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DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2025

TO: THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: HOTEL TAX COLLECTIONS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024

• Collections Up \$2,586,129 or 26.65% vs. Prior Yr. Through the Second Qtr. of FY25

• Collections are Above Projection by \$1,552,839 or 14.5% Through the Second Qtr. of FY25

HOTEL TAX COLLECTIONS

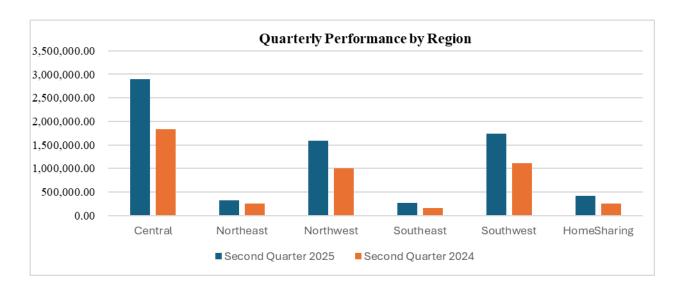
Hotel taxes are collected by local hotels and remitted to the City the following month. This report summarizes hotel tax collections for the second quarter of fiscal year 2025 and is limited exclusively to hotel tax. Any sales tax collected by hotels is reported separately in the monthly sales and use tax City Manager report.

On August 27, 2024 the voters of Oklahoma City overwhelmingly approved an increase in the hotel tax, increasing it from 5.5% to 9.25%. The new rate went into effect on October 1, 2024. The distribution of collections from the City's new hotel tax is shown below and is set by ordinance:

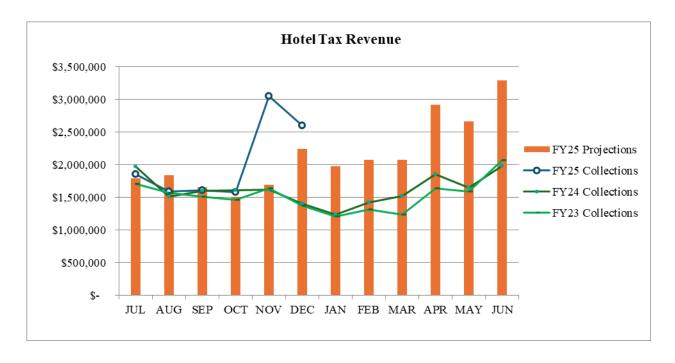
- CVB 52.02%
- Fairgrounds 35.15%
- Sponsorship 10.8%
- Convention Center 2.03%

The following table represents year-to-date revenue collections and annual projections for each of these purposes. The projections are based on the 5.5% rate as the hotel tax budget for the remainder of the FY 2025 has not been amended to reflect the 9.25% rate.

FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE COMPARISON				
	Projection	Revenue	Over/Under Projection	% Over/Under Projection
Convention and Tourism	\$4,521,502	\$5,354,990	\$833,488	
State Fairgrounds	\$5,091,541	\$5,605,586	\$514,046	
Event Sponsorship	\$1,043,435	\$1,213,918	\$170,484	
Convention Center	\$80,041	\$114,862	\$34,821	
Total	\$10,736,518	\$12,289,357	\$1,552,839	14.5%



Hotel tax revenues for Oklahoma City grew in Q2 FY 2025, primarily due to the rate increase from 5.5% to 9.25%. While the Central, Northwest, and Southwest districts saw strong collections due to the rate adjustment. Other areas experienced modest gains.



Respectfully submitted,

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