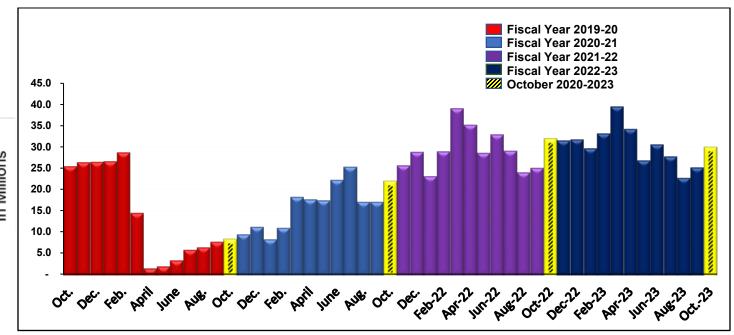
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TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

ORLANDO, FLORIDA – Orange County Comptroller Phil Diamond announced today that Tourist Development Tax (TDT) collections received by Orange County for the October 2023 TDT collection month were \$29,400,100. That is a 6.4% decrease compared to October 2022. This is the sixth month out of the last seven that saw a year-over-year decrease.

Compared to last month, October collections were higher than September collections by \$4.8 million. In addition, October collections were higher than October 2021 collections by \$8 million. The chart below shows monthly TDT collections for the current fiscal year and the previous four fiscal years.



Source: Phil Diamond, CPA - Orange County Comptroller

Metro Orlando travel performance experienced a dip in October with hotel occupancy averaging 70.6%, down -10% from the same time in 2022. Average Daily Rate for Orlando hotels averaged \$189.24 in October, flat with prior year. (Source: Visit Orlando).

On the TDT reserve side, Renewal & Replacement Reserves increased by \$6.6 million in October as shown in the attached "TDT Cash Reserve Summary".

We will release the November TDT collections report in early January.

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Tourist Development Tax - Cash Reserve Summary as of October 31, 2023

Reserve Accounts	<u>September 30, 2023</u>	October 31, 2023	<u>Change</u>	
Bond Reserve ¹	\$82,951,800	\$83,312,220	\$360,420	
Renewal & Replacement Reserve:				
Property Plant & Equipment ²	\$ 63,446,535	\$ 63,466,373	\$19,838	
Tourism Stabilization3	\$153,601,665	\$153,221,407	(\$380,258)	
Other Authorized Uses ⁴	<u>\$51,502,978</u>	<u>\$58,452,213</u>	<u>\$6,949,235</u>	
Subtotal	<u>\$268,551,178</u>	<u>\$275,139,993</u>	<u>\$6,588,815</u>	
Total	<u>\$351,502,978</u>	<u>\$358,452,213</u>	<u>\$6,949,235</u>	

- 1. Debt service reserves are restricted for debt service only and equal the maximum annual debt service payment.
- 2. Property plant and equipment is the amount that the County has committed to maintaining as a reserve for property replacement. This amount is equal to 4% of the Convention Center's gross physical plant and equipment cost-excluding construction in progress. This Renewal and Replacement Reserve component is currently fully funded at \$63,466,373.
- 3. Tourism Stabilization is a reserve, which when added to all other reserves (with the exception of the Other Authorized Uses reserve) equals \$300 million dollars Orange County's recommended reserve level. This reserve protects against tourism market downturns that could impair the County's ability to pay for its ongoing obligations.
- 4. Other authorized uses are reserves, which when added to all other reserves exceeds \$300 million dollars. This reserve can be used for any legally authorized expenses.

TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA FISCAL YEAR 2024 (10/1/23-9/30/24)

Monthly Collections			Budget to Actual	
	FY 2024	FY 2024		Percentage
	Budget(1)	Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Difference
Hotel Collection Month of October 2023	\$27,500,000	\$29,400,100	\$1,900,100	6.9% up
			Actual to Actual	
	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage Difference
	\$31,414,600	\$29,400,100	(\$2,014,500)	6.4% down
<u>Cumulative Collections</u>			Budget to Actual	
	FY 2024 Budget(1)	FY 2024 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage <u>Difference</u>
Thru Hotel Collection Month of October 2023	\$27,500,000	\$29,400,100	\$1,900,100	6.9% up
			Actual to Actual	
	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage Difference
	\$31,414,600	\$29,400,100	(\$2,014,500)	6.4% down

⁽¹⁾ The budget is presented on a straight-line basis.
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