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## Key to trend indicators

$\hat{\imath}=$ Positive: Positive change or variance $>+2 \%$.
$\sqrt{ } \sqrt{ }=$ Neutral: Change or variance of $-1 \%$ to $+2 \%$.
$\Sigma=$ Warning: Negative change or variance of -1\% to -4\%.
$\checkmark=$ Negative: Negative change or variance of $>-4 \%$.

## All Sales Tax Sectors：

When analyzing monthly sales tax receipts，there are two items of special note：First，most businesses remit their sales tax collections to the Washington State Department of Revenue on a monthly basis．Small businesses only have to remit their sales tax collections either quarterly or annually，which can create anomalies when comparing the same month between two years．Second，for those businesses which remit sales tax monthly，there is a two month lag from the time that sales tax is collected to the time it is distributed to the City．

| Table 1：Sales Tax－Variance by Month |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Month of Activity | 2015 |  |  | 2014 |  |
|  | Budget Projection | Actual | Actual v． <br> Bud．Proj． <br> \％Var． | Actual | 2015 v. <br> 2014 <br> \％Change |
| December（Prior Yr） | \＄713，638 | \＄792，683 | 人 11．1\％ | \＄712，174 | 埌 $11.3 \%$ |
| January | \＄546，336 | \＄565，161 | 人 $3.4 \%$ ！ | \＄554，366 | ，1．9\％ |
| February | \＄515，769 | \＄547，403 | 人 $6.1 \%$ i | \＄533，674 | 2．6\％ |
| March | \＄608，209 | \＄630，073 | 人 $3.6 \%$ | \＄609，471 | 人 $3.4 \%$ |
| Totals | \＄2，383，951 | \＄2，535，319 | 人 $6.3 \%$ ！ | \＄2，409，686 | 人 $5.2 \%$ |
|  | Totals may not foot due to rounding． |  |  |  |  |

You may recall from past reports that staff was working with the Washington State Department of Revenue to correct the miscoding of some tax returns．This issue has since been resolved． The amount reported for the month of March is approximately $\$ 113,000$ higher than that shown in this report due to the aggregate amount of the correction for the period of November 2014 through February 2015 being received with the March distribution．

For the purpose of this report and accuracy of future projections，the miscoded tax returns were allocated to their respective periods，with the exception of the return for the period of November 2014 since that will be considered late revenue booked to 2015．The following tables（See Tables $2 \mathrm{a}, 2 \mathrm{~b}$ ，and 2 c ）show adjusted results for the periods reported in the last three monthly reports．

Total sales tax receipts through the month of May 2015，which reflects activity from December 2014 through March 2015，are higher than the budget projection by $6.3 \%$ and the year－ago level by $5.2 \%$（See Table 1）．Removing one－time construction activity from the calculation reveals total receipts are 5．6\％higher than the budget projection（See Table 3），but 5．5\％lower than the year－ago level．

| Table 2a：Sales Tax－Primary Sectors December（Prior Year）－January |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Primary Sector | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
| Construction | \＄91，442 | \＄204，230 | \＄187，418 | \＄168，515 | \＄178，605 |
| \＄Change | （\＄9，142） | \＄112，788 | （\＄16，812） | $(\$ 18,903)$ | \＄10，090 |
| \％Change | $\checkmark \quad-9.1 \%$ | 1－123．3\％ | $\checkmark \quad-8.2 \%$ | $\checkmark-10.1 \%$ | 6．0\％ |
| Retail Trade | \＄685，548 | \＄704，842 | \＄782，320 | \＄795，090 | \＄864，650 |
| \＄Change | \＄23，963 | \＄19，294 | \＄77，478 | \＄12，770 | \＄69，560 |
| \％Change | 1 3．6\％ | ㄴ 2．8\％ | －11．0\％ | $\checkmark \quad 1.6 \%$ | 8．7\％ |
| Hotels／Restaurant | \＄63，134 | \＄61，896 | \＄67，378 | \＄71，571 | \＄76，081 |
| \＄Change | \＄2，527 | （\＄1，238） | \＄5，482 | \＄4，193 | \＄4，510 |
| \％Change | － $4.2 \%$ | \1－2．0\％ | －8．9\％ | 『 6．2\％ | 6．3\％ |
| All Others | \＄195，694 | \＄181，653 | \＄206，346 | \＄231，365 | \＄238，508 |
| \＄Change | $(\$ 3,696)$ | （\＄14，041） | \＄24，693 | \＄25，019 | \＄7，143 |
| \％Change | －1．9\％ | $\checkmark \quad-7.2 \%$ | 13．6\％ | 12．1\％ | 3．1\％ |
| Total Revenue | \＄1，035，818 | \＄1，152，621 | \＄1，243，463 | \＄1，266，540 | \＄1，357，844 |
| \＄Change | \＄13，652 | \＄116，803 | \＄90，841 | \＄23，078 | \＄91，303 |
| \％Change | 入 1．3\％ | 人 $11.3 \%$ | P 7．9\％ | $\checkmark \quad 1.9 \%$ | 7．2\％ |


| Table 2b：Sales Tax－Primary Sectors December（Prior Year）－February |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Primary Sector | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
| Construction | \＄132，359 | \＄281，852 | \＄315，814 | \＄252，347 | \＄250，135 |
| \＄Change | （\＄4，979） | \＄149，493 | \＄33，962 | $(\$ 63,467)$ | $(\$ 2,212)$ |
| \％Change | \＄1－3．6\％ | 『 112．9\％ | 12．0\％ | $\checkmark \quad-20.1 \%$ | 入－0．9\％ |
| Retail Trade | \＄957，195 | \＄993，256 | \＄1，097，457 | \＄1，108，079 | \＄1，211，164 |
| \＄Change | \＄32，165 | \＄36，061 | \＄104，201 | \＄10，622 | \＄103，085 |
| \％Change | 1 3．5\％ | 1 3．8\％ | －10．5\％ | $\checkmark \quad 1.0 \%$ | －9．3\％ |
| Hotels／Restaurant | \＄88，962 | \＄92，039 | \＄99，372 | \＄103，406 | \＄110，057 |
| \＄Change | （\＄1，191） | \＄3，077 | \＄7，333 | \＄4，034 | \＄6，650 |
| \％Change | M1－1．3\％ | 『 $3.5 \%$ | 1 8．0\％ | 1 4．1\％ | 1－6．4\％ |
| All Others | \＄273，036 | \＄260，365 | \＄292，714 | \＄336，382 | \＄333，891 |
| \＄Change | $(\$ 16,922)$ | （\＄12，671） | \＄32，349 | \＄43，668 | $(\$ 2,491)$ |
| \％Change | $\checkmark$－5．8\％ | $\checkmark \quad-4.6 \%$ | 12．4\％ | 14．9\％ | －－0．7\％ |
| Total Revenue | \＄1，451，552 | \＄1，627，512 | \＄1，805，358 | \＄1，800，215 | \＄1，905，247 |
| \＄Change | \＄9，073 | \＄175，960 | \＄177，845 | $(\$ 5,143)$ | \＄105，031 |
| \％Change | $\square \quad 0.6 \%$ | 人 12．1\％ | 人 10．9\％ | $\square \quad-0.3 \%$ | －5．8\％ |


| Table 2c：Sales Tax－Primary Sectors December（Prior Year）－March |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Primary Sector | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
| Construction | \＄172，566 | \＄369，091 | \＄421，446 | \＄344，777 | \＄342，959 |
| \＄Change | $(\$ 12,378)$ | \＄196，525 | \＄52，354 | $(\$ 76,669)$ | （\＄1，818） |
| \％Change | $\checkmark \quad-6.7 \%$ | ㅅ 113．9\％ | 14．2\％ | $\checkmark \quad-18.2 \%$ | $\checkmark \quad-0.5 \%$ |
| Retail Trade | \＄1，276，576 | \＄1，303，912 | \＄1，445，225 | \＄1，473，339 | \＄1，602，217 |
| \＄Change | \＄53，932 | \＄27，336 | \＄141，313 | \＄28，114 | \＄128，878 |
| \％Change | v $4.4 \%$ | 『 $2.1 \%$ | －10．8\％ | －1．9\％ | －8．7\％ |
| Hotels／Restaurant | \＄119，736 | \＄125，412 | \＄135，431 | \＄142，926 | \＄150，714 |
| \＄Change | $(\$ 1,283)$ | \＄5，676 | \＄10，019 | \＄7，495 | \＄7，788 |
| \％Change | 4－1．1\％ | 1 $4.7 \%$ | －8．0\％ | 1 5．5\％ | 5．4\％ |
| All Others | \＄397，170 | \＄351，251 | \＄390，759 | \＄448，645 | \＄439，430 |
| \＄Change | \＄8，488 | $(\$ 45,919)$ | \＄39，508 | \＄57，885 | （\＄9，215） |
| \％Change | 2．2\％ | －11．6\％ | 11．2\％ | 14．8\％ | －2．1\％ |
| Total Revenue | \＄1，966，048 | \＄2，149，666 | \＄2，392，861 | \＄2，409，686 | \＄2，535，319 |
| \＄Change | \＄48，759 | \＄183，618 | \＄243，195 | \＄16，825 | \＄125，633 |
| \％Change | R 2．5\％ | 9．3\％ | 11．3\％ | $\checkmark \quad 0.7 \%$ | 5．2\％ |



| Table 3: Comparison of 2015 YTD Actual Less One-Time to 2015 Budget Projection <br> December 2014 - March 2015 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Primary Sector | 2015 YTD Budget Projection | $\begin{aligned} & 2015 \text { YTD } \\ & \text { Actual } \end{aligned}$ | 2015 YTD <br> Actual Less <br> One-Time | 2015 YTD <br> Actual <br> Less One- <br> Time v. <br> 2015 YTD <br> Bud. Proj. |
| Retail Trade Sector | \$1,527,383 | \$1,602,217 | \$1,602,217 | 4.9\% |
| Construction Sector | \$286,384 | \$342,959 | \$325,674 | 13.7\% |
| Other Taxable Sales Sectors | \$570,183 | \$590,144 | \$590,144 | 3.5\% |
| Total Local Sales \& Use Tax | \$2,383,951 | \$2,535,319 | \$2,518,034 | 5.6\% |
|  | Totals may not foot due to rounding. |  |  |  |



## Retail Trade Sector:

Receipts from activity for December 2014 through March 2015 are higher than the budget projection by 4.9\% (See Table 3) and the year-ago level by 8.7\% (See Tables 2c and 4c). The amount reported for the month of March is approximately $\$ 113,000$ higher than that shown in this report due to the aggregate amount of the correction for the period of November 2014 through February 2015 being received with the March distribution. As noted earlier, the miscoding of prior returns has been corrected.

Again, for the purpose of this report and accuracy of future projections, the miscoded tax returns were allocated to their respective periods, with the exception of the return for the period of November 2014 since that will be considered late revenue booked to 2015. The following tables (See Tables 4a, 4b, and 4c) show adjusted results for the periods reported in the last three monthly reports.


| Table 4a：Retail Trade Categories December（Prior Year）－January |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category | 2013 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2013 \% \\ & \text { nge } \end{aligned}$ | 2014 |  | $2014 \text { \% }$ <br> nge | 2015 |
| Motor Veh．\＆Parts Dealer | \＄198，130 | T | 5．0\％ | \＄208，082 | 『 | 5．4\％ | \＄219，244 |
| Furniture \＆Home Funishings | \＄9，550 | － | 4．4\％ | \＄9，968 | T | 5．0\％ | \＄10，470 |
| Electronics \＆Appliances | \＄13，899 | － | 22．6\％ | \＄17，045 | 1 | 33．7\％ | \＄22，793 |
| Building Material \＆Garden | \＄87，045 | 4 | －3．8\％ | \＄83，724 | － | 49．2\％ | \＄124，902 |
| Food \＆Beverage Stores | \＄44，915 | \} | －2．2\％ | \＄43，929 | 1 | 7．8\％ | \＄47，334 |
| Health \＆Personal Care Stores | \＄30，114 | $\stackrel{\square}{r}$ | 4．8\％ | \＄31，567 | － | 12．9\％ | \＄35，632 |
| Gasoline Stations | \＄11，557 | － | 2．5\％ | \＄11，850 | ふ | 1．7\％ | \＄12，056 |
| Clothing \＆Accessories | \＄10，101 | $\checkmark$ | －4．3\％ | \＄9，665 | 1 | 27．2\％ | \＄12，295 |
| Sporting Goods，Hobby，Books | \＄16，641 | 人 | 9．4\％ | \＄18，208 | 2 | －1．3\％ | \＄17，980 |
| General Merchandise Stores | \＄281，644 | \} | －2．6\％ | \＄274，402 | 入 | 1．6\％ | \＄278，704 |
| Miscellaneous Store Retailers | \＄46，846 | 人 | 5．9\％ | \＄49，622 | $\checkmark$ | －11．4\％ | \＄43，954 |
| Nonstore Retailers | \＄31，879 | － | 16．2\％ | \＄37，029 | － | 6．1\％ | \＄39，287 |
| Total Retail Trade | \＄782，320 | ， | 1．6\％ | \＄795，090 | T | 8．7\％ | \＄864，650 |


| Table 4b：Retail Trade Categories December（Prior Year）－February |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category | 2013 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2013 \text { \% } \\ & \text { nge } \end{aligned}$ | 2014 |  | $2014 \text { \% }$ <br> nge | 2015 |
| Motor Veh．\＆Parts Dealer | \＄282，836 | 『 | 3．9\％ | \＄293，809 | $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{ }$ | 10．1\％ | \＄323，389 |
| Furniture \＆Home Funishings | \＄14，166 | － | 17．6\％ | \＄16，666 | $\checkmark$ | －16．3\％ | \＄13，943 |
| Electronics \＆Appliances | \＄25，544 | $\checkmark$ | －4．9\％ | \＄24，280 | 1 | 23．5\％ | \＄29，989 |
| Building Material \＆Garden | \＄124，789 | 2 | －2．2\％ | \＄122，018 | － | 43．7\％ | \＄175，381 |
| Food \＆Beverage Stores | \＄64，073 | 2 | －2．7\％ | \＄62，343 | 1 | 6．8\％ | \＄66，566 |
| Health \＆Personal Care Stores | \＄42，340 | 1 | 2．4\％ | \＄43，357 | $\checkmark$ | 16．2\％ | \＄50，383 |
| Gasoline Stations | \＄17，200 | 2 | 0．1\％ | \＄17，214 | 1 | 2．3\％ | \＄17，615 |
| Clothing \＆Accessories | \＄13，324 | $\checkmark$ | －4．0\％ | \＄12，789 | $\stackrel{\sim}{r}$ | 25．5\％ | \＄16，052 |
| Sporting Goods，Hobby，Books | \＄20，868 | 人 | 8．2\％ | \＄22，577 | N | 1．4\％ | \＄22，897 |
| General Merchandise Stores | \＄382，730 | M | －2．4\％ | \＄373，504 | － | 2．4\％ | \＄382，369 |
| Miscellaneous Store Retailers | \＄66，684 | ヘ | 4．7\％ | \＄69，815 | ， | －13．9\％ | \＄60，079 |
| Nonstore Retailers | \＄42，902 | － | 15．9\％ | \＄49，706 | $\stackrel{\sim}{r}$ | 5．6\％ | \＄52，503 |
| Total Retail Trade | \＄1，097，457 | $\cdots$ | 1．0\％ | \＄1，108，079 | 「 | 9．3\％ | \＄1，211，164 |


| Table 4c：Retail Trade Categories December（Prior Year）－March |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category | 2013 |  | ne | 2014 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2014 \text { \% } \\ & \text { nge } \end{aligned}$ | 2015 |
| Motor Veh．\＆Parts Dealer | \＄371，684 | － | 8．5\％ | \＄403，108 | $\stackrel{ }{ }$ | 9．0\％ | \＄439，301 |
| Furniture \＆Home Funishings | \＄18，878 | 1 | 17．8\％ | \＄22，246 | ， | －17．3\％ | \＄18，404 |
| Electronics \＆Appliances | \＄31，259 | 分 | 0．2\％ | \＄31，311 | － | 20．9\％ | \＄37，850 |
| Building Material \＆Garden | \＄182，326 | ， | －4．4\％ | \＄174，306 | 『 | 36．9\％ | \＄238，705 |
| Food \＆Beverage Stores | \＄85，525 | 4 | －2．9\％ | \＄83，080 | 『 | 7．9\％ | \＄89，668 |
| Health \＆Personal Care Stores | \＄55，403 | － | 5．1\％ | \＄58，235 | 『 | 15．7\％ | \＄67，351 |
| Gasoline Stations | \＄23，677 | 4 | －1．6\％ | \＄23，290 | － | 4．5\％ | \＄24，349 |
| Clothing \＆Accessories | \＄17，093 | 入 | －1．0\％ | \＄16，929 | － | 21．5\％ | \＄20，575 |
| Sporting Goods，Hobby，Books | \＄27，134 | ¢ | 9．5\％ | \＄29，713 | 1 | 3．9\％ | \＄30，872 |
| General Merchandise Stores | \＄486，101 | 4 | －2．2\％ | \＄475，255 | 『 | 2．6\％ | \＄487，412 |
| Miscellaneous Store Retailers | \＄90，970 | $入$ | 1．2\％ | \＄92，081 | V | －13．2\％ | \＄79，935 |
| Nonstore Retailers | \＄55，175 | － | 15．6\％ | \＄63，786 | － | 6．3\％ | \＄67，795 |
| Total Retail Trade | \＄1，445，225 | $\cdots$ | 1．9\％ | \＄1，473，339 | － | 8．7\％ | \＄1，602，217 |

There continues to be significant growth in receipts from new car dealers (in the Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealer category) since 2011. Receipts for the month of March were higher than those for the same period of 2014, 2013, 2012 and 2011 by $7.6 \%, 33.4 \%, 33.5 \%$, and $52.6 \%$, respectively (See Chart 4).


## Construction Sector:

Receipts from activity for December 2014 through March 2015 of $\$ 342,959$ are $0.5 \%$ lower than the year-ago level of $\$ 344,777$ (See Table 2 and Chart 5). Of the amount collected so far this year, $\$ 17,285$, or $5.0 \%$, is attributable to one-time activity. Of the amount collected for the same period of $2014, \$ 71,080$, or $20.6 \%$, was attributable to one-time activity. Removing one-time activity from the calculation reveals receipts are $13.4 \%$ higher than the budget projection (See Table 3) and higher than the year-ago level by 19.0\% (See Chart 6). Large one-time projects generated less sales tax this year than they did in prior years. These year-over-year changes reflect an increased level of ongoing construction activity within the City.



## Gambling Revenue：

Total receipts through May 2015，inclusive of taxes on gambling activity and payments on promissory notes，in the amount of $\$ 389,108$ ， are lower than 2014 collections by $\$ 84,965$ ，or $17.9 \%$ ．The bulk of the year－over－year decrease is attributable to one－time revenue resulting from promissory note payments made in 2014 totaling \＄86，162．

| Table 5：Gambling Revenue January－May |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operation | 2015 |  | $\text { v. } 2014$ <br> hange |
| Pull－Tabs | \＄35，682 | 个 | 16．5\％ |
| Amusement Games | \＄42 | $\checkmark$ | －95．4\％ |
| Card Rooms | \＄352，662 | 2 | －1．0\％ |
| Promissory Notes | \＄721 | ת | －99．2\％ |
| Total Revenue | \＄389，108 | ת | －17．9\％ |

## First Quarter Gambling Activity：

Pull－tab and card room activity reported for the first quarter of 2015 is higher than that reported for the previous quarter by $12.9 \%$ and $1.3 \%$ ，respectively．Compared to the year－ago level，pull－ tab activity is also higher（＋12．1\％），but card room activity has slightly declined（－1．3\％）．All activity ceased at Drift on Inn in late July 2013；however，its pull－tab license was renewed in April 2014 and card room license was renewed in early July 2014．There has only been one card game held at the Drift on Inn since the third quarter of 2014．The year－ over－year decrease in Amusement Games revenue is due to a single raffle held in 2014.

| Table 6：Gambling Trends For 1st Quarter 2015 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operation | Gross <br> Receipts | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Since } \\ 4 Q 2014 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Since } \\ \text { 1Q } 2014 \end{gathered}$ |
| Pull－Tabs | \＄721，854 | 个 12．9\％ | 个 12．1\％ |
| Amusement Games | \＄1，928 | ת－28．4\％ | ת－95．0\％ |
| Card Rooms | \＄3，546，624 | ［ $1.3 \%$ | ＞$-1.3 \%$ |

Chart 7 exhibits the last seven years of first quarter gross receipts reported by card rooms operating in Shoreline．


## First Quarter Gambling Tax Revenue：

Pull－tab and card room taxes paid on first quarter of 2015 activity is higher than that paid the previous quarter by $11.4 \%$ and $0.8 \%$ ，respectively．Compared to the year－ ago level，pull－tab taxes paid are also higher （＋11．4\％），but card room taxes paid have slightly declined（－1．0\％）．Overall，tax receipts are $1.6 \%$ higher than the previous quarter but $0.3 \%$ lower than the year－ago level．

| Table 7：Gambling Tax Revenue For 1st Quarter 2015 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operation | Tax Revenue | $\begin{gathered} \text { Since } \\ 4 Q 2014 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Since } \\ 1 Q 2014 \end{array}$ |
| Pull－Tabs | \＄34，858 | － $11.4 \%$ | へ 11．4\％ |
| Amusement Games | \＄42 | ת－30．7\％ | ת－95．4\％ |
| Card Rooms | \＄352，662 | ［ $0.8 \%$ | ，－1．0\％ |
| Total Revenue | \＄387，563 | 2 1．6\％ | \－0．3\％ |

## REET Collections：

Total REET collections through May 2015 totaling \＄919，960 are ahead of the budget projection by $38.4 \%$ ，the revised projection by $22.6 \%$ ，and the year－ago level by $43.1 \%$ ．Table 8 and Chart 8 below exhibit the REET collections．Chart 9 below exhibits the actual collections by category compared to the overall budget and revised projections for each month．The collections from Commercial transactions shown in Chart 9 and Tables 10 and 11 for March 2015 were mostly from the sale of the Safeway on Aurora Ave．just south of $\mathrm{N} 155^{\text {th }}$ St．for $\$ 9.3$ million．

| Table 8：REET Collections |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Month of Activity | 2015 |  |  |  |  | 2014 | 2015 v． 2014 |  |
|  | Budget Projection | Revised Projection | Actual | Actual v ． Bud．Proj． | Actual v ． <br> Rev．Proj． | Actual | Actual \＄Change | Actual \％Change |
| January | \＄91，716 | \＄103，520 | \＄116，569 | 亿 27．1\％ | 人 $12.6 \%$ ！ | \＄82，900 | \＄33，669 | 人 $40.6 \%$ |
| February | \＄108，441 | \＄122，398 | \＄115，392 | 个 $6.4 \%$ | $\sqrt{3}-5.7 \%$ | \＄102，625 | \＄12，766 | － $12.4 \%$ |
| March | \＄144，136 | \＄162，687 | \＄207，359 | 人 $43.9 \%$ | 人 $27.5 \%$ | \＄153，759 | \＄53，600 | 人 $34.9 \%$ |
| April | \＄142，556 | \＄160，904 | \＄234，906 | 人 $64.8 \%$ | － $46.0 \%$ | \＄149，062 | \＄85，844 | － $57.6 \%$ |
| May | \＄177，690 | \＄200，560 | \＄245，735 | 人 $38.3 \%$ | 人 $22.5 \%$ | \＄154，550 | \＄91，184 | 人 $59.0 \%$ |
| Totals | \＄664，538 | \＄750，070 | \＄919，960 | 今 38．4\％ | 人 $22.6 \%$｜ | \＄642，897 | \＄277，063 | 人 43．1\％ |
|  | Totals may not foot due to rounding． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |




## REET Transactions：

The number and value of the transactions in May 2015 were higher than the year－ago level． Year－to－date there has been eighty－seven more transactions with a value that is $\$ 55.4$ million more than the year－ago level．Table 9 below exhibits the number of sales and value of all residential and commercial transactions that occurred during the period of January through May in 2014 and 2015．It is interesting to note how much higher transaction values are even though there were only twelve transactions greater than $\$ 1.0$ million in 2015，as compared to ten in the same period of 2014 （See Table 11）．

| Table 9：ReFT Sales（\＄in thousands） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2015 |  | 2014 |  | 2015 v． 2014 |  |  |
| Month of Activity | No．of Sales | Value | No．of Sales | Value | No．of Sales | Value <br> \＄Change | Value \％Change |
| January | 56 | \＄23，314 | 46 | \＄16，580 | 10 | \＄6，734 | 亿 40．6\％ |
| February | 63 | \＄23，078 | 41 | \＄20，525 | 22 | \＄2，553 | 个 $12.4 \%$ |
| March | 87 | \＄41，472 | 74 | \＄30，752 | 13 | \＄10，720 | 人 $34.9 \%$ |
| April | 104 | \＄46，981 | 84 | \＄29，812 | 20 | \＄17，169 | 人 $57.6 \%$ |
| May | 99 | \＄49，147 | 77 | \＄30，910 | 22 | \＄18，237 | 人 59．0\％ |
| Totals | 409 | \＄183，992 | 322 | \＄128，579 | ｜ 87 | \＄55，413 | 个 43．1\％ |
|  | Totals may not foot due to rounding． |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 10 below exhibits the number and value of sales by category that occurred during the period of January through May 2015.

|  | Single－Family |  | Multi－Family |  | Mobile Home |  | Commercial |  | Miscellaneous |  | Undeveloped |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Month of Activity | No．of Sales | Value | No．of Sales | Value | No．of Sales | Value | No．of Sales | Value | No．of Sales | Value | No．of Sales | Value |
| January | 44 | \＄19，604 | 9 | \＄2，138 | 0 | \＄0 | 1 | \＄768 | 1 | \＄505 | 1 | \＄300 |
| February | 59 | \＄22，189 | 3 | \＄888 | 0 | \＄0 | 0 | \＄0 | 0 | \＄1 | 1 | \＄0 |
| March | 73 | \＄28，831 | 9 | \＄1，962 | 0 | \＄0 | 2 | \＄9，677 | 1 | \＄305 | 2 | \＄697 |
| April | 84 | \＄36，212 | 11 | \＄2，104 | 0 | \＄0 | 1 | \＄3，400 | 7 | \＄4，767 | 1 | \＄499 |
| May | 77 | \＄39，995 | 19 | \＄5，274 | 0 | \＄0 | 1 | \＄2，750 | 2 | \＄1，128 | 0 | \＄0 |
| Totals | 337 | \＄146，831 | 51 | \＄12，365 | 0 | \＄0 | 5 | \＄16，595 | 11 | \＄6，706 | 5 | \＄1，495 |
|  | Totals may not foot due to rounding． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Charts 10a and 10b are histograms exhibiting the number of single－family residences that sold in 2015 in each of the various price ranges．The majority（ $75.3 \%$ ）of the homes sold through May were priced from \＄200，000 to \＄499，999 with $29.9 \%$ priced from $\$ 300,000$ to $\$ 399,999$ and $32.5 \%$ priced from $\$ 400,000$ to $\$ 499,999$ ．The average transaction value year－to－date， excluding sales with a transaction value greater than $\$ 1$ million，was $6.1 \%$ higher in 2015 than 2014 at $\$ 418,387$ and $\$ 394,236$ ，respectively．



Table 11 below exhibits the number and value of all residential and commercial transactions greater than $\$ 1.0$ million．In May 2015 there were four transactions greater than $\$ 1.0$ million， three of which were homes，including a transaction that consisted of two parcels near NE $145^{\text {th }}$ St and Bothell Way NE，and one commercial property（future home of Potala Apartments on Aurora Ave N）．Year－to－date through May 2015，there have been nine SFRs sold for more than $\$ 1.0$ million，which accounts for $\$ 13.4$ million，or $41.2 \%$ ，of the total and three commercial properties，which accounts for $\$ 19.1$ million，or $58.8 \%$ of the total．

| Month of Activity | 2015 |  | 2014 |  | 2015 v． 2014 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | No．of Sales | Value | No．of Sales | Value | No．of Sales | Value <br> \＄Change | Value \％Change |
| January | 1 | \＄1，755 | 1 | \＄1，500 | 0 | \＄255 | 亿 $17.0 \%$ |
| February | 0 | \＄0 | 3 | \＄5，966 | （3） | $(\$ 5,966)$ | N／A |
| March | 2 | \＄10，322 | 5 | \＄6，000 | （3） | \＄4，322 | 人 $72.0 \%$ |
| April | 5 | \＄8，875 | 0 | \＄0 | 5 | \＄8，875 | N／A |
| May | 4 | \＄11，515 | 1 | \＄2，096 | 3 | \＄9，419 | 人 $449.3 \%$ |
| Totals | 12 | \＄32，467 | 10 | \＄15，562 ！ | 2 | \＄16，905 | 人 $108.6 \%$ |
|  | Totals may not foot due to rounding． |  |  |  |  |  |  |

The number of permits issued in 2015 is $7.7 \%$ lower than the year-ago level, but the number of building permits issued and plan checks has increased 4.5\% (See Table 12 and Chart 11).

| Table 12: Permit Count by Type |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Type | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | $\begin{gathered} 2015 \mathrm{v} . \\ 2014 \\ \text { \# Chg. } \end{gathered}$ | 2015 v. 2014 $\% \mathrm{Chg}$. |
| Building * | 168 | 199 | 208 | 9 | 4.5\% |
| Mechanical | 180 | 206 | 217 | 11 | - $5.3 \%$ |
| Fire Systems | 29 | 63 | 37 | (26) | -41.3\% |
| Land Use I SEPA Review | 19 | 33 | 23 | (10) | -30.3\% |
| Plumbing | 64 | 96 | 71 | (25) | -26.0\% |
| Electrical | 12 | 16 | 10 | (6) | -37.5\% |
| Totals | 472 | 613 | 566 | (47) | $\checkmark-7.7 \%$ |
| * Includes Plan Check |  |  |  |  |  |



Permit revenue in May 2015 totaled $\$ 129,548$. Total revenue to date is $\$ 480,706$, which is $10.6 \%$ ahead of the year-to-date projection but 15.2\% lower than the year-ago level.


Valuation of 43 building permits for new construction and remodels issued in May totals $\$ 4.8$ million and is comprised $62.1 \%$ of residential and $37.9 \%$ of commercial / multi-family valuation. Valuation of 121 building permits for new construction and remodels issued year-to-date totals $\$ 11.6$ million (See Chart 14b) and is comprised $71.8 \%$ of residential and $28.2 \%$ of commercial / multi-family valuation.

| Month | Residential |  |  |  | Commercial |  |  |  | Multi-Family |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | New |  | Add/Remodel |  | New |  | Add/Remodel |  | New |  | Add/Remodel |  |
|  | \# | Valuation | \# | Valuation | \# | Valuation | \# | Valuation | \# | Valuation | \# | Valuation |
| January | 0 | \$0 | 14 | \$863 | 0 | \$0 | 2 | \$15 | 0 | \$0 | 4 | \$106 |
| February | 2 | \$423 | 18 | \$1,578 | 0 | \$0 | 3 | \$28 | 0 | \$0 | 0 | \$0 |
| March | 4 | \$1,045 | 12 | \$600 | 0 | \$0 | 2 | \$1,288 | 0 | \$0 | 0 | \$0 |
| April | 1 | \$427 | 15 | \$382 | 0 | \$0 | 1 | \$3 | 0 | \$0 | 0 | \$0 |
| May | 6 | \$2,283 | 25 | \$710 | 0 | \$0 | 12 | \$1,824 | 0 | \$0 | 0 | \$0 |
| Totals | 13 | \$4,178 | 84 | \$4,133 | 0 | \$0 | 20 | \$3,157 | 0 | \$0 | 4 | \$106 |

Local development activity in 2015, in terms of the number of building permits pulled for new construction and remodels in 2015, is lower than the year-ago level (See Chart 14a). The valuation is also lower (See Chart 14b). A substantial portion of the difference is related to the timing of the large projects that occurred in March and April 2014 (see list below). A significant project worth mentioning in 2015 is also listed below.


## 2014 Large Projects:

- March:

0 North City Water District: 3,200 sf pump station (\$4.0M)

- April:

0 Washington State Public Health Lab: Remodel (\$1.8 M)

