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Report: License Tax Review Committee Annual Report for FY2023

Issue/Request:

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Key Issues:

- City Ordinance 4592, Sections 28-175 through 28-123 in Code of Ordinances, Requires Annual License Tax Report
- FY22 year end License Tax Fund balance was \$3.259 million
- The License Tax Fund will support projects as programmed into the FY24 CIP

Background:

The attached presentation provides a summary, as required by ordinance, of the License Tax activity during Fiscal Year 2022, which is July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. More detailed background information is included in the License Tax Review Report.

As part of the prior year License Tax Review Committee annual meeting, the Committee recommended increasing the rates for Manufacturing/Industrial and Commercial activities by 10%, with no change to Residential rates, starting in FY2023. That proposed rate increase was approved by City Council on March 15, 2022, when Council adopted Bill No. 22-49 be that was numbered Ordinance No. 9365. No rate adjustments were proposed by the Committee for FY24.

As shown in the attached reports, License Tax activity actually increased throughout the 2022 fiscal year.

The committee re-affirmed programming \$6.0 million of the license tax fund into the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for the US 50 and M291 North interchange improvements projects. Based on cash flow projections, this funding was programmed in the FY23 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) over the next five years through FY 2027 towards local matching funds needed for this project. No new or additional projects were recommended by the committee for FY24 in consideration of the fund balance, committed project(s) and revenue projections.

Construction cost inflation has become a factor affecting the City's project expenses. The Construction Cost Index increased 4% from 2021 to 2022. The City has observed 4% to 12% cost increases in construction bids prices.

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