# **REVENUE DIVISION UPDATE**

PRESENTED: MARCH 12, 2024





- Restructuring of Revenue Division.
  - Personnel Changes
  - Realignment of Duties & Responsibilities
- Additional temporary staffing authorized by City Manager. Permanent positions will be requested in FY25 budget from Finance Department.
  - Administrative Assistant
    - Revenue Analyst\*
  - License & Tax Clerks
- Asst. Finance Director\*

Revenue Auditor\*

\* Note: It may be challenging to recruit talent for temporary positions.

- Reviewing/updating of operational policies and procedures.
  - Implemented changes to processing of mail.
  - Implemented changes to handling of cash.
  - Implemented changes to enforcement notification to Code Enforcement.
- Conducting weekly system improvement/online migration meetings with staff from Information Technology, Inspections and Code, and Finance.
- City Manager and Deputy City Manager employees are assisting with the organization of files.

#### BEFORE





#### AFTER



# **"WHERE WE ARE"**

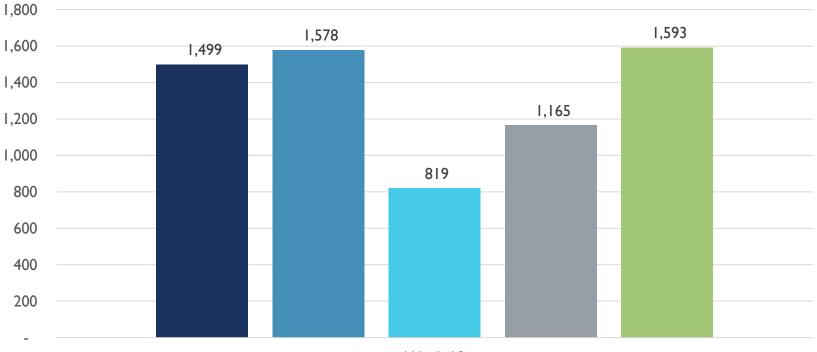
#### UPDATED RECAP FROM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY REPORT PRESENTED TO COUNCIL ON 10/31/23

## Active processed licenses to date are as follows:

	Oct 2023	Jan 2024	Mar 2024
2020	7,892	7,910	7,912
2021	7,933	7,999	8,006
2022	7,387	7,579	7,626
2023	6,791	7,498	7,575

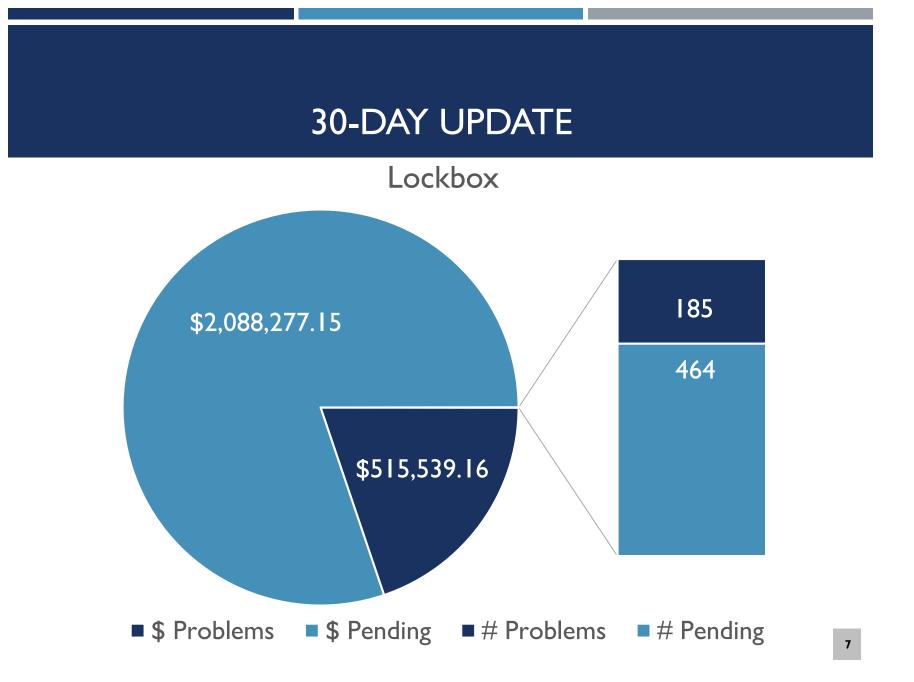
- Of the 3,557 delinquent accounts turned over to Code Enforcement, a summary of list is below:
- Code Enforcement Officer Issued Warning Citations = 1,004
- Closed or Renewed Business or Code
  Enforcement Officer Verified Out of Business
  = 2,553
  - 459 Out of County Delinquent Licenses
  - ➢ 559 Non-Compliance Resolved
  - 1,535 Confirmed Out of Business by Code Enforcement

#### Active Licenses Processed

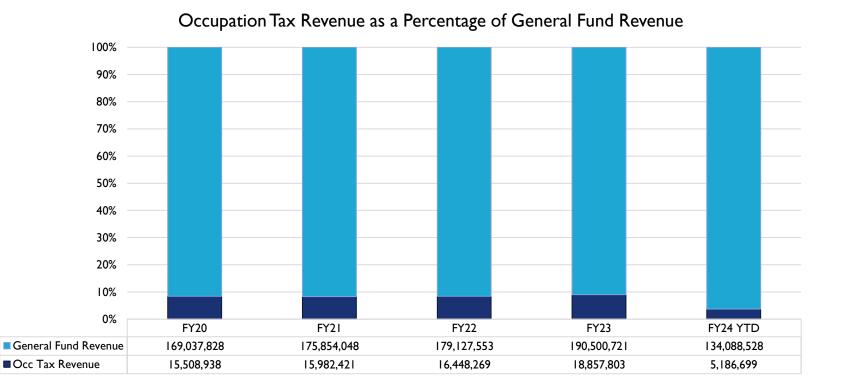




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## **OCCUPATION TAX REVENUE**



# OCCUPATION TAX GAP

Tax gap occurs when taxpayers, intentionally or inadvertently, fail to file a required tax return altogether or on time.

- Points to consider for occupation tax gap analysis:
  - Occupation taxes are a derived income tax based on the economic activity and earnings of a business.
  - The city does not receive third party reporting information for businesses.
  - However, if the assumption is made that the last tax prepayment applied to a business account is indicative of subsequent tax payments then the value of delinquent accounts for 2020 – 2023 is estimated to be \$3.47 million.

# 2024 AND BEYOND

- Finance will continue resolution of license renewals received prior to FY24 through appropriate action with either the issuance of a license, follow-up to a problem letter, or enforcement action by targeted completion date of April/May 2024
- Begin recruitment for new temporary positions.
- Implement online processing for some taxes and permits by the end of second quarter in 2024.
- Implement online license renewals for next occupation tax renewal season.
- Continue review of policies & procedures.
- Continue quarterly progress updates to City Manager, Mayor, and Council.



# Questions?