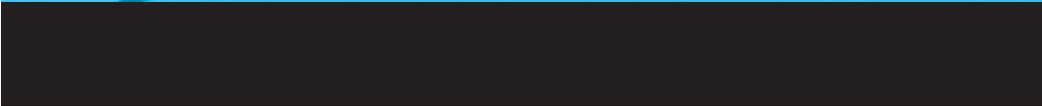




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## PREFACE

This City of Fort Lauderdale Revenue Manual is a companion document to the Fiscal Capacity Study, which serves as a tool to define, assess and determine the fiscal capacity and fiscal health of the City of Fort Lauderdale. A community's fiscal capacity stems directly from its tax and revenue base – a sub-unit of the overall economic base. The Revenue Manual was developed to provide a comprehensive reference source for all revenue collected by the City.

This Revenue Manual is an in depth view of the City's revenue sources and its purpose is to provide detailed information of the types of revenue that the City of Fort Lauderdale utilizes to provide public services to the community. The City relies on a variety of revenue sources in order to finance the cost of services provided to its neighbors.

Some of the revenues can be directly associated with the cost of specific services. Examples include user fees charged for water, wastewater, solid waste collection services, and the use of parking facilities. The amount charged for these services increases or decreases based on the City's cost to provide the service and the amount of the service that is consumed by the user. For example, residents pay a set rate per hour to park in a City lot. For these services, the intent is that 100% of the cost to provide each service is recovered through the fee charged.

Other governmental revenue sources cannot be related directly to underlying services, primarily because the services do not lend themselves to cost recovery using a direct user charge. Examples are police services, maintenance of roadways, and the use of City parks. These public services are financed through a variety of revenue sources such as property, sales, gas and utilities tax, and franchise fees.

The Revenue Manual is organized by governmental fund. Fort Lauderdale's fiscal and budget policy conforms to the General Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and financial statements are prepared in accordance with the standards set by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), applicable to local governments for accounting and financial reporting. City accounts are organized and operated on the basis of funds. Each fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity and is segregated according to its intended purpose.

The City of Fort Lauderdale's revenue sources are presented in the following format:

- Description: Provides an overview of the tax and its purpose
- Graphs and Charts: Illustrate changes, trends and performance or revenue sources
- Legal Authority: Identifies the Authority to impose the tax or fee in the City, Code or State Statute
- Fiscal Capacity: Identifies the potential to increase the tax or fee

## INTRODUCTION

Generally, the components of a local government's tax and revenue base can be classified into four (4) broad categories: property tax base, sales and excise tax base, user charge and fee base, and income tax base (Johnson and Roswick, p. 183 – 184). Property taxes, also known as ad valorem taxes, are a significant source of general purpose revenue for most municipalities throughout the country. For Florida municipalities, these ad valorem taxes are indispensable to local governments; not only because of the revenue they generate, but because it is the only local taxing authority not preempted by the constitution to the state.

The sales and excise tax base and the income tax base are both components of Florida Municipalities' overall tax and revenue bases which are essentially reserved for the State of Florida. As per Article VII, Section 5, (a) of the State Constitution, no state income tax shall be levied in Florida, thereby eliminating this component from Florida municipal tax and revenue bases. In regards to the sales and excise tax base component; relevant constitutional and statutory provisions clearly specify the state-pre-empted revenue sources available to tax (e.g. retail sales, motor fuel, cigarettes, alcoholic beverages etc.).

Since the sales and excise tax base of Florida local governments is primarily the domain of the state; municipalities and counties receive revenue from sales and excise tax through comprehensive state shared revenue programs and local option revenue programs. The various legal constraints establish eligibility criteria for local governments' receipt of such revenues, delineate the structure and formula used for the redistribution of funds, and identify the state agency, typically the Florida Department of Revenue, responsible for administering a particular revenue source or program (Florida ACIR, 1993, p. 4-5). In addition to state intergovernmental revenues, state statutes authorize local governments to derive revenues from utility services taxes and franchise fees, both of which may be considered part of a community's sales and excise tax base. Legal constraints specify what can be taxed and the maximum rate that can be charged.

Local government's reliance on their user charge and fee bases has increased significantly in recent years. In the face of expanding government service needs, population growth, and diminishing revenue generating options, charging for government services has become an integral and significant revenue source in many local government budgets. Florida's Department of Banking and Finance defines user charges and fees, or service charges as "voluntary payments based on direct, measurable consumption of publicly provided goods and services" (Florida ACIR, 1989, p.14). User fees include public utility charges and fees or charges for services such as transportation, public safety, human services, recreation, and culture. Although state statutes do not specifically address local governments' usage of service charges, Florida case law, in City of Dunedin v. Pinellas County Homebuilders, limits the user charge or

fee to the full cost of the service which can include any and all legitimate direct and indirect costs (Small, interview).

Various constitutional and statutory provisions limit the revenues of municipalities throughout the state of Florida. The legal constraints regarding the components of local government's revenue and tax base regulates how jurisdictions may raise revenues and qualify for receiving revenues (Florida ACIR, 1989, p.2).

The revenue sources of an organization should be evaluated in the context of a jurisdiction's economic role, the extent of its operating and capital needs, and the cost of service delivery. Doing this will provide an understanding of the municipality's ability to support its services, capital related obligations, and strategic goals. This will ensure that the municipality is prepared to make both short term and long term financial decisions to achieve and maintain an acceptable balance between sufficient revenues and levels of service.



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

# **GENERAL FUND**

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. All general tax revenue and receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to another fund are accounted for in this fund. The general operating expenditures, fixed charges, and capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds are paid from the General Fund.



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

# **TAXES AND FRANCHISE FEES**

## AD VALOREM TAXES

### **Description:**

A levy against the taxable value of real and personal property. The City Commission sets the millage rate annually prior to October 1<sup>st</sup>. One mill is \$1 of tax per \$1,000 of taxable assessed value. The adopted operating millage for FY 2013 is 4.1193.



### **Legal Authority:**

Florida Constitution, Article VII, Section 9  
Chapters 192-197 and 200, Florida Statutes

### **Authorized Exemptions:**

All legal Florida residents are eligible for a Homestead Exemption on their homes, condominiums, apartments and certain mobile home lots if they qualify. The Florida Constitution provides this tax-saving exemption on the first and third \$25,000 of the assessed value of an owner/occupied residence. The Fort Lauderdale City Commission approved an additional \$25,000 senior exemption for households headed by person 65 years or older and who meet income requirements.

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Fort Lauderdale's millage rate has remained at 4.1193 since 2008. Fort Lauderdale has the capacity to levy up to 10 mills for operating expenditures based on State law. The millage rate is set by the Commission each fiscal year. The amount of revenue received through ad valorem taxes is the product of two factors: 1) the tax rate (millage) set by the City Commission; and 2) the value the Broward County Property appraiser places upon the property.

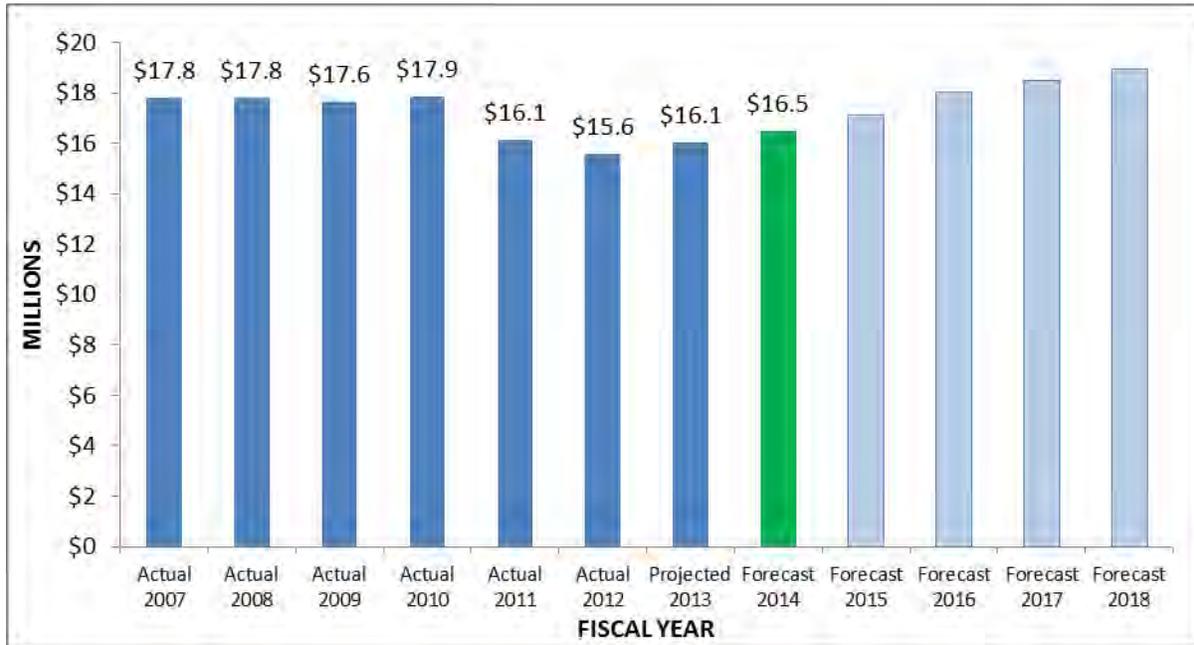
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

Annually adjusted by new properties projected to be built (based on building permits), change in value, and no change in millage rate.

# FLORIDA POWER AND LIGHT (FPL) FRANCHISE FEES

**Description:**

This revenue source consists of payments made by Florida Power and Light (FPL) for the privilege of constructing upon, and operating within the right of ways owned by the City. The basis for this fee is provided for in long-term agreements for payments to the City of 6% of Florida Power and Light gross revenue derived from accounts within City limits, less property tax and minor fees previously paid to the City.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale ordinance number C-09-26

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and Florida Power & Light is a 30-year agreement. The two factors that influence the amount of revenue collected are the gross revenue of accounts within the City limits and the rate negotiated in the agreement. Due to the large fluctuations in revenue received, the City has hired external auditors to review financial records to ensure Florida Power & Light’s compliance with the negotiated agreement. This contract is up for renegotiation in 2017.

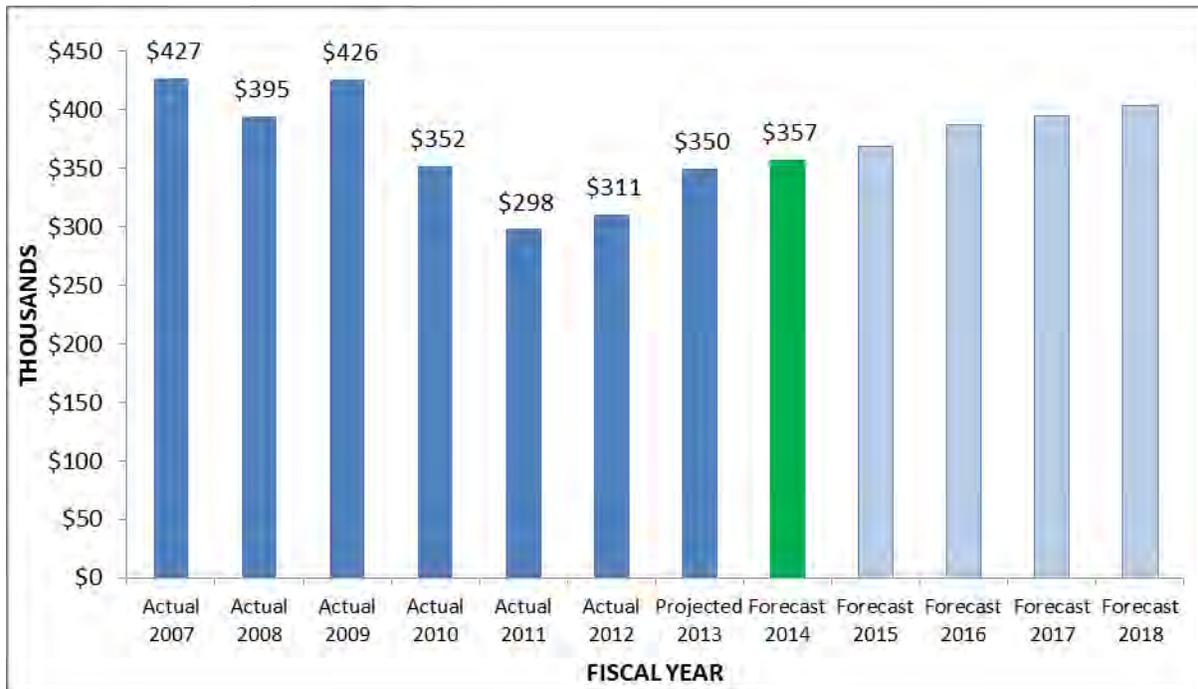
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

Assumes 6% of forecasted FPL revenues. Annual FPL Revenue forecast includes assumed growth and 2.5% annual rate increase.

# PEOPLE’S GAS FRANCHISE FEES

**Description:**

This revenue source consists of payments made by People’s Gas for the privilege of constructing upon, and operating within the right of ways owned by the City. The basis for this fee is provided for in a long-term agreement for payments to the City of 6% on the sale of gas to customers within City limits.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale ordinance C-87-45

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The two factors that influence the amount of revenue collected are the sale of gas to customers within the City limits and the rate negotiated in the agreement. The agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and People’s Gas is a 30-year agreement up for renegotiation in 2017. The City will have the opportunity to negotiate a rate increase at the time.

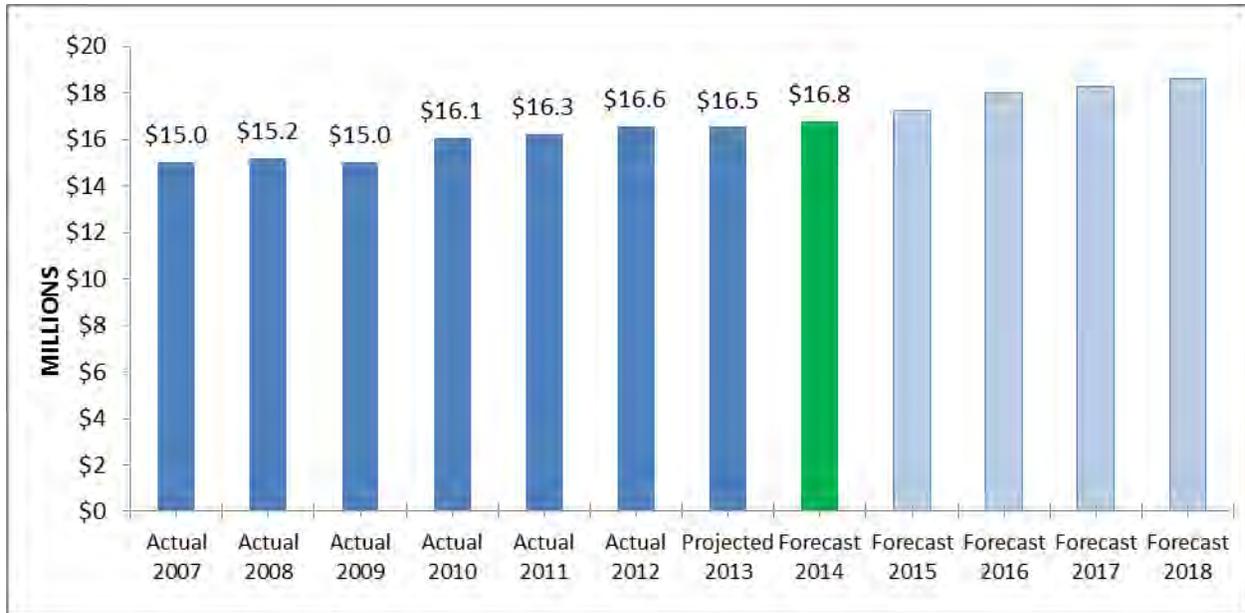
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

Assumes 6% of forecasted People’s Gas revenues. Annual People’s Gas Revenue forecast includes assumed growth and 2.0% annual rate increase

# FLORIDA POWER AND LIGHT UTILITY TAX

## **Description:**

This revenue originates from the sale of electricity to neighbors within City limits. The basis for this fee is the maximum assessment of 10% of Florida Power and Light’s revenues authorized by Florida State Statutes.



## **Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute 166.231(1)

## **Fiscal Capacity:**

The City is currently levying the maximum rate for this revenue source. The two factors that determine the amount of revenues collected for this fee are the sales of electricity and the assessment rate. The only current capacity for increasing this revenue would be from increasing the sales within the City through FPL raising fees or by selling additional electricity to our neighbors.

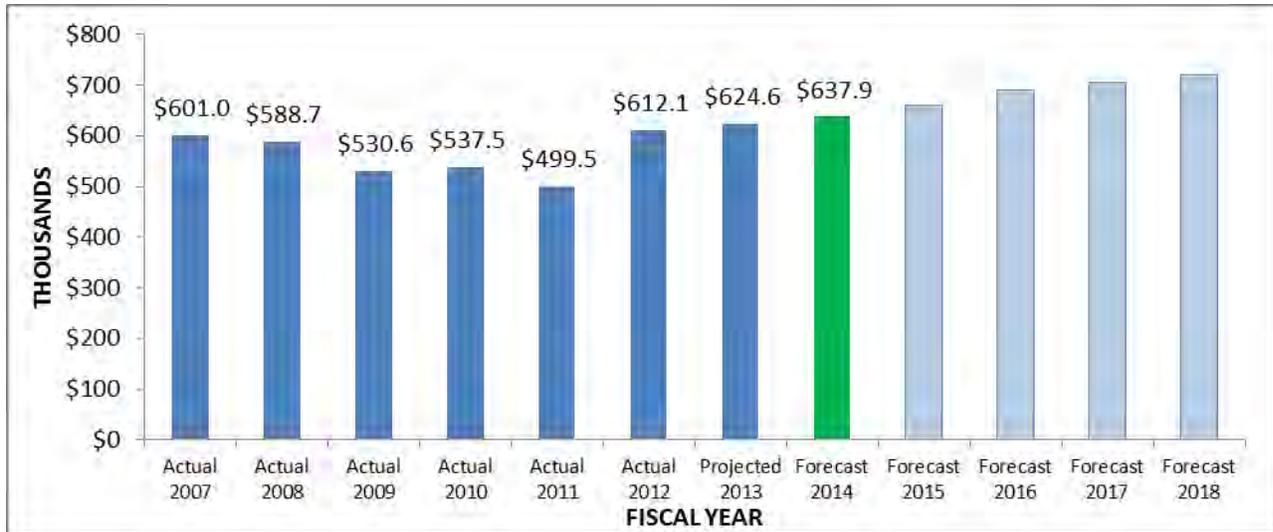
## **Forecast Assumption(s):**

Assumes 10% of applicable FPL revenues. FPL revenue forecast includes assumed growth and 2.5% annual rate increase

# GAS UTILITY TAX

## Description:

This revenue originates from the sale of natural gas to neighbors within City limits. The basis for this fee is the maximum assessment of 10% of natural gas revenues as authorized by Florida State Statutes.



## Legal Authority:

Florida Statute 166.231(1)

## Fiscal Capacity:

The City is currently levying the maximum rate for this revenue source. The two factors that determine the amount of revenues collected for this fee are the sales of natural gas in the City and the assessment rate. The only current capacity for increasing this revenue would be from increasing the sales through the gas company raising fees or by selling additional natural gas to our neighbors.

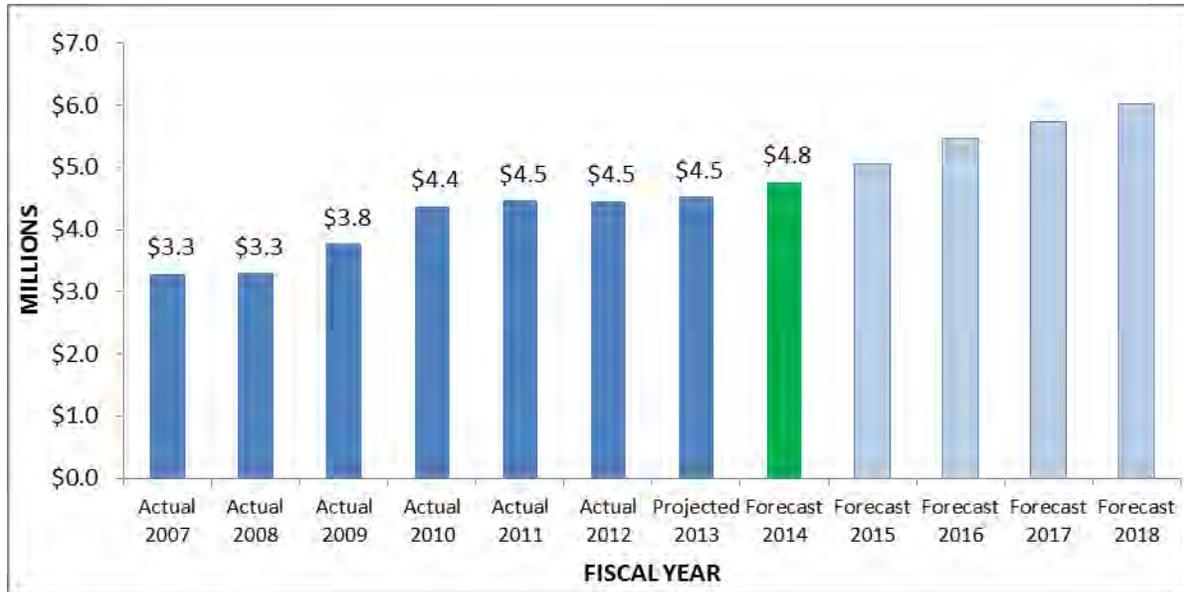
## Forecast Assumption(s):

Assumes 10% of applicable People's Gas revenues. People's Gas revenue forecast includes assumed growth and 2% annual rate increase

# CITY WATER UTILITY TAX

**Description:**

This revenue originates from the sale of water to neighbors within City limits. The basis for this fee is the maximum assessment of 10% of water revenues as authorized by Florida State Statutes.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida Statutes Chapter 166.231(1)

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The City is currently levying the maximum rate for this fee. The two factors that determine the amount of revenues collected for this fee are the sales of water in the City and the assessment rate. Since the City is the entity that sells water, it could increase the sales amount by raising water prices or by selling additional water to our neighbors. In FY 2011, the City implemented an automatic annual rate increase of 5%.

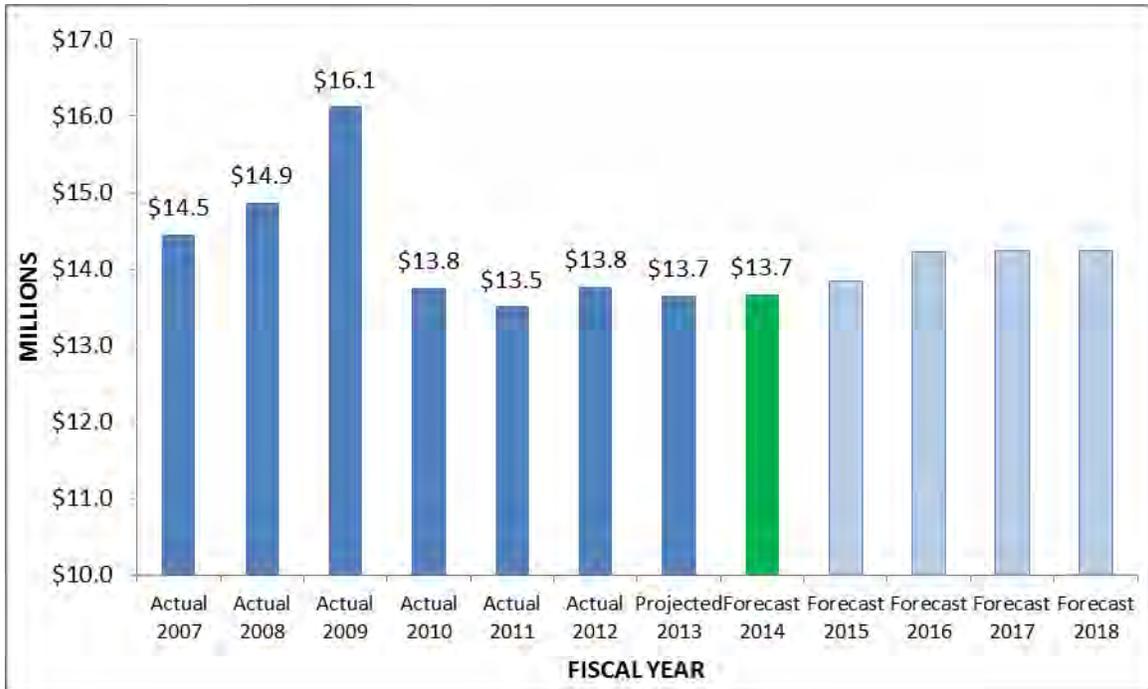
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

Assumes 10% of water revenues. Annual water revenue forecast includes assumed growth and 5% annual rate increase

# COMMUNICATION SERVICES TAX

**Description:**

Communication services tax applies to telecommunication, video, direct-to-home satellite, and related communications services.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute 202.19, 202.20  
City of Fort Lauderdale ordinance Section 15-128

**Fiscal Capacity:**

According to the City of Fort Lauderdale ordinance 15-128, Beginning on October 1, 2002, the local communications services tax rate shall be five and one-tenth (5.1) percent or such other rate as may be authorized by the Florida legislature and adopted by ordinance of the city. The current rate is the maximum of 5.22%. Increasing this revenue source would require authorization by both the Florida legislature and the City of Fort Lauderdale Commission.

**Forecast Assumption(s):**

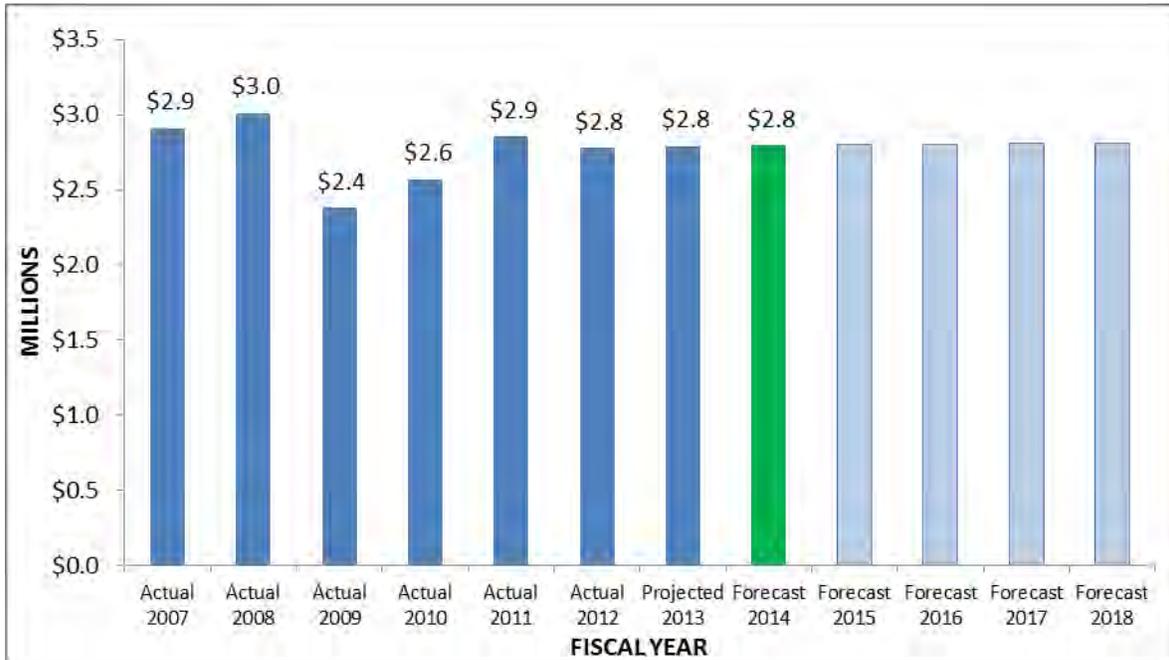
Assumes 5.22% of Communications Revenues. Annual Communication revenue forecast includes assumed growth and 0.0% annual rate increase.

# LICENSES & PERMITS

# BUSINESS TAX

## **Description:**

The Local Business Tax, formerly known as Occupational License Tax, is a tax for the privilege of engaging in or managing any business, profession, or occupation within the City limits.



## **Legal Authority:**

Code of ordinances, chapter 15

Florida Statute 205.043(1)

Florida Statute chapters 205.0535, 205.0536, code of ordinances chapter 15

Florida Statute chapter 205, code of ordinances, chapter 15

## **Fiscal Capacity:**

A business tax rate increase would require Fort Lauderdale City Commission approval and adherence to the guidelines of Florida State Statutes. The business tax rate can increase 5% every other year by June 30. The expectation is for business tax receipts to remain stable because there is no significant change anticipated in the number of new businesses in the next fiscal year. The Florida Legislature has proposed changes to this tax; however, no changes have occurred to date.

## **Forecast Assumption(s):**

Based on Fiscal Year 2012 actual revenue received with no assumed growth.

## FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES COLLECTIONS

**Description:**

Florida League of Cities collects license fee revenue on the City’s behalf from insurance companies that write policies in Fort Lauderdale but do not maintain an office in the City. The league keeps one-half of the fees and remits the other half to the City.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute Chapter 205  
 City of Fort Lauderdale Municipal Ordinance Chapter 15

**Fiscal Capacity:**

A rate increase would require Fort Lauderdale City Commission approval and adherence to the guidelines of Florida State Statutes. This revenue source is variable and contingent upon which insurance companies write policies for Fort Lauderdale residents but do not have offices in the City.

**Forecast Assumption(s):**

Assumptions based on Fiscal Year 2013 projected revenue received with no assumed growth.

## LANDSCAPING PERMITS

### **Description:**

This revenue source comes from fees assessed to neighbors who apply for tree removal and landscaping permits.



### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-10-30 section 9-52

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to modify the fee schedule.

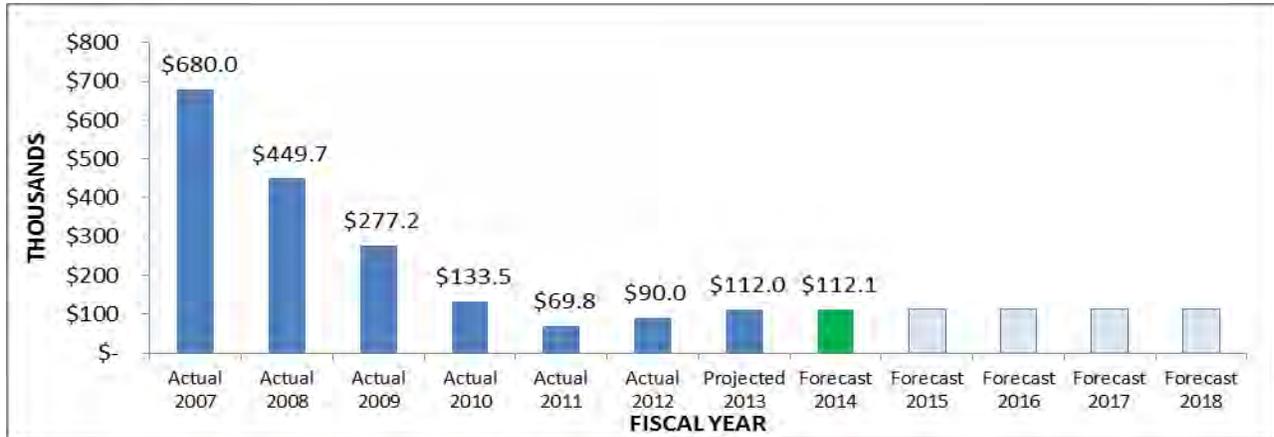
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

The forecast is adjusted annually by assumed growth

## EXPEDITED PERMIT REVIEW FEES

### **Description:**

This revenue is derived from fees assessed to neighbors for expedited permitting review based on hourly rates.



### **Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute Chapter 163.01, Contract number 10695 with C.A.P. Government

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Fees collected are offset by a commensurate increase in expenses. Expedited permit reviews are performed through an existing contract with C.A.P. Government, which ends 04/05/2014. Commission approval is required to revise, extend, or approve contracts with outside agencies.

### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

The forecast is adjusted annually by assumed growth.



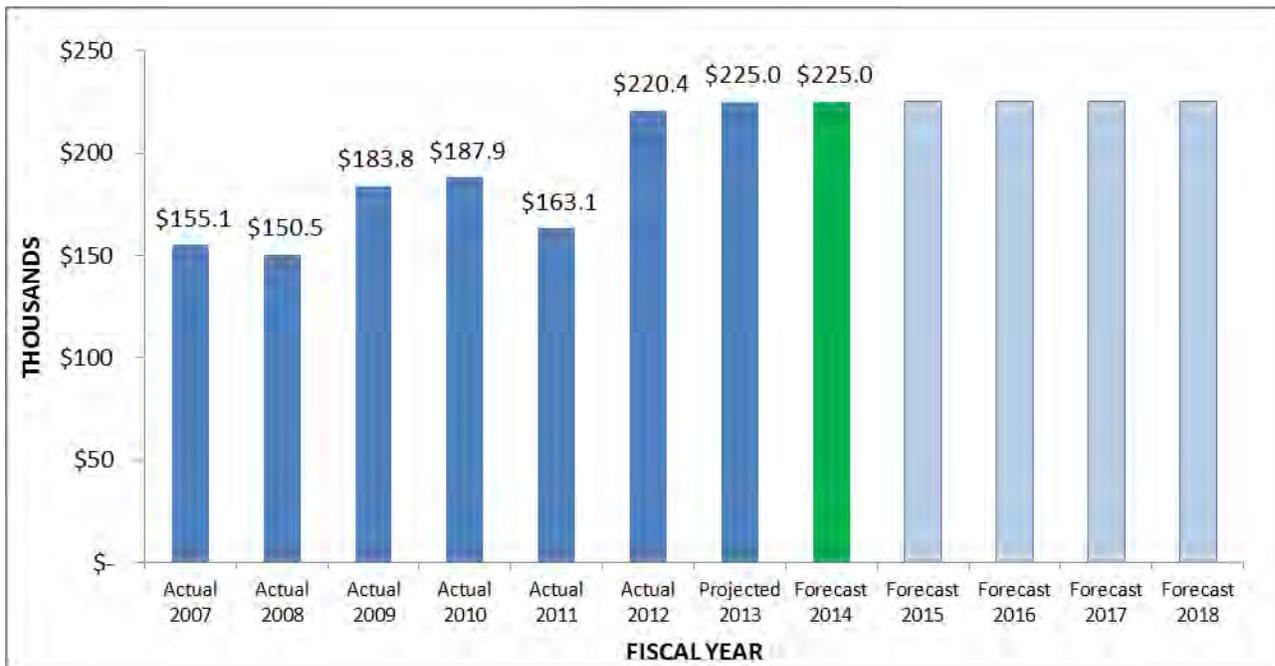
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# INTERGOVERNMENTAL

## STATE GAS TAX REFUND

**Description:**

This revenue is a reimbursement of State gas taxes for gas used in City vehicles. Refund for certain state motor fuel taxes paid by the City for fuel used in City vehicles. The refunded revenue is used to fund the construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of roads. The existing rate is assessed at 12.6 cents per gallon for “on road” fuel used in City vehicles and 29.0 cents per gallon for “off road” fuel used by the City.



**Legal Authority:**

- Florida Statute 206.41 (4)(d)-(e)
- Florida Statute 206.625
- Florida Statute 206.874(4)

**Fiscal Capacity:**

This revenue will increase or decrease based on fuel and tax rates in addition to fuel usage in City of Fort Lauderdale owned vehicles.

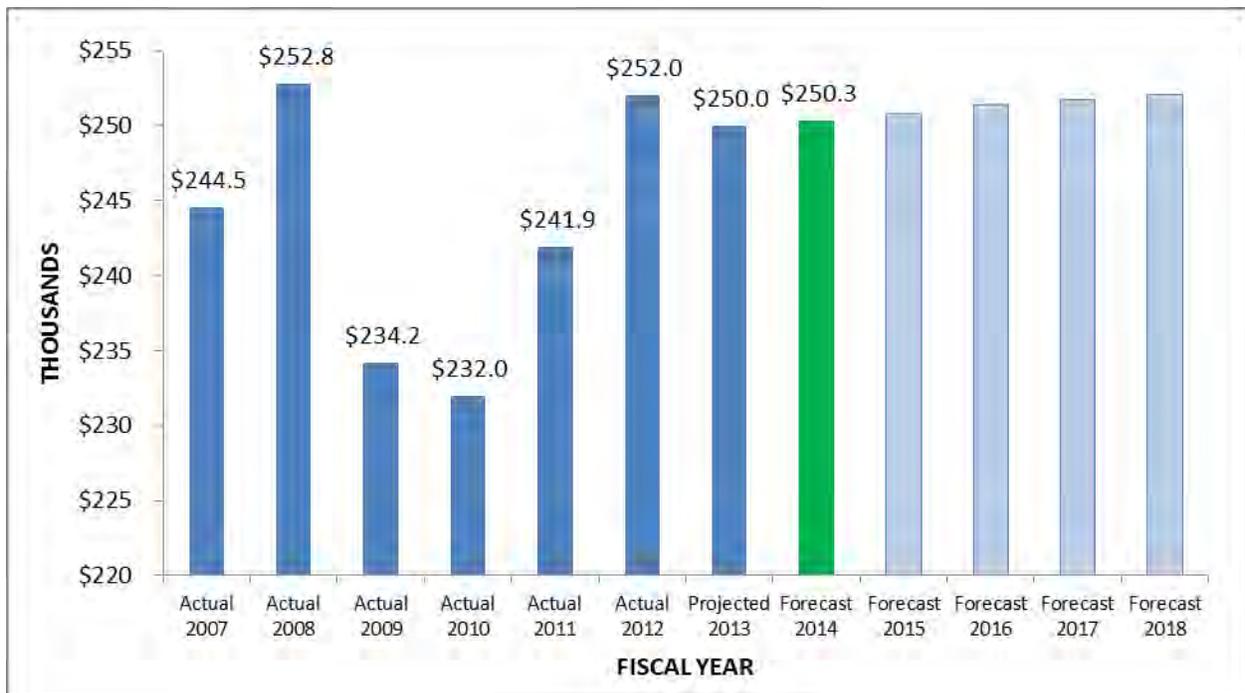
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

The forecast is based on Fiscal Year 2013 budget with no assumed increases in revenue.

## ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE FEE

**Description:**

This revenue is from license fees collected from manufacturers, distributors, and vendors that sell alcoholic beverages. A portion of the annual state license tax levied on manufacturers, distributors, vendors, brokers and importers of alcoholic beverages collected within a municipality is shared with local governments. Revenue is received from the State for the City's share of annual alcoholic beverage licensing fees. Currently 38% of the license tax imposed and collected within the City is returned quarterly (February, May, August and November) from the State of Florida.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute section 561.342

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The licenses and fees associated with state alcoholic beverages are regulated by Florida State Statutes.

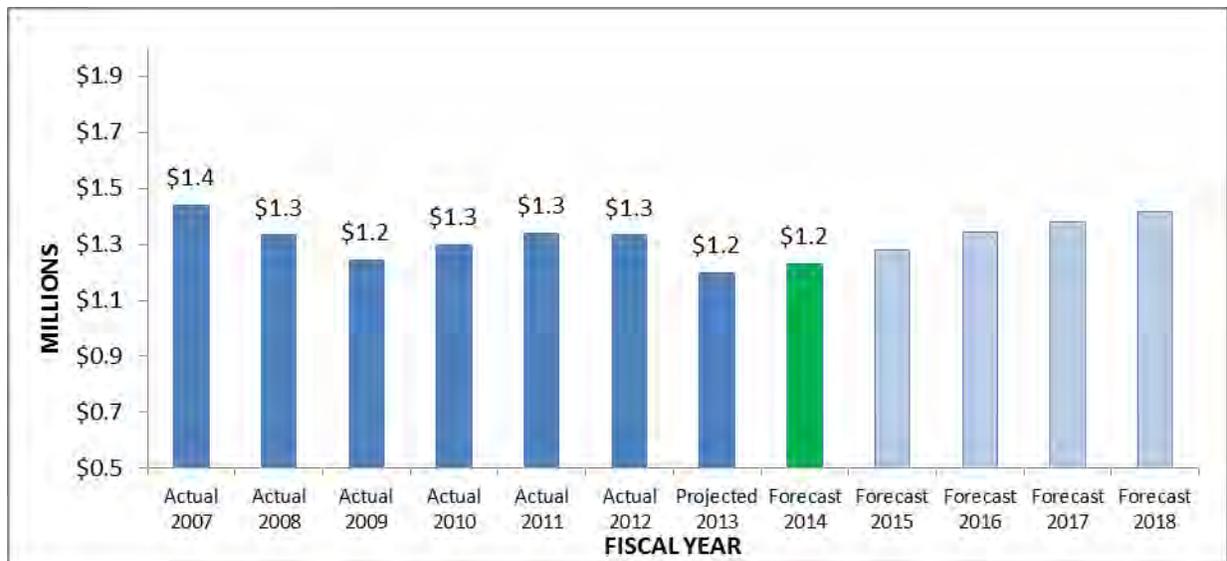
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

The forecast is adjusted annually by assumed growth.

## MOTOR FUEL TAX - REVENUE SHARING

### Description:

The municipal revenue sharing program is administered by the Department of Revenue, and monthly distributions are made to eligible municipal governments. The program is comprised of state sales taxes, municipal fuel taxes, and state alternative fuel user decal fees that are collected and transferred to the Trust Fund. Funds derived from the municipal fuel tax on motor fuel can be used only for the purchase of transportation facilities and road and street rights-of-way; construction and maintenance of roads, streets, bicycle paths, and pedestrian pathways; and other allowable transportation-related expenses.. The percentage for Motor Fuel Tax allocated to the City is 26.61% of the total revenue sharing amount. The remainder is received as Sales Tax – Revenue Sharing.



### Legal Authority:

Florida Statute chapter 206  
The Florida Revenue Sharing Act of 1972.

### Fiscal Capacity:

In order to calculate the municipal sales tax collection factor, it is first necessary to allocate a share of the sales tax collected within a county to each of its respective municipalities. This allocation is derived on the basis of population. Once that is done, an apportionment factor is calculated by the Department of Revenue for each eligible municipality using a formula consisting of the following equally weighted factors: adjusted municipal population derived municipal sales tax collections, and municipality's relative ability to raise revenue.

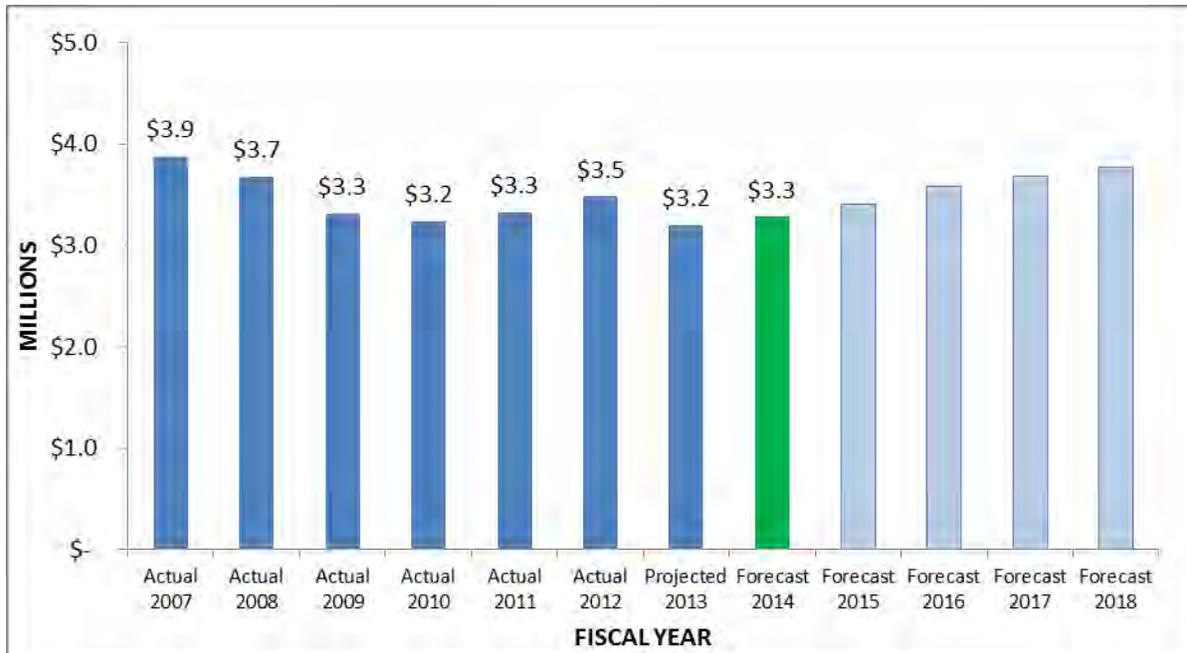
### Forecast Assumption(s):

The forecast is adjusted annually by assumed population growth. The increase in price of fuel is assumed to be offset by volume reductions from increased fuel efficiency & alternatives.

# SALES TAX REVENUE SHARING

## **Description:**

The municipal revenue sharing program is administered by the Department of Revenue. Monthly distributions are made to eligible municipal governments. The program is comprised of state sales taxes, municipal fuel taxes, and state alternative fuel user decal fees that are collected. The percentage for Sales Tax allocated to the City is 73.37% of the total revenue sharing amount. The remainder is received as Motor Fuel Tax – Revenue Sharing.



## **Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute chapters 206, 212, and 218  
Florida Revenue Sharing Act of 1972.  
Florida Statute section 218.62

## **Fiscal Capacity:**

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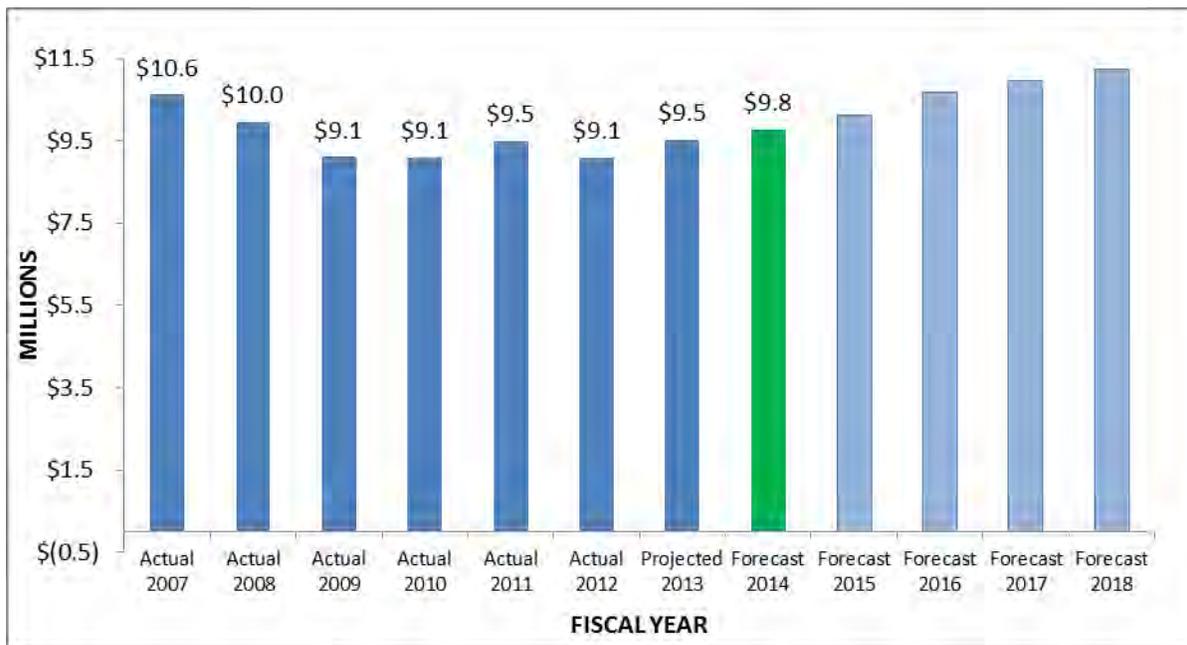
## **Forecast Assumption(s):**

The forecast is adjusted annually by assumed population growth plus 10-year average increase in US CPI (2.5% per year).

# HALF-CENT SALES TAX

**Description:**

Authorized in 1982, this program generates the largest amount of revenue for local governments among the state-shared revenue sources currently authorized by the Legislature. Monies remitted by a sales tax dealer located within the county and transferred into the Trust Fund are earmarked for distribution to the governing body of that county and each municipality within that county. An allocation formula serves as the basis for distribution. The primary purpose of this revenue is to provide relief from ad valorem and utility taxes while providing counties and municipalities with revenue for local programs.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute chapters 202.18(2), 212.20(60) and 218.60-67  
Florida Statute chapter 218.62-218.65

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The allocation factor for each municipal government is computed by dividing the municipality’s total population by the sum of the county’s total population plus two-thirds of the County incorporated population. Each municipality’s distribution is then determined by multiplying the allocation factor by the sales tax monies earmarked for distribution within its respective county. An increase in the City of Fort Lauderdale’s population or eligible countywide sales would result in an increase in this revenue for the City.

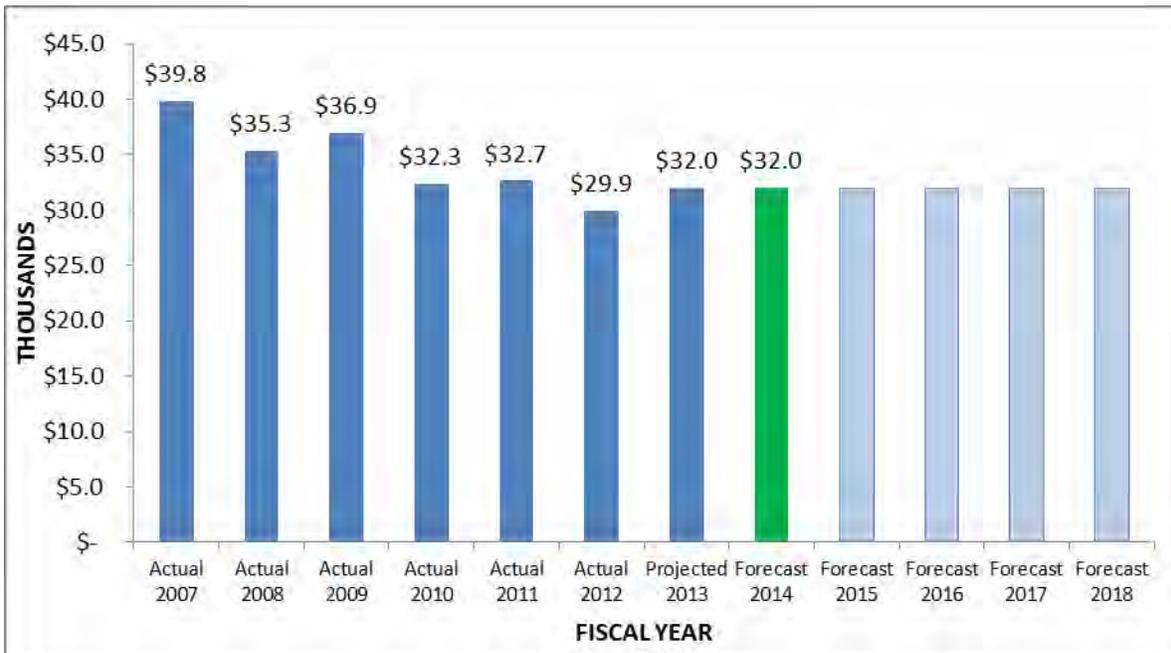
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

The forecast is adjusted annually by assumed population growth plus 10-year average increase in US CPI (2.5% per year).

# MOBILE HOME LICENSE TAX

**Description:**

Counties, municipalities, and school districts receive proceeds from an annual license tax levied on all mobile homes and park trailers, and on all travel trailers and fifth-wheel trailers exceeding 35 feet in body length. Licenses vary from \$20 to \$80 depending upon length of the mobile home. Currently, \$1.50 of this fee is retained by the State for its general fund. The mobile home relocation trust fund receives \$1.00 and the remainder is divided 50/50 between the City and the school board where the mobile unit is located.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute Chapter 320.015

**Fiscal Capacity:**

These fees are collected for mobile homes in lieu of property taxes. The fees are set by the State of Florida under Chapter 320, the motor vehicles chapter of State Statute.

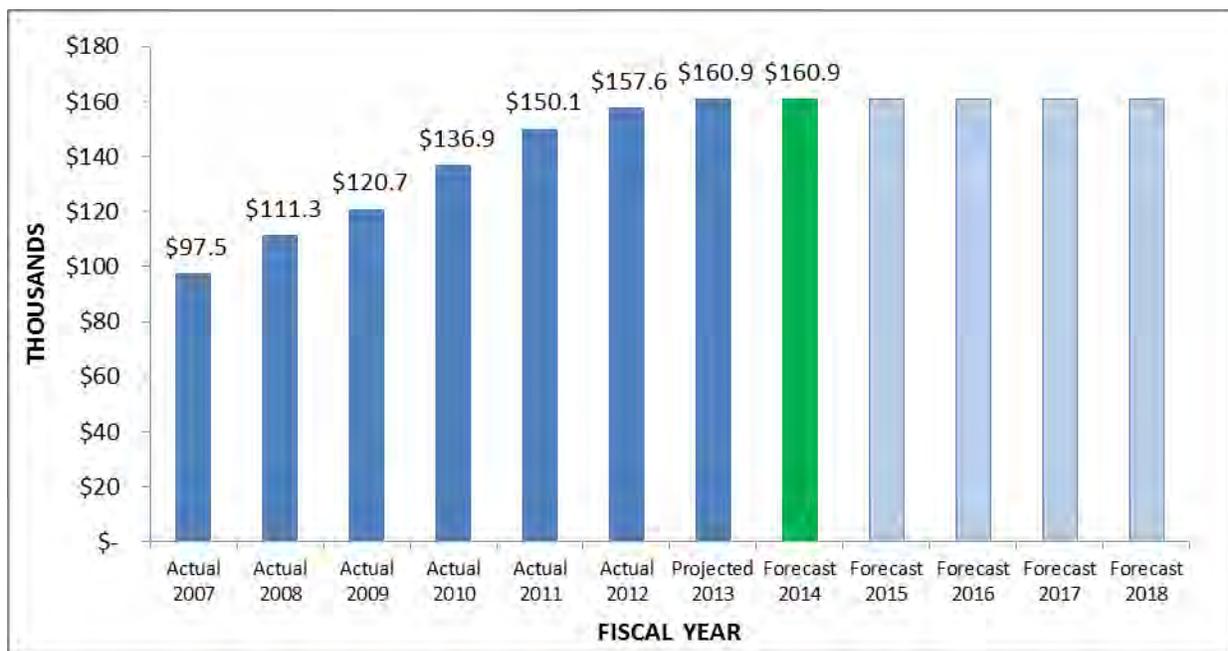
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

The forecast is based on the Fiscal Year 2013 budget with no assumed increases in revenue.

## FIREFIGHTER SUPPLEMENTAL COMPENSATION

**Description:**

Florida State Statutes 633.382 provides for supplemental compensation to be paid to firefighters who attain an associates or bachelors degree applicable to fire department duties. This supplemental pay is administered by the employing agency, the City of Fort Lauderdale. This supplemental pay is funded from the Supplemental Compensation Trust Fund based on reports tha the City submits regarding payments made on March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31 of each year.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute chapter 633.382

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The supplemental compensation is set by Florida Statutes. These revenues are reimbursements for supplemental pay that the City of Fort Lauderdale pays to eligible firefighters. The revenues will always be offset by a commensurate increase in expenses.

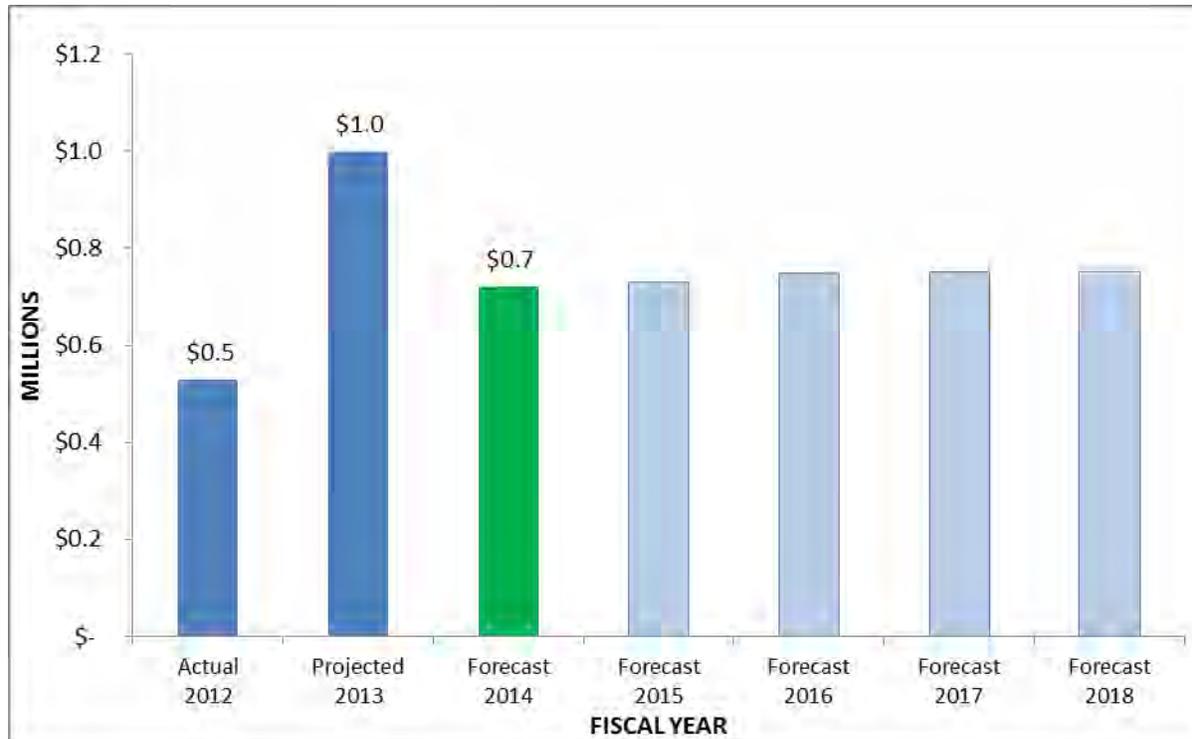
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

The forecast is based on the Fiscal Year 2013 budget with no assumed increases in revenue.

## E911 FEE - REVENUE SHARING

### **Description:**

This fee is intended to provide funds to county governments to pay certain cost associated with their emergency 911 systems and reimburse wireless telephone service providers for costs incurred to provide 911 services. This revenue is received by the City based on an agreement with the County.



### **Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute Chapter 365.173(1), 365.172(5), 365.172(8) 365.173(2)

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

The E-911 Fee is new revenue to the City beginning in Fiscal Year 2012, and is related to the unfunded mandate by Broward County that the City must pay for E911 Dispatch Services. This fee is regulated by Florida Statutes and is based on the volume of 911 calls that are generated by the City of Fort Lauderdale.

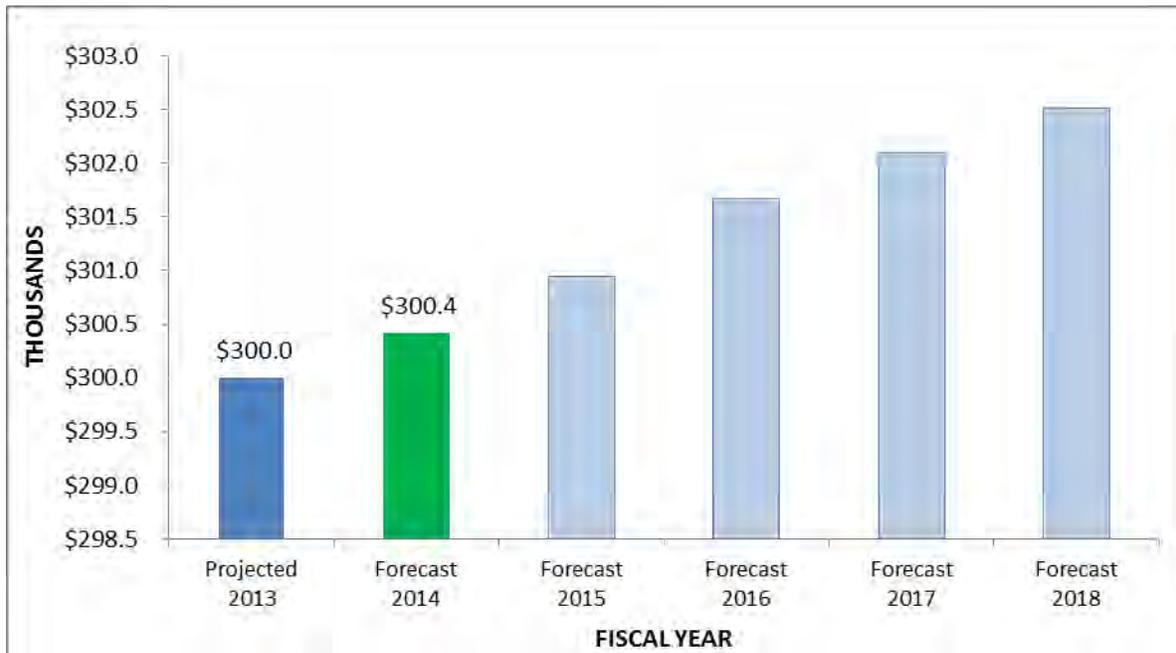
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

The forecast is increased annually based on increase in Communications Service Tax due to phone billing of fees.

## E911 FEE WILTON MANORS – REVENUE SHARING

### **Description:**

This fee is intended to provide funds to County governments to pay certain cost associated with their Emergency 911 systems and reimburse wireless telephone service providers for costs incurred to provide Emergency 911 services. This revenue is received by the City based on an agreement with the County based on service provision to the City of Wilton Manors.



### **Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute Chapter 365.173(1), 365.172(5), 365.172(8) 365.173(2)

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

The E-911 Fee is new revenue to the City beginning in Fiscal Year 2012, and is related to the unfunded mandate by Broward County that the City must pay for E911 Dispatch Services. This fee is regulated by Florida Statutes and is based on the volume of 911 calls that are generated by the City of Wilton Manors.

### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

The forecast is increased annually based on assumed growth.

## COUNTY SHARED OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES

### **Description:**

This revenue is generated from Broward County Business Tax receipts. Revenues are disbursed by a ratio derived by dividing each municipality's population by the population of the county.



### **Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute chapter 205.0536

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

An increase in number of businesses or the population in Fort Lauderdale will increase the amount of revenue received from Broward County.

### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

The forecast is increased annually based on assumed growth.

## COUNTY-SHARED GAS TAX (LOCAL OPTION)

### **Description:**

County governments are authorized to levy up to 12 cents of local option fuel taxes in the form of three separate levies. The first is a tax on 1 cent on every net gallon of motor and diesel fuel sold within a County. The second is a tax of 1 to 6 cents on every net gallon of motor and diesel fuel sold within a County. The third is a 1 to 5 cent levy upon every net gallon of motor fuel sold within a County however; diesel fuel is not subject to this tax. Proceeds may be used to fund transportation expenditures. In Broward County, the revenue is collected and distributed using a population based formula.



### **Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute chapter 206.41(1)(e), 206.87(1), and 336.025

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

This revenue source is distributed to the City through an Inter-local agreement with the County. The formula for distribution to municipalities is based on population. An increase in the amount of motor fuel sold in Broward County and/or an increase in the City of Fort Lauderdale's population would result in an increase in this revenue for the City.

### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

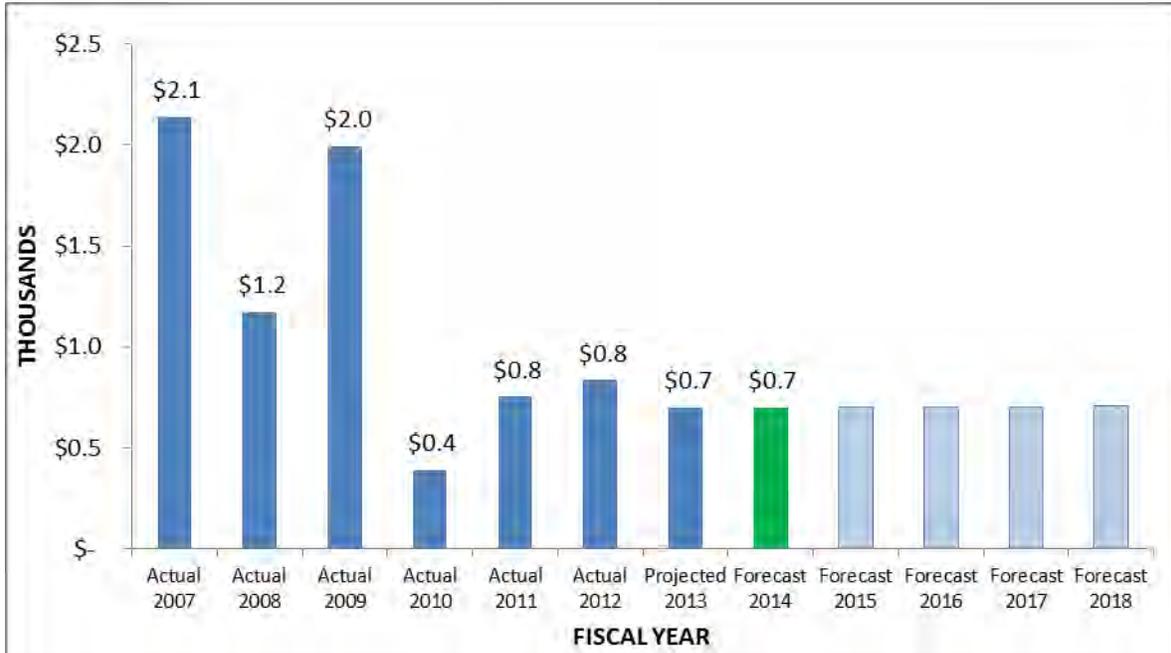
The forecast is increased annually based on assumed population growth.

# CHARGES FOR SERVICES

## CITY CLERK FEES

**Description:**

This fee is assessed on all public record requests from the City Clerk’s office. The charge is \$0.15 per page for hard copies. Report requests are \$1 per copy for a certified copy and \$15 for a DVD copy.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida State Statute - (119.07) (4) (A) 1, 2 and 3 (B) and (C)

**Fiscal Capacity:**

According to Florida Statute, a municipality can charge a \$1 fee per copy for a certified copy of a public record and an additional \$0.15 per one-sided copy for duplicated copy. For a double-sided copy, an agency can charge no more than an additional \$0.05.

**Forecast Assumption(s):**

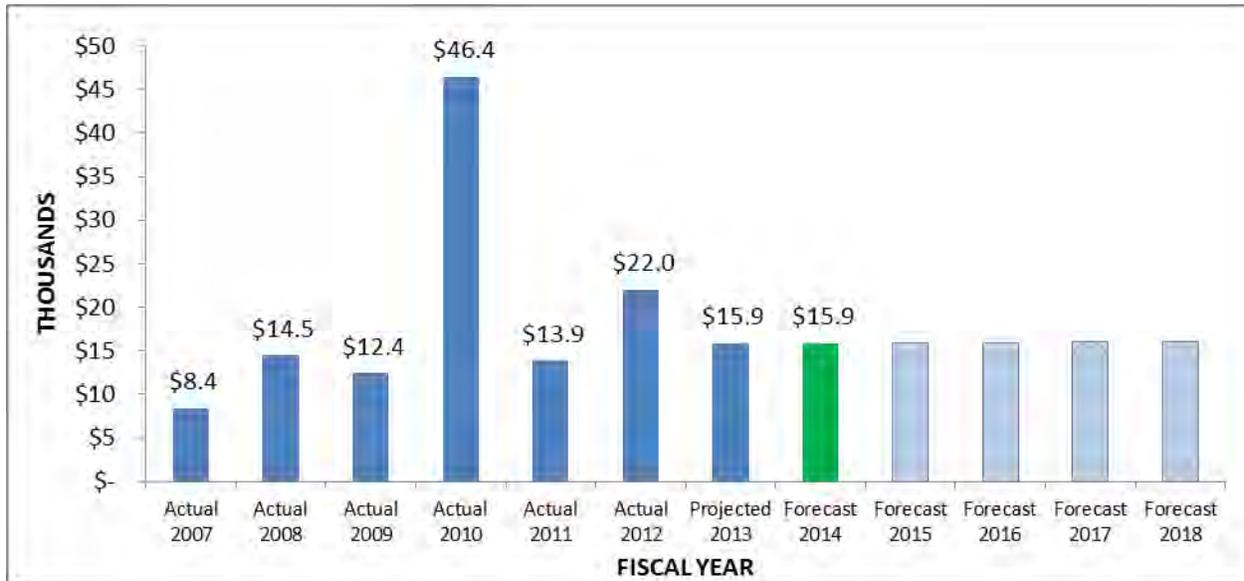
FY 2013 Budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FEES

**Description**

Revenue is collected from application fees for items that are reviewed by the Board of Adjustment Committee. The purpose of this committee is to hear, determine, and decide appeals and reviewable interpretations, applications or determinations made by administrative officials in the enforcement of the Unified Land Development Regulations.

Board of Adjustment – Variance/Special Exception/Interpretation: Before	\$480
Board of Adjustment – Variance/Special Exception/Interpretation: After	\$600
Board of Adjustment – Parking Variance (per space)	\$530
Board of Adjustment – Request for continuance	\$190
Board of Adjustment – Rehearing before the board	\$70
Board of Adjustment – Request for Rehearing	\$240



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale resolution 10-265  
 Unified Land Development Regulations (UDLR) section 47-24.1

**Fiscal Capacity:**

In 2010, Fort Lauderdale City Commission approved the revision of the fee schedule for development applications. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

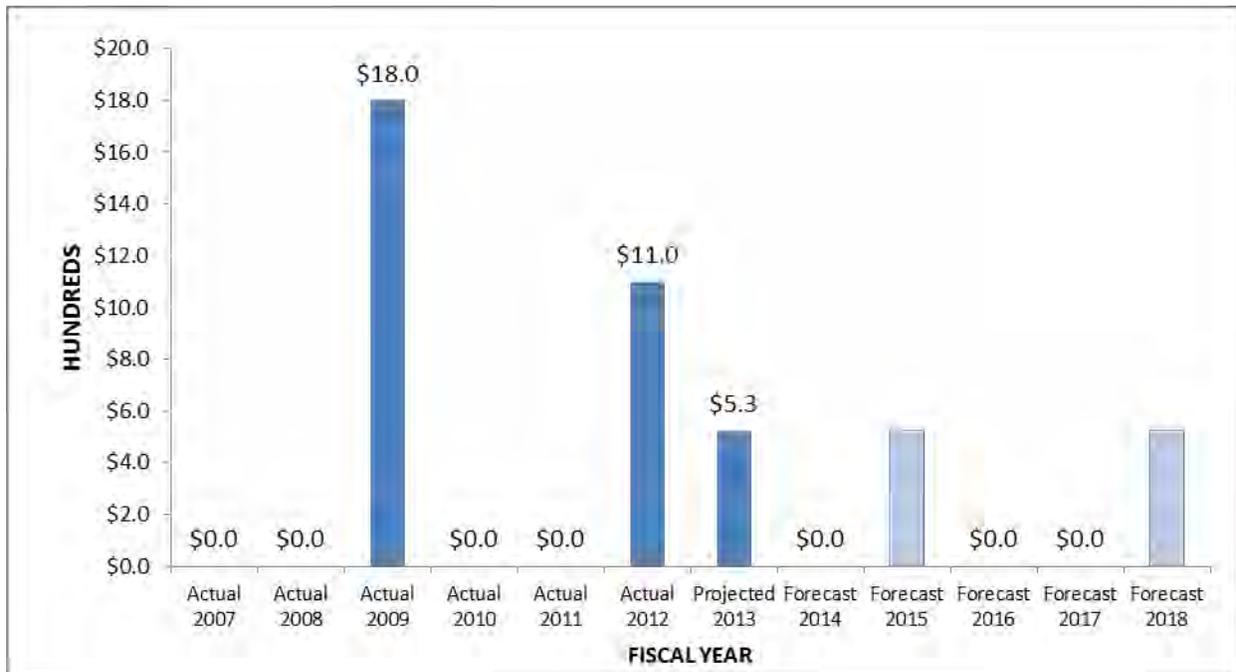
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 Budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## CANDIDATES FILING FEE

**Description:**

This fee is assessed to individuals interested in running for an elected office with the City of Fort Lauderdale. The City of Fort Lauderdale charges \$100 for administrative costs. The State of Florida charges one percent (1%) of the Mayor or City Commissioner salary, which is collected through the City. The filing fee to run for Mayor is \$450 and \$400 for City Commissioner.



**Legal Authority:**

Section 7.14 - Candidates for Mayor-Commissioner and City Commissioner  
 City of Fort Lauderdale charter section 3.01 – 3.03

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Elected officials are voted in by the public every three years. Should an elected official decide to vacate an existing seat, a special election is held to fill the vacant seat. City Commission can also appoint someone to serve until the next election period if a seat is vacated close to re-election.

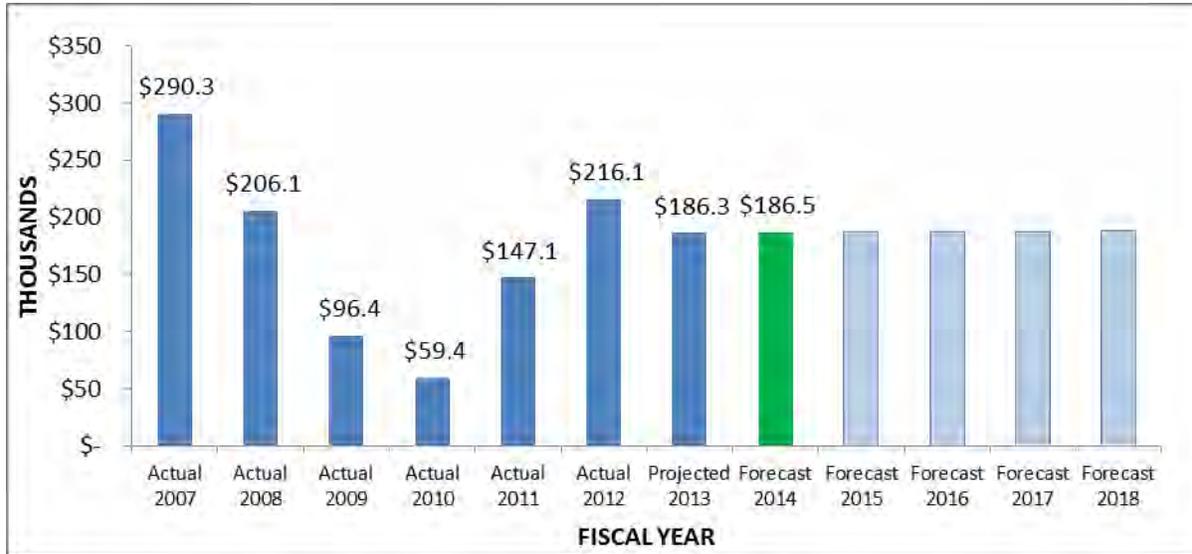
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 Budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.  
 \$0 in election years: FY 2014, FY 2016 and FY 2017

## DEVELOPMENT REVIEW FEES

**Description:**

Development review fees assessed to applicants for development review. The current fee schedule was adopted by Fort Lauderdale City Commission in September 2010. Applications are reviewed by the Development Review Committee, Planning and Zoning Board and City Commission.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale resolution 10-265  
 Unified Land Development Regulations (UDLR) Section 47-24.1

**Fiscal Capacity:**

In 2010, Fort Lauderdale City Commission approved the revision of the fee schedule for development applications. Commission approval would be required to modify the fee schedule.

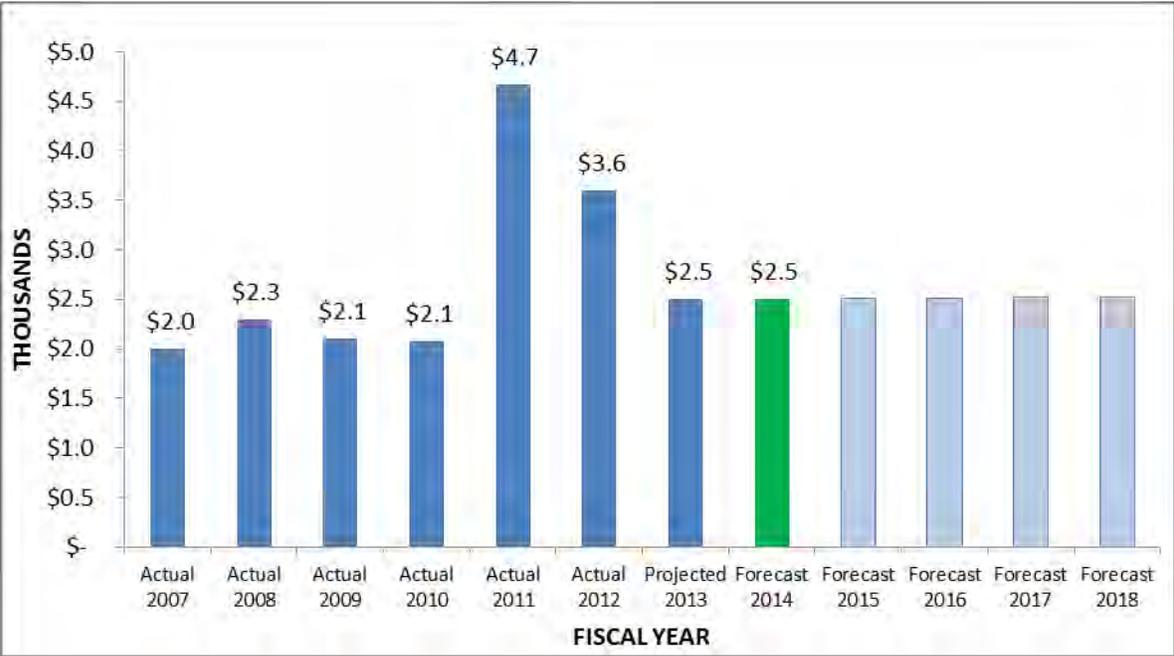
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 Budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges

# ENCROACHMENT LICENSES

**Description:**

This is a formal agreement signed between the City and property owner. The intent of the encroachment license is to formally recognize the encroachment and establish terms and conditions specific to the encroachment. Encroachment licensing does not create or convey any property interest in the City property. The licenses are required anytime a property owner, firm, or corporation desires to develop or use any portion of a City Right of Way Easement in a manner other than its intended use.



**Legal Authority**

City of Fort Lauderdale resolution 10-265  
 Unified Land Development Regulations (UDLR) section 47-24.1

**Fiscal Capacity:**

In 2010, Fort Lauderdale City Commission approved the revision of the fee schedule for development applications. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

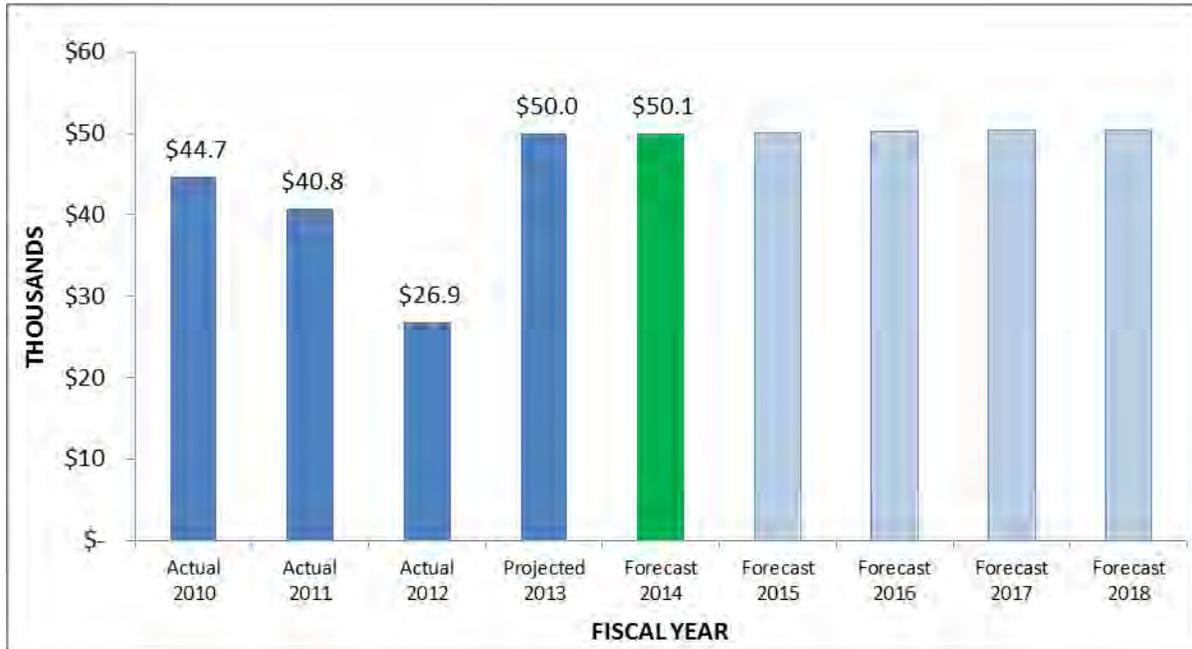
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 Budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges

## TRAFFIC STUDY FEES

### **Description:**

This revenue originates from a \$4,000 fee collected from developers and business owners applying for Development Review Committee (DRC) permits for traffic/parking analysis review.



### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale resolution 10-265  
Unified Land Development Regulations (UDLR) section 47-24.1

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

In 2010, Fort Lauderdale City Commission approved the revision of the fee schedule for the Urban Design and Planning Division development application. Commission approval would be required to modify the fee schedule.

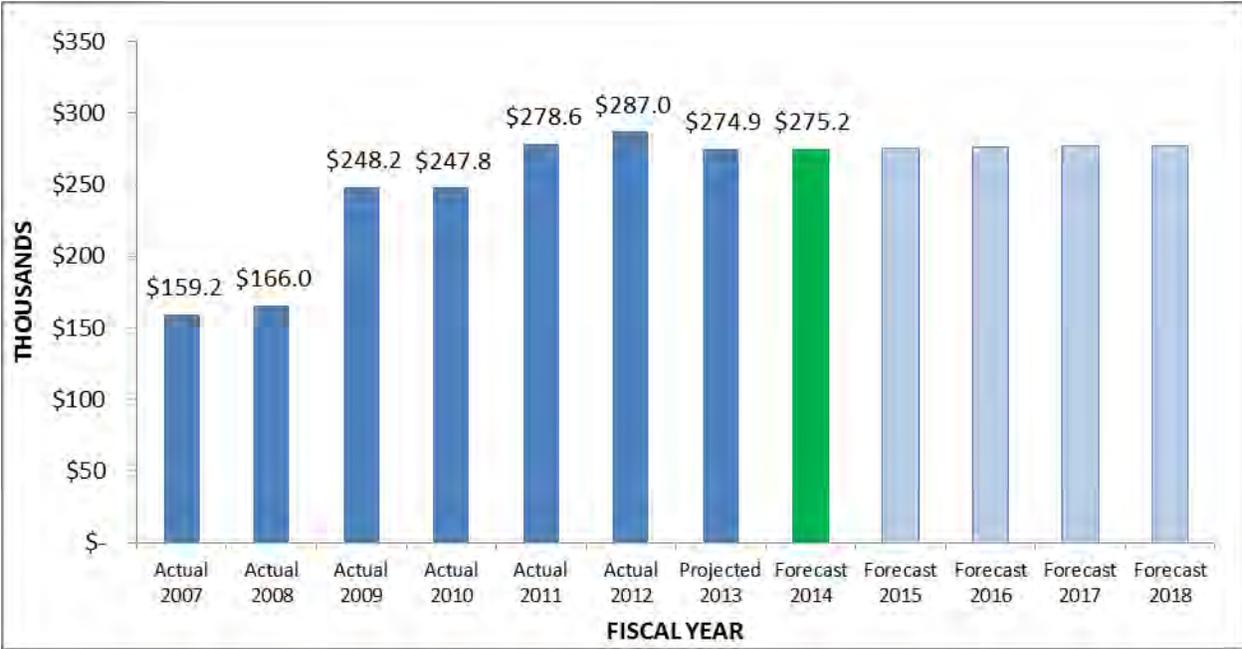
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

# LIEN RESEARCH FEES

**Description:**

This is an administrative fee collected for services associated with lien research. The fee charged for conducting lien research is \$50 for a same day response and \$25 for a normal response, which takes five to seven working days.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance section 2-150

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

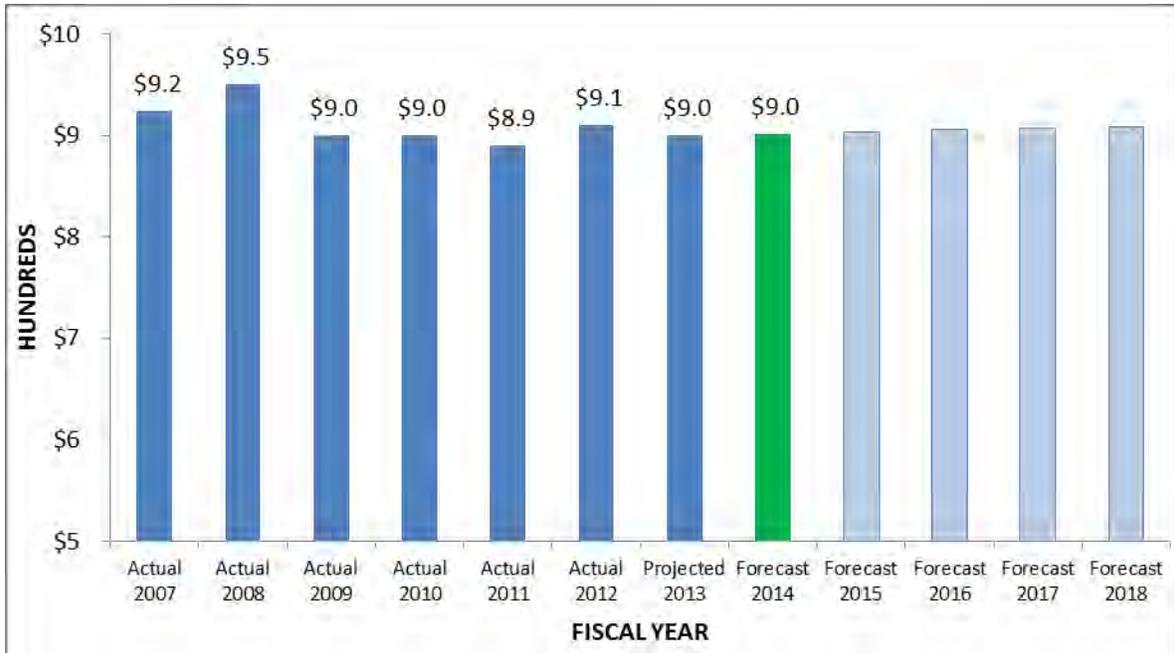
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## PAYROLL DEDUCTION PROCESSING CHARGES

### **Description:**

This fee is charged to Federation of Public Employees, Firefighters, and the American Family Life Assurance Company for the processing of payroll deductions. The fee assessed is \$10 per bi-weekly payroll.



### **Legal Authority:**

Contract agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and Federation of Public Employees

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

This contract is effective October 4, 2011 through September 30, 2013. Any change in this fee would have to be negotiated through collective bargaining in the various union contracts.

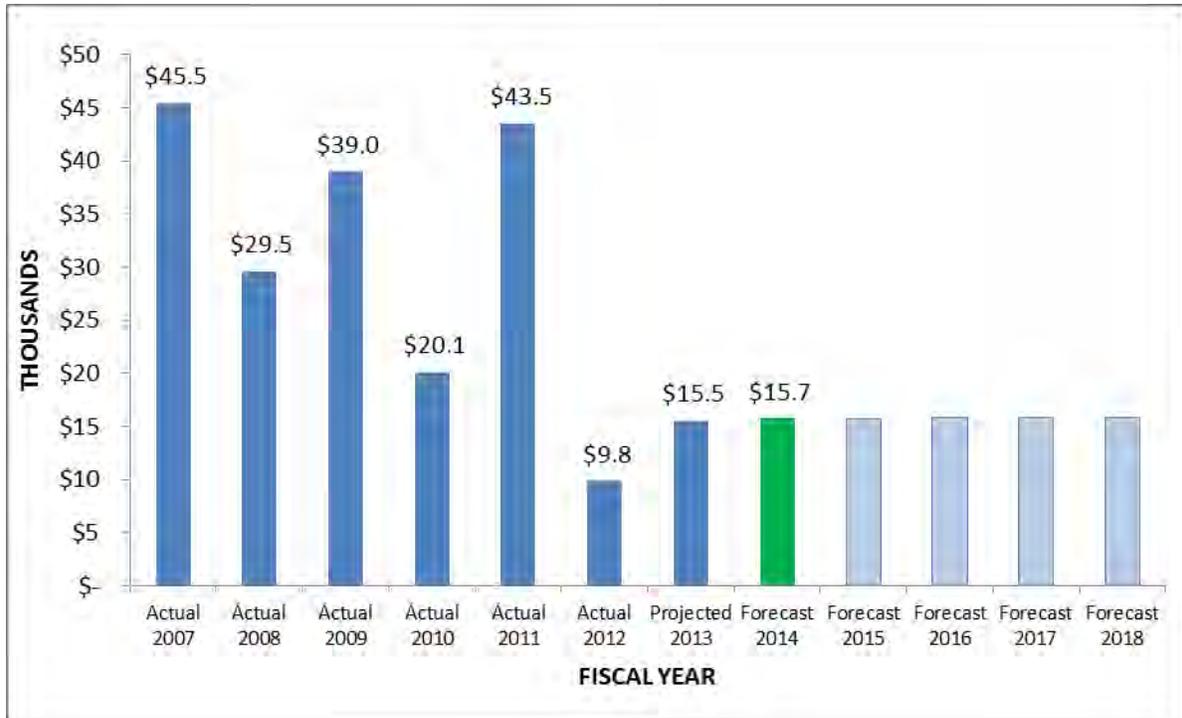
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## PHOTOCOPIES AND PRINT SALES

**Description:**

This fee is assessed for all public record requests. The charge is \$0.15 per page for hard copies. All report requests are \$1.00 per copy for a certified copy and \$15 for a DVD copy. These fees are collected in various departments throughout the City.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida State Statute - (119.07) (4) (A) 1, 2 and 3 (B) and (C)

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Florida Statutes set fees charged for photocopy and print sales.

**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## PLANNING AND ZONING FEES

**Description:**

This revenue source is generated from fees assessed to applicants with planning and zoning needs. Applications are reviewed by the Development Review Committee, Planning and Zoning Board and City Commission. Applicants are assessed an initial application fee or a list of fees based on service needs. The current rates are based on the fee schedule outlined on the Urban Design & Planning Division development application.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale Resolution 10-265  
 Unified Land Development Regulations (UDLR) Section 47-24.1

**Fiscal Capacity:**

In 2010, Fort Lauderdale City Commission approved the revision of the fees assessed to neighbors who submit Urban Design and Planning Division development applications to the Planning and Zoning Board. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

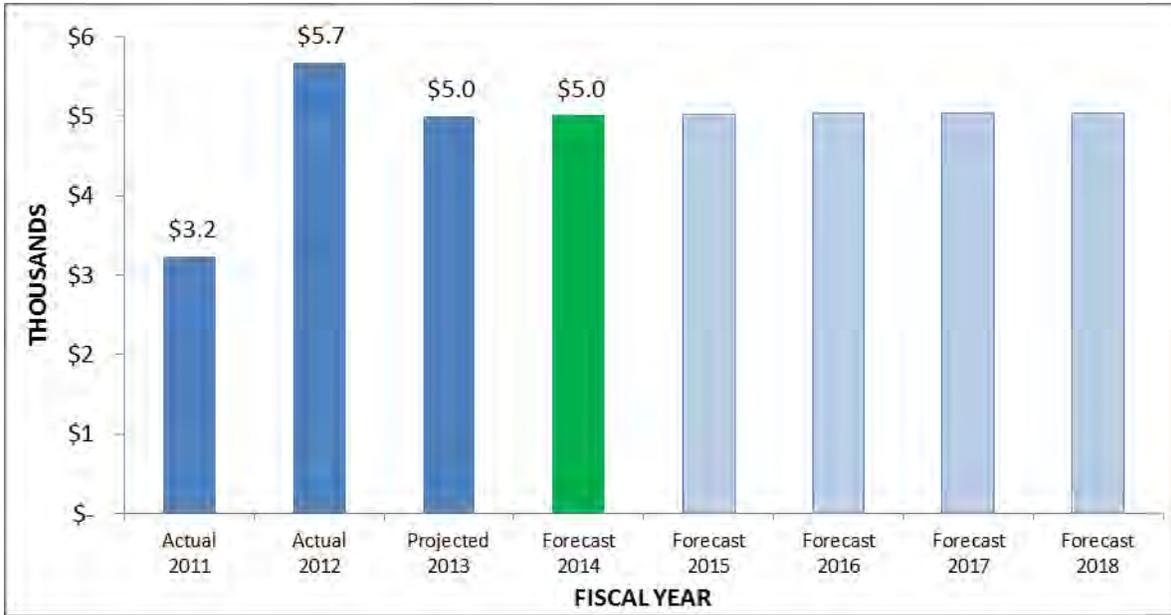
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

# HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

**Description:**

This revenue is generated from the purchase of codebooks, duplicate permit cards, miscellaneous service charges, photocopies, notary fees, film print charges, sign deposits, and application fees to the Historic Preservation Board. These fees are generally assessed during the application process and vary based on the needs of the applicant.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale Resolution 10-265  
City of Fort Lauderdale ordinance number C-19-3  
Florida Statute Chapter 166.222,  
Unified Land Development Regulations (UDLR) Section 47-24.1

**Fiscal Capacity:**

In 2010, Fort Lauderdale City Commission approved the revision of the fees assessed to neighbors who submit Urban Design and Planning Division development applications for historic preservation. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

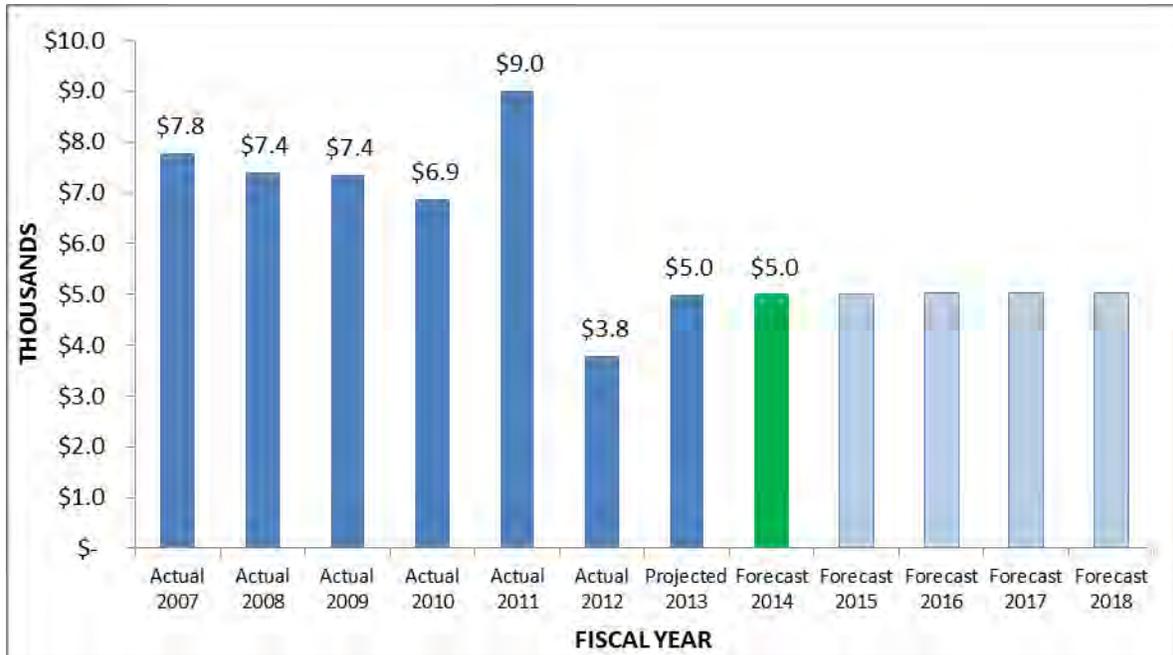
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## DISHONORED CHECK FEES

**Description:**

This revenue source comes from fees assessed to neighbors for bad checks. Checks written that are less than \$50 are assessed a \$25 fee. Checks written for \$300 or less are assessed a \$50 fee. Checks written over \$300 are assessed a \$40 fee or 5% of the check amount, whichever is greater.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 28  
 Florida Statute 832.08 (5) (a) (b) (c)

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The fees assessed for returned checks are assessed at maximum capacity according to Florida State Statute.

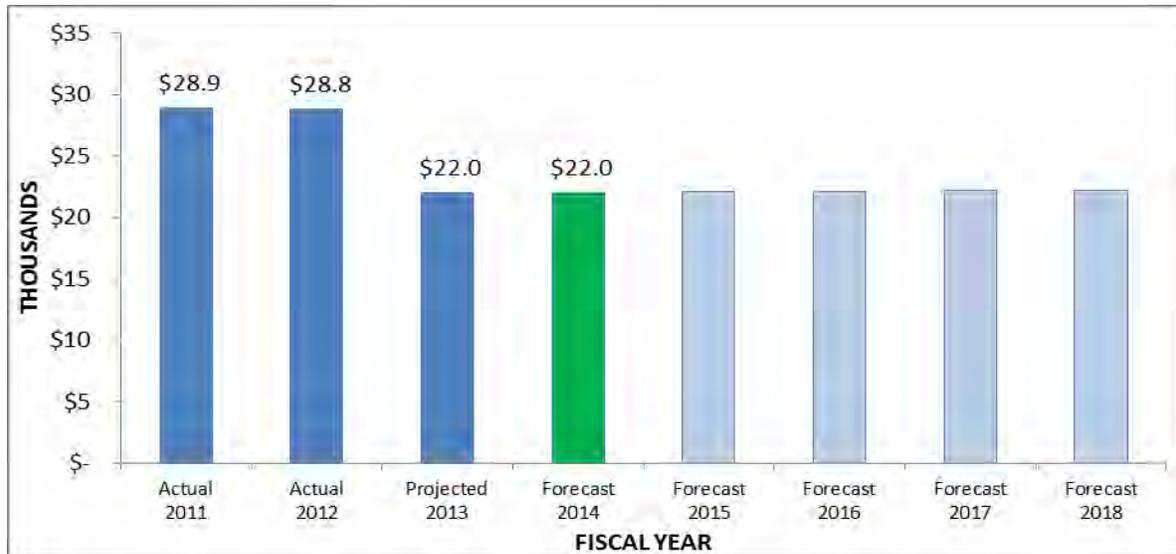
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## CITY COMMISSION DEVELOPMENT REVIEW

### **Description:**

These fees assessed to applicants for the City Commission Development Review. The application process includes assessment of fees for development permits and a Final Development Review Committee (DRC) fee.



### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale resolution 10-265,  
Unified Land Development Regulations (UDLR) section 47-24.1

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

In 2010, Fort Lauderdale City Commission approved the revision of fees assessed to neighbors who submit Urban Design and Planning Division development applications. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

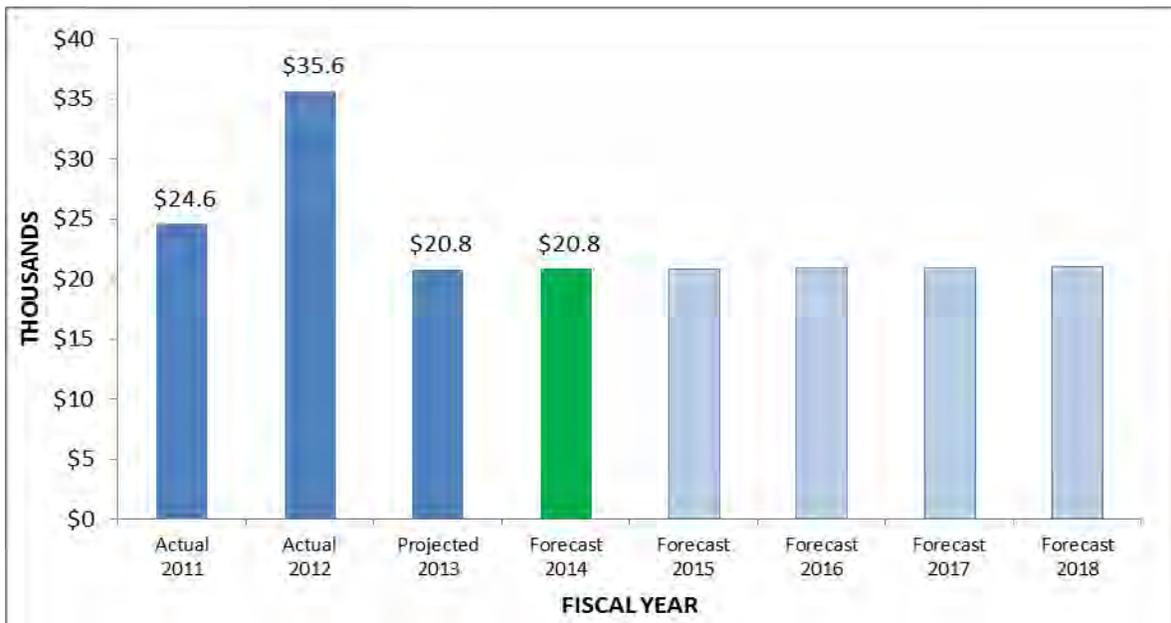
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## FINAL DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE (DRC)

**Description:**

These are fees assessed to applications that are forwarded to the City Commission for final review. The fee varies based on the nature of the application. The DRC is made up of City staff representing various City departments and divisions who provide input regarding development applications subject to the development review provision of the City’s code.

Planned Unit Development (PUD)	\$3,710	Site Plan Level III	\$980
Site Plan Level II in DRAC/SRAC-SA	\$1,330	Site Plan Level IV	\$1,330
Site Plan Level II	\$650	Change of Use	\$170
Parking Reduction	\$100	Plat	\$110
Right of Way Vacation	\$100	Rezoning	\$110
Plan Note Amendment	\$90	Easement Vacation	\$90



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale resolution 10-265,  
 Unified Land Development Regulations (UDLR) section 47-24.1

**Fiscal Capacity:**

In 2010, Fort Lauderdale City Commission approved the revision of fees assessed to neighbors who submit Urban Design and Planning Division development applications. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

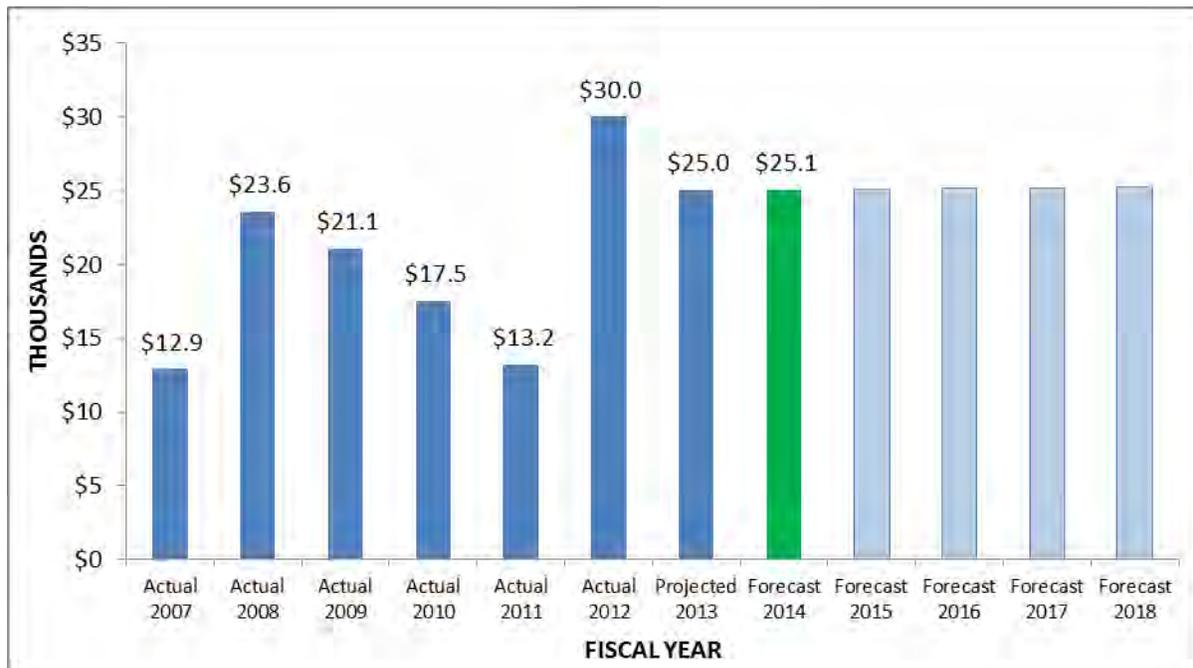
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## ENGINEERING INSPECTION FEES

### **Description:**

These fees are flat rate hourly fees the City charges contractors and engineering permit developers for overtime hours needed for City Inspectors to work on their projects. The time worked is tracked through time tickets for overtime needed. Engineering staff process all invoices for these charges. With the previous Standards, the hourly rate was \$50 per hour. Currently, the City is charging the “actual cost” overtime rate for the respective inspector.



### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale construction manual section 8.10

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

This revenue source is driven by contractor demand and it is offset by a commensurate increase in overtime expenses to the City under the current chargeback structure.

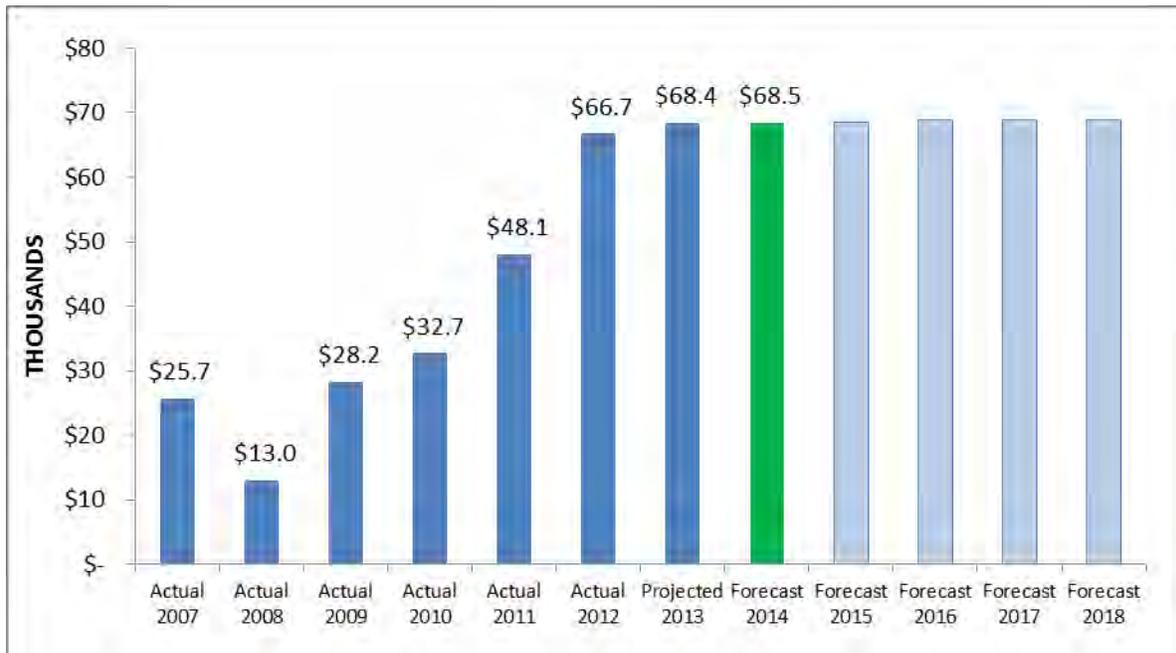
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## LOT CLEANING ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES

### **Description:**

This revenue is generated from charges to neighbors for cleaning lots that are in violation of City code. Property that is abandoned or poorly maintained and threatens or endangers public health, safety, or welfare and impairs the economic welfare of adjacent property is declared a “public nuisance.” Based on the condition or surrounding circumstances, by local ordinance, Fort Lauderdale can mitigate these issues and charge the property owner for the cost associated with cleaning the lot. Alternatively, the City can place a lien on the property.



### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 18, article 1, section 18-12  
City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 18, article II, section 18-15

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

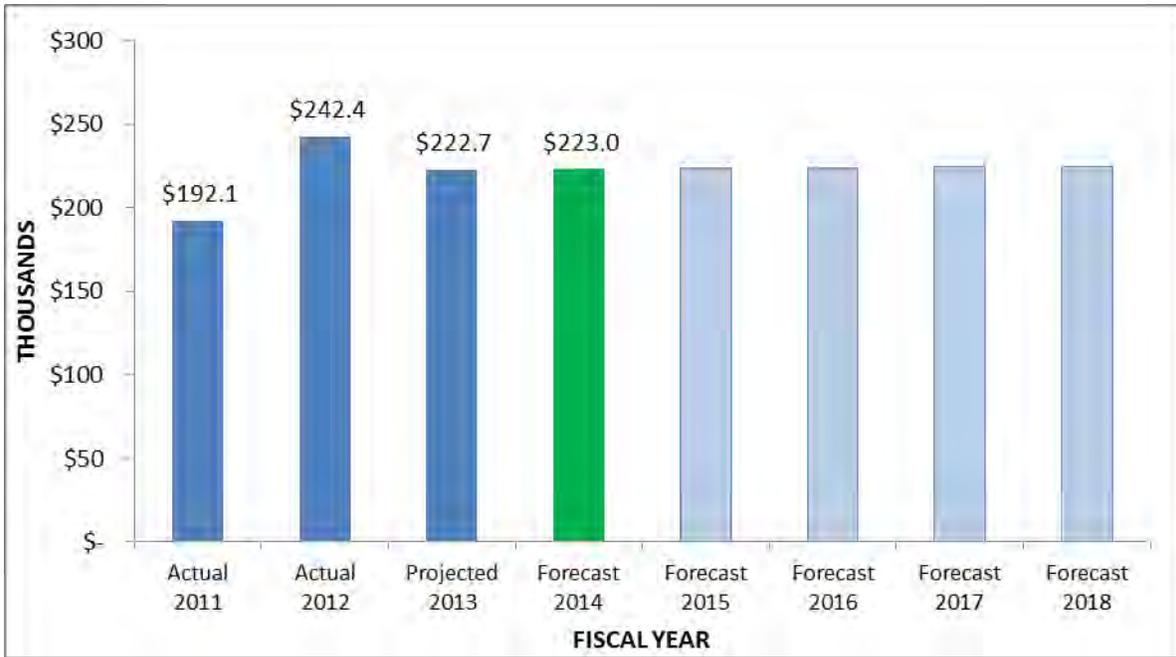
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

# ZONING REVIEW & INSPECTION

**Description:**

This revenue source originates from fees assessed to Zoning Revenue applicants. The fee assessed for Zoning Review and Inspection is \$99.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale resolution 10-265  
Unified Land Development Regulations (UDLR) section 47-24.1

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The fee assessed to zoning review & inspection applicants are a part of the revised fee schedule approved by Fort Lauderdale City Commission in 2010. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

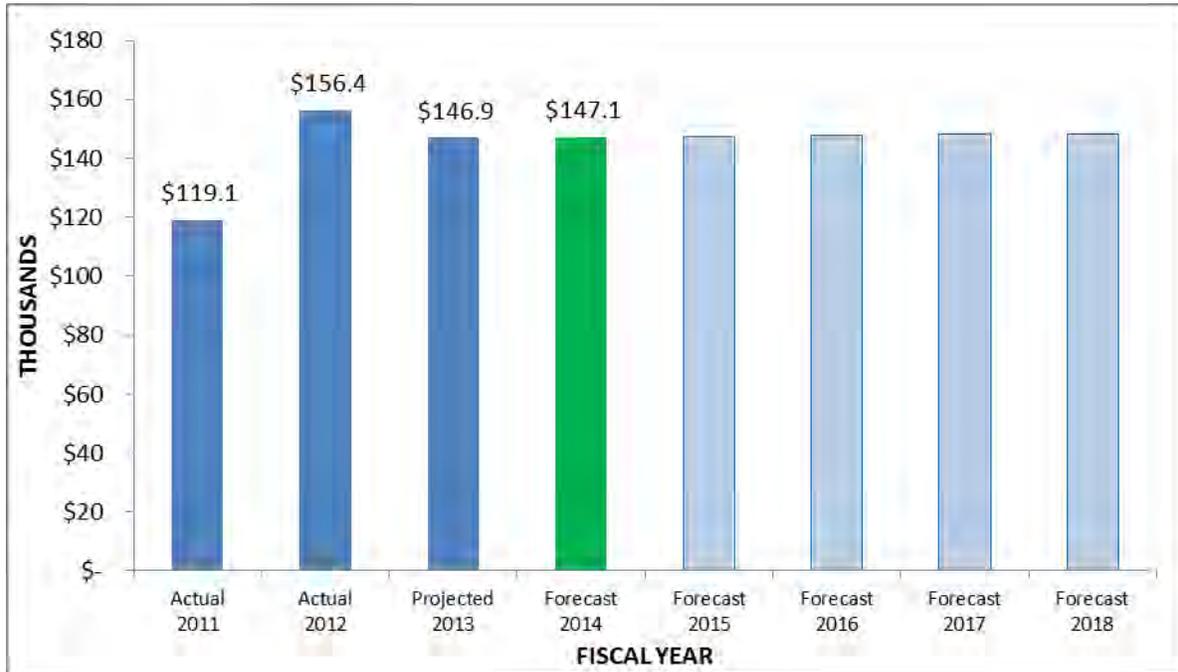
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

# ZONING INSPECTION

**Description:**

The fees assessed to applicants for Zoning Re-inspections. The additional re-inspection and job check fee of \$45 is assessed as needed.



**Legal Authority:**

Resolution 10-265  
Unified Land Development Regulations (UDLR) section 47-24.1

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The fee assessed to zoning re-inspection applicants are a part of the revised fee schedule approved by Fort Lauderdale City Commission in 2010. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

**Forecast Assumption(s):**

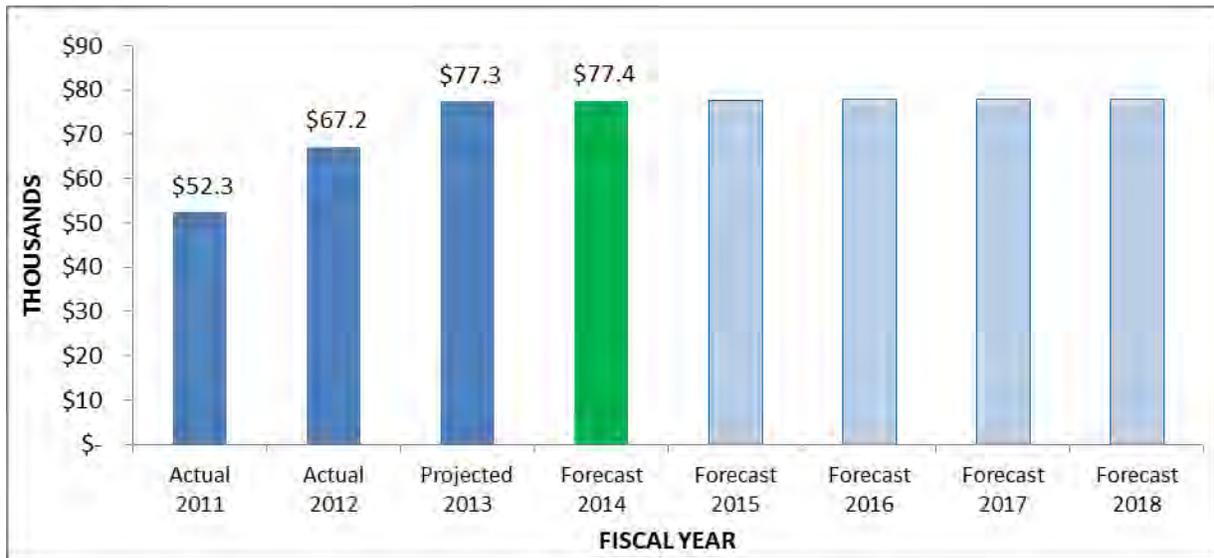
FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

# ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

**Description:**

Administrative review fees are cost associated with an in-house review of a new or existing project. The administrative review fees vary based on the size of the project.

Temporary Construction Staging Area for Public Improvement Projects	\$550
Site Plan Level 1: Central Beach Limited Impact	\$550
Site Plan Level 1: Change of Use (Same or lesser impact & satisfy parking)	\$550
Amended Development Review Committee (DRC) Site Plan Level II	\$750
Amended Development Review Committee (DRC) Site Plan Level III or IV (<5%)	\$1,240
Amended Development Review Committee DRC Site Plan Level III (Planning & Zoning)	\$2,230
Amended Development Review Committee DRC Site Plan Level IV (CC)	\$2,270



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale resolution 10-265  
 Unified Land Development Regulations (UDLR) section 47-24.1

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The fee assessed for administrative review applicants are a part of the revised fee schedule approved by Fort Lauderdale City Commission in 2010. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

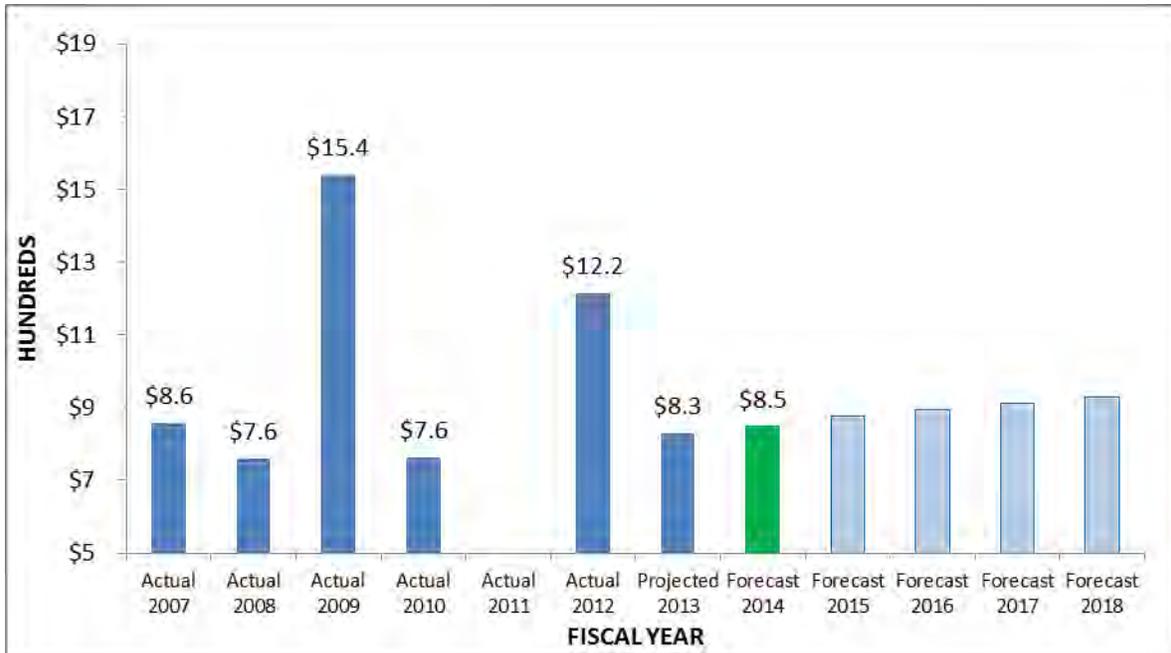
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## INFORMATION PROCESSING DATA (IPD) FEES

**Description:**

This revenue source is from fees and service charges for information technology related records requests. The requests include public requests for electronic mail and reports from electronic data (GIS maps, Utility Billing new accounts, and Business Tax licenses). The fee charged for reports is a flat fee of \$25.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida State Public Records Law Chapter 119.07(4) (d)1

**Fiscal Capacity:**

This fee can be increased if the City is not currently charging the cost of providing the service. According to Florida Statute, the City of Fort Lauderdale may charge, in addition to the actual cost of duplication, a special service charge for extensive use of information technology resources or extensive clerical and/or supervisory assistance if those skills are required. This charge must be reasonable and based on the costs incurred.

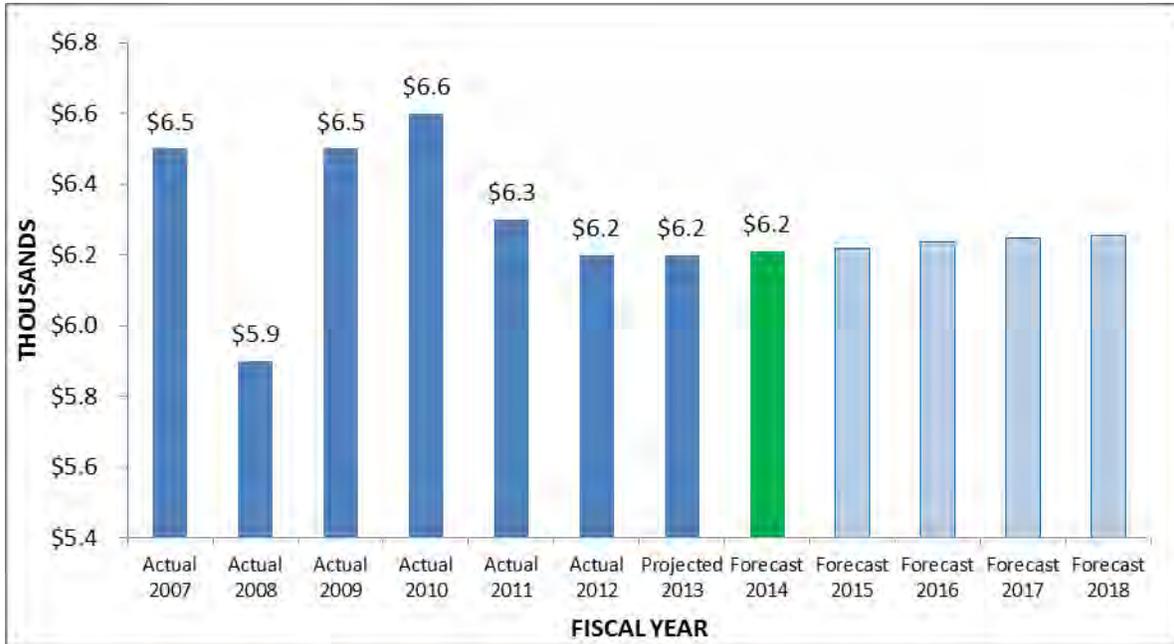
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## ALARM MONITORING FEES

### **Description:**

This annual registration fee of \$100 is charged to alarm companies that monitor alarms installed in properties within city limits. Upon installation the alarm user is responsible for having the alarm system registered with the city and obtaining an alarm certificate in accordance with the local ordinance.



### **Legal Authority:**

Code of municipal ordinances chapter 4 section 3

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

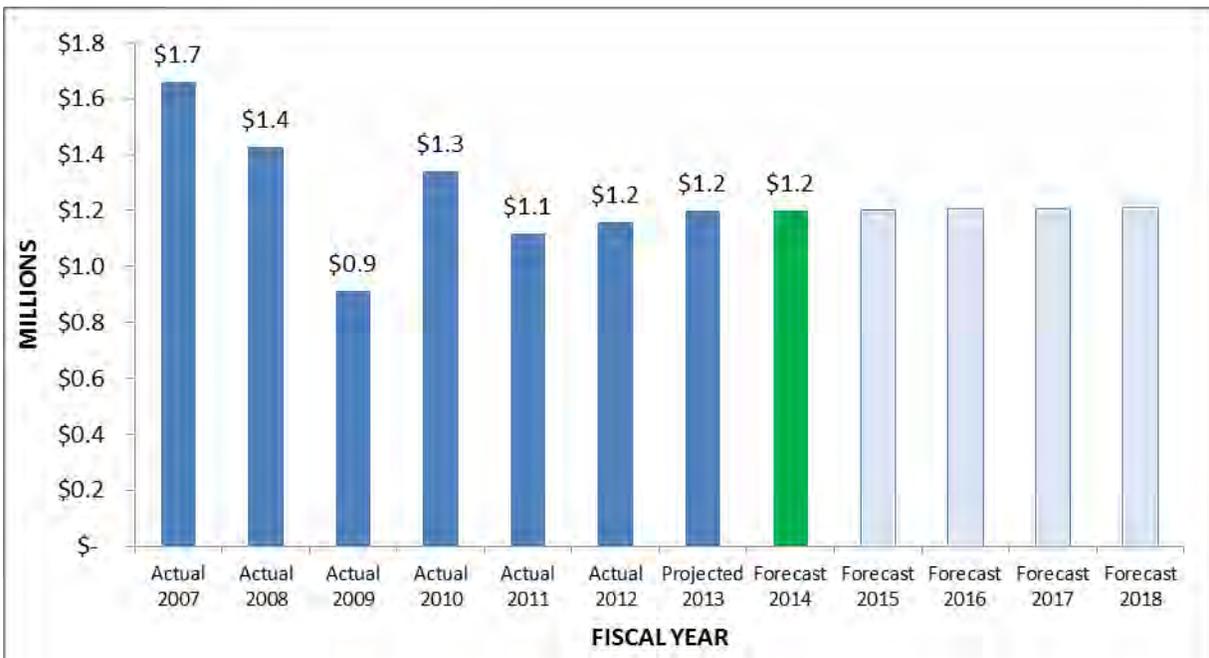
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## ALARM RESPONSE FEES

**Description:**

These charges are for Police response to alarms. For Fort Lauderdale neighbors, the first call is at no charge, the 2<sup>nd</sup> response is \$75, 3<sup>rd</sup> response is \$100, the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> responses are \$200 and any response thereafter is \$120. For non-residents (businesses), first response is free, the 2<sup>nd</sup> \$125, the 3<sup>rd</sup> is \$175, the 4<sup>th</sup> is \$225, the 5<sup>th</sup> response \$425, and any thereafter are 190. Current year estimates are based on the amount billed, not on actual funds received.



**Legal Authority:**

- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 4 section 4-9 (a) (b) and (c).
- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance number C-83-84, § 2, 7-19-83
- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance number C-95-73, § 1, 2-20-96
- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance number C-96-67, §§ 4, 10, 12-17-96
- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance number. C-03-34, § 3, 9-16-03

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

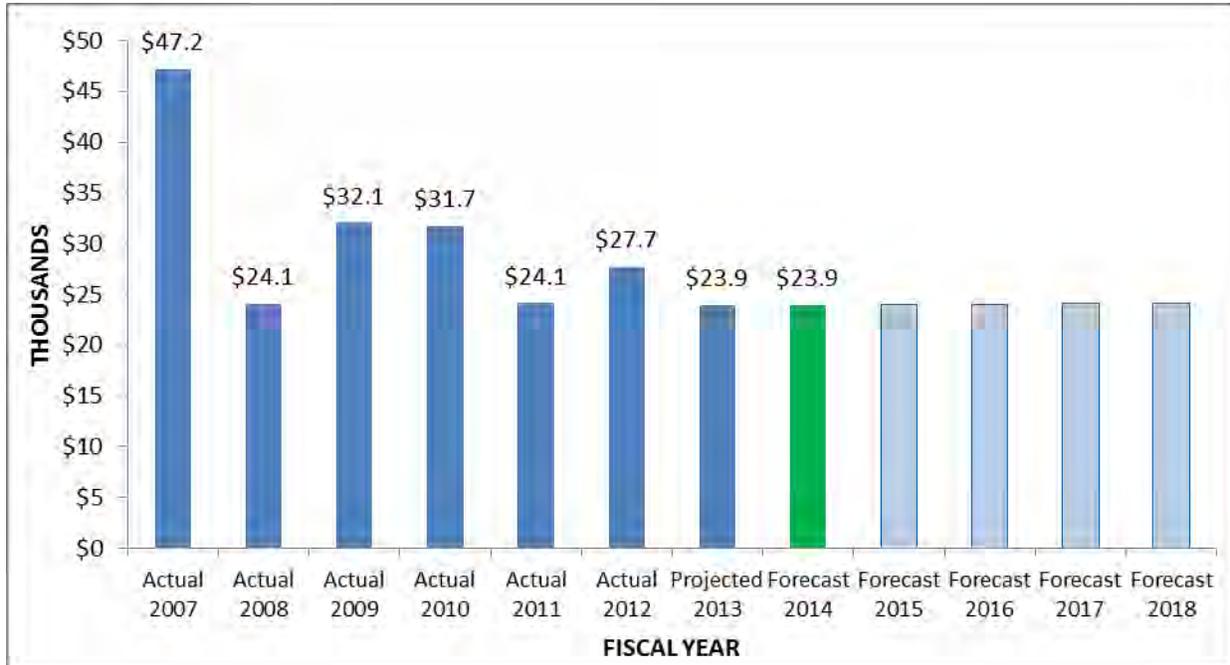
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## ALARM USER REGISTRATION FEES

**Description:**

A \$50 registration fee is charged for new alarm installation. As the number of companies that were not previously registered come into compliance, the City expects to receive additional revenue for new registrants. The revenue for alarm user registration is received within 90 days of alarm installation.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 4 section 4-2 (a) (1-3)  
 City of Fort Lauderdale ordinance CO-03-34, C-04-40 & 2, 9-13-04

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

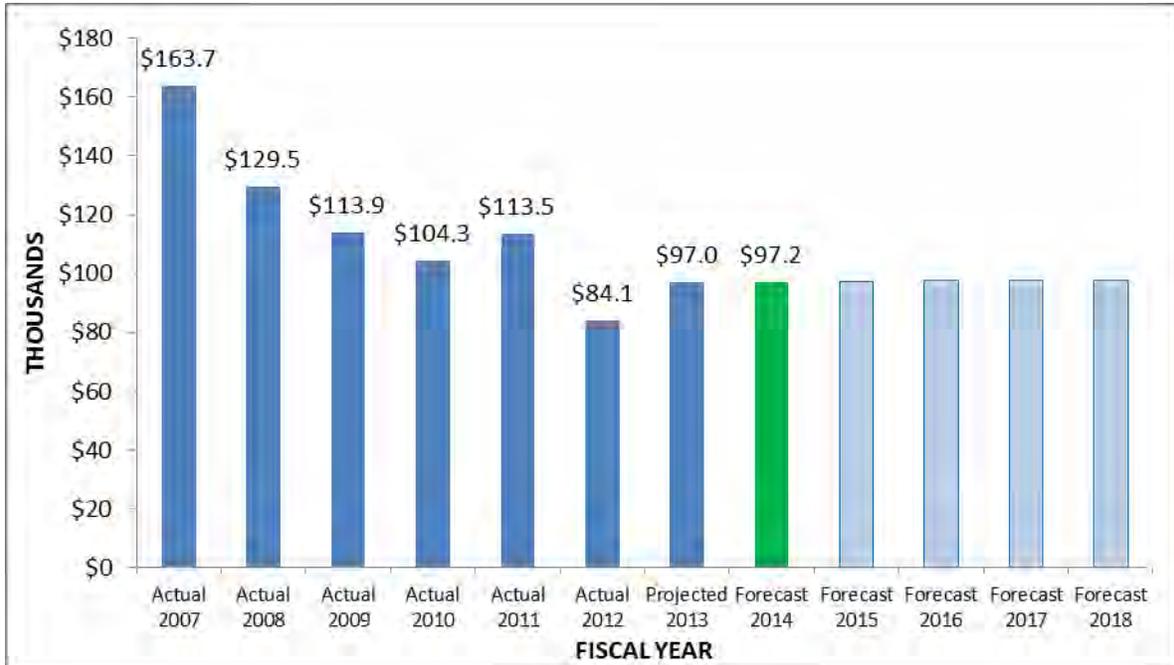
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## MISCELLANEOUS POLICE FEES

### **Description:**

This revenue source consists of funds collected from the sale unclaimed evidence or unclaimed tangible personal property lawfully seized due to a lawful investigation in the custody of the clerk of the court from a criminal proceeding or seized as evidence by and in the custody of a law enforcement agency. This revenue source also includes abandoned cash.



### **Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute 705.105

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

This category covers a variety of miscellaneous fees. The fees for this revenue source are established by Florida Statute.

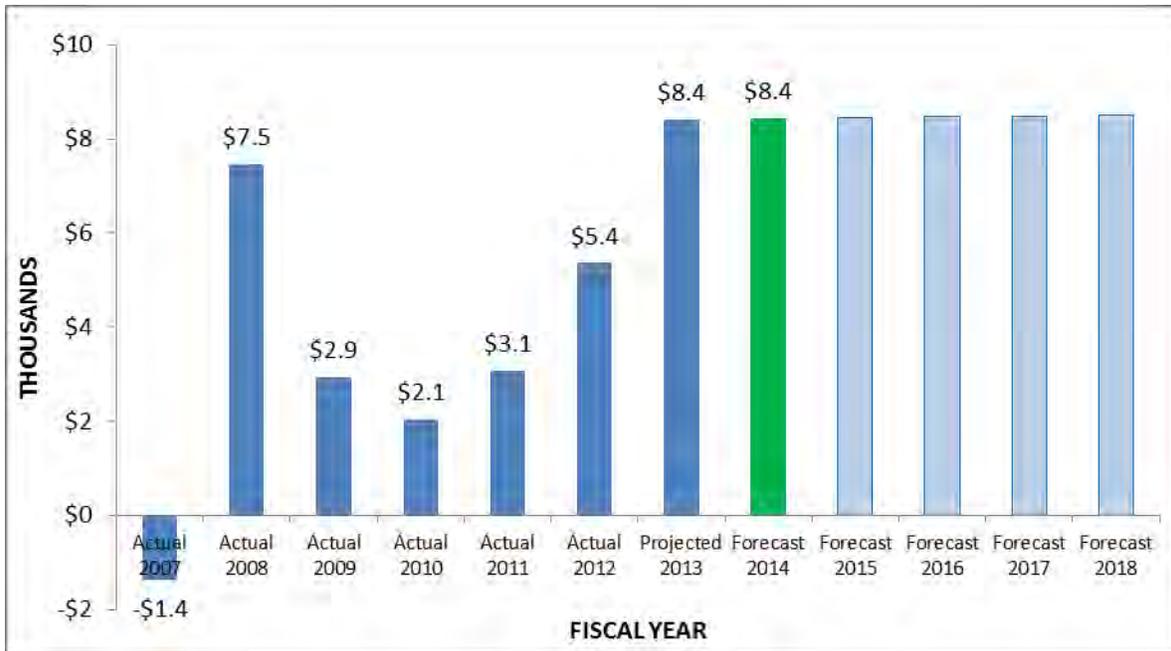
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

# NUISANCE ABATEMENT FEES

**Description:**

The revenue collected for nuisance abatement consists of the total expense incurred by the City in causing a public nuisance to be abated under this article and administrative costs. This is considered a special assessment and lien upon the property upon which the public nuisance was abated.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida Statutes 893.138

**Fiscal Capacity:**

It is not in the City’s interest to increase this revenue source. The fee charged currently covers the total expense incurred by the City but is offset by a commensurate expense incurred to abate the nuisance.

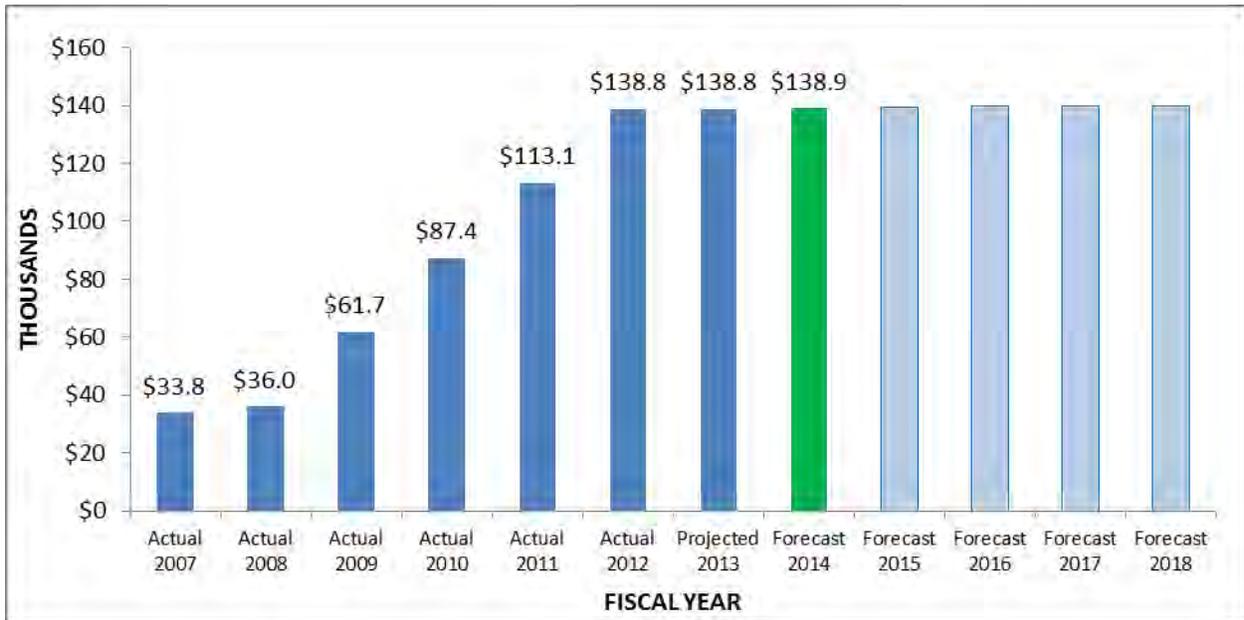
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM

**Description:**

The Broward County School Board reimburses the City of Fort Lauderdale every year for a portion of the expenses for each School Resource Officer’s salary and benefits. The School Board currently contributes \$46,252 for each officer. Three out of eight School Resource Officers are currently compensated from general fund revenue. The Broward County School Board’s contribution for these three officers is received as revenue into the general fund.



**Legal Authority:**

One-Year agreement with School Board of Broward County for School Resource Officer Program. Commission Agenda Report (12-2365) November 6, 2012.

**Fiscal Capacity:**

This is a joint agreement between the Broward County School Board and the City of Fort Lauderdale. This reimbursement is based on a joint agreement between the Broward County School Board and the City of Fort Lauderdale. Any change to this revenue source would require renegotiation of the agreement. The current reimbursement from the School Board equates to approximately 42% of the direct salaries and benefits paid to the Officers, not including any operating costs or overhead.

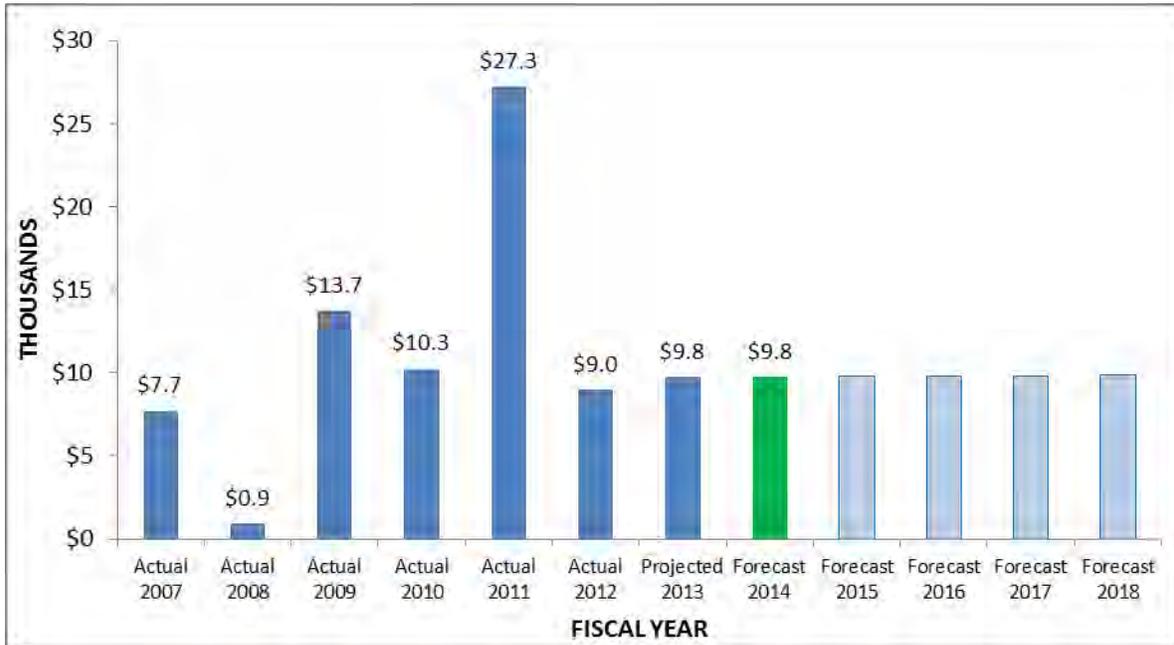
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget with no increase assumed.

## PAWN OR 2<sup>nd</sup> HAND INSPECTION FEES

### **Description:**

An annual inspection fee of \$250 is assessed to pawnshops within Fort Lauderdale City limits and 2nd hand dealers. This fee was established in 2005 by City Ordinance.



### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-04-19

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

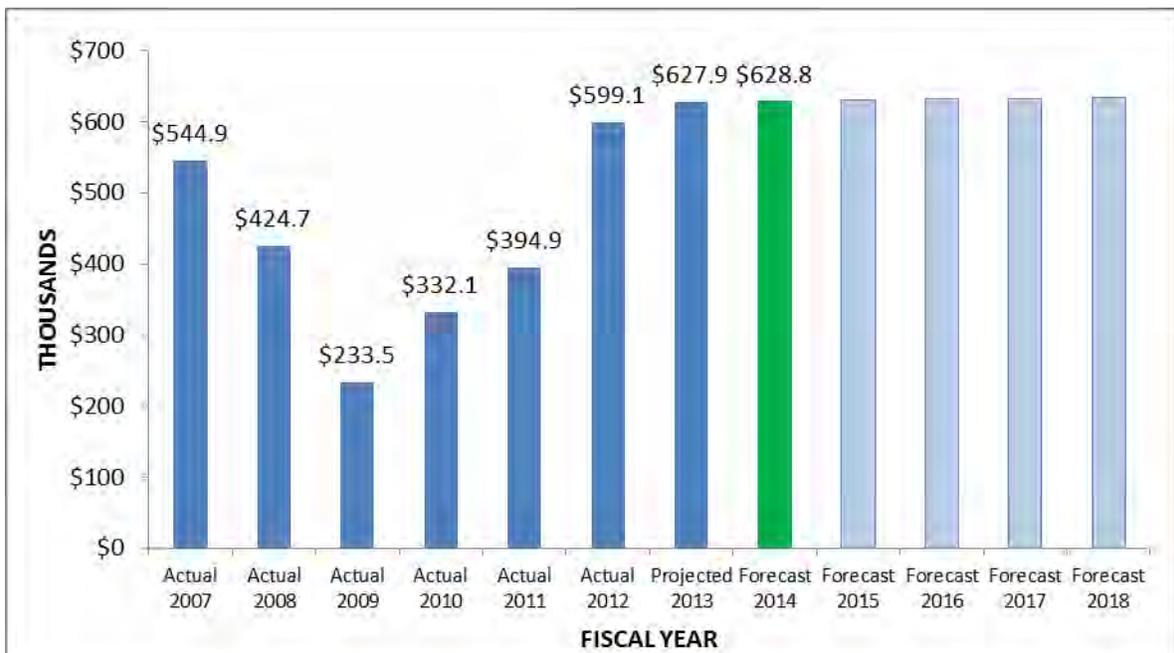
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## FIRE INSPECTION FEES

### **Description:**

The Fire Prevention Bureau inspects all businesses on an annual basis. This revenue is generated for annual Fire/Life safety inspections based upon the Fire Safety Fee schedule. In the event that the business does not pass the inspection, they are required to do a re-inspection with an addition fee which is booked in another account.



### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal code Chapter 9 Section 9-53  
City of Fort Lauderdale ordinance C-10-38

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

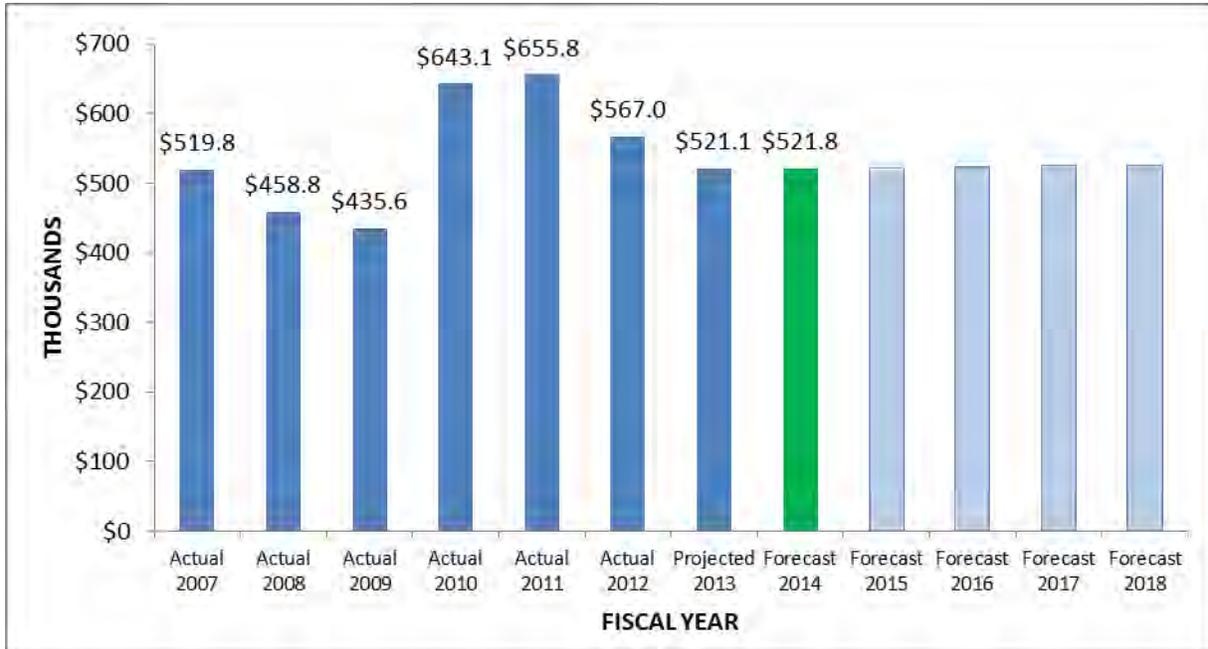
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## FIRE HI-RISE TEST FEES

**Description:**

The Fire Prevention Bureau inspects all high rise and sprinkler installed buildings on an annual basis. This revenue is generated for annual Fire/Life safety inspections based upon the Fire Safety Fee schedule. In the event that the building does not pass the inspection, they are required to do a re-inspection with an addition fee, which is booked in another account.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal code Chapter 9 Section 9-53  
 City of Fort Lauderdale ordinance C-10-38

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## FIRE PLAN REVIEW FEES

**Description:**

This revenue is generated from fire plan review and permit fees based upon the Fire Safety Fee schedule.



**Legal Authority:**

- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 9 section 9-53
- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-10-38
- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-10-38, C-92-33, § 1, 7-21-92
- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-93-65, § 1, 11-2-93
- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-96-57, § 1, 10-1-96
- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-01-3, § 2, 1-17-01
- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-04-11, § 1, 4-20-04.

**Authorized Exemptions:**

- City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance section 15-181 - 15-185

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

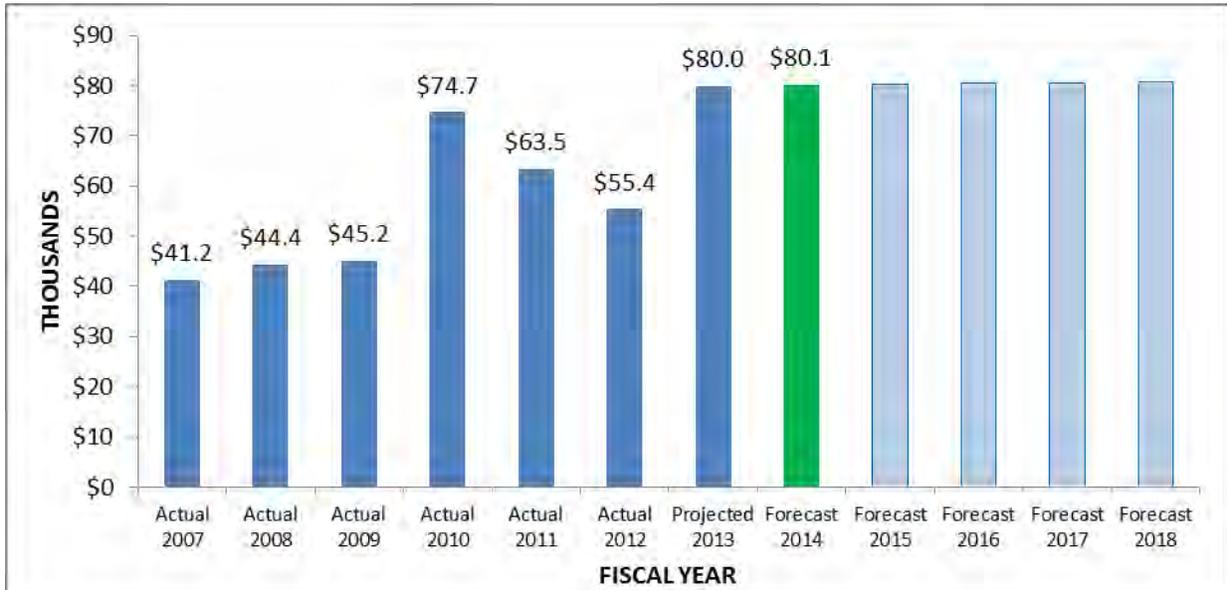
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## FIRE RE-INSPECTION FEES

**Description:**

A re-inspection fee is assessed on all inspections after the first inspection based upon the Fire Safety Fee schedule. The current fee is \$42.98.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal code chapter 9, section 9-53 3C (7)

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

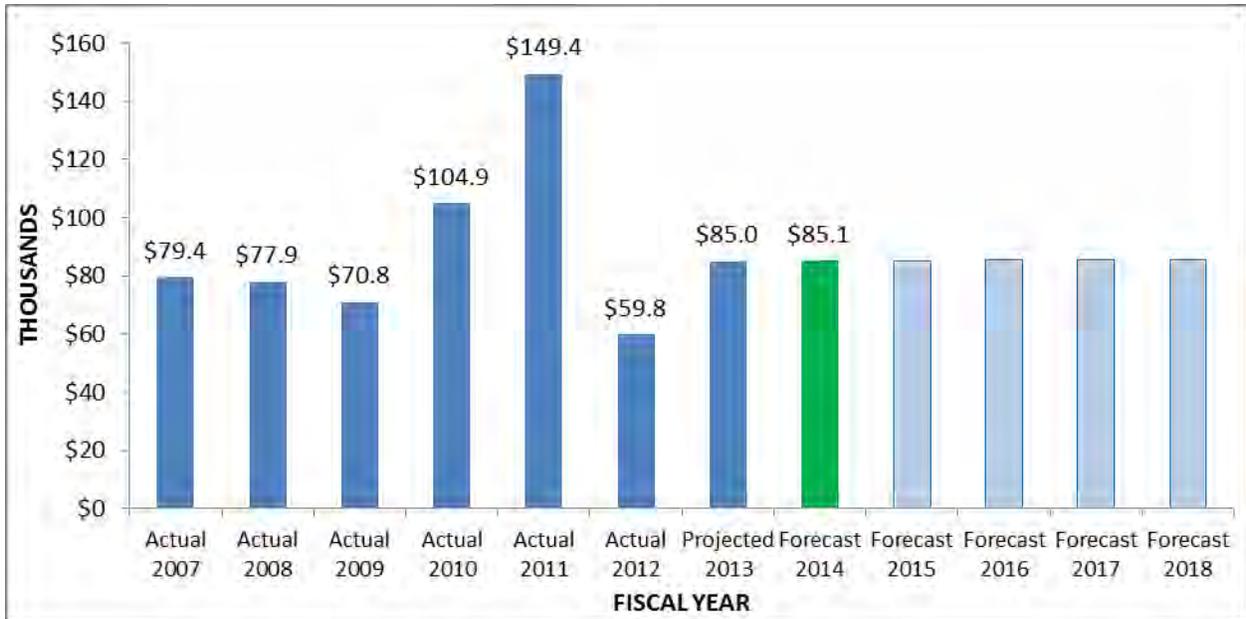
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## SPECIAL FIRE TEST FEES

**Description:**

Revenue is generated as a result of overtime reimbursement for special fire safety inspections and testing completed after business hours. The fee is based upon the current rate of overtime for International Associates of Fire Fighters (IAFF) employees.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal code chapter 9 section 9-53

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Any revenue generated from this source will be offset by a commensurate increase in overtime expense

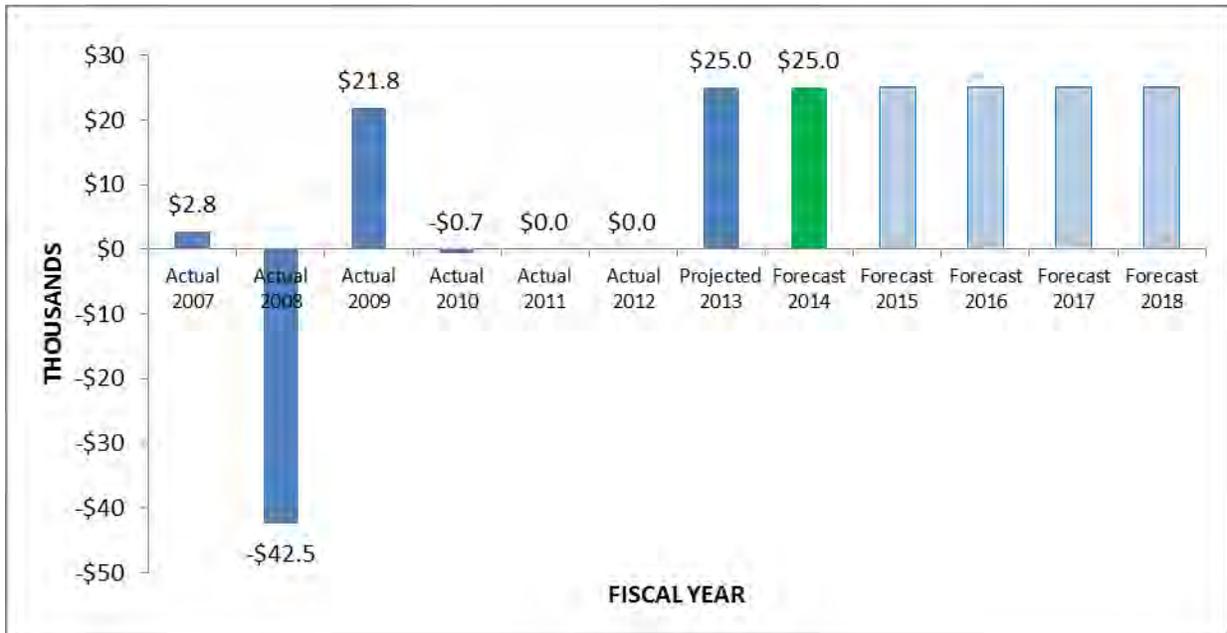
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

# HAZARDOUS MATERIAL FEES

**Description:**

This fee is assessed for necessary and reasonable costs incurred by the City in connection with responding to, investigating, mitigating, abating, cleaning, and removing the release of a hazardous substance. This fee is assessed to businesses, construction companies, and contractors that cause damage, fuel spills, or accidents. The current fee is based on hourly labor, equipment costs, incident, duration, and deployment.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 13, article V, sections 13-136 and 13-137

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Any revenue generated from this source will be offset by a commensurate increase in expenses incurred by the City.

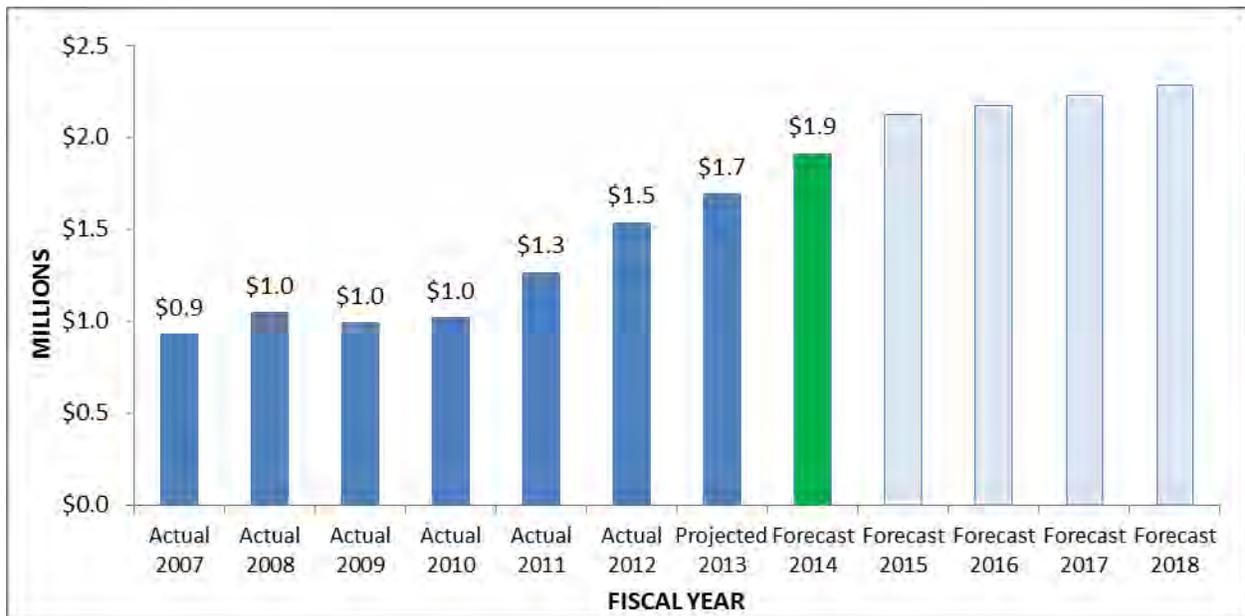
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## WILTON MANORS – FIRE/EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

### **Description:**

The City has been providing Fire-Rescue services to the City of Wilton Manors for several years. In October 2010, the City entered into a new five (5) year interlocal agreement to provide Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services to the City of Wilton Manors. The existing annual rate is \$1,690,922 and it adjusts annually with a projection of 100% cost recovery in year 5 of the contract.



### **Legal Authority:**

Inter-Local Agreement,  
 Florida Statute Chapter 163.01  
 City of Fort Lauderdale CAR 10-1340, M-20 (09-21-2010)

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

The contract between Fort Lauderdale and Wilton Manors for Fire/EMS services can be renegotiated at the end of the 5-year term, in FY 2015.

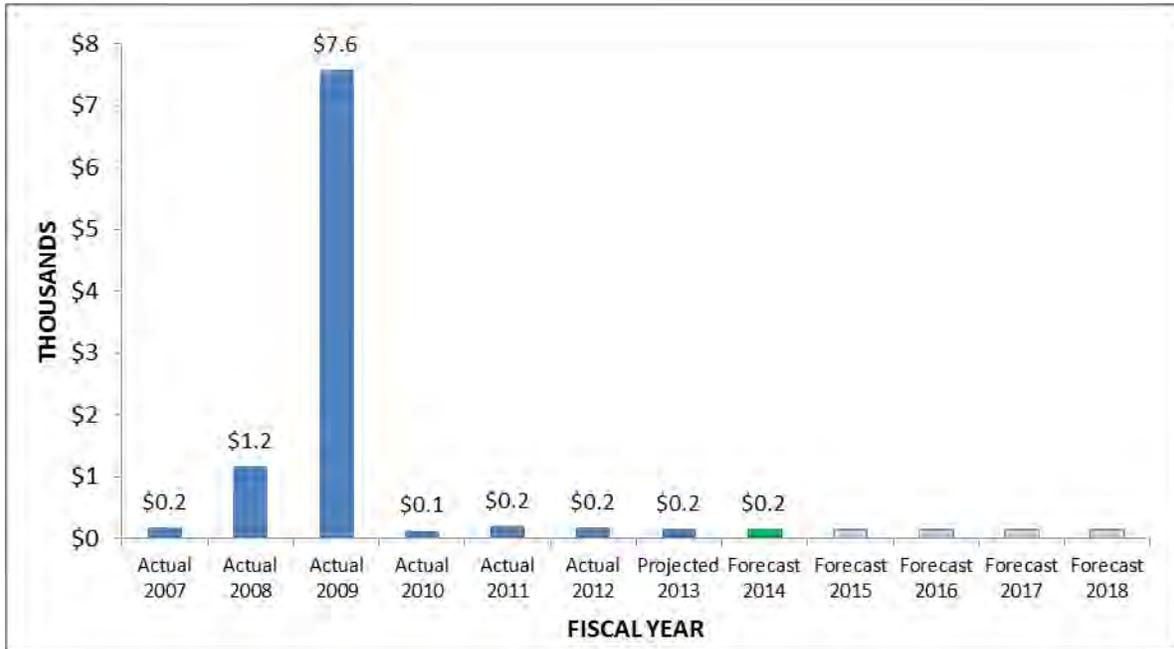
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget with 13% increase in Fiscal Year 2014, and 11% increase in Fiscal Year 2015 to achieve full cost recovery then increased by 10-year avg. CPI thereafter (2.5%).

## MISCELLANEOUS FIRE FEES

### **Description:**

This is revenue generated from miscellaneous fire safety inspections for new and existing structures.



### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal code Chapter 9 Section 9-53

City of Fort Lauderdale ordinance C-10-38

### **Authorized Exemptions:**

Certain events such as circuses and carnivals may be exempt (see also City ordinance section 15-181 through section 15-185).

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

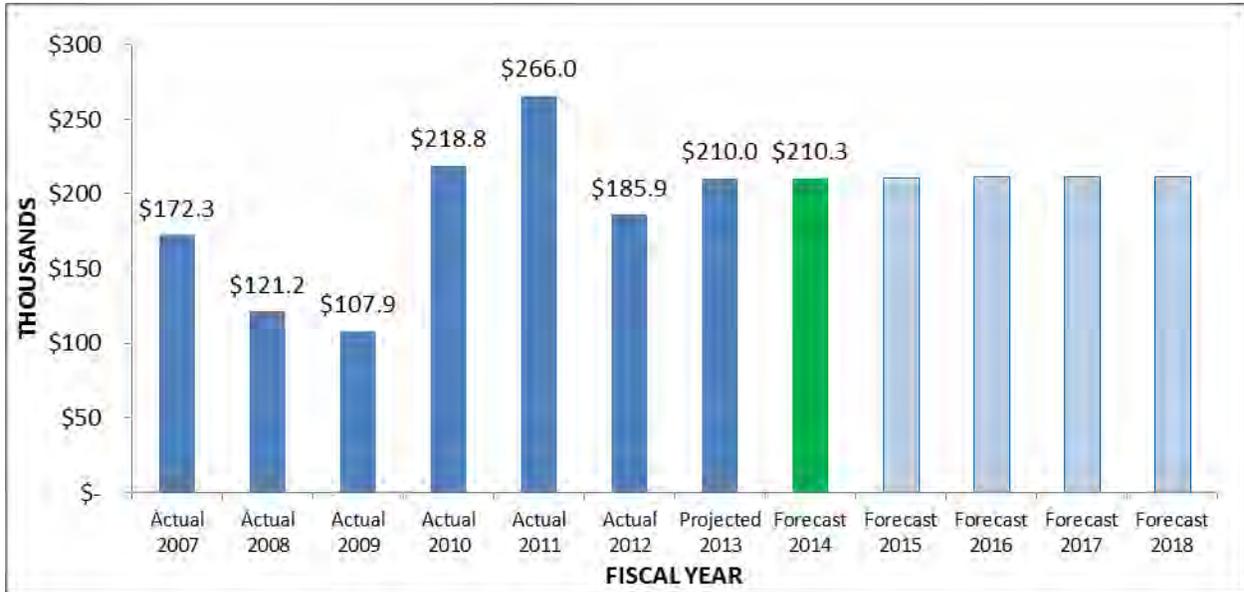
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) SERVICE FEES

**Description:**

This revenue comes from emergency medical standby special detail services at special events held within City Limits. Chargeable rates are based on personnel and equipment needed specific to each application based on a set rate schedule. Each event must extend a minimum of 4 billable hours and have a sustained attendance in excess of 500 people. This special detail consists of one medical rescue unit and two paramedics.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 15, section 15-181 – 15-155  
 City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-12-14 & 2, 5-1-12

**Authorized Exemptions:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance section 15-181 through 15-185

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

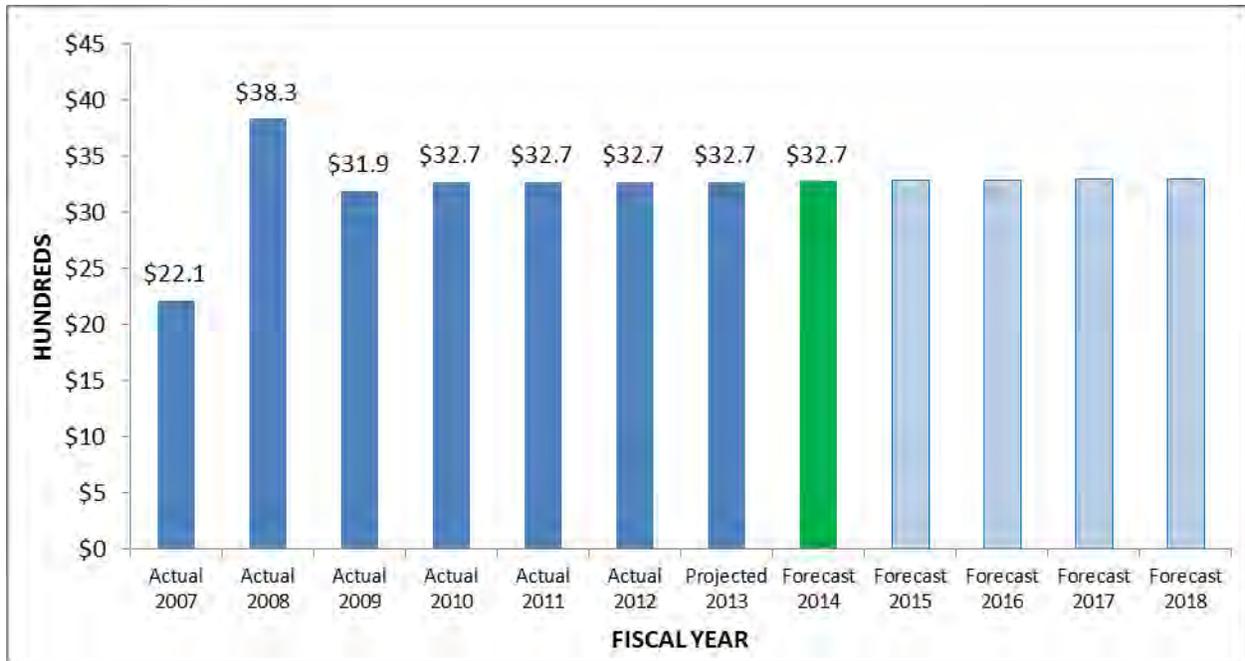
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## LAZY LAKES FIRE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)

### **Description:**

Annual service between where Fort Lauderdale provides Fire-Rescue/Emergency Medical and Fire protection services to the Village of Lazy Lakes. Term of this agreement expires on May 31, 2010. Article 10 of the agreement states this Inter-local agreement will automatically renew for an additional five (5) years without further action of either parties.



### **Legal Authority:**

Inter-local agreement between Lazy Lakes and the City of Fort Lauderdale October 2012

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

The current inter-local agreement was renegotiated in October 2012 for Fire/Emergency Medical Services. Any modification to this fee would require a contract revision.

### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

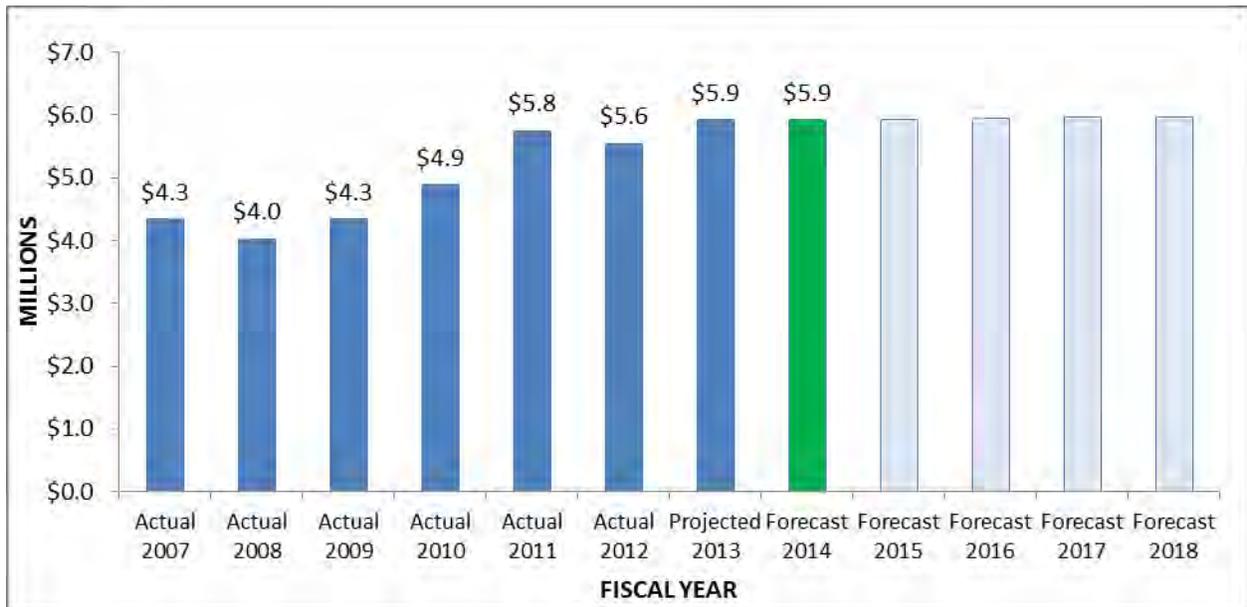
FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## FIRE-RESCUE TRANSPORT FEES

**Description:**

This is a fee for basic life support and advanced life support emergency medical transport services to emergency facilities via the City’s medical rescue units. These fees are charged when an emergency occurs and the City Fire-Rescue department transports a patient to a hospital. Existing fees are set based on average/customary charges from neighboring municipalities.

BLS Ambulance Transport per patient per transport	\$700
ALS 1 Ambulance transport per patient per transport	\$700
ALS 2 Ambulance transport per patient per transport	\$750
Plus transport mileage per patient per transport	\$13
Plus, Oxygen charge, per patient per transport	\$30.30



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 13-5 section 151  
 City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-03-33 and 1, 9-16-03  
 City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-10-37 and 1, 11-2-10

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

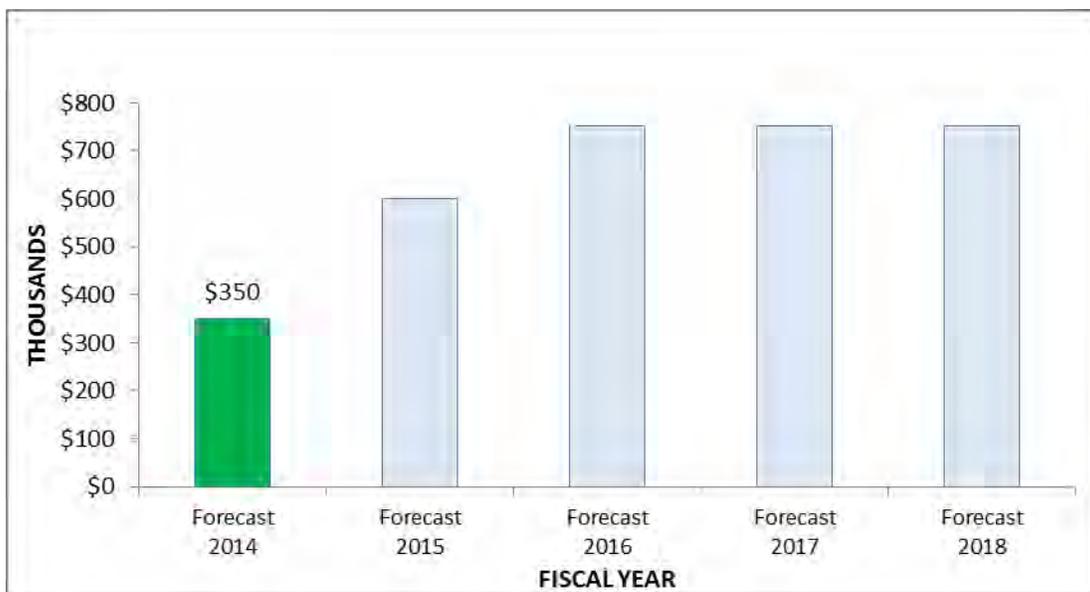
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## FIRE-RESCUE INTERFACILITY TRANSPORT FEES

### **Description:**

Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue provides inter-facility/non-emergency transportation and basic life support services to move the sick and injured from one facility to another. Non-Emergency transports refer to the transportation of a person that is confined to a wheelchair or a stretcher. This service agreement will require that patient transfers originate or terminate within the City limits. The fee assessed for this service starts at \$75 per hour for a minimum of four hours.



### **Legal Authority:**

Fort Lauderdale City Commission Action item # 12-1985 (Final Action 09/18/2012)  
Commission Agenda Review #12-008, CR-5, Resolution 12-14

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

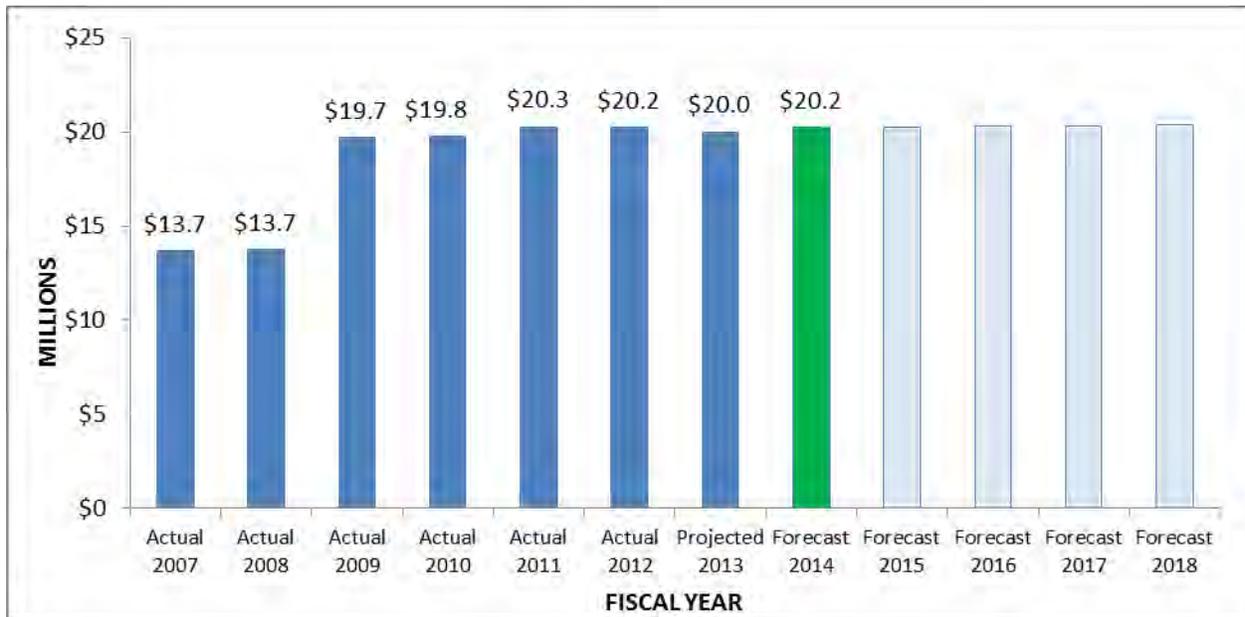
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

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## FIRE ASSESSMENT FEE

**Description:**

This revenue consists of a residential Fire Assessment fee of \$135. The rate is developed based on dwelling units for residential properties and a per square foot charge for non-residential properties. This assessment is charged in support of the City’s Fire services. The revenue is billed on the Ad Valorem tax notices sent out in November from the Broward County Property Appraisers Office.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance 99-49  
 City of Fort Lauderdale Resolution 99-81, 04-153 memo 04-1195  
 Florida Statute Section 197.3632, 166.021 and 166.041

**Fee Schedule:** Fire Assessment rate of \$135.00 is based on dwelling units for residential properties and per square foot for non-residential for fire related services.

**Authorized Exemptions:** Institutional, tax exempt and governmental classification

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth.

## PARK & RECREATION FISCAL CAPACITY

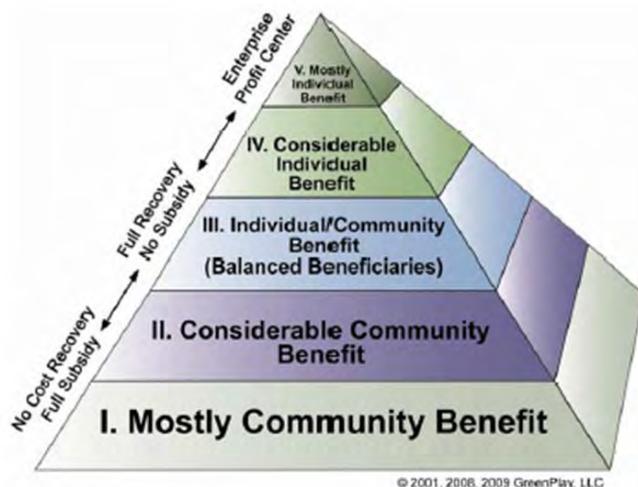
The City of Fort Lauderdale’s Parks and Recreation Department offers hundreds of programs and services to our neighbors. According to the City of Fort Lauderdale’s municipal code 19-3, the City Manager or his designee is empowered to establish all Parks & Recreation fees. There are also contractual arrangements that govern various fees. The current cost recovery rate for the Recreation Division in Fiscal Year 2013 is 42 percent.

Park & Recreation Recovery Rates FY 12/13					
	Expenses	Admin Overhead	Total Budget	Revenue	Recovery Rate
Recreation Division	11,702,597	922,536	12,625,133	5,243,420	42%
Parks Division	13,885,691	1,094,633	14,980,324	790,944	5%
Facility Maintenance	7,306,373	575,974	7,882,347	536,900	7%
Marine Facilities	1,615,657	127,315	1,742,972	2,863,406	164%
Real Estate	213,673	16,844	230,517	610,191	265%
*Sanitation	8,438,618	665,231	9,103,849	451,720	5%
<b>Total Department</b>	<b>\$ 43,162,609</b>	<b>\$ 3,402,533</b>	<b>\$ 46,565,142</b>	<b>\$ 10,496,581</b>	<b>24%</b>
<b>Revenue Categories</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Revenue Types</b>			
B40 General Government	2,500	Licenses			
D40 Physical Environment	411,720	Credit card fees, trash removal fees, lot cleaning			
H40 Cultural/Pks & Recreation	671,350	Beach concessions, senior programs, program rentals			
K40 Cultural/Special Events	30,000	Outdoor special events application fees and reimbursements			
M40 Cultural/Special Facilities	6,139,483	Youth programs, athletic fees, recreation center rentals, tennis programs, marine facilities, War Memorial fees			
N40 Cultural/Pool	763,609	Community pools and aquatic complex lessons, program & admission fees			
Z40 Cultural/Misc.	130,936	Ballfield permits, pavilion rentals, reimbursements of maintenance			
B60 Rents	1,748,283	Cabana rentals, city park mall leases, cemetery contractor fees			
D60 Disposal Fixed Assets	3,600	Sale of surplus land			
M60 Other Misc.	595,100	Interfund charges, reimbursement of electric from streetlights			
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 10,496,581</b>				
*Public Works Department has a sanitation fund also, most revenue comes into PBS department					

The City of Fort Lauderdale Parks & Recreation Department uses the Pricing and Cost Recovery Pyramid Model to identify its philosophy for setting fees. This model assists management in classifying the various facilities, programs, and services offered to neighbors into an approved philosophy for subsidy or cost-recovery. The more the community benefits by the program, the more subsidy it receives. Community programs, facilities, and services benefit the community as a whole and can increase property values, provide safety, address social needs, and enhance quality of life for the City’s neighbors. Examples of a community benefit would be a swimming pool or a neighborhood park. These have a higher general fund subsidy than individual programs at the top of the pyramid, which have a full cost recovery and a profit built into the fee. An example of a highly individual program would be a private tennis lesson or the men’s softball league.

Other factors are taken into consideration when setting fees. The department is aware of pricing in other surrounding communities. There are also a number of other tennis facilities and adult sports complexes in the county. Pricing must be comparable with other locations to retain our customers. The City realizes the importance of recreational programs and provides a youth enrichment scholarship (YES fee) for those who are not able to afford the full program price. YES, fees are discounted to 75% of the program costs. The City also charges non-resident fees, which equal 150% of the resident fee or the full program cost recovery. There is no YES fee for non-residents.

Below is the Cost Recovery Pyramid utilized by the Parks and Recreation Department, including the associated definitions for each program type.



#### **5 – Mostly Individual Benefit:**

At the top of the pyramid, the fifth and smallest level represents activities that have a profit center potential, and may even fall outside of the core mission. In this level, programs and services should be priced to recover full costs plus a designated profit percentage.

*Example of these activities could include elite driving teams, golf lessons, food concessions, company picnic rental and other facility rentals, such as for weddings, or other services.*

#### **4 – Considerable Individual Benefit:**

The fourth and smaller pyramid level represents specialized services generally for specific groups, and may have a competitive focus. In this level, programs and services may be priced to recover full cost, including all direct and indirect expenses.

*Examples of these services might include specialty classes, golf, and outdoor adventure programs. Examples of these facilities might include campsites with power hook-ups.*

### **3 – Individual/Community Benefit:**

This level represents services that promote individual physical and mental well-being, and provides and intermediate levels of recreational skill development. This level provides more benefit that is INDIVIDUAL and less COMMUNITY benefit and should be priced accordingly. This individual fee is high than the programs and services that fall in the lower pyramid levels.

*Example of these services could include summer recreational day camp, summer sports league, year round swim teams.*

### **2 – Considerable Community Benefit:**

This level represents programs, facilities, and services that are generally the more traditionally expected services and beginner instructional level. These programs, services, and facilities are typically assigned fees based on a specified percentage of direct and indirect costs. These costs are partially offset by both a tax subsidy to account for the COMMUNITY benefit and participant fees to account for the INDIVIDUAL benefit.

*Example of these services could include the ability of teens and adults to visit facilities on an informal basis; ranger led interpretive programs, and entry-level instructional programs and courses.*

### **1 – Mostly Community Benefit:**

The foundational level of the pyramid is the largest, and includes those programs, facilities, and services that benefit the COMMUNITY as a whole. These programs, facilities, and services can increase property values by providing safety, addressing social needs, and enhancing the overall quality of life for neighbors. The community generally pays for these basic services and facilities through taxes. These services are offered to residents for free or for a minimal fee. A large percentage of general fund revenue would fund this level of the pyramid.

*Examples of these services include the existence of the community parks and recreation system, the ability for children to visit facilities on an informal basis, development, and distribution of marketing brochures, holiday or other special events, low income or scholarship programs.*

## CULTURE & RECREATION – PARKS & RECREATION

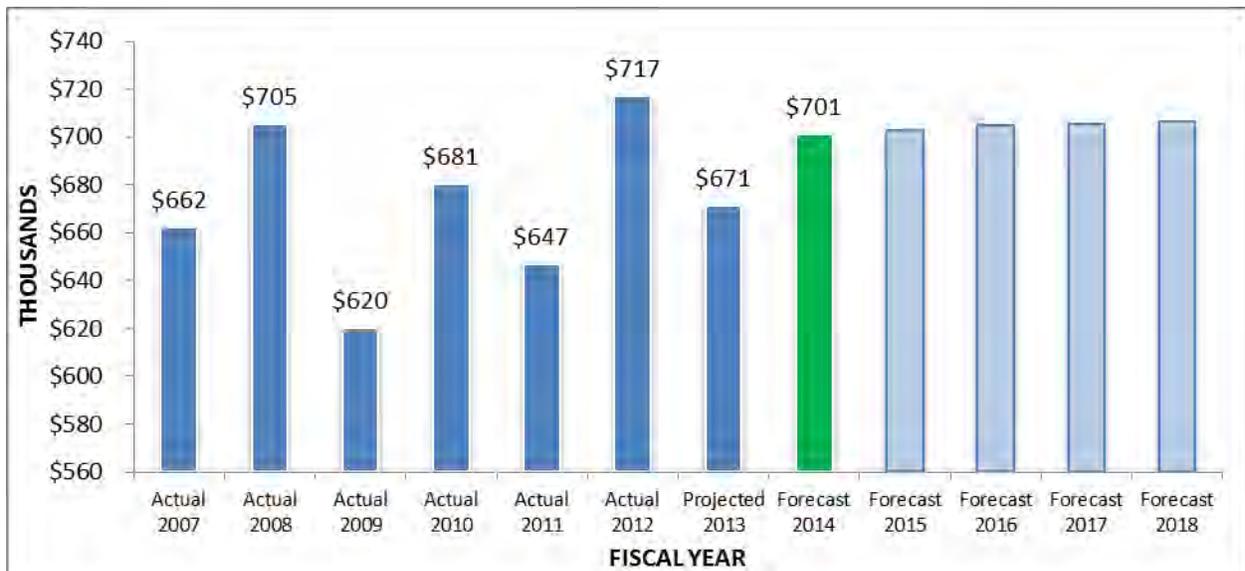
### Description:

This source of revenue consists of fees received from users of specific services such as, day camp, youth and senior programs, beach concessions and boat storage facilities. Department fees are established using a pricing and cost recovery pyramid model with assists in classifying the various facility programs and services offered to neighbors into an approved philosophy for subsidy or cost recovery.

Program Fees – Day Camp  
Beach Board Storage Fees

Beach Miscellaneous Concession  
Athletic Fees – Youth Programs

Senior Programs  
Adult Programs



### Legal Authority:

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal code 19-3

### Fiscal Capacity:

The City Manager or his designee is empowered to establish all fees for the use of city parks, public beach, and recreation facilities. The following factors are considered when setting the fees:

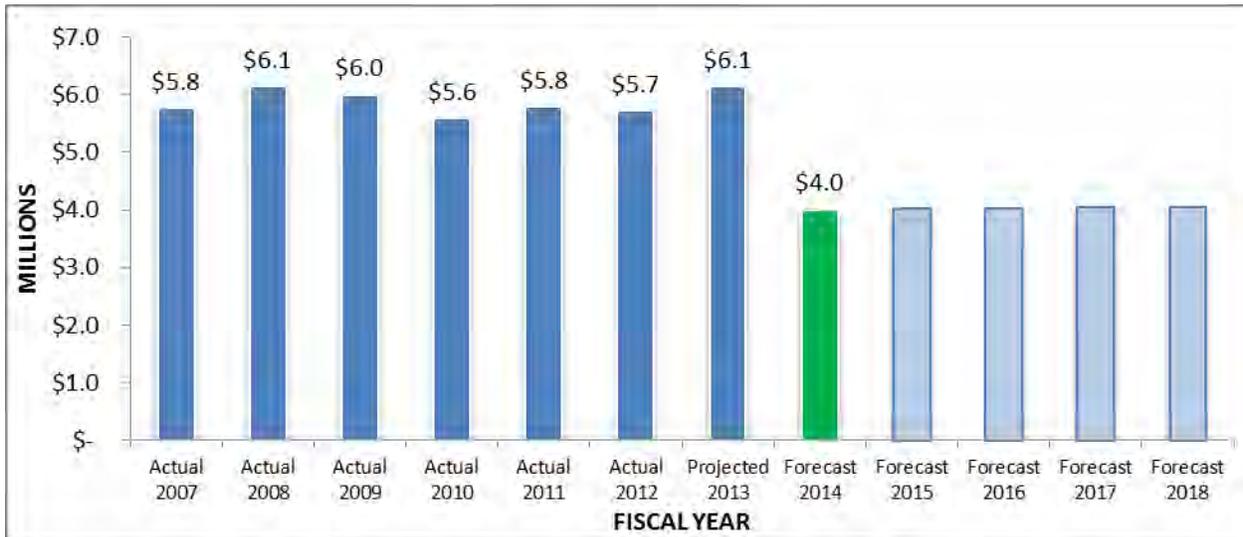
- The value of that which is received for payment of the fee.
- The cost of satisfying any debts, the payment of which is pledged to be from revenue derived from the use of the facility for which the fee is to be charged.
- The cost of operation and maintenance of the facility or service for which the fee is to be charged.

## CULTURE & RECREATION – SPECIAL FACILITIES & ADMINISTRATION

**Description:**

This source of revenue consists of fee assessed to neighbors who participate in specific programs and services associated with Fort Lauderdale facilities. Each program has its own fees, which are set by the Park & Recreation director. Department fees are established using a pricing and cost recovery pyramid model with assists in classifying the various facility programs and services offered to neighbors into an approved philosophy for subsidy or cost recovery.

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|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| Aikido Activity Center        | Gymnastics Program   | Gym Rentals               | Snyder Park |
| Holiday Park Gym              | Las Olas Riverfront  | Outdoor Programs          | Riverwalk   |
| Submerged Land Lease          | Yoga Aerobics        | Jungle Queen              | Mills Pond  |
| Auditorium Concessions        | Dock Collection Fees | Recreation Center Rentals |             |
| Tennis Court Fees/Memberships |                      |                           |             |



**Legal Authority:** City of Fort Lauderdale municipal code 19-3

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The City Manager or his designee is empowered to establish all fees for the use of city parks, public beach, and recreation facilities. The following factors are considered:

- The value of that which is received for payment of the fee.
- The cost of satisfying any debts, the payment of which is pledged to be from revenue derived from the use of the facility for which the fee is to be charged.
- The cost of operation and maintenance of the facility or service

**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

## CULTURE AND RECREATION – POOLS

**Description:**

This category is associated with revenue received from users of specific programs and services associated with City owned pools. Each program has its own fee, which is set by the Park & Recreation Director. Program fees are established using a pricing and cost recovery pyramid model, which assists in classifying the various programs and services offered to neighbors into an approved philosophy for subsidy or cost recovery.

Pool Program Fees

Swimming Hall of Fame Admissions

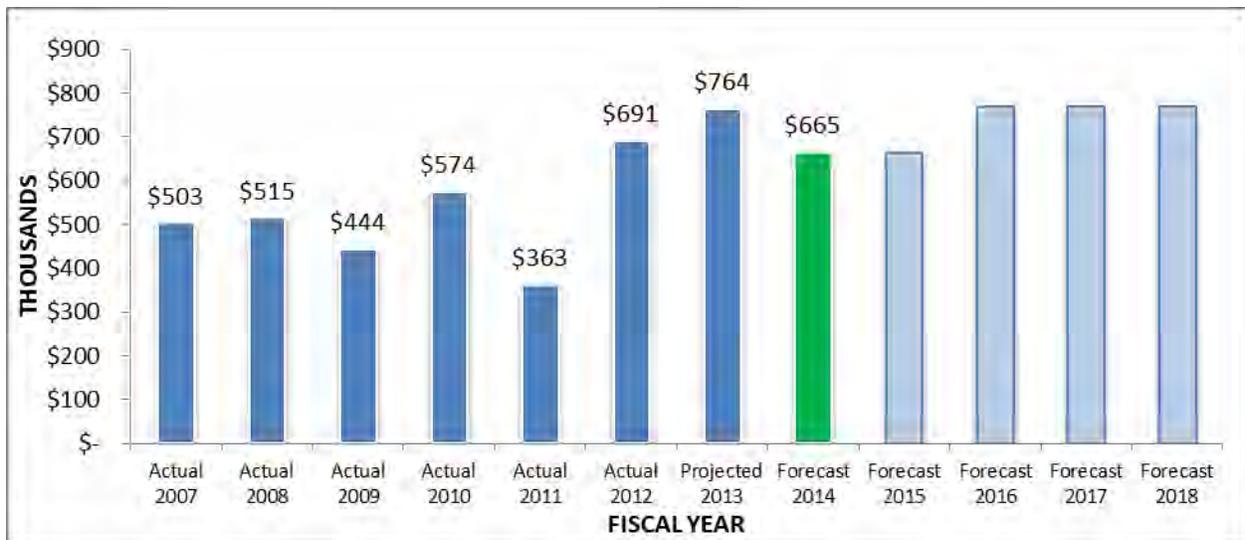
Program Fees-Hall of Fame

Swim Club Contract-Hall of Fame

Pool Admission Fees

Swimming Hall of Fame Rentals

Special Event Fees-Hall of Fame



**Legal Authority:** City of Fort Lauderdale municipal code 19-3

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The City Manager or his designee is empowered to establish all fees for the use of city parks, public beach, and recreation facilities. The following factors are considered when setting the fees:

- The value of that which is received for payment of the fee.
- The cost of satisfying any debts, the payment of which is pledged to be from revenue derived from the use of the facility for which the fee is to be charged.
- The cost of operation and maintenance of the facility or service for which the fee is to be charged.

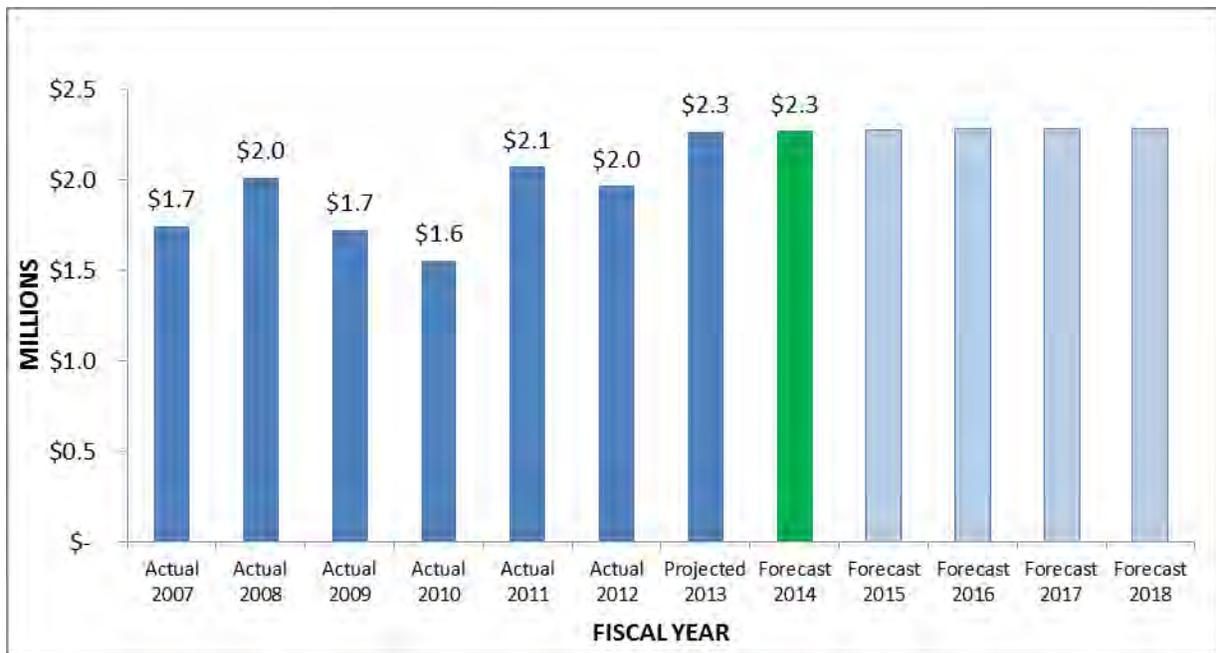
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

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# YACHT DOCKAGE FEES

**Description:**

This revenue is generated from the rates assessed to transient vessels for docking at all municipal docks controlled by the City of Fort Lauderdale. Twice per year, staff surveys area marinas rates. One survey is for winter rates (October 1 - May 31) and the other is for summer rates (June 1 - September 30). Each survey allows Fort Lauderdale to price each facility properly in the market. Convenience, site amenities, and price are all reviewed to make an informed decision. Historically, Fort Lauderdale has priced our fees below the market rate. Fort Lauderdale has a total of 211 dock slips and 10 moorings.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 8, Section 8-109

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Approval from the City Manager is required to modify the rate assessed to transient vessels for docking at Fort Lauderdale municipal docks.

**Forecast Assumption(s):**

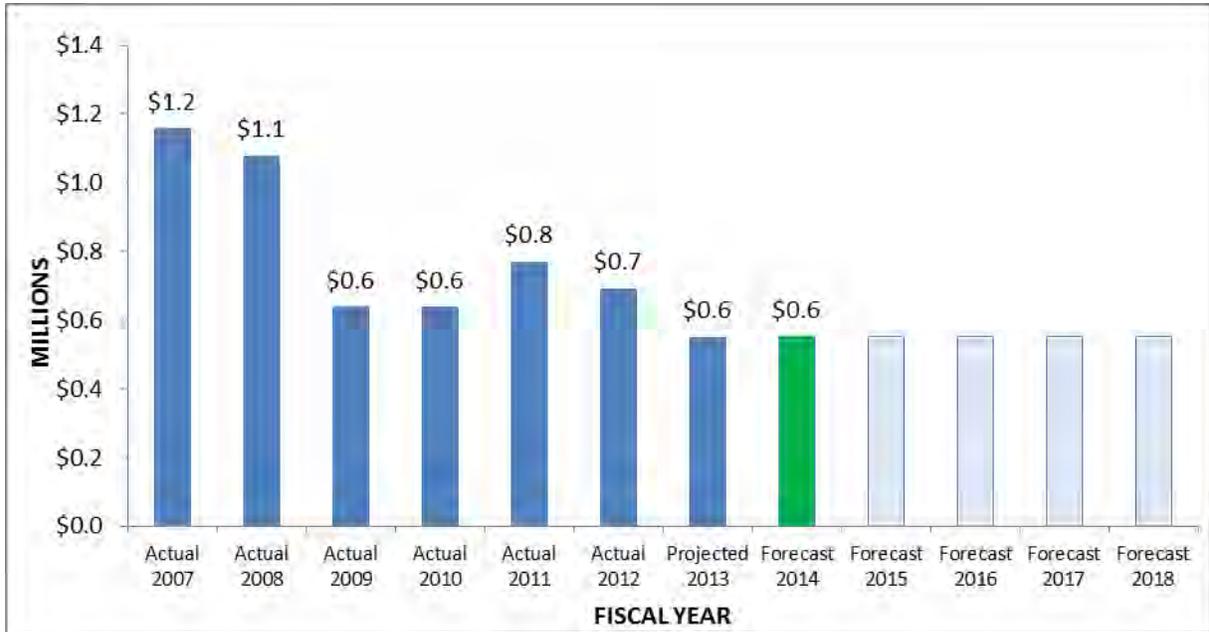
FY 2013 budget adjusted annually by assumed growth, plus any assumed increases in charges.

# **FINES & FORFEITURES**

# FINES & FORFEITURES

**Description:**

This revenue is determined through fee and distribution formulas outlined in Florida State Statutes. Traffic citations and other fines are collected by the Clerk of Courts and paid to municipalities monthly.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida Statutes chapter 318.21, chapter 316 (316.660)  
Florida Statute chapter 142.03  
Florida Statutes chapter 162  
City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance code 1-6

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The fees collected under fines and forfeitures are collected and distributed to municipalities according to Florida State Statutes.

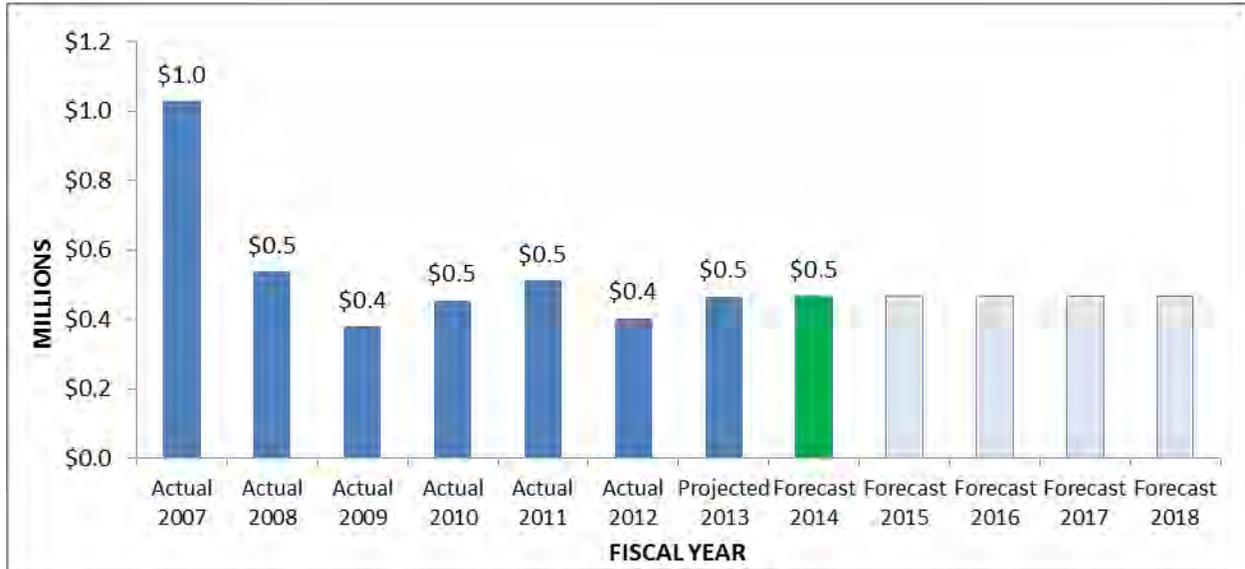
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

Annually adjusted by assumed growth and any assumed increases in amounts of fines/forfeits

## CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD FINES

### **Description:**

Revenue is collected with citations are issued for individual structure and neighborhoods are not maintained properly and deteriorate beyond a usable point.



### **Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute Chapter 162

Florida Statute Chapter 318.21

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal code of ordinance chapters 1-26

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule..

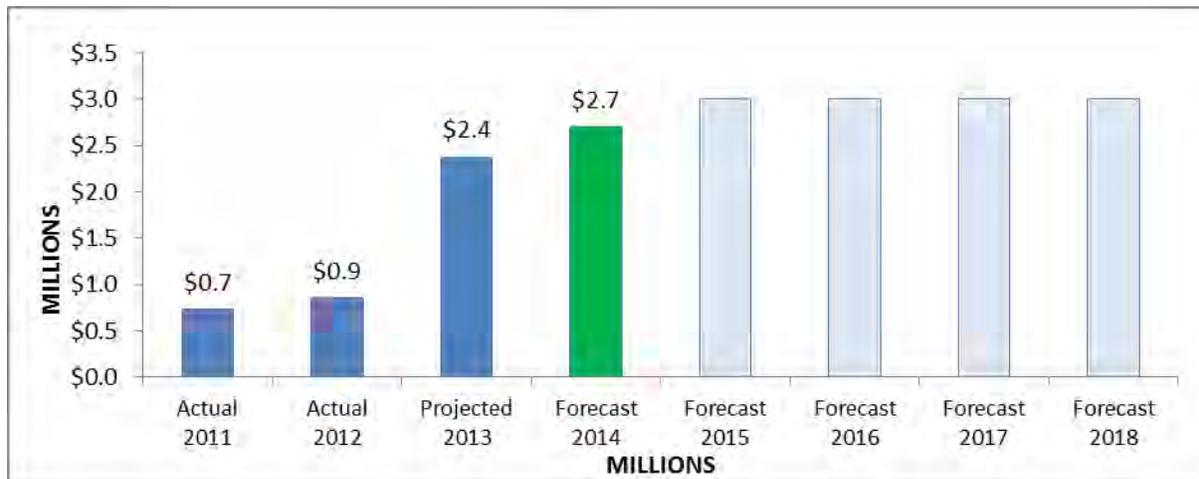
### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

Annually adjusted by assumed growth and any assumed increases in amounts of fines/forfeits

## RED LIGHT CAMERA FINES

### **Description:**

This revenue is collected from individuals for red light violations in Fort Lauderdale. The fine is assessed at \$158.00 per certified violation.



### **Legal Authority:**

Florida Statutes Chapter 162  
Florida Statutes 318.18(15)(a)3  
Florida Statutes 316.074(1),

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Fort Lauderdale has contracted to install cameras at a total of forty-one (41) intersections during FY 2013. Multiple cameras can be installed at each location, depending on the number of approaches and lanes. Red light camera revenue is expected to cover the expense of administering the program in the short term, but over time, the revenue is likely to decrease as motorists become increasingly aware of red light camera locations. The City can increase this revenue source by increasing the number of cameras, however this fee charged for this revenue source is set by Florida State Statute.

### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

Increased to \$2,700,000 in FY 2014, and \$3,000,000 in FY 2015 and beyond due to increase in amount of cameras

## RED LIGHT CAMERA FINES – COURTS

### **Description:**

This revenue is collected from individuals who allow red light citations to become traffic violations. The City receives \$75 per violation if the individual pays the citation on time or decides to pay the citation over the counter, without the matter going to court.



### **Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute 316,075(1)(c)1  
Administrative Order No VI-02-D-3

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

This fee remitted to local municipalities is set by Florida State Statute. The collection rates for these citations vary based on successful appeals, favorable court rulings, and non-payers.

### **Forecast Assumption(s):**

Increased proportionately with red light camera fines.

# CITATION FINES

**Description:**

This revenue is generated by civil citation fines and fees issued within the City of Fort Lauderdale.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale Article 4 Section 11 (17-25)  
Florida Statutes, Chapter 162

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Fort Lauderdale Civil Citation fees were last adjusted in 2008. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

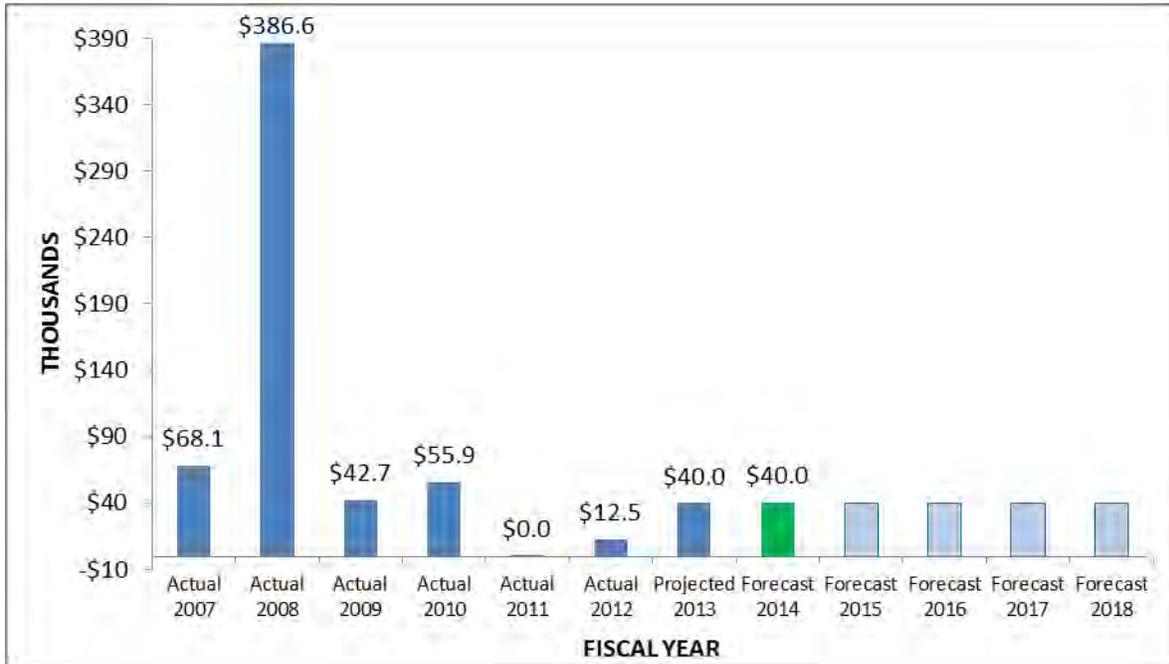
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

Annually adjusted by assumed growth and any assumed increases in amounts of fines/forfeits.

## LIEN COLLECTION – OUTSIDE ATTORNEY

### Description:

This revenue is received from foreclosing on liens for violation of the City’s Code of Ordinances. The Fort Lauderdale City Commission has appointed Earnest/Tighe Law Firm, P.A. as special counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in lien foreclosure matters.



### Legal Authority:

The source of this revenue is foreclosure files. The amount of the City revenue collected is contingent upon the number of cases submitted to outside counsel throughout the year, the value of the cases and the outside attorney’s success in collecting.

### Fiscal Capacity:

The fiscal capacity of this revenue source is based on the number of outstanding liens that the City has at any given time and the amount that is owed to the City of Fort Lauderdale. This revenue is offset by the fees paid to the outside attorney in pursuit of the collection.

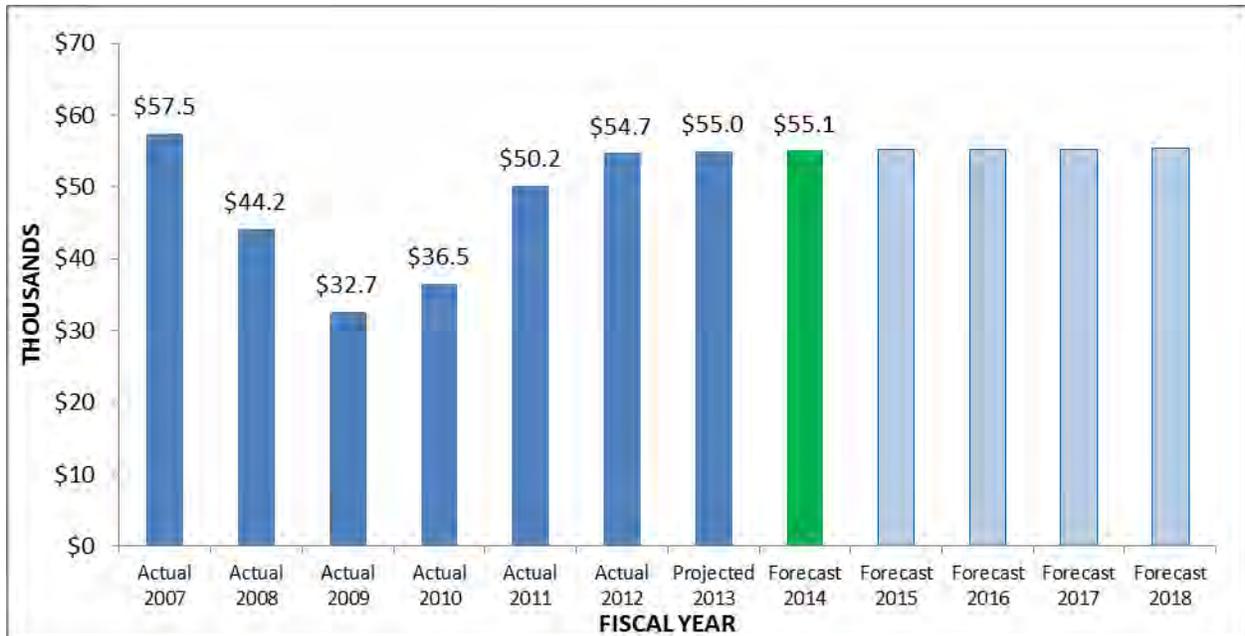
### Forecast Assumption(s):

Annually adjusted by assumed growth and any assumed increases in amounts of fines/forfeits.

# COUNTY COURT RETURN DOLLAR PROVISION PROGRAM

## **Description:**

This revenue source consists of a \$15 surcharge assessed for all criminal traffic violations and some civil traffic infractions. The courts cannot waive this assessment. The revenue will be transferred to the City of Fort Lauderdale for replacing fine revenue deposited into the Clerk's fine and forfeiture fund.



## **Legal Authority:**

Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 16, article 1, section 16-1.02  
Florida Statute chapter 318.14

## **Fiscal Capacity:**

These fees are set by Florida State Statute.

## **Forecast Assumption(s):**

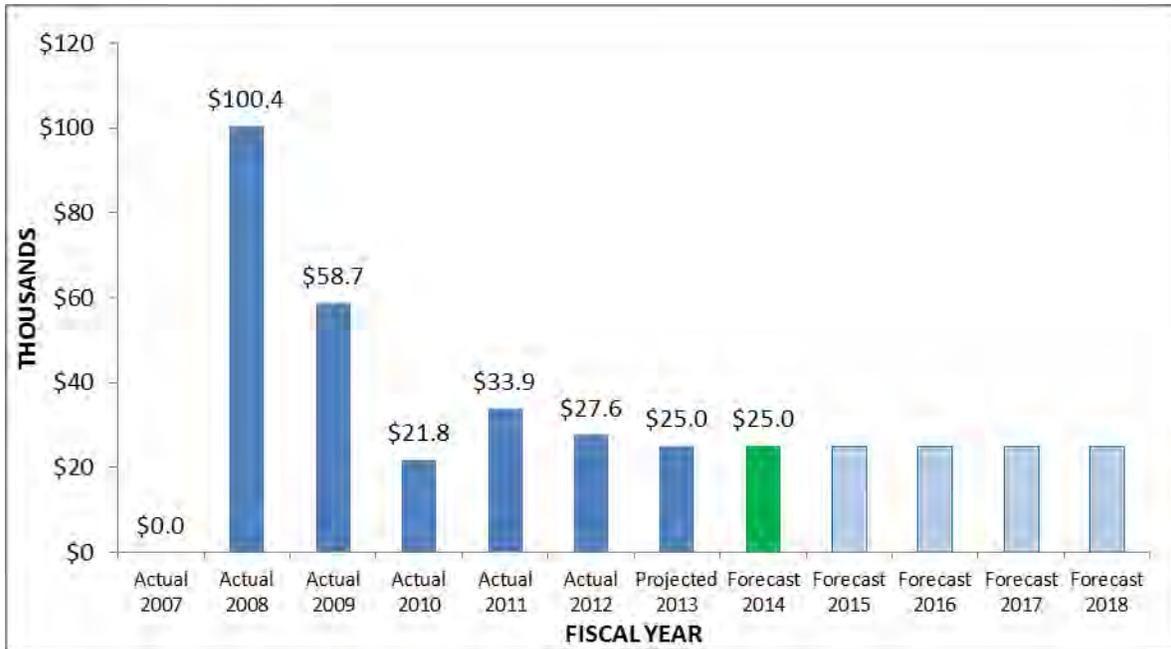
Annually adjusted by assumed growth and any assumed increases in amounts of fines/forfeits.

# MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE

## LOBBYIST REGISTRATION FEES

**Description:**

Revenue collected from lobbyists that register with the City. Lobbyists are charged \$75 for initial and annual lobbyist registration and \$150 per principal for initial registration only.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-11-42  
 City of Fort Lauderdale resolution number 07-101

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

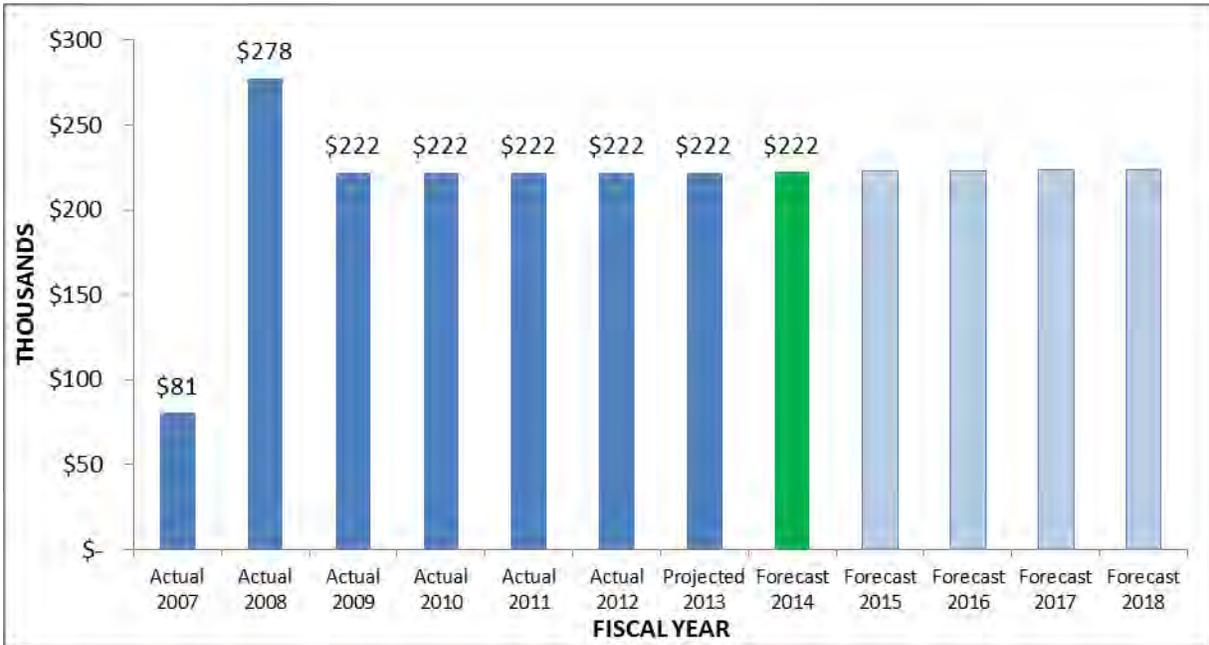
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 Budget, no assumed increases in revenue.

# TOWING FEES

**Description:**

This revenue is generated from permit fees paid by Westway Towing for servicing the North and South Zones of the City.



**Legal Authority:**

Florida Statute Chapter 163.01  
Contract with West Way Towing, Inc.

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The existing contract with West Way Towing Inc. ends on 05/14/2013. Additional fees can be negotiated in the new contract. Commission approval is required to revise, extend, or approve contracts with outside agencies.

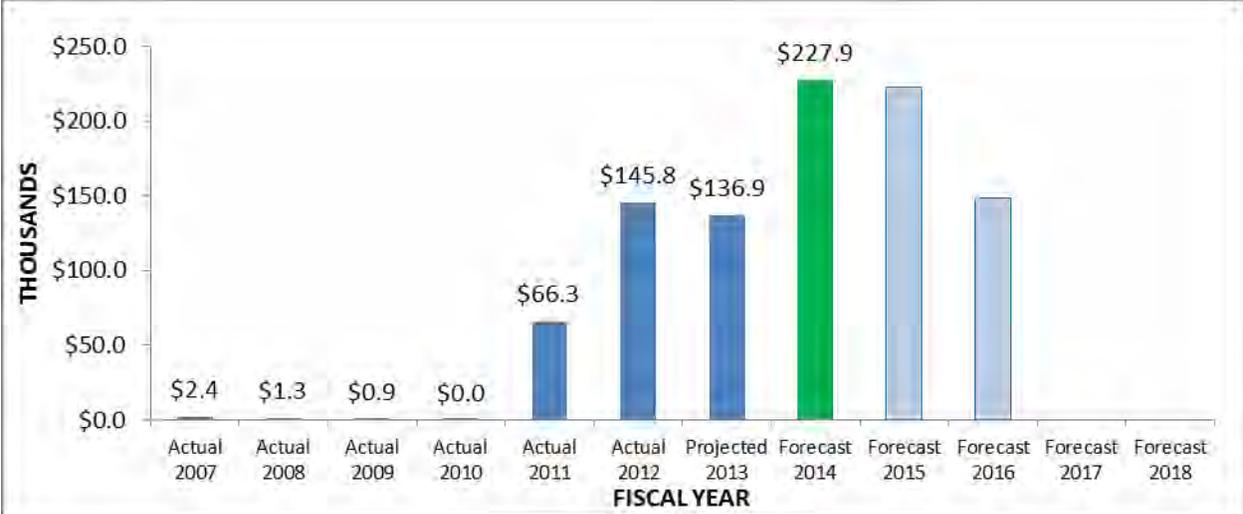
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

Annually adjusted by assumed growth

# INTEREST EARNINGS

**Description:**

This revenue source includes earned pooled investments, Interest Earnings, and other income.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 2, article V, section 2-158

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The amount of money that the City holds in interest bearing accounts in addition to the rate of return on the City of Fort Lauderdale’s accounts determines the amount of revenue that is generated from this source.

**Forecast Assumption(s):**

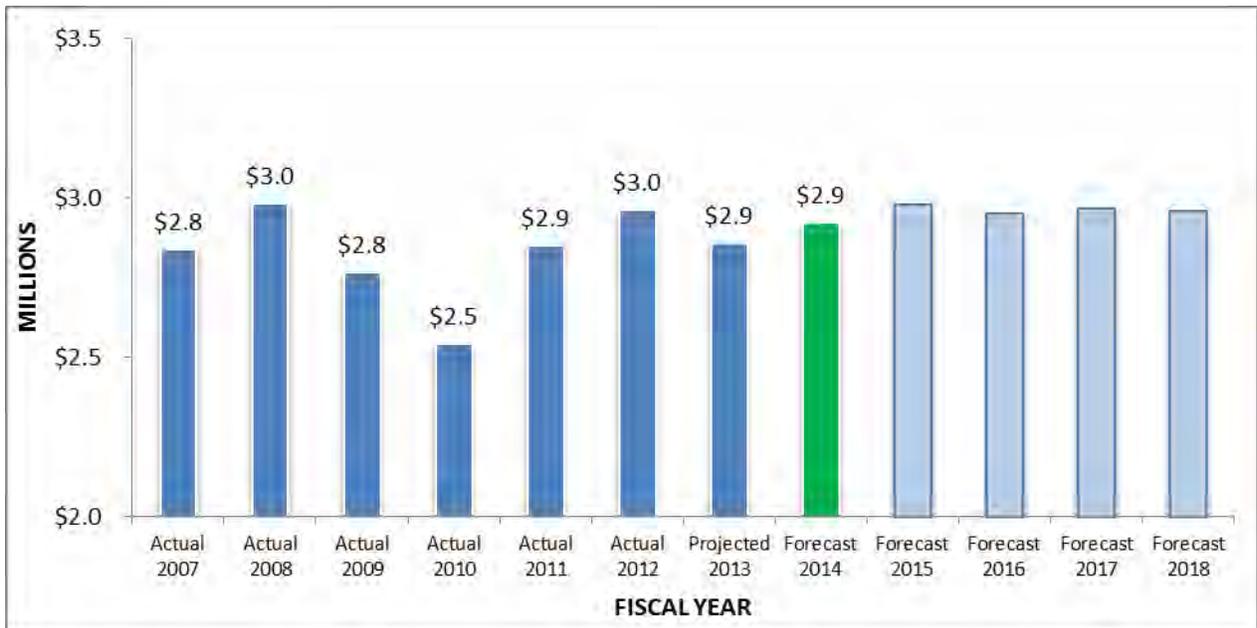
Calculated based upon forecast average year fund balance and assumed interest rate

# RENTS & ROYALTIES

**Description:**

This revenue source includes Rents and Royalties from City Commission approved leases and other agreements. Examples of these agreements include:

- |                                    |                      |                             |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Shopping Center Air Space          | DBSI Air Space Lease | Various Shops               |
| New River Trading Post             | Cheesecake Factory   | Lease Property Tax Payments |
| City Park Mall                     | Beach Cabana Rentals | Bench Advertising Contract  |
| Misc. Property Rentals             | Oasis Cafe Lease     | Bahia Mar Lease             |
| City Hall Vending Concession       | Brickell Station     |                             |
| O & M Agreement– Carriage Services |                      |                             |



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale ordinance article VIII section 8.06 – 8.21

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Fort Lauderdale City Commission has the ability to negotiate rates and lease terms based on a fair and marketable rate. City Commission reserves the right to charge rates that are sufficient to insure a reasonable return on the investments.

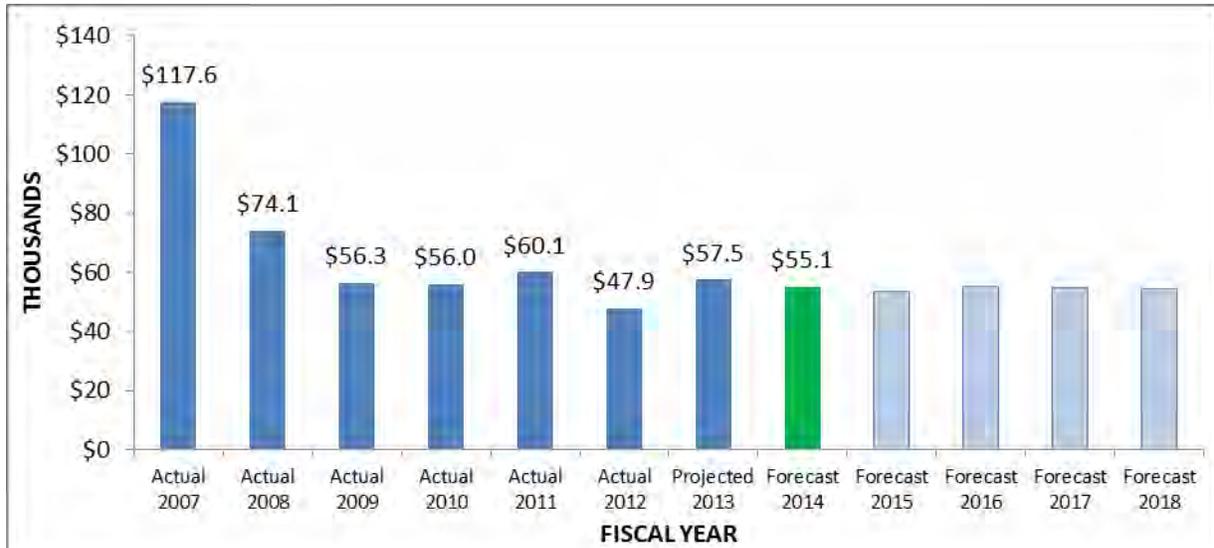
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

Annually adjusted by assumed growth and increases in fees

## TREE CANOPY FEES

**Description:**

Funding for this special revenue fund is kept in a Tree Canopy Trust Fund maintained by the City to which funds received by the City for the equivalent value of trees removed shall be deposited. Money from the fund shall only be used to purchase non-required trees, which are then planted on public lands.



**Legal Authority:**

Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 47 section 47-21.1 and 47-21.2

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

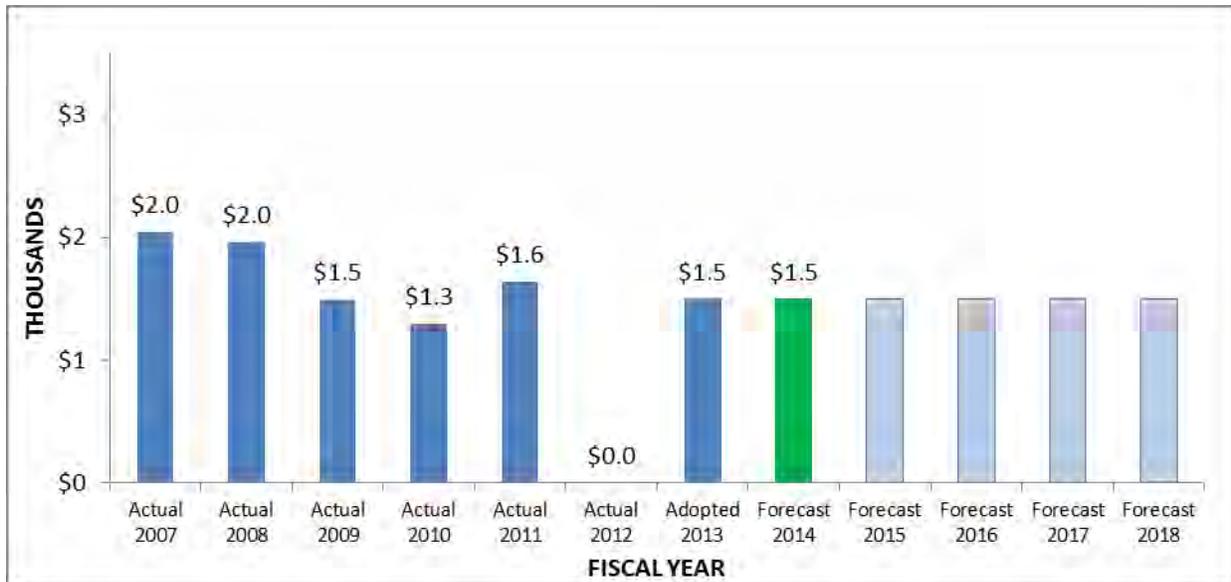
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 Budget, no assumed increases in revenue

## FIRE TRAINING SURCHARGE

**Description:**

Trust fund established and funded by a surcharge on a parking penalty from fire lanes and fire hydrants. For this revenue source \$3 is collected by the Parking department and credited to the trust fund.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance section 26-141 and section 26-143.

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

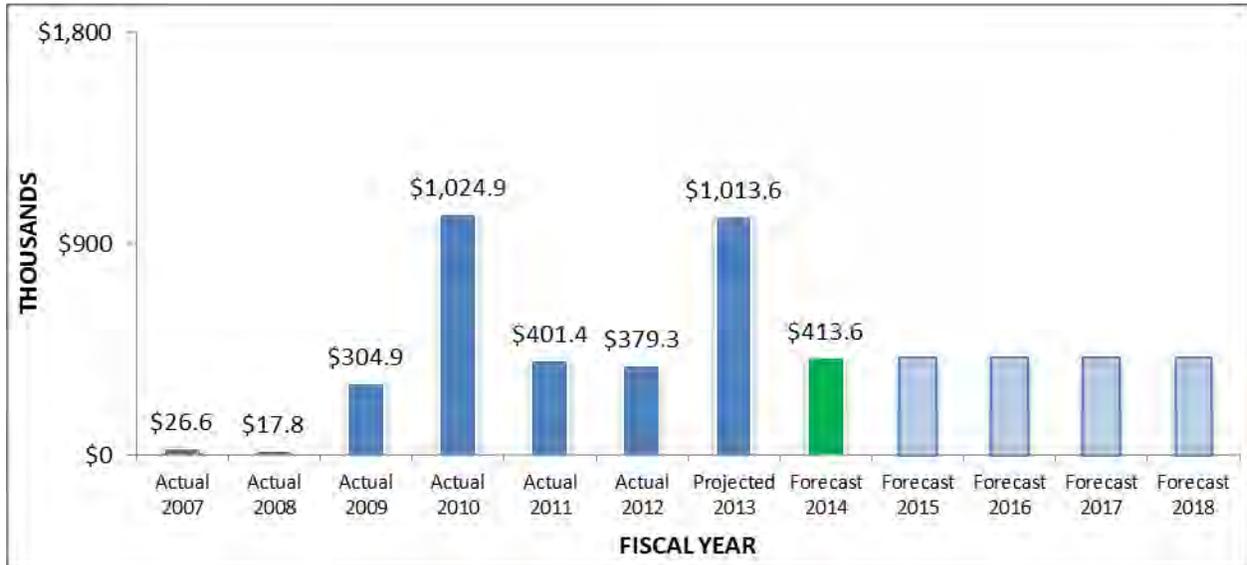
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 Budget, no assumed increases in revenue

## DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSETS

**Description:**

This revenue source includes vehicle sale proceeds, sale of surplus land, and the disposal of fixed assets.



**Legal Authority:**

Fort Lauderdale Municipal Ordinance Article VIII, Section 8.01  
 City of Fort Lauderdale Finance Directives, Sec 2-147(10)

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The liquidation of surplus land and equipment can generate additional revenue. All surplus land, vacant lots and underutilized property and equipment can be sold to private individuals or agencies based on market value.

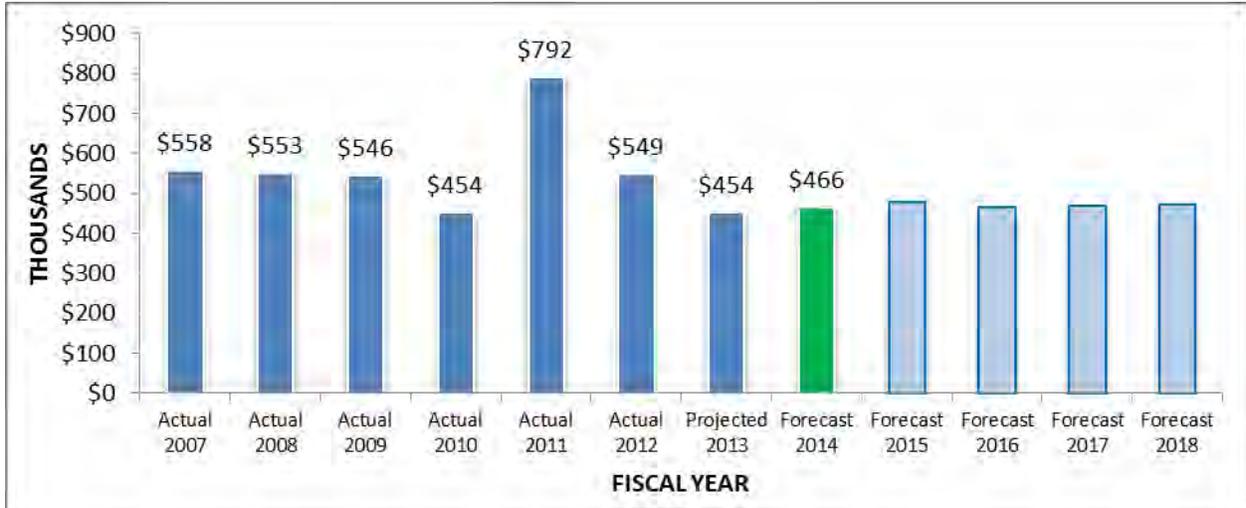
**Forecast Assumption(s):**

FY 2013 Budget, no assumed increases in revenue

# CONTRIBUTIONS & DONATIONS

**Description:**

This revenue source includes outsider contributions and Haz-Mat Donations. The Haz–Mat Donation is an Inter-local agreement between the Broward County Sheriff Office, the City of Fort Lauderdale, the City of Hollywood, and the City of Sunrise for cooperative emergency response to hazardous material incidents or weapons of mass destruction.



**Legal Authority:**

Inter-local agreement approved by Fort Lauderdale City Commission on June 15, 2004, Memo 04-883.

**Fiscal Capacity:**

For this revenue source, funding contributed by each municipality is based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) according to the established inter-local agreement. The Fort Lauderdale City Commission has the capacity to renegotiate the terms of this agreement to increase the amount collected if necessary. This agreement is revised annually to incorporate inflation.

**Forecast Assumption(s):**

Annually adjusted by assumed growth



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# **STORMWATER FUND**

The revenues collected for the City's Stormwater Management Program are used for operating expenses and capital improvements directly related to the management of stormwater, including improvements designed to improve water quality in the City's waterway. This also includes the enhancement of existing stormwater system maintenance.

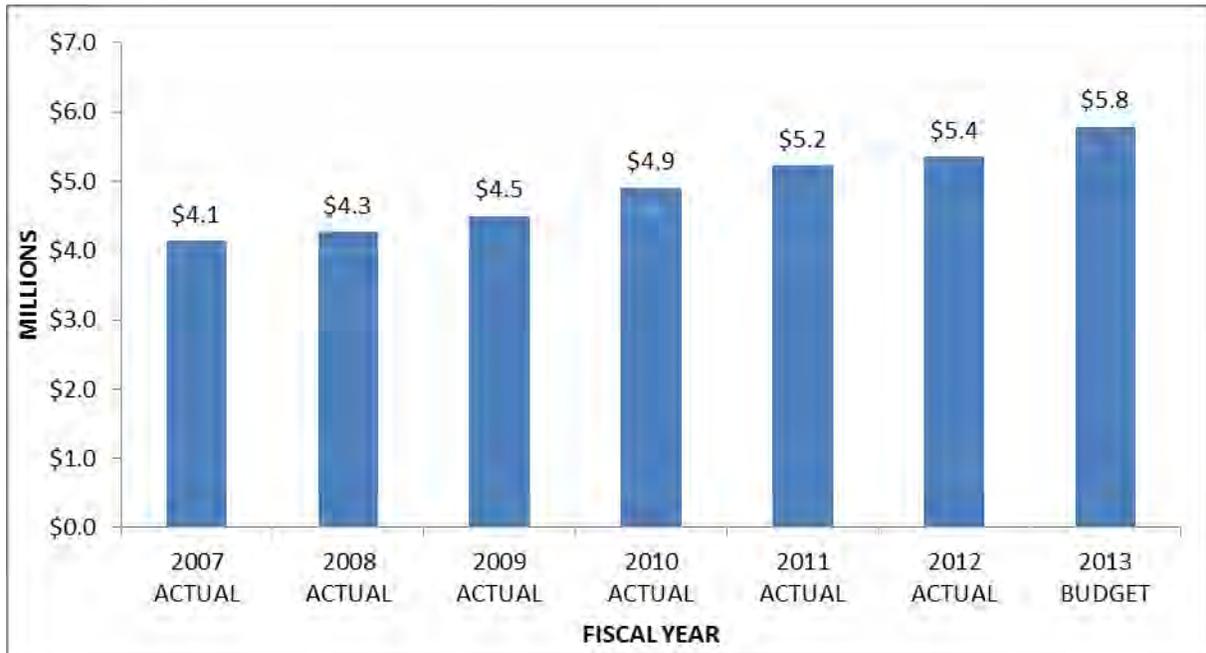


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## STORMWATER CHARGES

**Description:**

This revenue source includes storm water fees assessed to neighbors on their utility bills.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale Municipal Ordinance Chapter 28-76  
City of Fort Lauderdale Municipal Ordinance Chapter 28-200

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Fort Lauderdale has the capacity to increase the rate charged for storm water each year. Chapter 28 Section 76 states, "On 10/01/2013, and October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by 5% as established and adopted by resolution." Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.



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# **CENTRAL REGIONAL WASTEWATER FUND**

The City, through large user agreements, operates the Central Regional Wastewater system to provide treatment services for Fort Lauderdale, Oakland Park, Wilton Manors, Port Everglades, parts of Tamarac and parts of Davie. These agreements, necessitated by federal funding requirements, established the methodology for setting rates to large users. City Commission establishes a billing rate based upon estimated expenses for the coming fiscal year. At the close of each fiscal year, the fund is audited and the actual rate determined. If necessary, the lump sum rebates or charges are made to adjust the amounts paid during the year.

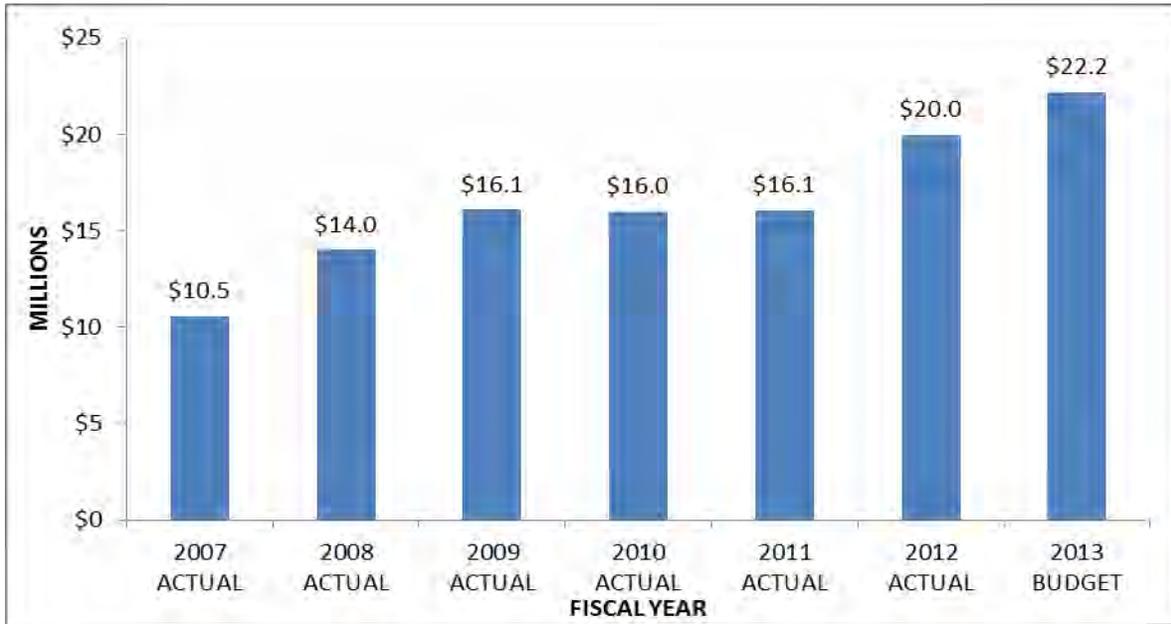


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# CENTRAL REGIONAL WASTEWATER CHARGES FOR SERVICES

**Description:**

The Central Regional Wastewater System collects revenue for service charges from Oakland Park, Tamarac, Davie, Wilton Manors and Fort Lauderdale neighbors to support the service.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale Municipal Ordinance Chapter 28, Resolution 04-1256

**Fiscal Capacity:**

The City of Fort Lauderdale has control over the administration of the Central Regional Wastewater System. The capacity to increase rates within each region exists; however, the City Commission must approve any increase in rates, or other fees assessed to individuals within the Central Regional Wastewater System.



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# **WATER & SEWER FUND**

The City Water & Sewer Fund supplies water and sewer services on a regional basis for approximately 250,000 residents of central Broward County. The areas serviced include Fort Lauderdale, Port Everglades, Sea Ranch Lakes, Lauderdale by the Sea, Oakland Park, Wilton Manors, parts of Davie, Tamarac, and Broward County unincorporated areas.

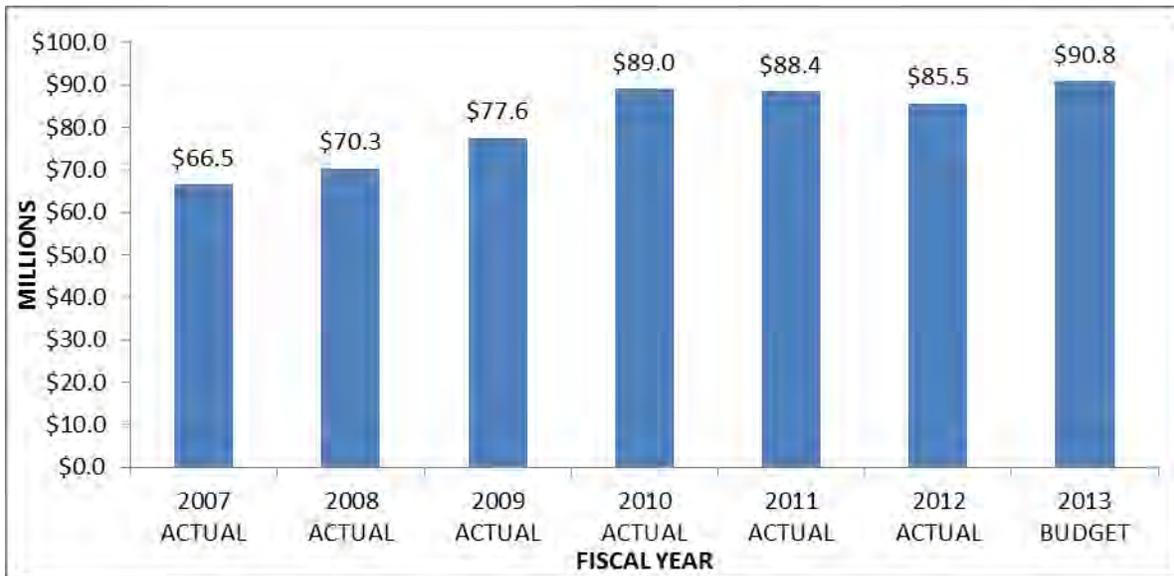


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## WATER & SEWER CHARGES FOR SERVICES

### **Description:**

This revenue source is primarily generated by water and sewer fees paid by the neighbor. These charges include Water & Sewer sales, connection fees and other fees and surcharges that are assessed for water and sewer service.



### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance Chapter 28, Resolution 04 - 1256

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Fort Lauderdale has the capacity to increase the monthly water rate. Chapter 28 Section 143 states, "On 10/01/2013, and October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by 5% as established and adopted by resolution." Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.



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# **AIRPORT FUND**

The City's Airport fund is established to support the operations of the City of Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport through charges paid by those who utilize the airport's services and transportation related grants.

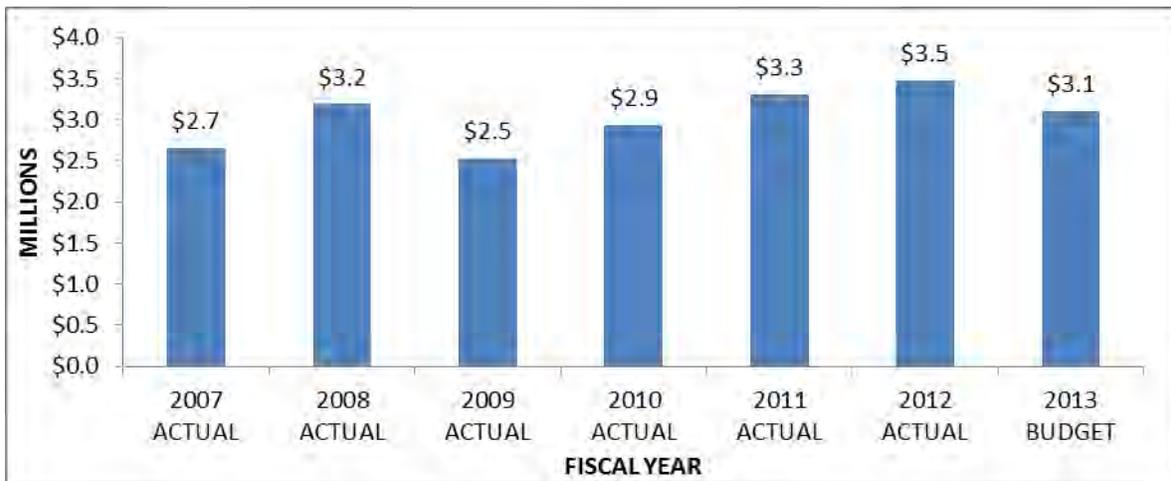


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# AVIATION LEASES

**Description:**

This revenue source is aviation lease payments for operating at the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport and fuel flowage fees. There are nineteen individual agreements for parcels of land. Long Term agreements range from 30 to 50 years with Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustments every 1, 3, or 5 years, depending on the agreement and a 5, 10, or 20-year market adjustment, also depending on the agreement. Based on current statutory requirements, new leases of aviation property would be limited to a maximum term of 30 years.



**Legal Authority:**

Lease agreements

**Fiscal Capacity:**

During the lease renewal process, Fort Lauderdale can renegotiate new terms with existing vendors. Commission approval is necessary to modify lease agreements.

Details regarding current aviation lease agreements are found in table A-3.

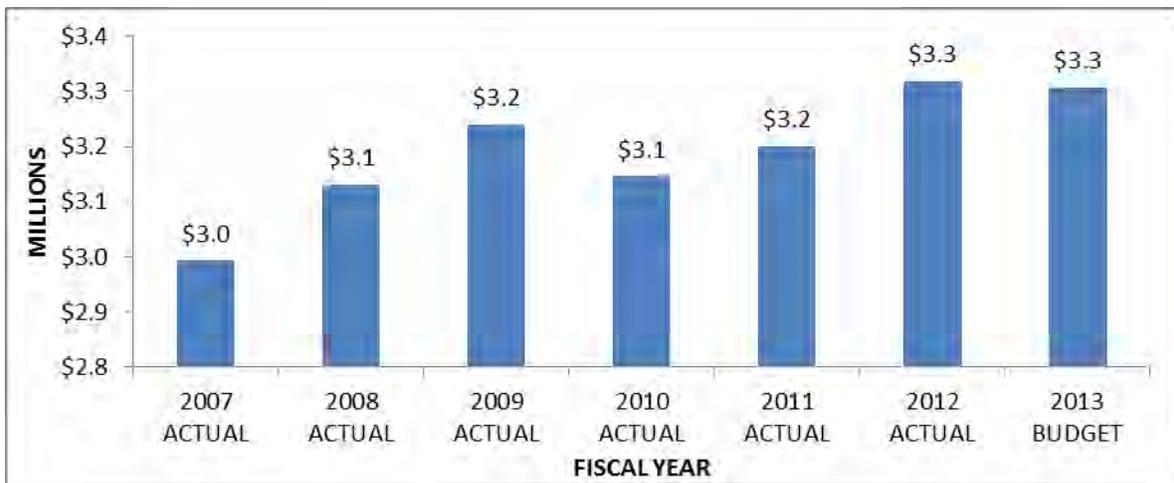
Table A-3

AVIATION LEASES						
TENANT	Lease Terms	Lease Expiration Date	Base Rent (Per Sq. Ft.)	Last Rate Adjustment	FY 11/12 Projection	FY 12/13 Projection
SHELTAIR AVIATION FAC.	30 Yrs.	3/9/2035	0.30	2/1/2012	244,281	248,574
SHELTAIR EXECUTIVE SOUTH	50 Yrs.	1/31/2031	0.12	1/1/2010	106,575	107,694
ZELEY AVIATION	30 Yrs.	9/30/2041	0.19	8/1/2012	114,394	115,797
ROSS SOUTHERN PROPERTIES	30 Yrs.	3/31/2035	0.30	4/1/2012	32,960	33,481
BUEHLER AVIATION	50 Yrs.	10/24/2014	0.01	N/A	7,843	7,843
SHELTAIR	30 Yrs.	1/31/2035	0.30	2/1/2012	293,624	303,595
SHELTAIR	30 Yrs.	1/31/2035	0.30	2/1/2012	308,995	319,487
SHELTAIR EXECUTIVE SOUTH	40 Yrs.	11/30/2022	0.07	12/1/2012	36,049	36,746
KC FXE AVIATION INVESTMENTS LLC	30 Yrs.	10/31/2039	0.33	4/1/2012	131,014	133,085
WORLD JET INC.	40 Yrs.	8/31/2028	0.12	9/1/2012	154,969	156,733
SOUTHEAST TOYOTA	40 Yrs.	3/31/2025	0.10	4/1/2012	46,745	47,484
AERO TOY STORE	30 Yrs.	3/31/2038	0.41	4/1/2012	207,443	210,721
WORLD JET INC.	40 Yrs.	7/31/2022	0.11	4/1/2012	67,273	68,337
FXE Parcel 15	30 Yrs.	12/31/2042	0.15	7/1/2012	44,771	58,882
SHELTAIR 16	30 Yrs.	6/30/2029	0.29	7/1/2012	135,363	137,143
SHELTAIR EXECUTIVE SOUTH	30 Yrs.	2/28/2016	0.28	3/1/2012	28,435	29,252
SHELTAIR EXECUTIVE SOUTH	23 Yrs.	1/31/2028	0.30	2/1/2012	154,806	160,063
WORLD JET INC.	40 Yrs.	7/31/2022	0.12	8/1/2012	108,975	110,312

## NON-AVIATION LEASES

### Description:

This revenue source is non-aviation lease payments for operating at the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport and revenue from the stadium. There are 21 individual agreements. Long-term agreements range from 39 to 60+ years with terms that vary depending on the agreement. Non-aviation leases are for properties that are identified for non-aviation development, as opposed to hangars and ramps. Both Lockhart Stadium and Fort Lauderdale Stadium are included in this category of leases.



### Legal Authority:

City of Fort Lauderdale resolution number 12-227

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-85-40, § 3, 5-7-85

Lease agreements

Details regarding current non-aviation lease agreements are found in table A-4.

### Fiscal Capacity:

Rents are based on appraisal of the fair market value of each parcel at the time of the lease commencement, with escalations, in accordance with the City Charter and City Commission Resolution. Commission approval is required to modify the rates assessed for non-aviation leases.

Table A-4

NON-AVIATION LEASES						
TENANT	LEASE TERMS	LEASE EXPIRATION DATE	Base Rent (Per Sq. Ft.)	Last Rate Adjustment	FY 11/12 Projection	FY 12/13 Projection
KAS AIRPORT	50 Yrs.	1/31/2031	0.12	Jan-10	76,279	76,279
PERFORMANCE TRADING	50 Yrs.	5/31/2031	0.17	Aug-12	76,251	77,052
RISING TIDE DEVELOPMENT	50+10+14 Yrs.	4/30/2058	0.35	Aug-12	153,519	155,402
GRAND PRIX FORT LAUDERDALE	50 Yrs.	7/31/2034	0.38	Aug-12	104,343	106,108
DHS, LLC	50 Yrs.	11/7/2034	0.50	Nov-11	38,283	38,283
AIRPORT EXEC CENTER PARTNER	50+10+9 Yrs.	1/14/2054	0.43	Aug-11	184,148	184,148
FAU	39 Yrs.	10/19/2020	0.11	Oct-11	37,461	37,461
DETTMAN REVOCABLE TRUST	50 + 20 Yrs.	3/20/2043	0.24	Apr-12	98,154	99,706
FORT LAUDERDALE CROWN CENTER	50 + 45 Yrs.	1/14/2080	0.43	Jan-11	343,591	343,591
BRD CTY BD OF CTY COMM	50 Yrs.	9/16/2035	0.91	Oct-10	189,500	189,500
CYPRESS COMMERCE LTD	50 Yrs.	9/16/2035	0.44	Oct-10	142,361	142,361
CITICORP NORTH AMERICA	50 + 35 Yrs.	10/14/2070	0.59	Oct-11	262,102	262,102
EAST GROUP PROPERTIES	60 + 25 Yrs.	1/14/2060	0.55	Jan-09	258,040	260,749
CYPRESS EXECUTIVE ASSOC	50 + 35 Yrs.	2/14/1968	0.50	Aug-10	287,467	287,970
CYPRESS CREEK BUSINESS PK (strip)	50+10+25 Yrs.	3/31/2069	0.35	Apr-09	6,512	6,512
CYPRESS CREEK BUSINESS PK	50+10+25 Yrs.	3/31/2069	0.43	Apr-09	140,057	141,528
CABBOTT III	50+10+25 Yrs.	4/2/2069	0.35	Apr-09	195,919	195,919
CABBOTT III (strip)	50+10+25 Yrs.	4/2/2069	N/A	Apr-09	4,214	4,214
RISING TIDE DEVELOPMENT	50+10+14 Yrs.	4/3/2058	0.41	Apr-09	106,675	106,675
WELLS OPERATING PARTNERSHIP	50 + 25 Yrs.	2/28/2073	0.35	Mar-08	84,956	84,956
THE ALTER GROUP	50 / 25 yrs.	2/23/2073	0.50	Mar-08	345,649	345,649

# **PARKING FUND**

The Parking Fund is a self-sustaining fund, which uses no tax dollars to fund the operating expenses of the parking garages, lot maintenance, enforcement, administrative staff, and field personnel. All salaries, benefits, and operating expenditures are paid exclusively from charges collected from meters, permit sales, and citations.

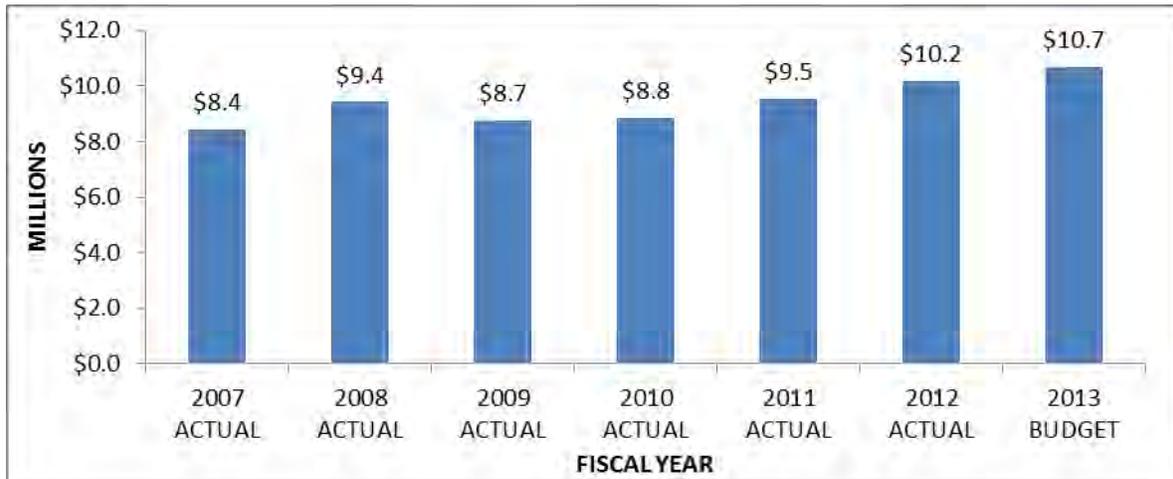


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# PARKING FEES

**Description:**

This revenue source consists of user fees from parking meters and kiosks in seventy-eight locations throughout the City.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 26 section 156-161

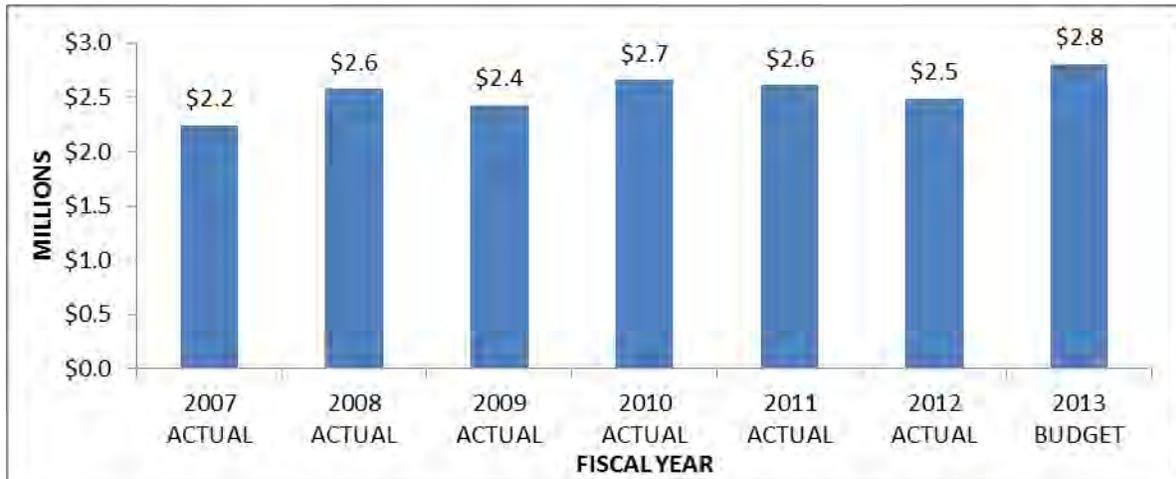
**Fiscal Capacity:**

Fort Lauderdale could increase this revenue source by increasing permit and/or meter fees or the number of meters and lots in the City. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

## PARKING FINES

**Description:**

This revenue source consists of parking fines collected from citations including overtime parking citations and handicapped parking citations.



**Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance chapter 26 section 156-161

**Fiscal Capacity:**

Fort Lauderdale could increase this revenue source by increasing citation fines with stronger parking enforcement. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

# **SANITATION FUND**

The Sanitation Fund provides the City with a full complement of modern solid waste services by providing residential household garbage, recycling, yard waste, and bulk trash collection. The fund also supports canal cleaning, lot cleaning and the rights of way maintenance, public trash receptacles, and street cleaning services. Revenues from the licensing of private collectors, commercial franchise fees, recycling fees and residential collection fees, support this fund.

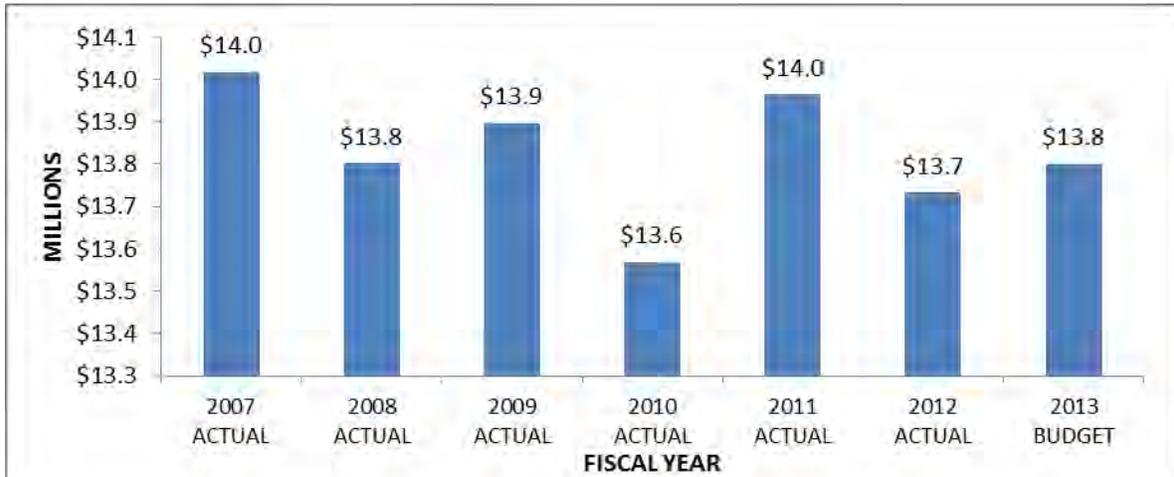


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## RESIDENTIAL COLLECTION FEES

### **Description:**

This revenue source includes fees for trash collection assessed to neighbors for sanitation services in the Fort Lauderdale region.



### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance section 26-46

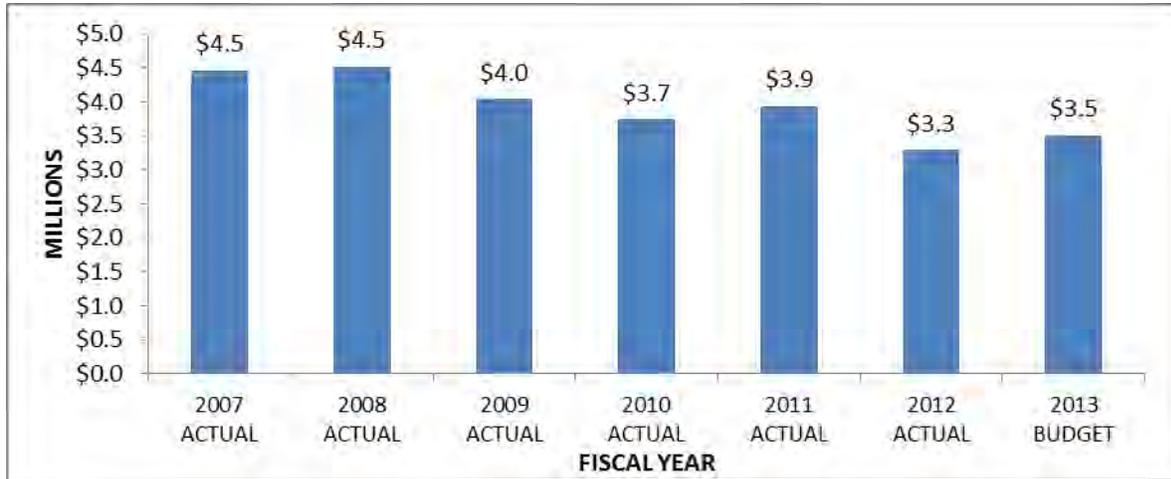
### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Fort Lauderdale can increase revenue for the sanitation fund by increasing the monthly service fee for single and multifamily residents. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

## PRIVATE COLLECTOR FEES

### **Description:**

This revenue source is derived as franchise fees paid by private, Fort Lauderdale-licensed, haulers TO the City based on their gross receipts.



### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance section 26-46

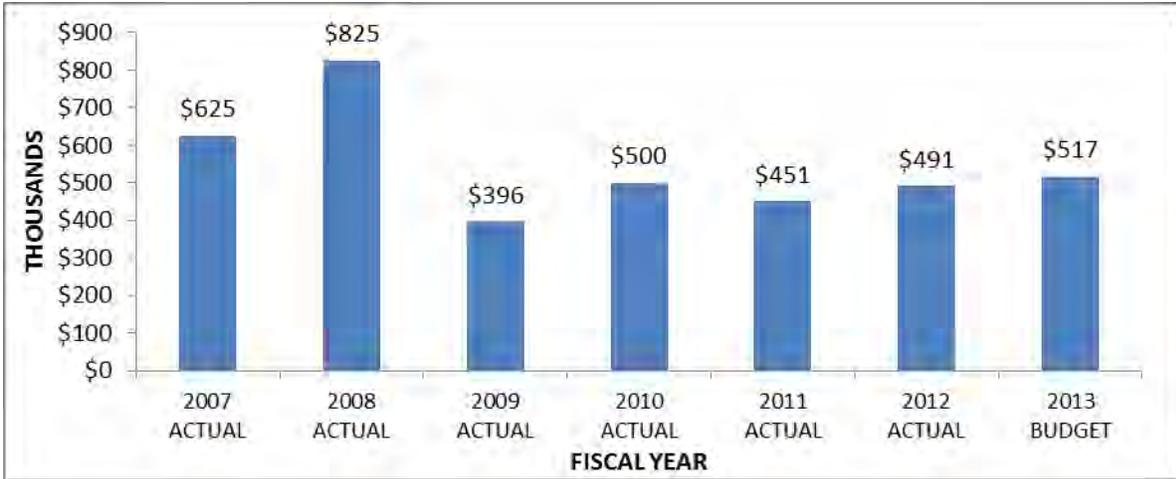
### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Fort Lauderdale can increase revenue for the sanitation fund by increasing the franchise fee. Discussion is also currently underway regarding changing the revenue from gross receipts to fee per container. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

# RECYCLING INCOME

**Description:**

Recycling Income is derived from the sale of recyclables obtained from 38,000 Fort Lauderdale homes.



**Legal Authority:**

Inter-local Agreement

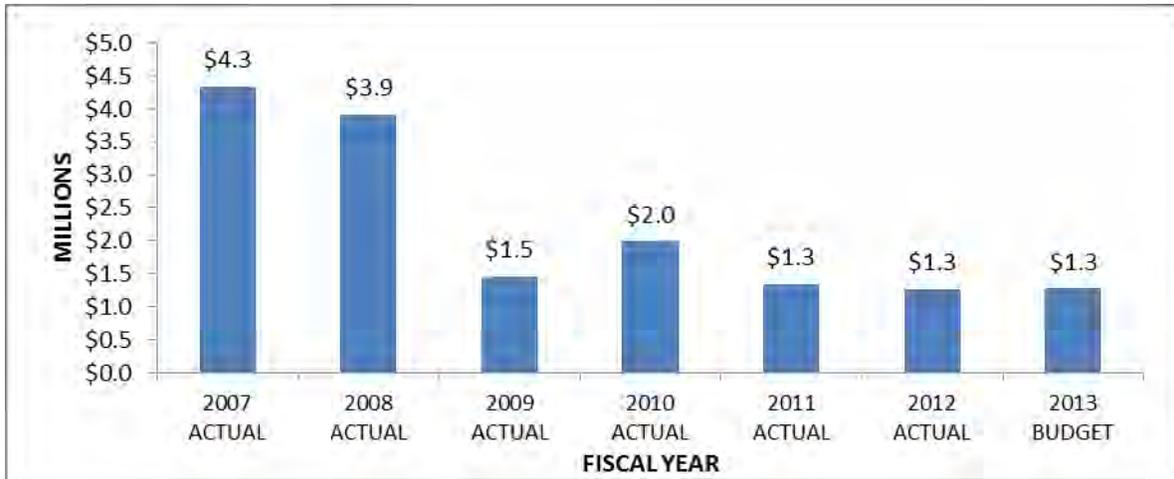
**Fiscal Capacity:**

Fort Lauderdale can increase revenue by modifying the interlocal agreement that expires in July 2013. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

## ALL OTHER SANITATION FEES

### **Description:**

This revenue source is generated from a variety of charges for services charged for sanitation services including Wingate remediation fees, bulk trash pickup fees, fees for cart placement and replacement, parking lot cleaning trash removal, and other various fees.



### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance section 26-46

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Fort Lauderdale can increase revenue for the sanitation fund by increasing the fees assessed for sanitation services within City limits. Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.

# **BUILDING FUND**

The Building Special Revenue Fund was created in 2011 to ensure that legally restricted permit revenues, certification maintenance fees, and construction technology fees are used to finance allowable activities related to enforcement of the Florida Building Code.

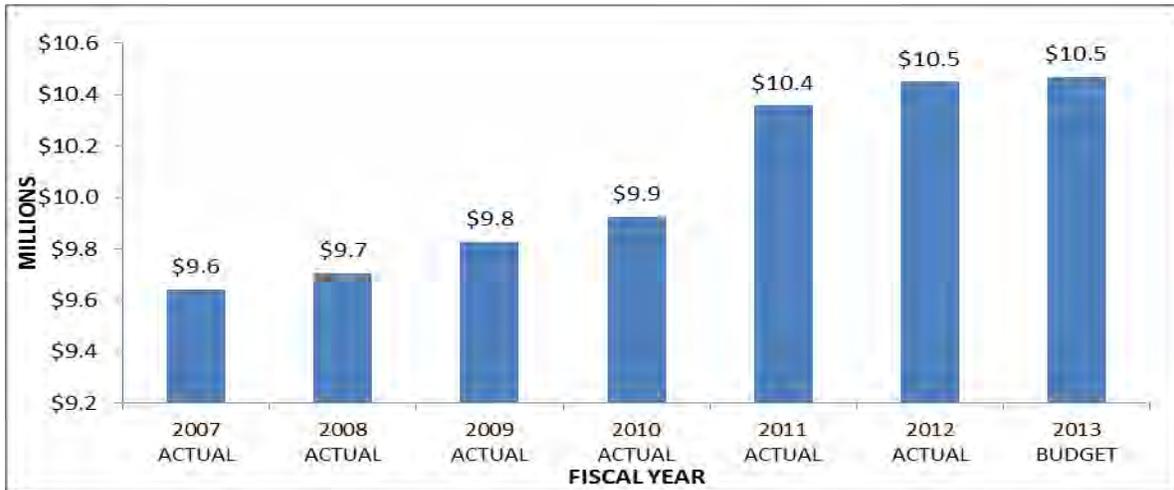


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## BUILDING PERMITS AND FEES

### **Description:**

Building fund revenue is collected from fees and the sale of permits issued to authorize the renovation, construction, or installation of plumbing, electrical, and plumbing work.



\*Prior to 2011 these revenues were collected in the General Fund, however, they are included for purposes of comparison.

### **Legal Authority:**

City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance section 9-48(3) i - 9-51 and section 9-48(3) j  
City of Fort Lauderdale municipal ordinance C-02-31

### **Fiscal Capacity:**

Commission approval would be required to increase the fee schedule.



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