



Licenses, permits & fees reflect revenues primarily from occupational licenses imposed on all businesses, professions and occupations operating within the City of Clearwater's jurisdiction along with building permit fees for the construction of any new building or any addition to a structure within the city limits. It also includes permit fees for signs and demolition work.

These revenues are not consistent from year to year, but the average increase for fiscal years 2000/01 - 2004/05 is 2.2%, which is impacted by a 5% rate increase in Occupational License fees and building permits adopted in February 2000. There was also a 5% increase in Occupational License Fees that took effect in April 2002. Another 5% increase will take effect in 2005/06. Revenue projections reflect an increase of approximately 13.3%, due primarily to the projected continued increase in building construction permits.

In fiscal year 2005/06 Licenses, Permits and Fees will generate an estimated \$4,015,000 for General Fund purposes. This represents approximately 3.6% of the total General Fund revenues.