



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Regulatory Services

Date: July 22, 2009

To: Council Member Don Samuels, Chair – Public Safety & Regulatory Services Committee

Referral to: Council Member Paul Ostrow, Chair – Ways & Means/Budget Committee

Subject: Adjustment of license fees by 3% to allow for expanded license enforcement

Recommendation: Direct the proper City officials to increase fees found in Appendix J by 3% to allow for an expanded license enforcement staffing level (accept taxicab license related fees)

Previous Directives: The action reflects Minneapolis Ordinance 261.60 “to consider the adjustment of all license fees for the subsequent calendar year to reflect changes in administrative and enforcement costs in accordance with appropriate economic indicators as determined by the City Council or Committee.”

Department Information

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Reviews

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ____ Date _____
- Civil Rights Approval Approval ____ Date _____
- Policy Review Group (PRG): Approval ____ Date _____

Financial Impact

- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
Dept Name: _____Regulatory Services

Fund Name: _____ General Fund

Amount: \$500,000 _____

- Action is within the Business Plan
- Request provided to the Finance Department

Community Impact

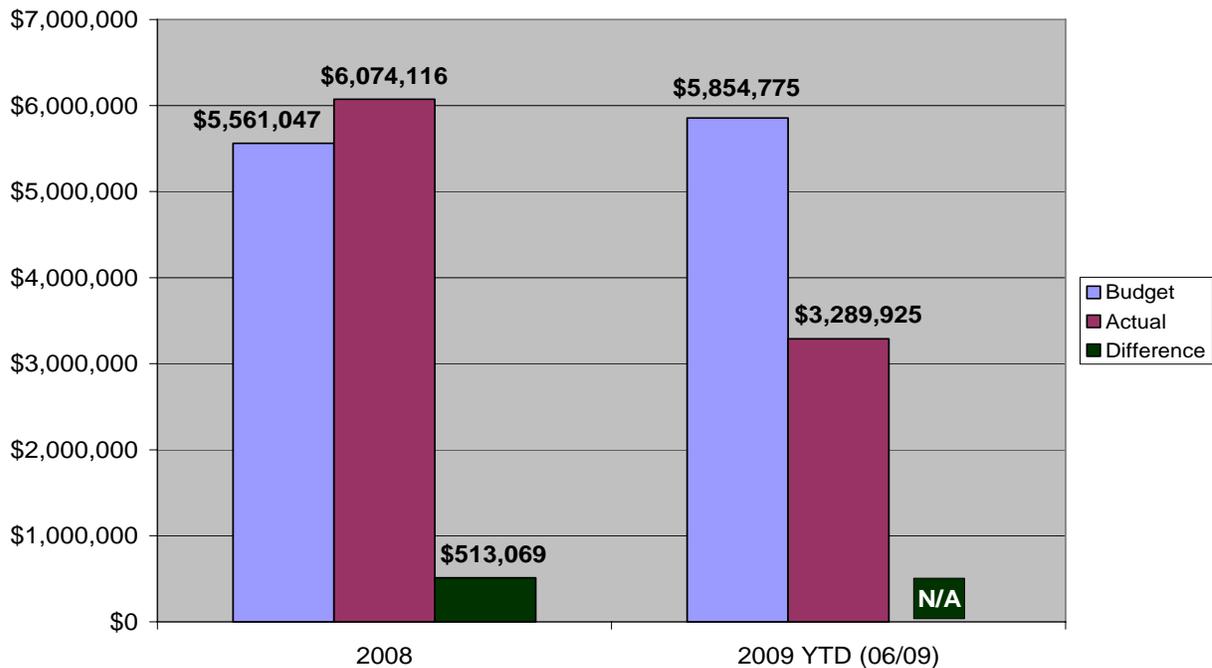
- Neighborhood Notification
- City Goals
- Comprehensive Plan
- Zoning Code
- Other

Supporting Information

The Minneapolis City Ordinance that governs fee increases is 261.60, as follows: "Annual fee adjustment. Prior to August 1 of each year, the appropriate committee of the city council shall conduct a hearing to consider the adjustment of all license fees for the subsequent calendar year to reflect changes in administrative and enforcement costs in accordance with appropriate economic indicators as determined by the city council or committee."

The request for a 3% increase in fees and the related expenses is to allow for an expanded license enforcement function. Business licenses revenue (liquor, food, general business, etc.) increased by at least \$500,000 in 2008 due to expanded collection efforts and added licensing.

Business Licenses (3110) Revenue in Business Licenses Division



Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That the above-entitled Resolution, as amended, be further amended as follows:

- 1. Direct the Finance Officer to increase the 2009 revenue estimate for Regulatory Services (00100-8350100-311000) by \$500,000 and increase the 2009 expense appropriation for Regulatory Services (00100-8350100) by \$450,000.**