



**ORANGE
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FLORIDA**

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**TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS
ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

ORLANDO, FLORIDA – Orange County Comptroller Phil Diamond announced today that tourist tax collections (resort tax) received by Orange County for the July 2017 hotel collection month were \$19,982,000. Tourist taxes are charged on short-term rentals, mostly hotels and motels.

Comptroller Diamond indicated that July 2017 collections were about 1.3% higher than July 2016. “We have recently had a string of months where collections increased. Although, not a large increase, it is good to see the streak continue,” stated Diamond.

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TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS
ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
FISCAL YEAR 2017 (10/1/16-9/30/17)

Monthly Collections

	<u>Budget to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2017 Budget(1)</u>	<u>FY 2017 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
Hotel Collection Month of July 2017	\$19,920,000	\$19,982,000	\$62,000	0.3% up
	<u>Actual to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2016 Actual</u>	<u>FY 2017 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
	\$19,732,500	\$19,982,000	\$249,500	1.3% up

Cumulative Collections

	<u>Budget to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2017 Budget(1)</u>	<u>FY 2017 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
Thru Hotel Collection Month of July 2017	\$205,896,000	\$217,708,800	\$11,812,800	5.7% up
	<u>Actual to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2016 Actual</u>	<u>FY 2017 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
	\$205,368,200	\$217,708,800	\$12,340,600	6.0% up

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(1) On January 24, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners approved increasing the FY 2017 revenue budget by \$4,700,000 or 2%.