



# City of Concord, New Hampshire

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Chief of Police

**To:** Honorable Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Deputy Chief Gregory S. Taylor  
**Re:** Authorization to accept a gift of a credit card reader as provided for under the pre-authorization granted by City Council.  
**Date:** May 24, 2016

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that City Council approve the acceptance of the above cited gift, provided by the MarMaxx Group, with a value of approximately \$50. This credit card reader will be utilized by the Department to provide a means for identification of cloned or fraudulent credit cards.

### **Background**

1. No funds are requested to be expended under the authority established pursuant to resolution number 8120 adopted December 10, 2007
2. The purpose of this gift as stated above is a condition of the grantor and is consistent with and presents no conflict or obstacle to the accomplishment of City Council goals, the Code of Ordinances, or the operating functions of the department.
3. No city match is required.
4. A copy of this communication will be sent to the grantor for their information and with the thanks of the City Council and the citizens of the City of Concord.

### **Discussion**

The Concord Police Department has seen several cases of groups that are travelling the country using fraudulent or cloned credit cards. To identify these cards, Officers have needed to travel to the Merrimack Police Department to use a card reader there. Acceptance of this gift will allow officers to complete this part of the investigation in Concord. Recently, Officers discovered a group that had used fraudulent cards in Concord and other jurisdictions to charge over \$22,000.00 in one day at stores protected by the MarMaxx Group. This equipment is vital to this type of investigation. It is recommended that the City Council approve the acceptance of this gift from the MarMaxx Group.

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