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## Sales and Use Tax Collection Report - March 2023

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This report reflects Sales and Use Tax collected in March for economic activity that occurred in February. Please note the sales and use tax collected in March is predominately from February sales but also includes delinquent collections from prior periods.

## MARCH SUMMARY OVER PRIOR YEAR

| Net Sales Tax Collected: | $11.4 \%$ | $6.4 \%$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Net Use Tax Collected: | $-24.6 \%$ | $-12.5 \%$ |
| Net Sales and Use Tax Collected: | $5.7 \%$ | $3.9 \%$ |

Year to date, sales and use tax collections excluding rebates are up 3.9\% and total \$44.3M.

## MARCH SUMMARY OVER BUDGET

Net Sales Tax Collected:
Net Use Tax Collected:
Net Sales and Use Tax Collected:

| Month | Year to Date |
| ---: | :---: |
| $3.3 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ |
| $-13.5 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ |
| $1.1 \%$ | $2.2 \%$ |

Year to date, the City has collected $2.2 \%$ more sales and use tax revenue, totaling $\$ 958 \mathrm{~K}$ over budget.
Figure 1. Budget to Actual - Sales and Use Tax Collected After Rebates


| Figure 2. Sales and Use Tax Collected | March |  |  | Year to Date |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Actual } \\ 2022 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Actual } \\ 2023 \end{gathered}$ | \% Change | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Actual } \\ 2022 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Actual } \\ 2023 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| SALES TAX COLLECTIONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grocery, Convenience, Liquor | \$1,363,694 | \$1,424,021 | 4.4\% | \$4,744,774 | \$5,068,290 | 6.8\% |
| Restaurants, Caterers and Bars | 1,593,285 | 1,832,164 | 15.0\% | 4,978,871 | 5,551,776 | 11.5\% |
| General Merchandise | 1,043,539 | 959,053 | -8.1\% | 3,252,952 | 3,445,590 | 5.9\% |
| Vehicle Sales, Parts and Repairs | 743,345 | 807,832 | 8.7\% | 2,340,182 | 2,644,319 | 13.0\% |
| Building Materials, Garden Equipment \& Supplies | 732,759 | 673,476 | -8.1\% | 3,573,343 | 2,645,319 | -26.0\% |
| Sporting, Hobby, Book, Music | 432,708 | 459,981 | 6.3\% | 1,510,939 | 1,500,624 | -0.7\% |
| Broadcasting and Telecommunications | 151,776 | 284,931 | 87.7\% | 933,687 | 969,249 | 3.8\% |
| Electronics and Appliances | 400,640 | 300,549 | -25.0\% | 1,404,083 | 1,459,711 | 4.0\% |
| Miscellaneous Retailers | 1,385,921 | 1,743,117 | 25.8\% | 5,285,865 | 5,801,697 | 9.8\% |
| Utilities | 603,018 | 768,582 | 27.5\% | 1,722,089 | 2,368,147 | 37.5\% |
| Clothing and Accessories | 292,151 | 311,742 | 6.7\% | 1,186,807 | 1,243,930 | 4.8\% |
| Pharmacy, Salon and Laundry | 479,916 | 430,082 | -10.4\% | 1,665,874 | 1,513,265 | -9.2\% |
| Other | 243,058 | 243,090 | 0.0\% | 1,329,602 | 1,492,252 | 12.2\% |
| Rental and Leasing Services | 131,788 | 155,738 | 18.2\% | 528,681 | 598,550 | 13.2\% |
| Furniture and Home Furnishings | 176,130 | 282,657 | 60.5\% | 760,325 | 767,655 | 1.0\% |
| Wholesale Trade | 152,583 | 169,940 | 11.4\% | 683,790 | 784,455 | 14.7\% |
| Lodging | 152,107 | 198,707 | 30.6\% | 475,094 | 625,319 | 31.6\% |
| Manufacturing | 199,064 | 416,677 | 109.3\% | 967,276 | 1,355,301 | 40.1\% |
| TOTAL SALES TAX | 10,277,482 | 11,462,339 | 11.5\% | 37,344,234 | 39,835,449 | 6.7\% |
| Less Mall Sales Tax Remittance* | $(160,345)$ | $(188,650)$ | 17.7\% | $(447,014)$ | $(576,519)$ | 29.0\% |
| NET SALES TAX | 10,117,137 | 11,273,689 | 11.4\% | 36,897,220 | 39,258,930 | 6.4\% |
| USE TAX COLLECTIONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Building Permits | 574,551 | 368,256 | -35.9\% | 1,236,068 | 982,564 | -20.5\% |
| Car Tax | 665,837 | 588,019 | -11.7\% | 2,146,518 | 2,132,719 | -0.6\% |
| Return Tax | 669,763 | 484,589 | -27.6\% | 2,338,815 | 1,893,179 | -19.1\% |
| TOTAL USE TAX | 1,910,151 | 1,440,864 | -24.6\% | 5,721,401 | 5,008,462 | -12.5\% |
| Less Economic Rebates | 0 | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0 | 0.0\% |
| NET USE TAX | 1,910,151 | 1,440,864 | -24.6\% | 5,721,401 | 5,008,462 | -12.5\% |
| SALES \& USE TAX COLLECTIONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Sales \& Use Tax | 12,187,633 | 12,903,203 | 5.9\% | 43,065,635 | 44,843,911 | 4.1\% |
| Less Mall Sales TaxRemittance* | $(160,345)$ | $(188,650)$ | 17.7\% | $(447,014)$ | $(576,519)$ | 29.0\% |
| Less Economic Rebates | 0 | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0 | 0.0\% |
| NET SALES \& USE TAX | 12,027,288 | 12,714,553 | 5.7\% | 42,618,621 | 44,267,392 | 3.9\% |


| SALES \& USE TAX DISTRIBUTION |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Streets and Transportation (.25\%) | 730,539 | 771,592 | $5.6 \%$ | $2,584,611$ | $2,681,022$ | $3.7 \%$ |
| Community Capital Improvement Program (.25\%) | 730,539 | 771,592 | $5.6 \%$ | $2,584,611$ | $2,681,022$ | $3.7 \%$ |
| Natural Areas (.25\%) | 730,539 | 771,592 | $5.6 \%$ | $2,584,611$ | $2,681,022$ | $3.7 \%$ |
| General Fund Renewable (.25\%)** | 730,539 | 771,592 | $5.6 \%$ | $2,584,611$ | $2,681,022$ | $3.7 \%$ |
| General Fund (2.85\%) | $9,265,477$ | $9,816,835$ | $6.0 \%$ | $32,727,191$ | $34,119,823$ | $4.3 \%$ |
| Less Mall Sales TaxRemittance* | $(160,345)$ | $(188,650)$ | $17.7 \%$ | $(447,014)$ | $(576,519)$ | $29.0 \%$ |
| Less Economic Rebates | 0 | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 0 | 0 | $0.0 \%$ |
| NET SALES \& USE TAX | $\mathbf{\$ 1 2 , 0 2 7 , 2 8 8}$ | $\mathbf{\$ 1 2 , 7 1 4 , 5 5 3}$ | $\mathbf{5 . 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{\$ 4 2 , 6 1 8 , 6 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{\$ 4 4 , 2 6 7 , 3 9 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 . 9 \%}$ |

* Per the Mall Redevelopment Agreement, a portion of the sales tax generated at the Mall is remitted monthly to support the Metro District Debt Service
** KFCG revenue replacement will continue the $.85 \%$ tax by increasing the on-going tax rate by $.60 \%$ and adding a renewable .25\%tax through 2030

March Sales Tax Collected. In March 2023, sales tax collected in Fort Collins increased 11.4\% compared to March 2022. Sales tax collected totaled \$11.3M compared to \$10.1M in 2022.

March Use Tax Collected. The total use tax collected in March was \$1.4M, a decrease of 24.6\% compared to March 2022.

Net Sales and Use Tax Collected. Total tax collected of \$12.7M was $5.7 \%$ higher than March 2022.

Figure 3. Budget to Actual - Sales Tax Collected

| Month | Actual |  |  | Budget |  | rer/(Under) <br> Budget | \% Over/(Under) Budget |  | Year to Date Actual |  | Annual <br> Budget | $\begin{gathered} \text { Year to Date \% } \\ \text { Over/(Under) } \\ \text { Annual Budget } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | \$ | 16,750,361 |  | 16,024,508 | \$ | 725,853 | 4.5\% | \$ | 16,750,361 | \$ | 16,024,508 | 4.5\% |
| February |  | 11,234,880 |  | 11,373,175 |  | $(138,295)$ | -1.2\% |  | 27,985,241 |  | 27,397,683 | 2.1\% |
| March |  | 11,273,689 |  | 10,912,015 |  | 361,674 | 3.3\% |  | 39,258,930 |  | 38,309,698 | 2.5\% |
| April |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 51,119,909 | 0.0\% |
| May |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 63,255,241 | 0.0\% |
| June |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 76,063,562 | 0.0\% |
| July |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 89,812,031 | 0.0\% |
| August |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 102,720,942 | 0.0\% |
| September |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 116,440,955 | 0.0\% |
| October |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 130,158,764 | 0.0\% |
| November |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 142,833,064 | 0.0\% |
| December |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 155,583,400 | 0.0\% |
| Net Collections |  | 39,258,930 |  | 38,309,698 |  | 949,232 | 2.5\% |  |  |  |  |  |
| YTD Rebates |  | 576,519 |  | 240,000 |  | 336,519 |  |  |  |  | - |  |
| Total Collections | \$ | 39,835,449 | \$ | 38,549,698 | \$ | 1,285,751 | 3.3\% |  |  | \$ | 155,583,400 |  |

Figure 4. Budget to Actual - Use Tax Collected

| Month | Actual |  | Budget |  |  | r/(Under) udget | \% Over/(Under) Budget |  | ar to Date Actual |  | Annual <br> Budget | Year to Date \% Over/(Under) Annual Budget |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | \$ | 2,007,611 | \$ | 1,666,667 | \$ | 340,944 | 20.5\% | \$ | 2,007,611 | \$ | 1,666,667 | 20.5\% |
| February |  | 1,559,987 |  | 1,666,667 |  | $(106,680)$ | -6.4\% |  | 3,567,598 |  | 3,333,334 | 7.0\% |
| March |  | 1,440,864 |  | 1,666,667 |  | $(225,803)$ | -13.5\% |  | 5,008,462 |  | 5,000,001 | 0.2\% |
| April |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 6,666,668 | 0.0\% |
| May |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 8,333,335 | 0.0\% |
| June |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 10,000,002 | 0.0\% |
| July |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 11,666,669 | 0.0\% |
| August |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 13,333,336 | 0.0\% |
| September |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 15,000,003 | 0.0\% |
| October |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 16,666,670 | 0.0\% |
| November |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 18,333,337 | 0.0\% |
| December |  | - |  | - |  | - | 0.0\% |  | - |  | 19,999,999 | 0.0\% |
| Net Collections |  | 5,008,462 |  | 5,000,001 |  | 8,461 | 0.2\% |  |  |  |  |  |
| YTD Rebates |  | - |  | - |  | - |  |  |  |  | - |  |
| Total Collections | \$ | 5,008,462 | \$ | 5,000,001 | \$ | 8,461 | 0.2\% |  |  | \$ | 19,999,999 |  |

Figure 5. Budget to Actual - Sales and Use Tax Distribution

| Fund | Actual Mar YTD |  | Budget Mar YTD |  | Over/(Under) Budget Mar YTD |  | \% Over/(Under) Budget |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Streets and Transportation (.25\%) |  | 2,681,022 |  | 2,575,992 |  | 105,030 | 4.1\% |
| Community Capital Improvement Program (.25\%) |  | 2,681,022 |  | 2,575,992 |  | 105,030 | 4.1\% |
| Natural Areas and Parks (.25\%) |  | 2,681,022 |  | 2,575,992 |  | 105,030 | 4.1\% |
| General Fund Renewable (.25\%)* |  | 2,681,022 |  | 2,575,992 |  | 105,030 | 4.1\% |
| General Fund (2.85\%) (net of rebates) |  | 33,543,304 |  | 33,005,731 |  | 537,573 | 1.6\% |
| General Fund Economic Rebates |  | 576,519 |  | 240,000 |  | 336,519 |  |
| Total Collections | \$ | 44,843,911 | \$ | 43,549,699 | \$ | 1,294,212 |  |

*KFCG revenue replacement will continue the $.85 \%$ tax by increasing the on-going tax rate by $.60 \%$ and adding a renewable .25\% tax through 2030

March Sales Tax Budget to Actual. In March 2023, sales tax collected in Fort Collins was \$362K more than budget.

March Use Tax Budget to Actual Excluding Rebates. In March 2023, use tax collected in Fort Collins was $\$ 226 \mathrm{~K}$ less than budget.

Figure 6. March Collections*

*Total collections after rebates.
Figure 7. Year to Date Collections*

*Total collections after rebates.

Figure 8. Net Taxable

| \$ in Millions | Actual 2022 | Actual $2023$ | \% <br> Change | Actual $2022$ | Actual $2023$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { \% } \\ \text { Change } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SALES TAX |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grocery, Convenience, Liquor | \$47.8 | \$50.0 | 4.6\% | \$167.6 | \$179.2 | 6.9\% |
| Restaurants, Caterers and Bars | 41.4 | 46.5 | 12.4\% | 129.3 | 144.1 | 11.5\% |
| General Merchandise | 26.1 | 29.3 | 12.6\% | 92.2 | 103.9 | 12.7\% |
| Vehicle Sales, Parts and Repairs | 19.3 | 21.1 | 9.3\% | 60.5 | 68.5 | 13.2\% |
| Building Materials, Garden Equipment \& Supplies | 19.1 | 17.5 | -8.5\% | 64.9 | 68.4 | 5.5\% |
| Sporting, Hobby, Book, Music | 11.2 | 16.0 | 42.3\% | 39.3 | 43.0 | 9.7\% |
| Broadcasting and Telecommunications | 3.9 | 7.4 | 88.0\% | 24.2 | 25.2 | 3.8\% |
| Electronics and Appliances | 10.4 | 7.8 | -25.0\% | 36.5 | 37.9 | 3.9\% |
| Miscellaneous Retailers | 36.1 | 39.2 | 8.6\% | 136.0 | 145.4 | 6.9\% |
| Utilities | 15.7 | 20.0 | 27.5\% | 44.7 | 61.5 | 37.5\% |
| Clothing and Accessories | 7.6 | 8.1 | 6.6\% | 30.8 | 32.3 | 4.9\% |
| Pharmacy, Salon and Laundry | 12.6 | 11.2 | -10.8\% | 43.4 | 39.4 | -9.1\% |
| Other | 6.6 | 6.2 | -5.8\% | 34.4 | 38.5 | 12.1\% |
| Rental and Leasing Services | 3.4 | 4.0 | 17.0\% | 13.7 | 15.4 | 12.7\% |
| Furniture and Home Furnishings | 4.4 | 4.3 | -1.3\% | 18.0 | 16.8 | -7.1\% |
| Wholesale Trade | 4.0 | 4.6 | 15.1\% | 18.0 | 21.0 | 16.9\% |
| Lodging | 3.8 | 4.8 | 26.2\% | 12.0 | 16.8 | 39.4\% |
| Manufacturing | 5.2 | 5.5 | 5.7\% | 25.3 | 30.1 | 19.0\% |
| NET TAXABLE SUBJECT TO SALES TAX | 278.6 | 303.6 | 9.0\% | 990.8 | 1087.5 | 9.8\% |
| USE TAX |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Building Permits | 14.9 | 9.6 | -35.9\% | 32.1 | 25.5 | -20.5\% |
| Car Tax | 17.3 | 15.3 | -11.7\% | 55.8 | 55.4 | -0.6\% |
| Return Tax | 17.4 | 12.6 | -27.6\% | 60.7 | 49.2 | -19.1\% |
| NET TAXABLE SUBJECT TO USE TAX | 49.6 | 37.4 | -24.6\% | 148.6 | 130.1 | -12.5\% |
| TOTAL NET TAXABLE SUBJECT TO SALES \& USE TAX | \$328.2 | \$341.1 | 3.9\% | \$1139.4 | \$1217.6 | 6.9\% |

Figure 9. Local Retail Compared to National Retail

| Retail Sales Category | \% Change from <br> February 2022 <br> United States | \% Change from <br> Feburary 2022 <br> Fort Collins |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Grocery, Convenience, Liquor | 5.5 | 4.6 |
| Restaurants, Caterers \& Bars | 15.3 | 12.4 |
| General Merchandise | 10.5 | 12.6 |
| Vehicle Sales, Parts \& Repairs | -0.2 | 9.3 |
| Building Materials, Garden Equipment \& Supplies | 0.6 | -8.5 |
| Clothing \& Accessories | 4.3 | 6.6 |
| Furniture \& Home Furnishings | 0.1 | -1.3 |
| Total | $\mathbf{5 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{9 . 0}$ |

At the national level, Feburary 2023 retail sales (as reported on March 15, 2023) increased by $5.4 \%$ compared to an increase in Fort Collins' sales of $9.0 \%$. February 2023 sales are the basis for the City's March 2023 sales tax collections and net taxable amounts (which are included in this report).

Figure 10. March - Net Taxable Sales Subject to Sales Tax


Figure 11. Year to Date - Net Taxable Sales Subject to Sales Tax


Figure 12. Metro District Reporting


The Foothills Mall agreement outlines a base year of May 2012 to April 2013 to determine the core base sales tax $(2.25 \%)$ received at $\$ 1.8 \mathrm{M}$. Anything remitted to the City above that core base amount will be returned to the Metro District to support debt service. No tax is remitted to the Metro District until the base of $\$ 1.8 \mathrm{M}$ is reached. The chart above tracks both Core and Dedicated tax receipts for the period of May to April. As of March 2023, the year to date core amount collected is $\$ 2.4 \mathrm{M}$ resulting in $\$ 577 \mathrm{k}$ tax due to the Metro District.

Sales Tax in the City's Downtown Area. The sales tax collected in March for the downtown area decreased $3.6 \%$ from the same period in 2022.

Lodging Tax Collections. The City collected $\$ 119 \mathrm{~K}$ in lodging tax in March 2023. This was an increase of 29.1\% from March 2022.

Sales Tax Licenses*. There were 13,072 active sales tax licenses at the end of March.

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[^0]:    *Approx. 2 K accounts we closed due to inactivity and account cleanup in March 2023.

