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Mayor Sam Teresi, City Director of Financial Services James Olson, and City Board of Public Utilities General Manager Wally Haase today announced that effective Wednesday, September 1, 2004 City, County and Jamestown Public School District property tax payments will also be accepted at the Board of Public Utilities (BPU) Business Offices at 92 Steele Street.

As in past years, the City mailed the 2004-2005 Jamestown School District tax bills on August 31<sup>st</sup> for payment beginning on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Residents have thirty days to pay their taxes without interest and penalties.

In addition to the existing payment option of the City Treasurer's Office on the first floor of the Municipal Building, the BPU now is prepared to accept PAYMENT IN FULL only for these 2004-2005 school and property tax bills at its customer service windows.

Residents **MUST** have their tax bill with them in order to make payment at the BPU, as the city is the only authorized agent to reproduce the tax bill. Also, tax payments **CANNOT** be accepted before 8:30 am on Monday mornings due to the city's computer updating procedures.

Mayor Teresi and BPU General Manager Haase said, "The City of Jamestown's Board of Public Utilities is very pleased to offer this additional tax payment service as a convenience to city residents and property owners. The City Treasurer's Office and the BPU Customer Service Department have worked together effectively over the past several months to make this added service possible and will continue to explore avenues to make payment for city and utility services easier and even more accessible to everyone."

City Director of Financial Services James Olson noted that in addition to this new payment option, all city property tax and city utility payments may also be made by mail (checks only) and at the following secured, payment drop box locations:

- Municipal Building – Tracy Plaza
- Municipal Building – Lobby
- Municipal Building – Police Station – entrance on E. Second Street
- BPU Business Offices – 92 Steele Street

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For additional comment contact City Director of Financial Services James Olson at 483-7581.