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**ORANGE  
COUNTY  
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 January 2019 TDT collection month were \$23,280,800. Tourist taxes are charged on short-term rentals, mostly hotels and motels.

Comptroller Diamond indicated that January 2019 collections were 2.5% lower than January 2018. “We never want to see monthly TDT numbers go down. However, this is the first monthly decrease since December, 2016. Still, this is a good reminder that TDT numbers can, and do, rapidly change,” stated Diamond.

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TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS  
ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
FISCAL YEAR 2019 (10/1/18-9/30/19)

**Monthly Collections**

	<u>Budget to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2019 Budget(1)</u>	<u>FY 2019 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
Hotel Collection Month of January 2019	\$22,437,000	\$23,280,800	\$843,800	3.8% up

	<u>Actual to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2018 Actual</u>	<u>FY 2019 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
	\$23,872,700	\$23,280,800	(\$591,900)	-2.5% down

**Cumulative Collections**

	<u>Budget to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2019 Budget(1)</u>	<u>FY 2019 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
Thru Hotel Collection Month of January 2019	\$87,966,000	\$94,006,600	\$6,040,600	6.9% up

	<u>Actual to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2018 Actual</u>	<u>FY 2019 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
	\$90,934,900	\$94,006,600	\$3,071,700	3.4% up

- (1) On January 29, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners approved increasing the FY 2019 revenue budget by \$5,000,000 or 1.9%.

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