

BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL YAKIMA, WASHINGTON AGENDA STATEMENT

Item No. 6.A. For Meeting of: August 19, 2025

ITEM TITLE: Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) Report

SUBMITTED BY: *Patricia Byers, Chair, LTAC Committee

Craig Warner, Director of Finance and Budget

Gary Ballew, Assistant City Manager

SUMMARY EXPLANATION:

The Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) met on August 14th to deliberate on the 2026 Budget, review Lodging Tax grant applications, and propose an allocation recommendation. LTAC recommended a revenue forecast of \$1,800,000. Of the revenue \$490,000 is designated for debt service, \$3,274 for administration, with the remaining \$1,306,726 allocated per committee's recommendation. Council approving the recommendations will be reflected in the 2026 budget and staff will prepare funding agreements with the recipients.

ITEM BUDGETED: N/A

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 24-25: A Resilient Yakima

RECOMMENDATION: Approve LTAC recommendations as outlined.

ATTACHMENTS:

LTAC memo to Council