



SunLine Services Group  
February 27, 2019  
10:30 a.m.– 11:00 a.m.

## AGENDA

**TAXI COMMITTEE**  
**Wellness Training Room**  
**32-505 Harry Oliver Trail**  
**Thousand Palms, CA 92276**

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### ITEM

### RECOMMENDATION

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PRESENTATIONS
4. FINALIZATION OF AGENDA
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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### **NON AGENDA ITEMS**

Members of the public may address the Committee regarding any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee; however, no action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized. Comments shall be limited to matters not listed on the agenda. Members of the public may comment on any matter listed on the agenda at the time that the Board considers that matter. Comments may be limited to 3 minutes in length.

**ITEM**

**RECOMMENDATION**

6. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

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7. CONSENT CALENDAR

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All items on the Consent Calendar will be approved by one motion, and there will be no discussion of individual items unless a Board Member requests a specific item be pulled from the calendar for separate discussion. The public may comment on any item.

7a) Checks \$1,000 and Over Report for December 2018

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7b) Monthly Budget Variance Report for December 2018

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7c) Taxi Vehicle/Rides Analysis December 2018 &  
January 2019

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7d) Metric (Taxi Expense vs Taxi Revenue) December 2018

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8. SUNLINE REGULATORY ADMINISTRATION (SRA)  
STATUS UPDATE

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(Staff: Vanessa Mora, Deputy Chief Safety Officer/  
Assistant Taxi Administrator)

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**SunLine Services Group**  
**CONSENT CALENDAR**

DATE: February 27, 2019 **RECEIVE & FILE**

TO: Taxi Committee  
Board of Directors

RE: SSG/SRA Checks \$1,000 and Over Report for December 2018

Summary:

The checks \$1,000 and over report lists all of the checks processed at the Agency with a value of over \$1,000 for a given month. Items identified in bold font represent "pass through" payments that were, or will be, reimbursed to SunLine under the provisions of specific grants or contracts. Items identified with underlines represent "shared" payments with SunLine and specific vendors/employees.

- For the month of December, the largest payment issued represents reimbursements made to Sunline Transit Agency (STA) for SunLine Regulatory Administration (SRA) employees paid through the regular payroll process for sell back. Additionally, it includes payments made to STA for allocations of overhead costs for SRA operations.

Recommendation:

Receive and file.

**SunLine Regulatory Agency  
Checks \$1,000 and Over  
For the month of December 2018**

NOTE: 1). Bold check payments represent "pass through" payments that were, or will be reimbursed to SunLine under the provisions of specific grants or contracts. 2). Underlined check payments represent "shared" payments with SunLine and specific vendors/employees.

<b>Vendor Filed As Name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Check #</b>	<b>Payment Date</b>	<b>Payment Amount</b>
SUNLINE TRANSIT AGENCY	SRA Overhead Dec 2018/Sell Back	90577	12/18/2018	4,399.86
BURKE, WILLIAMS & SORENSEN, LLP	Nov 2018 Legal Services- SSG/Taxi	90579	12/21/2018	4,224.00
SUNLINE TRANSIT AGENCY	Payroll Liabilities 12/14/18	90580	12/21/2018	4,048.43
SUNLINE TRANSIT AGENCY	Payroll Liabilities 12/28/18	90584	12/31/2018	3,998.45
SUNLINE TRANSIT AGENCY	Payroll Liabilities 11/30/18	90571	12/10/2018	3,889.07
<b>Total Checks Over \$1,000</b>	\$20,559.81			
<b>Total Checks Under \$1,000</b>	\$924.55			
<b>Total Checks</b>	\$21,484.36			

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TO: Taxi Committee  
Board of Directors

RE: Monthly Budget Variance Report for December 2018

Summary:

The budget variance report compares revenues and expenses to the respective line item budgets. The report identifies current monthly revenues and expenses as well as year to date (YTD) values. The current monthly budget values are calculated by taking 1/12<sup>th</sup> of the annual budget and the YTD budget values are calculated by dividing the yearly budget by the number of months progressed through the fiscal year.

- As of December 31, 2018, the organization's revenues are \$10,800 under budget or 11.6% below the YTD budget. Expenditures are \$18,283 under budget or 11.6% below the YTD budget.
- The net YTD operating gain (loss) after expenses is (\$56,552).

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SunLine Regulatory Administration  
Budget Variance Report  
December 2018

Description	FY 19 Total Budget	Current Month			Year to Date			
		Actual	Budget	Favorable (Unfavorable)	YTD Actual	FY 19 YTD Budget	Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percentage Remaining
<b>Revenues:</b>								
Meter Readings	104,674	6,076	8,723	(2,647)	47,051	52,337	(5,287)	55.1%
Revenue Fines	3,000	100	250	(150)	100	1,500	(1,400)	96.7%
New Driver Permit Revenue	9,000	270	750	(480)	2,250	4,500	(2,250)	75.0%
Driver Transfer Revenue	1,000	0	83	(83)	1,000	500	500	0.0%
Driver Renewal Revenue	10,000	250	833	(583)	2,150	5,000	(2,850)	78.5%
Driver Permit Reinstatement/Replacement	25	0	2	(2)	5	13	(8)	80.0%
Vehicle Permit Revenue	58,242	11,515	4,854	6,662	29,615	29,121	494	49.2%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>185,941</b>	<b>18,211</b>	<b>15,495</b>	<b>2,715</b>	<b>82,171</b>	<b>92,971</b>	<b>(10,800)</b>	<b>55.8%</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>								
Salaries and Wages	112,555	8,212	9,380	1,168	53,206	56,278	3,071	52.7%
Fringe Benefits	70,138	3,895	5,845	1,949	27,027	35,069	8,042	61.5%
Services	96,000	3,965	8,000	4,035	44,903	48,000	3,097	53.2%
Supplies and Materials	5,019	123	418	296	1,160	2,510	1,350	76.9%
Utilities	4,816	401	401	0	2,408	2,408	0	50.0%
Casualty and Liability	17,774	1,481	1,481	0	8,887	8,887	0	50.0%
Taxes and Fees	20	4	2	(2)	23	10	(13)	-12.7%
Miscellaneous	7,690	589	641	52	1,109	3,845	2,736	85.6%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>314,012</b>	<b>18,670</b>	<b>26,168</b>	<b>7,498</b>	<b>138,723</b>	<b>157,006</b>	<b>18,283</b>	<b>55.8%</b>
<b>Total Operating Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (128,071)</b>	<b>\$ (459)</b>			<b>\$ (56,552)</b>			

**Budget Variance Analysis - SunLine Regulatory Administration**

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**Revenue - Unfavorable**

- The unfavorable variance in revenues is mainly attributed to a continued decline in taxi trips.  
As of YTD fiscal year 2018/19 there is a decrease of 41,641 taxi trips compared to the YTD fiscal year 2017/18.

Taxi Trips				
	FY18-December	FY19-December	Variance	%Δ
Trips	24,530	17,081	(7,449)	-30.4%

Taxi Trips				
	YTD-FY18	YTD-FY19	Variance	%Δ
Trips	134,515	92,874	(41,641)	-31.0%

- Taxi franchises pay the full year's vehicle permits during the peak months of October through April.

**Salaries and Wages - Favorable**

- Salary and wage expenses are within an acceptable range of the budget.

**Fringe Benefits - Favorable**

- Fringe benefit savings are attributed to lower balances for accrual expenses.

**Services - Favorable**

- Service expenditures are within an acceptable range of the budgeted amount.

**Supplies and Materials - Favorable**

- The favorable variance is mainly attributed to savings in office supply costs, and repair part expenses.

**Utilities - Favorable**

- Utility expenses are within an acceptable range of the budget.

**Casualty and Liability - Favorable**

- Casualty and liability expenses are within an acceptable range of the budget.

**Taxes and Fees - Unfavorable**

- Unfavorable balance is attributed to increased use of support vehicles.

**Miscellaneous - Favorable**

- The favorable balance is mainly attributed to travel and training expenses, and membership and subscription fees not incurred.

**SunLine Transit Agency****CONSENT CALENDAR**

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**RECEIVE & FILE**TO: Taxi Committee  
Board of Directors

RE: Taxi Vehicle/Rides Analysis December 2018 &amp; January 2019

Summary:

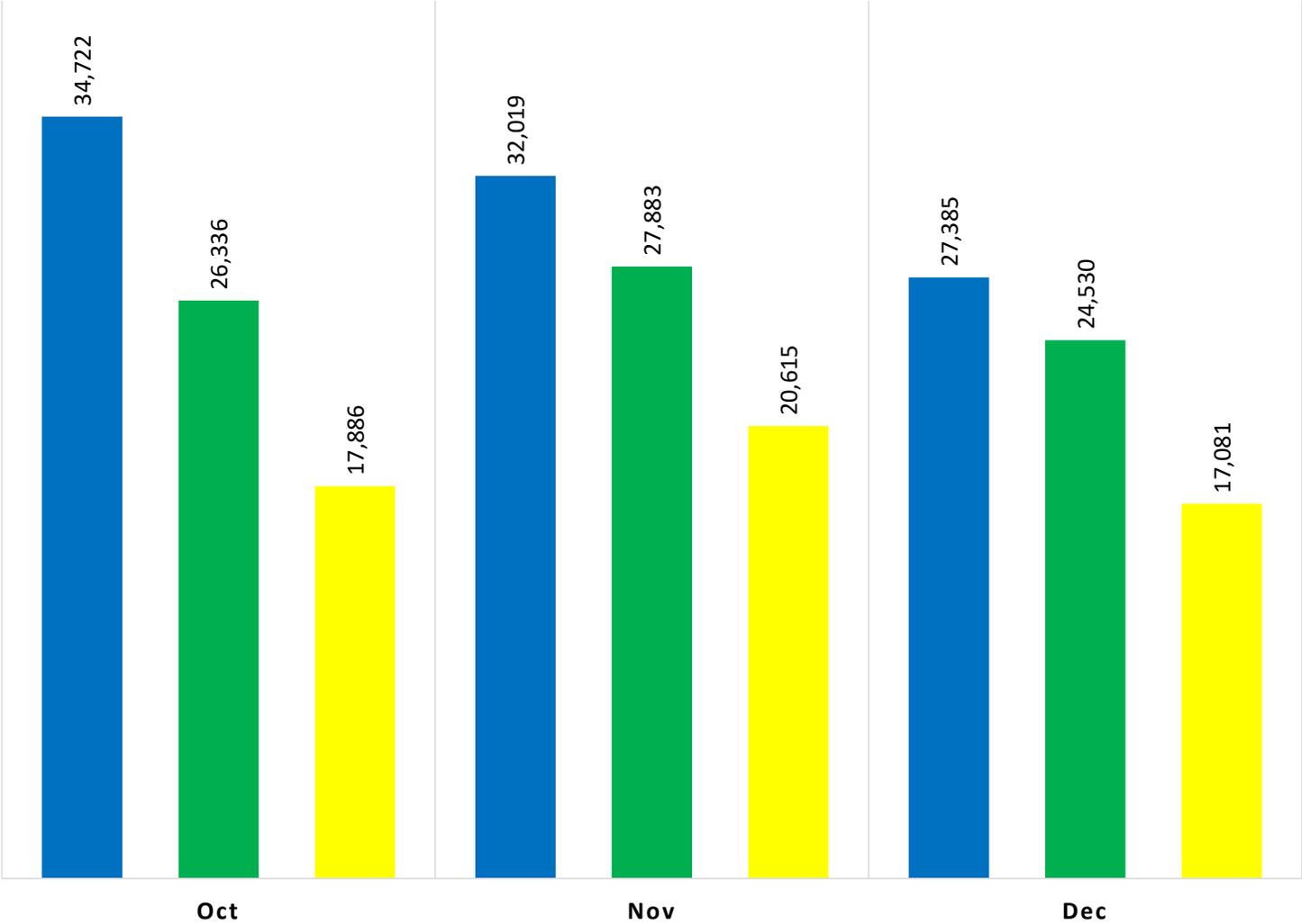
The attached report summarizes the total number of taxi trips generated in the Coachella Valley for the most recent three month period. A second graph shows the total taxi trips for the current fiscal year compared to the two previous fiscal years. TNC's and the loss of the American Cab franchise have negatively impacted the number of taxi rides provided in our jurisdiction. There have been 47,495 fewer taxi trips to date in FY19 than for the same period in FY18.

Recommendation:

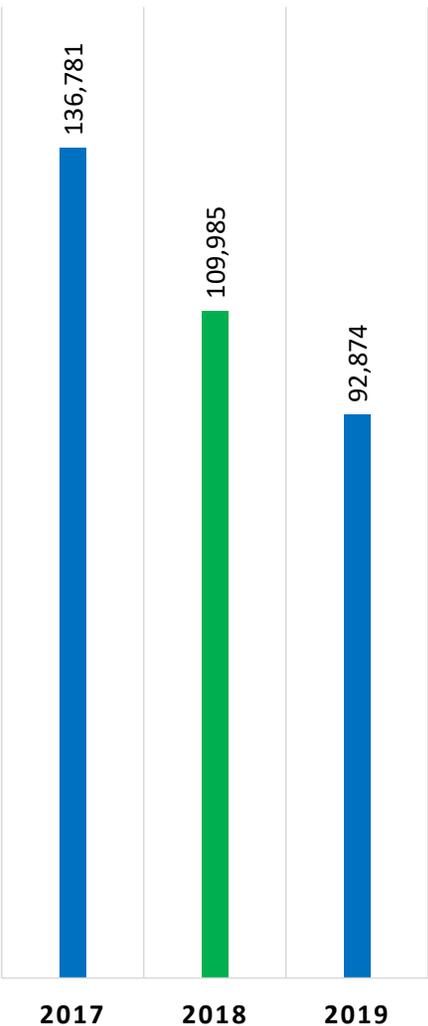
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### Number of Taxi Trips - December 2018

■ 2017 ■ 2018 ■ 2019



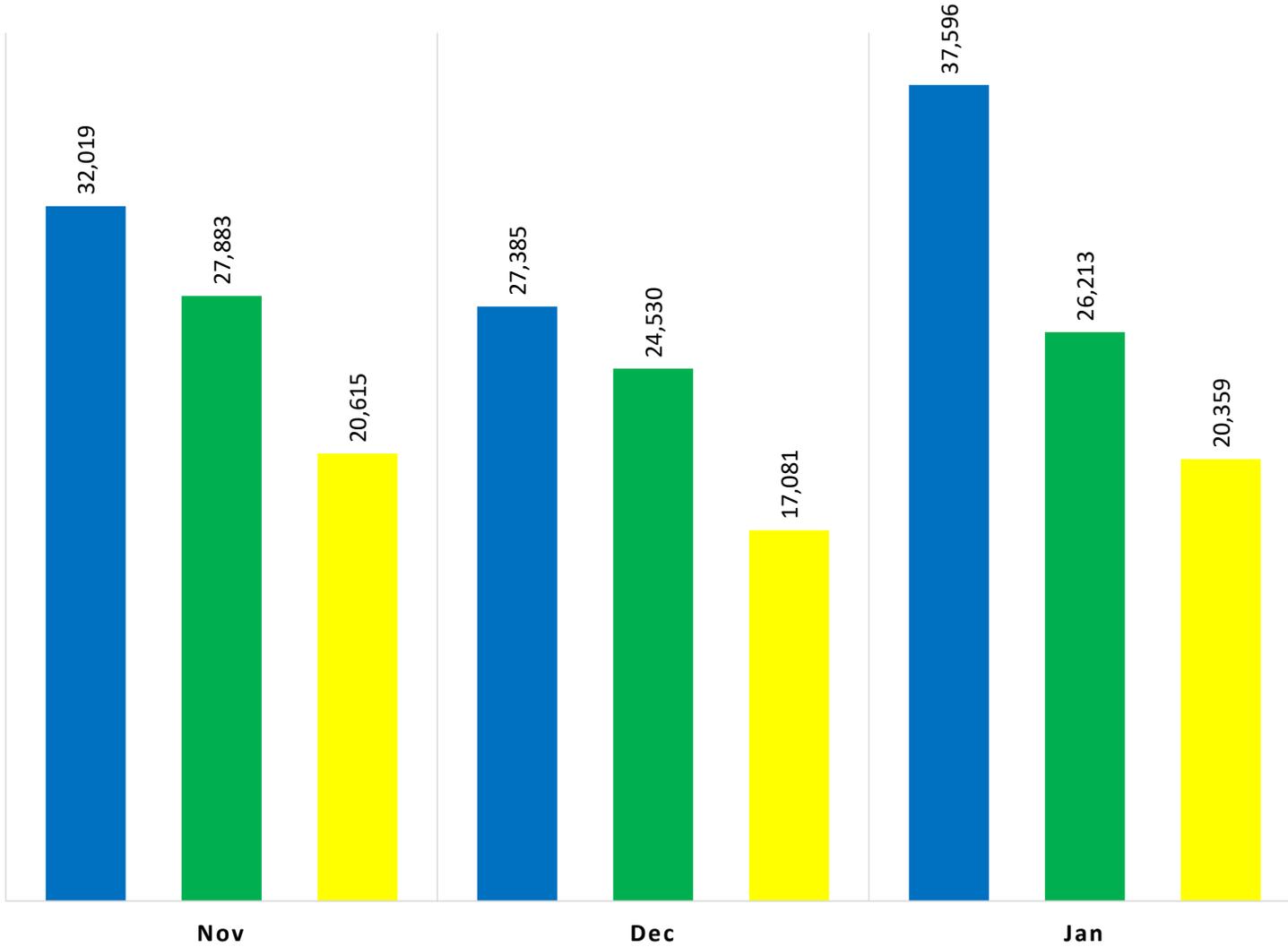
### Year to Date No. of Taxi Trips



Measures the total number taxi trips taken year to date for FY 2017, 2018 and 2019

### Number of Taxi Trips - January 2019

■ 2017 ■ 2018 ■ 2019



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RE: Metric (Taxi Expense vs Taxi Revenue) December 2018

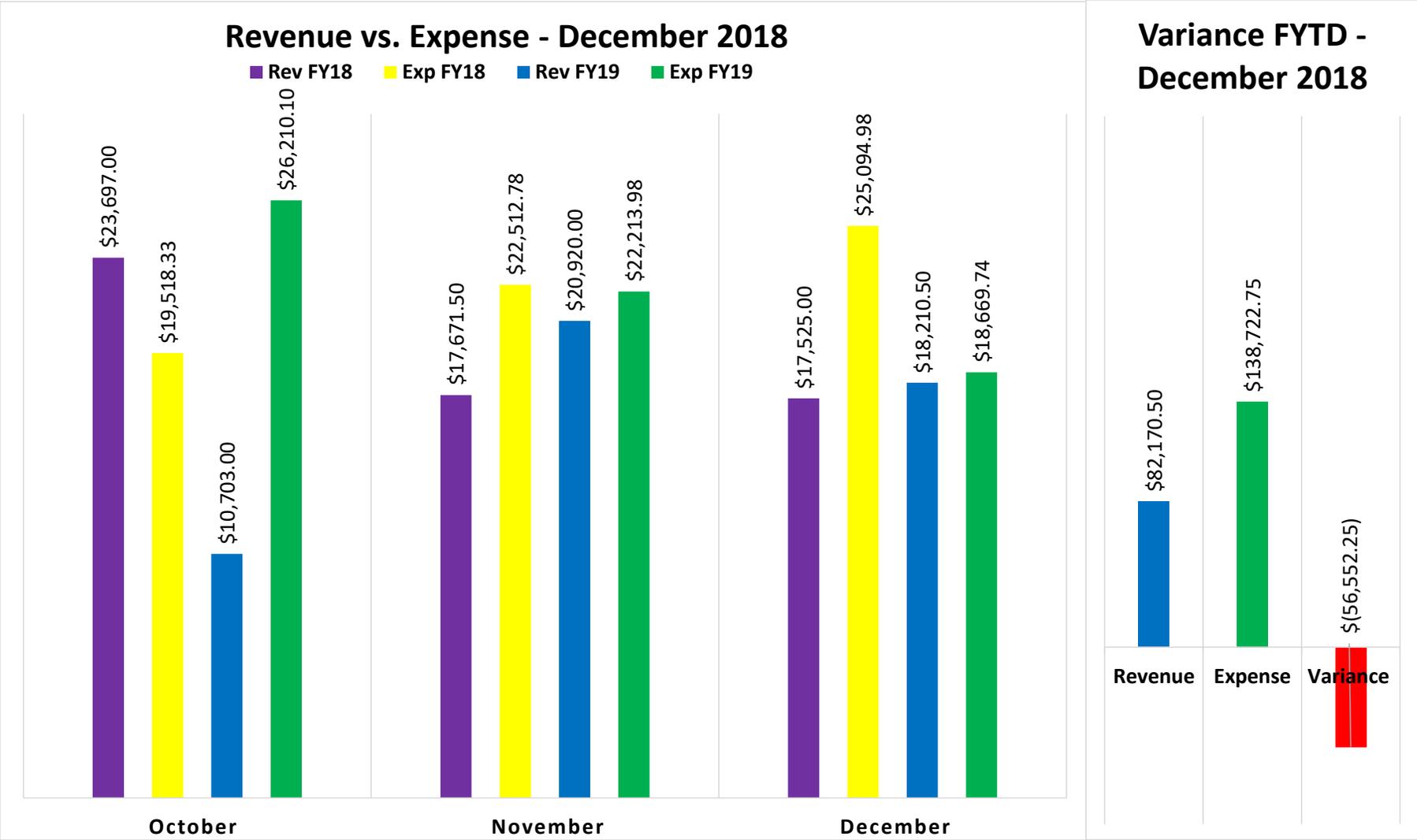
Summary:

The graph displays revenue and expenses for the current month and two previous months. Revenues are generated by surcharge fees, vehicle permit fees and driver permit fees. Expenses display the total operational costs for SunLine Services Group.

- Variance graph displays the total variance between revenue and expense occurring to date, for the current fiscal year.
- Expenses for the current fiscal year are greater than revenue by \$56,552.25.
- The suspension of American Cab's Franchise Permit is anticipated to negatively affect the FY2019 budget.
- To date, SSG has incurred \$43,117.04 in legal service fees. The increased legal service fees were anticipated due to AB1069 and implementing a new Taxi Ordinance.

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The graph measures Revenues vs Expenses for FY18 and FY19

**SunLine Services Group**

**DATE:** February 27, 2019 **INFORMATION**

**TO:** Taxi Committee

**FROM:** Vanessa Mora, Deputy Chief Safety Officer/Assistant Taxi Administrator

**RE:** SunLine Regulatory Administration (SRA) Status Update

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**Background**

At the December 5, 2018 Board meeting, staff informed the Taxi Committee that the Agency would conduct an assessment of business needs, staffing requirements and the effects of AB1069 on the taxi industry to continue to look for ways to ease the fiscal burden of SRA and the taxi businesses.

SRA has worked diligently to reduce operating costs through savings in expenditures and by reorganizing the department. SRA has eliminated the enforcement role in addition to reducing oversight hours to protect the solvency of SunLine Services Group (SSG). SRA has hired one full-time Taxi Administrator who will be directly responsible for the day to day operations of SRA. This position was created from the reduction of oversight hours of two management level positions.

As of December 2018, financials show SRA is \$18,283 under the year to date (YTD) expenses compared to the YTD budget. Staff will continue to provide updates to the Taxi Committee on the fiscal savings.

In addition, staff is currently reviewing the Taxi Regulations for compliance with the recent update of the 2018-01 Taxi Ordinance and is scheduled to come before the Committee for review at the March 27, 2019 meeting.