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TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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ORLANDO, FLORIDA -- County Comptroller Martha Haynie announced today that tourist tax collections (resort tax) received by the County for the hotel collection month of January 2016 were \$19,406,000. Tourist taxes are charged on short-term rentals, mostly hotels and motels.

Comptroller Haynie indicated that January 2016 collections were nearly 3% higher than January 2015. "You know, we risk getting spoiled with month after month of double digit growth in the resort tax. I would point out two things: 1) it is important to remember that this revenue has some volatility, and 2) a three percent increase on \$19 million is still a lot of money," stated Haynie.

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TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA ALL SIX CENTS

FISCAL YEAR 2016 (10/1/15-9/30/16)

Monthly Collections			Budget to Actual		
	FY 2016 Budget(1)	FY 2016 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage Difference	
Hotel Collection Month of January 2016	\$19,194,200	\$19,406,000	\$211,800	1.1% up	
			Actual to Actual		
	FY 2015 Actual	FY 2016 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage Difference	
	\$18,889,800	\$19,406,000	\$516,200	2.7% up	
Cumulative Collections			Budget to Actual		
	FY 2016 Budget(1)	FY 2016 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage Difference	
Thru Hotel Collection Month of January 2016	\$73,731,700	\$78,119,800	\$4,388,100	6.0% up	
			Actual to Actual		
	FY 2015 Actual	FY 2016 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage Difference	
	\$72,180,900	\$78,119,800	\$5,938,900	8.2% up	

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⁽¹⁾ On January 26, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners approved increasing the FY 2016 revenue budget by \$2,700,000 or 1.2%.