

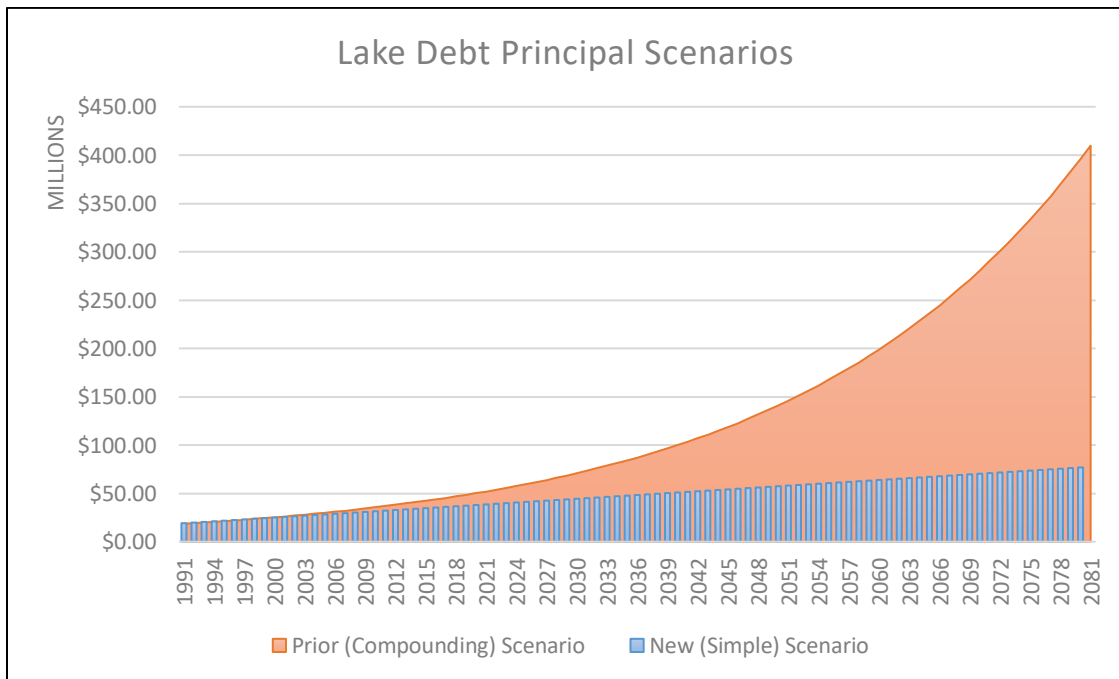
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TO: City Commission
 FROM: David Dillner, City Manager
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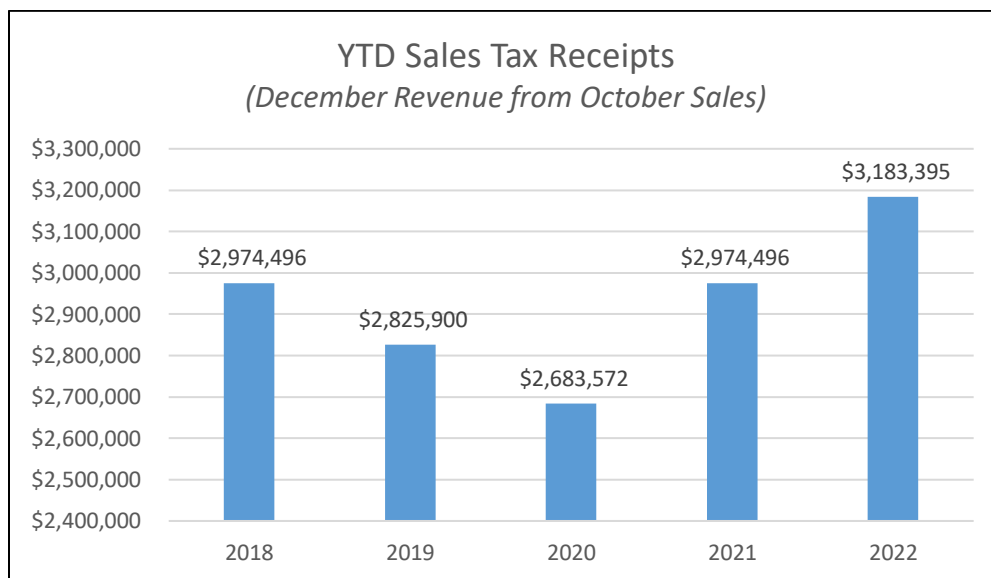
Items of Note:

- REMINDER: The Commission’s regular meeting scheduled for Monday, January 2 will take place on Tuesday, January 3 due to the New Year’s holiday. The meeting will begin at 5:30 pm. The meeting scheduled for Monday, January 16 will move to Tuesday, January 17 due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. Regular meetings will resume to the normal first and third Mondays beginning next month.
- Senator Marshall’s office shared an update on the City’s request to modify its water storage contract. On December 27, 2022, President Biden signed the National Defense Authorization Act of 2022. This legislation contained a provision specific to El Dorado’s water storage contract. The provision changed the methodology used to calculate interest from compound interest to simple interest. The City anticipates this change will reduce the overall obligation from \$53 million to \$39 million. It will also reduce the maximum limit the obligation may increase to from \$410 million in 2081 to \$77 million. The legislation provides significant relief to El Dorado water customers.



The chart shows the difference between what El Dorado's lake obligation would have been without the legislative changes compared to the anticipated changes resulting from the legislation.

- The City received \$289,817 in sales tax collected on retail sales occurring in October. Of this amount, \$46,822 came from compensating use tax. Year-to-date, the City received \$3,183,395 from sales tax, which is 7% higher than last year's receipts. This is the first time in El Dorado history that the City has exceeded the \$3 million mark from sales tax, and represents a new sales tax record! The City received \$485,385 from compensating use tax year-to-date.



- I placed the bid approval for a commercial refuse truck on the consent agenda as I consider vehicle and equipment purchases made in compliance with the purchasing policy as administrative decisions. The governing body sets the policy and then staff takes actions aligned with the policy, making these decisions administrative than policy-making. As such, I recommend placing all such purchases on the consent agenda moving forward. The exception to this guideline will be when proposed purchases are unbudgeted and require the use of fund balance.
- The League of Kansas Municipalities invites nominations for individuals wishing to serve on the Governing Body. Both elected and appointed officials are welcome to apply online at <https://www.lkm.org/page/GovBodyNomination>. The Governing Body consists of twelve directors, a president, vice president and past presidents who meet six times a year to provide direction to the organization. The League is actively seeking nominations for a director position. We seek a broad and varied collection of directors, preferring diversity of geography, municipal position, city size, race and gender among the director membership. This is great opportunity for elected officials interested in getting involved in a broader policy making capacity with the potential to affect municipalities throughout the state.
- The League will once again co-host Local Government Day in Topeka, an event for our members with the Kansas Association of Counties on January 25, 2023. Registration is now open, and the League posted a tentative schedule of events and additional

information on its website (www.lkm.org/page/LocalGovernmentDay). Please let me know if you are interested in attending so we can coordinate transportation and registration.

Commission Follow-up:

- I placed a discussion item on Monday's meeting pertaining to the advisory committee nominating process discussed by the City Commission during Wednesday's work session. My goal for this discussion is to review the process again and ask any questions concerning it so the governing body may proceed with an initial nominating process at the January 11 work session. We will not discuss prospective names for appointments.
- The City Commission will be asked to provide direction on the Staffordshire terrier (pit bull) registration fee at the January 11 work session. You may recall that the City received public comment concerning this fee and the City's annual criminal background check for owners of these breeds. The City collects this fee to offset the cost of these background checks. I want to have the governing body provide direction on the matter so staff can provide a response to the citizen making the request. This will be a new practice we will implement this upcoming year as a way to give public comments and opportunity to be heard and discussed. Staff will then send a letter communicating the City's decision on the request and any additional information pertinent to the topic.

2022 Top Ten:

1. Infrastructure Investments (i.e., Water Treatment Plant Filter Consoles, Water Reclamation Facility Ultraviolet Light Replacement, Hazardous Materials Truck)
2. Captain Jack Thomas Airport Parking Lot and Entrance Road Project (\$690,000 project funded 90% by FAA)
3. Gold Fest (3,000+ attendees, estimated economic impact of \$260,000)
4. Nutrient Trading Pilot Program
5. Annexation of former Coastal Refinery site (95 acres) for prospective industrial development
6. Township Village Improvements (5th Street, 2nd Street, Hunton, and Simpson)
7. Record Sales Tax Receipts (\$3.18 million)
8. New Housing Construction (Deer Run, Myers East, and Adlesperger-Smith)
9. BASE (\$3 million) and Cost-Share Grants (\$1 million) to facilitate downtown infrastructure upgrades, sanitary sewer improvements, and industrial site preparation
10. Modifications to Water Storage Contract with the US Army Corps of Engineers

Personnel Update:

- *Vacant and advertised positions:* Public Works Maintenance Worker (3), Police Officer (6), Wastewater Superintendent, Sanitation Lead, Assistant City Manager, Management Intern, and Executive Assistant.

Commission Calendar: *Upcoming City Commission Items (subject to change):*

- **January 3 Regular Meeting** – Vice-Mayor Selection; Chamber of Commerce Agreement; Commercial Refuse Truck Bid Approval

- **January 11 Work Session** – Governing Body Code of Procedure; Advisory Board Nominating Process; Staffordshire Terrier Registration Fee
- **January 17 Regular Meeting** – Professional Services Agreement for Commercial Appraisal Services