



# County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors  
Chambers  
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## Board Report

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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**SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

The Agricultural Commissioner's Office routinely receives payment for agricultural services and products. Currently, only cash and checks are accepted as payment. The ability to accept credit cards will facilitate payments and improve service to our clients.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

None.

**FINANCING:**

Sufficient revenues and appropriations are available in the FY 2019-20 Recommended Budget.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:**

- Economic Development
- ✓ Administration
- Health & Human Services
- Infrastructure
- Public Safety

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Attachment:

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Attachment 1 - Product Comparison