



City Council Agenda Memo

Crest Hill, IL

Meeting Date:	September 11, 2023
Submitter:	Lisa Banovetz, Director of Finance / Glen Conklin, Treasurer
Department:	Treasurer's Office
Agenda Item:	Places for Eating Tax Update

Summary: On July 5, 2022, the City Council passed Ordinance No. 1911 to establish a Places for Eating Tax in the City of Crest Hill. The tax was effective for all City businesses who sold food or beverages at their place of business and the tax went into effect for all City businesses on January 1, 2023.

As of September 11, 2023, the City has fifty-eight (58) businesses who this tax applies to. Unfortunately, there are still twelve (12) businesses who have not registered or paid for this tax. The City has made multiple attempts to contact the non-compliant businesses which have included making phone calls, sending emails, and sending certified letters to these non-compliant businesses. City staff and one elected official (I, Don Seeman, and Chris Vershay-Hall) physically visited each non-compliant business on July 28 to discuss the business's delinquency in paying/registering for the Places for Eating tax.

Businesses who are non-compliant with registering and or paying for the Places for Eating tax will not be eligible to renew their Calendar Year 2024 business or liquor license and will not be eligible to participate in the City's Property Tax Rebate program.

There are a few businesses who have missed previous monthly filings. I have sent letters to those businesses to let them know they will not be able to renew their respective City licenses until all money owed to the City is paid.

The Clerk's office, in addition to the Mayor's office, will be provided with a list of delinquent Places for Eating Tax businesses to ensure that no licenses for Calendar Year 2024 are renewed if there are monies owed to the City of Crest Hill.

Recommended Council Action: No action is necessary; this item is informational only.

Financial Impact:

Funding Source: N/A

Budgeted Amount: N/A

Cost: \$ N/A

Attachments: N/A