# Summary of Largest General Government (100) Fund FY 2020 Year-End Variances

**Updated December 16, 2020 Treasury Division** 

#### **Overall Variance**

- Based on a review of period-to-date revenues posted through December 16, 2020, Treasury projects a negative (\$22.2M) year-end variance for general government (100) fund revenues in FY 2020.
- The projected variance improved about \$1.2M since the previous revenue report presented on November 19.
- The following slides summarize the largest changes and major watch list items.
- For detailed tables and explanations refer to the full report.

## Largest Changes and Major Watch List Items

Investment Earnings

negative (\$293k) variance; \$977k improvement

Room Tax in 100 funds only

negative (\$7.9M) variance; \$110k improvement

Rental Vehicle Tax

negative (\$4.3M) variance; no change

Marijuana Sales Tax

positive \$900k variance; no change

Motor Fuel Tax

negative (\$1.6M) variance; (\$130k) worse

Motor Vehicle Registration Tax negative (\$400k) variance; no change

Tobacco Tax

no variance, but uncertain

Property Tax

positive \$2.2M variance; no change

P&I on delinquent taxes

positive \$437k variance; no change

#### 1) Investment Earnings

Projected year-end revenues: \$2M

Projected variance: negative (\$293k)

Change since previous report: \$977k improvement

- Public Finance projects a negative (\$293k) year-end variance for investment earnings posted to general government (100) funds in FY 2020.
- The variance improved about \$977k since the previous revenue report presented on November 19.
- The investment earnings variance for 100 funds includes a negative (\$3.2M) variance for Cash Pools Short-Term Interest (440010), a positive \$75k for Construction Investment Pool Interest (440020), and a positive \$2.9M variance for TANS Interest Earnings (440030).

## 2) Room Tax in General Government (100) Funds

Projected year-end revenues: \$5.6M for 100 funds only

Projected variance: negative (\$7.9M) for 100 funds only

Change since previous report: \$110k improvement for 100 funds only

- The projection for room tax revenues improved because the actual rate of decline in October was less than anticipated.
- The projected year-end variance for room tax revenues posted to all 100 and 200 funds is now about negative (\$19M).
- The projected year-end variance for general government (100) funds only (prior to the expense transfer to Visit Anchorage) is now about negative (\$7.9M).
- The variance for the 100 funds improved about \$110k since the previous revenue report.

#### 3) Rental Vehicle Tax

Projected year-end revenues: \$3.0M

Projected variance: negative (\$4.3M)

- The projected year-end variance for revenues from the rental vehicle tax is about negative (\$4.3M).
- The variance did not change since the previous report.
- The projection will be updated in mid-February after fourth quarter tax returns arrive.

## 4) Marijuana Sales Tax

Projected year-end revenues: \$5M

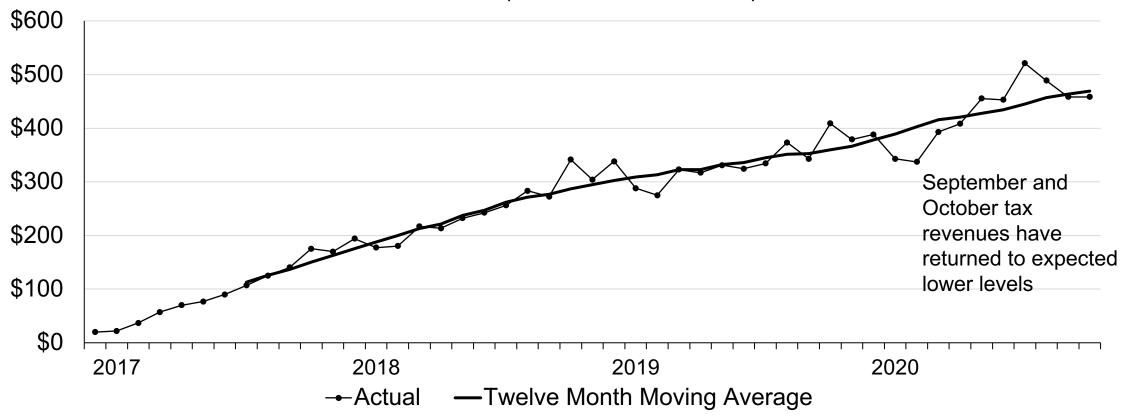
Projected variance: positive \$900k

No change since last report

- As shown in the chart on the next page, marijuana sales tax revenues were lower in September and October compared to the previous months.
- The monthly revenues the last two months are more consistent with the expected slower growth rate.
- The projected year-end variance for marijuana sales tax is positive \$900k and has not changed since the previous revenue report.

## 4) Marijuana Sales Tax

Actual and Twelve Month Moving Average of Monthly Marijuana Sales Tax Revenues (thousands of dollars)



## 5) Motor Fuel Tax

Projected year-end revenues: \$11.9M

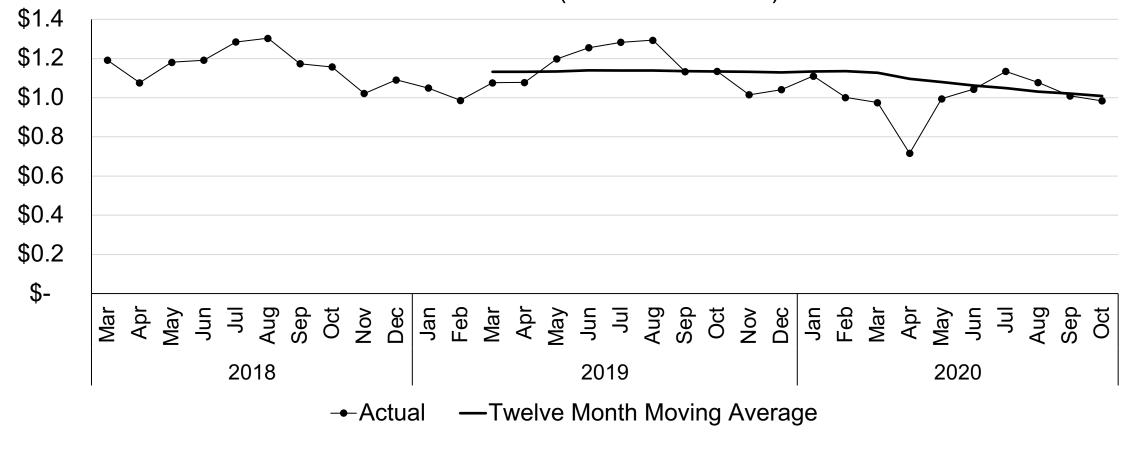
Projected variance: negative (\$1.6M)

Change since previous report: (\$130k) worse

- As shown in the chart below, motor fuel tax revenues through October have continued tracking lower than last year.
- Based on information from the most recent report from the US Energy Information Agency (EIA) year-end revenues from motor fuel tax are projected to be about (12%) lower than last year and about (\$1.6M) below budget.
- The projection is about (\$130k) worse than the previous revenue report.

## 5) Motor Fuel Tax

Actual and Twelve Month Moving Average for Monthly Revenues from Motor Fuel Excise Tax (millions of dollars)



## 6) Motor Vehicle Registration Tax

Projected year-end revenues: \$10.3M

Projected variance: negative (\$400k)

- Period-to-date revenues from the motor vehicle registration tax for January through October are tracking about (6%) lower than the same period last year.
- There is a projected negative (\$400k) year-end variance because businesses and households are buying fewer new vehicles during the recession.
- There was no change in the year-end forecast since the previous report.

#### 7) Tobacco Tax

Projected year-end revenues: \$20M No projected year-end variance, but uncertain No change since previous report

- Period-to-date tobacco tax revenues for January through October are tracking (2%) lower than same period last year.
- Monthly tobacco tax revenues vary significantly as the three large tobacco distributors adjust inventories.
- Because of the monthly variability, there is a possibility of either a positive or negative year-end variance.

## 8) Property Taxes

Projected year-end revenues: \$585M

Projected variance: positive \$2.2M

- There is a projected positive \$2.2M year-end variance for real and personal property tax revenues combined.
- The projection includes a negative (\$166k) variance for real property tax, a positive \$2M variance for personal property tax, and a positive \$303k variance due to mill rate rounding.
- The projected variance has not changed since the previous revenue report.

#### 9) P&I on Delinquent Property Taxes

Projected year-end revenues: \$3.1M

Projected year-end variance: positive \$437k

- Period-to-date revenues from penalties and interest on delinquent property taxes for January through November are tracking about 8% higher than the same period last year.
- The postings on SAP include penalties and interest for tax billings in the current year as well as penalties and interest for property tax recoveries from prior years.
- There is a projected positive \$437k year-end variance.
- The projection did not change since the previous revenue report.

#### Other Variances

These variances may change before the close of the fiscal year:

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MOA Trust Fund Contribution

## 10) Building Safety Fund 163000

Projected year-end revenues: \$6.5M

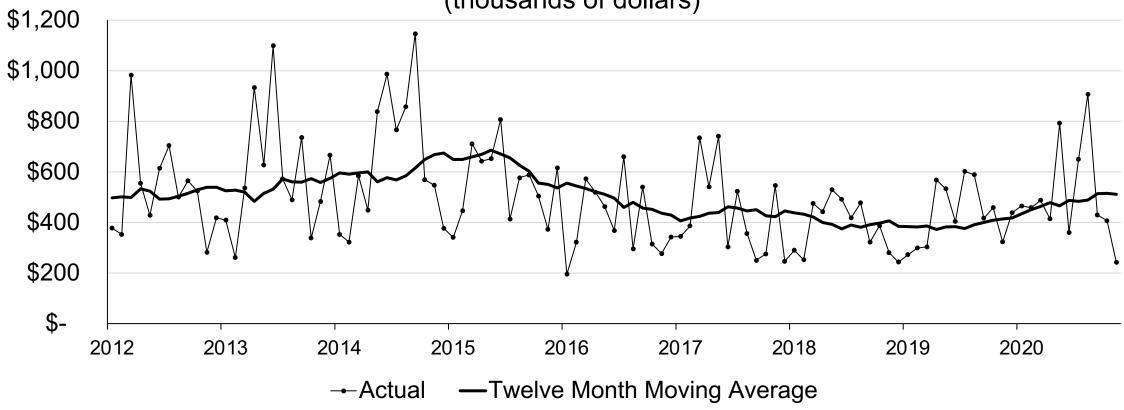
Projected variance: negative (\$140k)

Small change since previous report

- Period-to-date construction-related permit revenues in Fund 163000 for January through November are about 18% higher than the same period last year.
- There is a projected negative (\$140k) year-end variance for Fund 163000.
- There was a small change in the projection since the previous revenue report.

## 10) Building Safety Fund 163000

Actual and Twelve Month Moving Average of Revenues from Construction-Related Permits in Fund 163 (Building Safety) (thousands of dollars)



#### 11) People Mover Bus Fare

Projected year-end revenues: \$1.9M

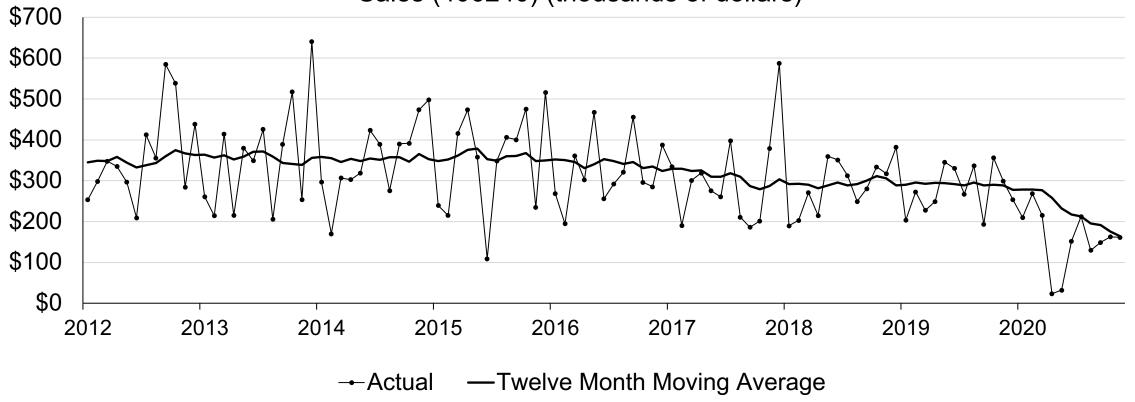
Projected variance: negative (\$1.4M)

Change since previous report: (\$110k) worse

- As shown in the chart on the next page, monthly People Mover bus fare revenues have continued tracking lower than historical levels due to restrictions on the number of riders.
- The projected year-end variance for People Mover bus fare is about negative (\$1.4M).
- The projection is about (\$110k) worse than the previous revenue report.

#### 11) People Mover Bus Fare

Actual and Twelve Month Moving Average of Revenues from Transit Bus Pass Sales (406250), Transit Farebox Receipts (406260), and Transit Token Sales (406240) (thousands of dollars)



#### 12) Parks and Recreation Fees

Projected year-end revenues: \$870k

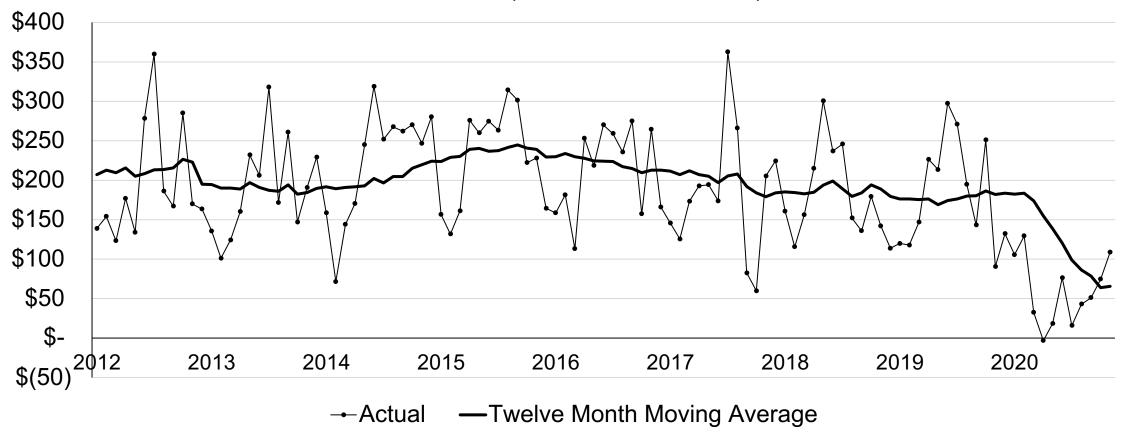
Projected variance: negative (\$1.8M)

Change since previous report: \$180k improvement

- As shown in the chart on the next page, monthly Parks and Recreation fee revenues have continued tracking lower than last year.
- However, monthly Parks and Recreation fees have improved over the last four months.
- The projected year-end variance for Parks and Recreation fee revenues is about negative (\$1.8M).
- The projected variance improved about \$180k since the previous revenue report.

## 12) Parks and Recreation Fees

Actual and Twelve Month Moving Average of Monthly Parks and Rec Fee Revenues (thousands of dollars)



## 13) Library Fees

Projected year-end revenues: \$48k

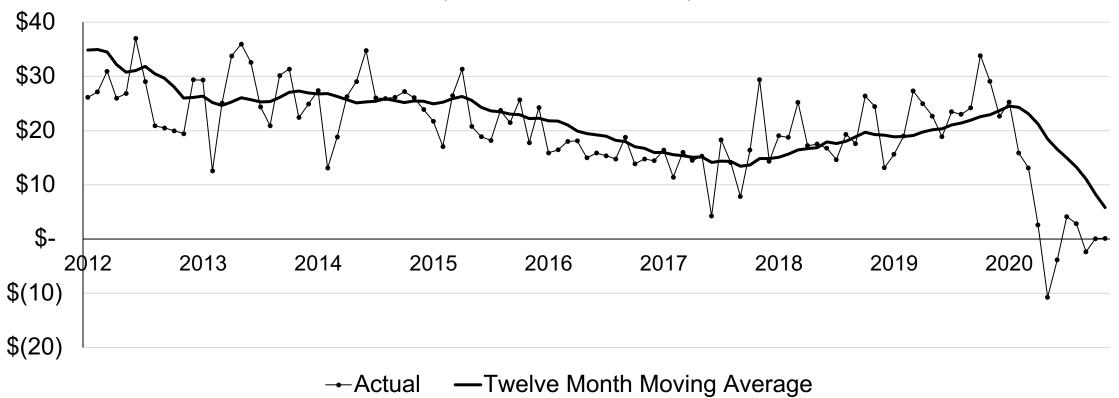
Projected year-end variance: negative (\$109k)

Small change since previous report

- As shown in the chart on the next page, monthly library fee revenues have continued tracking lower than last year due to limited services.
- There is a projected negative (\$109k) variance for library fees.
- There was a small change in the projected year-end variance since the previous revenue report.

## 13) Library Fees

Actual and Twelve Month Moving Average of Monthly Library Fee Revenues (thousands of dollars)



#### 14) APD Counter Fines

Projected year-end revenues: \$1.8M

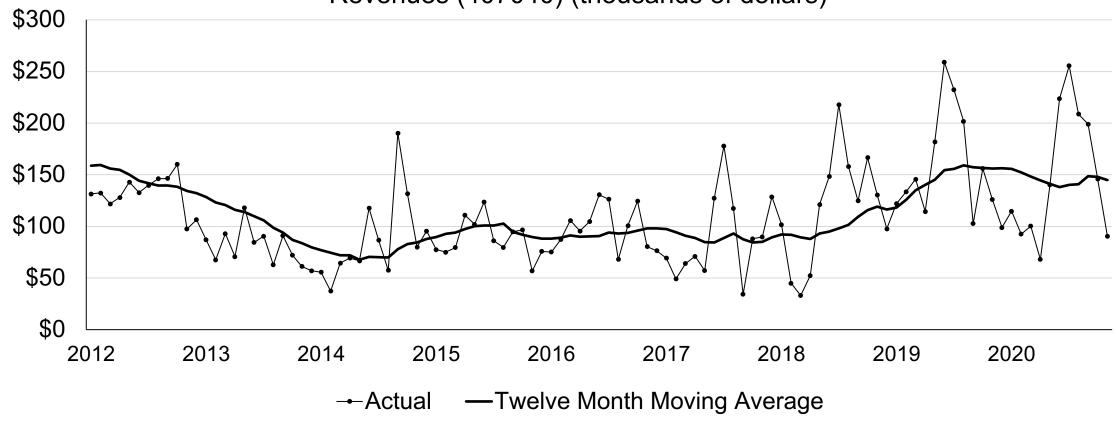
Projected year-end variance: negative (\$70k)

Change since previous revenue report: (\$70k) worse

- Period-to-date APD counter fines for January through November are tracking lower than the same period last year.
- Year-end APD Counter Fines are currently projected to be about (\$70k) below budget.
- There was a small change in the forecast since the previous report.

## 14) APD Counter Fines

Actual and Twelve-Month Moving Average of Monthly APD Counter Fines Revenues (407040) (thousands of dollars)



#### 15) Ambulance Service Fees

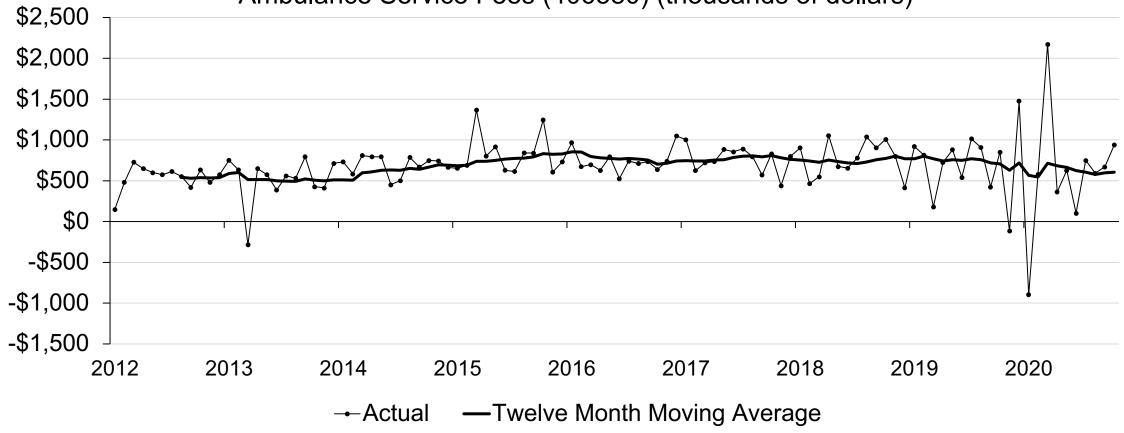
Projected year-end revenues: \$9.3M

Projected year-end variance: negative (\$3.3M)

- As explained in previous reports, there is a projected negative (\$3.3M) variance for ambulance service fees because reimbursements from the Supplementary Emergency Medical Transport (SEMT) Program will be deferred until FY 2021.
- Aside from the SEMT reimbursements, period-to-date postings to ambulance service fees for January through October are tracking lower than the same period last year.
- There is a possibility that the year-end variance could be worse than the current projection. Year-end adjustments for allowances for doubtful accounts and assignments to collections could affect the year-end variance.

#### 15) Ambulance Service Fees

Actual and Twelve Month Moving Average of Monthly Revenues from Ambulance Service Fees (406380) (thousands of dollars)



## 16) Municipal Assistance

Projected year-end revenues: \$375k

Projected year-end variance: negative (\$4.2M)

- As explained in previous reports, the Municipality received a transfer of \$375k from the State Community Assistance Fund and posted it in account 405050 for Municipal Assistance.
- As of December 16, period-to-date revenues in account 405050 are about (\$4.2M) below budget.
- The tabulations in this report include this negative (\$4.2M) variance for Municipal Assistance.

#### 17) PFD Garnishments

Projected year-end revenues: \$3.4M

Projected variance: negative (\$634k)

No change since last report

- PFD garnishments are on track to reach the current year-end projection of \$3.4M.
- This projection is about (\$634k) below budget.
- The projection has not changed since the previous revenue report.

#### 18) MOA Trust Fund Contribution

Projected year-end revenues: \$14M

No projected variance

No change in variance since previous report

- The MOA Trust Fund Contribution for FY 2020 is \$14M.
- There is no projected year-end variance.
- The proposal to increase the contribution by \$150k will not be implemented.