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MEMORANDUM

To: Council Member Mary Waters
From: John Naglick, Chief Deputy CFO/Finance Director/Controller
Tanya Stoudemire, Interim CFO/Interim Budget Director
Date: April 4, 2025
Re: **Responses to Non-Departmental/Capital Budget/Debt Service/Pensions Budget Questions**

Please find below responses to your questions sent on March 26, 2025, regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Budget for Non-Departmental/Capital Budget/Debt Service/Pensions.

1. How confident are we in the \$17 million in solid waste fund contribution being the actual total? Has this been reviewed in light of the shortfalls experienced in FY 25?

We are confident in the contribution covering the actual costs of recurring and one-time operations within FY26. Solid Waste Fund's historical performance (FY25 and further) has been considered in this contribution projection.

2. Do the marijuana taxes represent the whole of taxes estimated to be collected? If so, why are these considered Non-Departmental when we do have some of this money statutorily allocated to small business assistance in CRIO? Shouldn't it be under CRIOs budget?

Yes. Marijuana Taxes are considered as Non-Dept primarily because it is State-sourced revenue that is not dedicated to a single department. For example, the marijuana taxes help to support small business assistance in CRIO, as well as youth substance-use prevention programs in Health.