



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
YAKIMA, WASHINGTON
AGENDA STATEMENT**

Item No. 9.A.
For Meeting of: September 16, 2025

ITEM TITLE: Ordinance authorizing the establishment of a Special Revenue Fund 184 "Lodging Tax Fund" (Convention Center Debt Service Fund)

SUBMITTED BY: Craig Warner, Director of Finance & Budget

SUMMARY EXPLANATION:

The proposed ordinance establishes a dedicated Lodging Tax Fund to receive and account for all lodging tax revenues. Creating a separate fund ensures that these restricted revenues are properly managed, reported, and expended in compliance with RCW 67.28. The fund will provide transparency in the use of lodging tax proceeds and support the City's tourism and economic development efforts.

Staff will be requesting a budget amendment in the 4th quarter of 2025 to move approximately \$633,000 from the Convention Center Debt Service Fund into this new Lodging Tax Fund.

ITEM BUDGETED: N/A

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 24-25: A Resilient Yakima

RECOMMENDATION: Pass Ordinance.

ATTACHMENTS:

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