



Business License Overview

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Issuance of Business Licenses

- Business License Renewal Deadline: March 1st
- Business Personal Property Return due: March 1st
- BPP Return required for Business License issuance
- In 2019: Business Licenses issued on March 27th
- In prior years: Business Licenses issued mid-April at the earliest

Limitation on Business Licenses

- Ordinance 2013-83-52 amended City Code concerning Business License requirements
- No business license shall be issued until ... all delinquent business license, real estate, personal property, meals, transient occupancy, severance and admissions taxes owed by the business to the City have been paid

Business, Professional and Occupational License (BPOL) Taxes

- As of 6/30/19, 2,732 businesses owed a combined \$4,317,496 in BPOL taxes
- Some businesses are on payment plans with the City
- Statutory Assessments are made when non-responsive businesses have unfiled periods
- Tax Enforcement staff routinely visit businesses that are delinquent, regularly go to Court

Impact of Ordinance 2018-271 (eliminating BPOL installments)

BPOL Revenue Collections		
	As of March 31	As of May 31
FY2017	22,761,886	23,853,025
FY2018	30,137,662	31,925,431
FY2019	33,090,735	34,492,361

Source: Unaudited Monthly Financial Reports

Questions?

