

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE September 25, 2009

TO Members of the Budget, Finance & Audit Committee:  
Jerry R. Allen, Chair; Ann Margolin, Vice Chair; Vonciel Jones Hill; Angela Hunt;  
Delia D. Jasso; Ron Natinsky; David A. Neumann

SUBJECT Overview of FY 2009-10 General Government Revenues

The Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee will be briefed on FY 2009-10 General Government Revenues on Tuesday, September 29, 2009. Attached is a copy of the briefing for your review.

Please let me know if I can provide additional information.

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David Cook  
Chief Financial Officer

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# Overview of FY2009-10 General Government Revenues

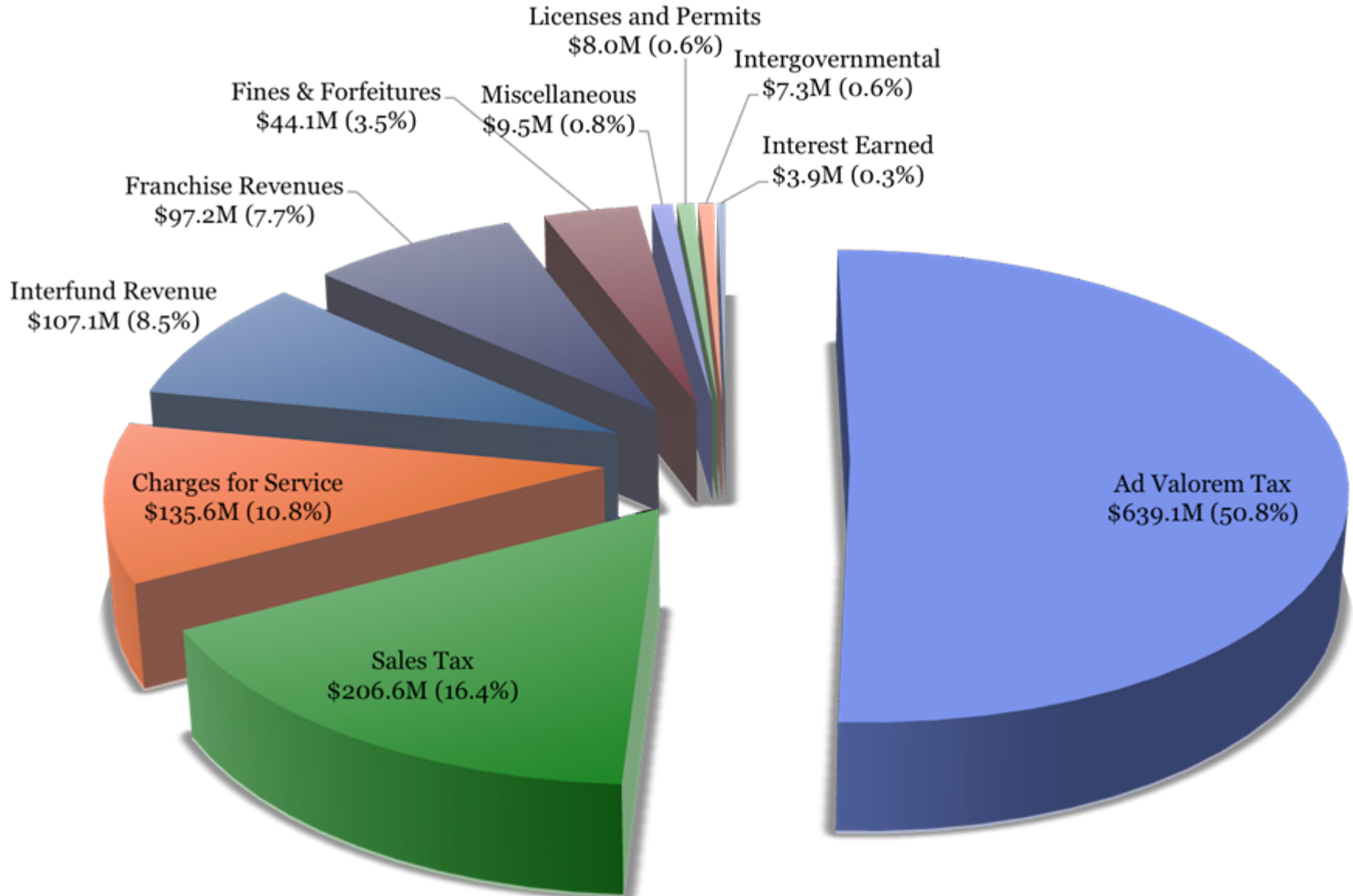
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# Purpose

- Provide an overview of the FY2009-10 General Government revenue sources

# General Government Revenue Sources



# Property Taxes

- Largest revenue source to General Fund and Debt Service Fund
- Comprises 51% of revenues
- Revenues determined by tax base value determined by the appraisal districts and the tax rate set by the City Council
  - Taxable value continues to change during year based on changes in exemptions and settlement of lawsuits
- Tax rate split between General Fund and Debt Service Fund

FY2009-10 Tax Rate per \$100 taxable value

General Fund	49.18¢	65.8%
Debt Service	25.61¢	34.2%
<b>Total Rate</b>	<b>74.79 ¢</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

# Sales Tax

- Comprises 16% of total revenues
- Volatile revenue source; highly dependent on the economy
- Total rate in Dallas is 8.25%
- Revenues allocated to:

State of Texas	6.25%
DART	1.00%
City of Dallas	1.00%
Total	<hr/> 8.25%

# Interfund Revenue

- Transfers from other funds, comprises 8.5% of revenues
  - Reimbursement for centralized services provided by the General Fund to other enterprise, internal service, and some grant funds (indirect costs)
  - Water Utilities Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) and street rental payment
  - Other budgeted revenue transfers such as FY10 WRR transfer to support the arts and annual American Airlines Center lease payment
  - Reimbursement of debt service costs for bonds/notes issued for self-supporting services
    - Such as equipment notes sold for enterprise funds and pension obligation bonds
  - Bond interest earnings transferred to the debt service fund

# Franchise Revenues

- Franchise is granted for the use of the City's rights of way
- Comprises 7.7% of revenues
- Franchises include:

Oncor – charged per kilowatt hour	\$48.7m	3.9%
AT&T – charged per access line	21.0m	1.7%
Atmos – 4% of gross receipts (currently negotiating new franchise)	10.6m	0.8%
Time Warner Cable – 5% of gross receipts	5.8m	0.5%
Other (fiber optics, kiosks, etc)	11.1m	0.9%
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	\$97.2m	7.7%



# Charges for Services

- Charges collected from the users of various services; 10.8% of revenues
  - Sanitation Collection – residential garbage and recycling pickup
  - Private Disposal – commercial customers landfill usage fees
  - Emergency Ambulance – transport fees and itemized billing for supplies/medications used

# Charges for Services (cont'd)

- Park & Recreation fees including golf, tennis, special events, classes, athletic fields, etc
- Security Alarms
- Vital Statistics – birth and death certificates
- Street Lighting – payment from TXDOT for freeway lights
- Other includes multi-family inspections; mow/clean; demolition; secured closure; restaurant inspection fees

# Fines & Forfeitures

- Revenues received related to various enforcement activities conducted by the City – 3.5% of revenues
  - Municipal Court – payments for misdemeanor tickets such as traffic citations; deferred adjudication fees; warrant fees
  - Vehicle Towing and Storage – towing, notification, impoundment and storage fees for vehicles towed to the City's auto pound
  - Parking fines for tickets issued by Parking Enforcement
  - Red Light Camera tickets issued through the SafeLight program
  - Library fines for overdue, damaged or lost materials

# Intergovernmental Revenue

- Payments received from other governments; comprises 0.6% of revenues
- Includes
  - D/FW Airport revenue sharing agreements with the cities of Euless, Irving and Grapevine
  - Pass through of the payment from Dallas County for support of the Bridge

# Licenses & Permits

- Revenue from licenses and permits issued by various departments, comprises 0.6% of revenues
- Includes
  - Licenses for use of rights of way
  - Beer and liquor licenses
  - Dog and cat registrations
  - Transportation regulation permits

# Interest Earned

- Interest earnings on cash balances invested in the City's investment pool
- Varies based on investment returns and cash balances
- Comprises 0.3% of revenues

# Miscellaneous

- Remaining revenues; 0.8% of revenues
  - Auto auction – unclaimed vehicles at the auto pound are auctioned, net revenue is transferred to the General Fund
  - Paper and cardboard recycling revenues received from the sale materials collected by the Sanitation department; offsets the residential collection fee
  - Damages to City property collected from insurance companies
  - Sale of City surplus property (does not include land)

# Questions

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