

Revenue Sources Tax Operating Funds

The tax operating funds include the combined revenues and expenditures of the General Fund, Utility Tax Fund; Capital Improvement Projects Fund; Community Investment Tax Fund; Local Option Gas Tax Fund; the Guaranteed Entitlement Fund; the Transportation Impact Fee Fund; and the Cable Communications Fund. The major services these funds provide include: public safety, public works, parks and recreation, central government, capital equipment and vehicles, capital improvement projects, debt service, and cable television regulation.

Estimates are based on revenue trends; known changes in rates; property appraiser figures; State Revenue Estimating Conference figures; and use of other methods as appropriate.

Ad Valorem Taxes (Property Taxes)

The FY2000 Ad Valorem estimate of \$77.4 million represents an increase of \$6.1 million, or 8.6%, above the FY99 projection of \$71.3 million. This increase is caused by growing property valuations and includes a reserve of \$1.6 million for potentially uncollectable taxes due to pending litigation.

The Ad Valorem Tax revenue for FY2000 is based on:

- Net Property valuations of \$12.53 billion excluding \$191 million pending litigation.
- Collection of 95% of the tax levy.
- 6.539 mills, (1 mill equals \$1 for each \$1,000 of assessed value).

Franchise Fees

Franchise revenues are excise taxes levied against telephone, cable television, electric, and gas companies conducting business within the boundaries of Tampa. Revenue from franchise fees is estimated to increase \$0.1 million or 0.5%, from the FY99 projection.

The following table shows the actual and estimated collections and the percentage changes since FY98:

| | FY98 ACTUAL | FY99 BUDGET (Millions) | FY99 PROJECTION | FY2000 BUDGET |
|------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Total Revenues | \$18.6 | \$18.4 | \$19.0 | \$19.1 |
| Change from Prior Year | 3.9 % | (1.1) % | 2.2 % | 0.5 % |

Utility Taxes

Utility tax revenues are derived from a surcharge on all utility services provided within the corporate limits of Tampa. Taxable services include electric, gas, telephone and water utilities. In FY2000 Utility Tax revenues are expected to increase an additional \$0.6 million, or 1.4% over the FY99 projection.

The following table shows the actual and estimated collections and the percentage change since FY98:

| | FY98 ACTUAL | FY99 BUDGET (Millions) | FY99 PROJECTION | FY2000 BUDGET |
|------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Total Revenues | \$42.1 | \$41.2 | \$44.1 | \$44.7 |
| Change from Prior Year | 7.9 % | (2.1) % | 4.8 % | 1.4 % |

Sales Taxes

State legislation allows local governments to share revenues equal to one-half cent of sales tax collected in their counties. In FY2000, Sales Tax revenues are expected to increase 2.7% over a projected \$22.6 million in FY99.

The following table shows the actual and estimated collections and the percentage changes since FY98:

| | FY98 ACTUAL | FY99 BUDGET (Millions) | FY99 PROJECTION | FY2000 BUDGET |
|------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Sales Tax | \$21.7 | \$21.8 | \$22.6 | \$23.2 |
| Change from Prior Year | 5.9 % | 0.5 % | 4.1 % | 2.7 % |

Other Taxes

Other taxes include revenues from cigarette, one cent gas, fuel oil, and resort taxes.

Revenue from these taxes is expected to be \$4.4 million in FY2000, reflecting a (2.2 %) decrease from the FY99 projection. This is primarily due to an anticipated decline in local cigarette tax collection.

State Revenue Sharing

The funding sources for State Revenue Sharing are State cigarette and gas taxes.

The State Revenue Sharing state estimate for FY2000 is \$6.8 million, a (6.8 %) decrease from the FY99 level. The decrease is due to an anticipated decline in state-wide cigarette tax collection.

Other Intergovernmental Revenues

This revenue category includes payments for work performed under contractual agreement by City departments for other governmental agencies. Some examples are payment to the Department of Public Works by the Hillsborough County Board of Commissioners for maintenance of County roads, and payment to the Police Department by the Hillsborough County School Board in support of the School Resource Officer Program. The FY2000 estimate is \$2.1 million.

Licenses and Building Fees

License fees in FY2000 are projected to increase by 2.2% over the FY99 projection of \$9.0 million.

The following table shows the actual and estimated collections since FY98:

| | FY98 ACTUAL | FY99 BUDGET (Millions) | FY99 PROJECTION | FY2000 BUDGET |
|------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Total Revenues | \$8.7 | \$9.0 | \$9.0 | \$9.2 |
| Change from Prior Year | 2.4 % | 3.4 % | 3.4 % | 2.2% |

Building fees are expected to be \$3.6 million in FY2000.

Charges

Charges include fees from recreation and convention facilities activities and various park vendor operations. In FY2000 total charges are projected to yield \$5.9 million.

Public Safety

Court fines, fire protection service for the Tampa Aviation Authority, the Extra Duty Police Officer Program and ambulance services account for 87% of Public Safety's FY2000 revenue estimate of \$13.9 million.

Interest

Interest is money earned on invested City funds. In FY2000 interest earnings are expected to total \$4.0 million.

Other Revenue

Other revenues include monies collected from the sale of City assets and other non-recurring revenue.

Transfers

Transfers to the General Fund in FY2000 will include a Utility Tax transfer of \$26.7 million. This transfer is to compensate the General Fund for State Revenue Sharing funds used to finance the Performing Arts Center debt, and for support of general operations.