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CHECK SCAM TARGETS CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE

Be proactive to protect yourself; contact your bank if you receive checks you don't expect

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Indiana; December 30, 2019—Scammers and thieves are making the rounds this time of year, and even the City of Crawfordsville is not immune. The Clerk-Treasurer's office has received reports of fraudulent checks that are spoofed to look like they come from the city, being used to attempt to make large purchases in different parts of the country.

The city has several security measures in place to prevent these checks from going through and affecting city accounts, but if someone cashes or deposits one of these fraudulent checks, they may be liable for the entire amount of the check and any related fees or fines once their bank reverses the deposit.

As the payee, if you receive a check from the City of Crawfordsville that you were not expecting, it's up to you to contact your bank and verify that the check is not fraudulent. Doing so can save yourself unnecessary fees and a lot of confusion going into 2020.

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