attorney

State of California } ss.
County of Contra Costa }
City of Richmond }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution No. 92-15(b), finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on September 15, 2015.

Pamela Christian, City Clerk of the City of Richmond