



**ORANGE
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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 May 2017 hotel collection month were \$20,480,600. Tourist taxes are charged on short-term rentals, mostly hotels and motels.

Comptroller Diamond indicated that May 2017 collections were 10.1% higher than May 2016. “We have a lot of new and exciting developments going on in Orange County this year that are contributing to the rise in the TDT numbers. In May alone we had the opening of Pandora Park at Animal Kingdom, Volcano Bay, and Ace Café in downtown Orlando, and this is just the beginning. There are still quite a few theme park attractions and family-oriented hotels that will be opening up before the year is over,” stated Diamond.

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TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
FISCAL YEAR 2017 (10/1/16-9/30/17)

Monthly Collections

	<u>Budget to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2017 Budget(1)</u>	<u>FY 2017 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
Hotel Collection Month of May 2017	\$18,984,000	\$20,480,600	\$1,496,600	7.9% up

	<u>Actual to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2016 Actual</u>	<u>FY 2017 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
	\$18,594,500	\$20,480,600	\$1,886,100	10.1% up

Cumulative Collections

	<u>Budget to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2017 Budget(1)</u>	<u>FY 2017 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
Thru Hotel Collection Month of May 2017	\$165,432,000	\$176,024,000	\$10,592,600	6.4% up

	<u>Actual to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2016 Actual</u>	<u>FY 2017 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
	\$165,835,200	\$176,024,000	\$10,188,800	6.1% up

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(1) On January 24, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners approved increasing the FY 2017 revenue budget by \$4,700,000 or 2%.