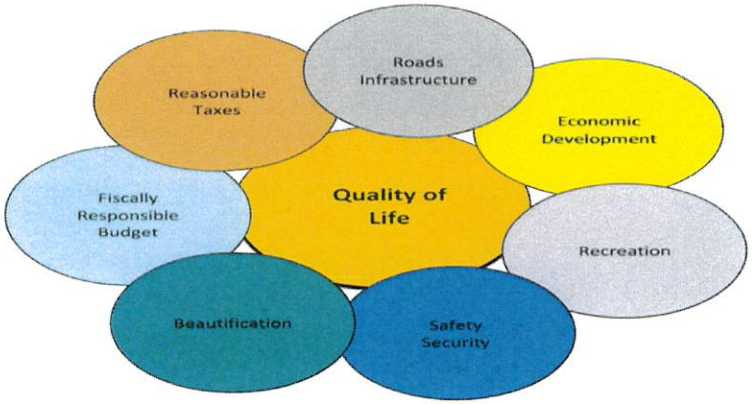
State of the City

City of Wilder, KY

2026

Every circle is vital to the residents and businesses



Notable Accomplishments

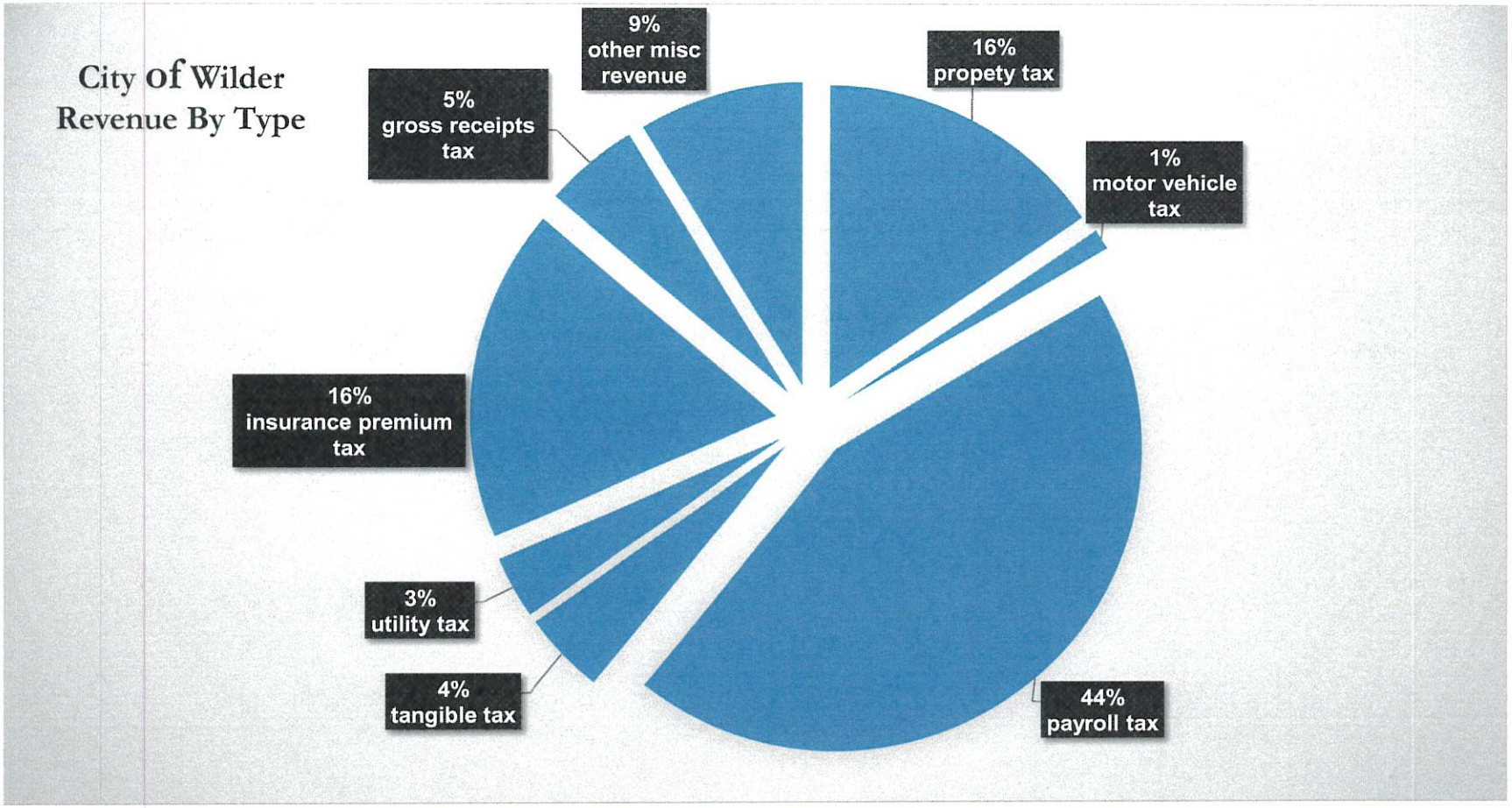
- Published 25/26 Annual Report
- Increased staff in police, fire and part time public works departments
- Improved attention to our businesses
- More recreational activities based on feedback from the community
- Pod Cast program for police and fire applications
- Secured Long Term Lease with Biggby Coffee.
- Educational and fitness Programs
- Annual Flag Raising, new businesses / new development in the Town Center area
- Party in the Park at Frederick's Landing
- Upgraded city building parking lot lighting
- Added security cameras around city properties.
- Investments in our people, training, tools and equipment
- Continued transparency with community (auditor presents at council meeting, annual report, posting agendas, improved notification of important meetings, State Of TC address)
- Coffee and Talk Continues
- Welcome to Wilder package
- Increase use of public service announcements
- First Friday – Shop Local program
- Donation Drives – Do Good Feel Good campaign
- Created a new salary strategy for 2025-2026 continued for 26/27
- Continued participation with the Historic Society for "light the lawn" Expect to add trees donated and decorated for the second year
- Refreshed Frederick's Landing and the landscape around City Hall, police and fire buildings
- Continued to offer all the traditional, community events
- Paved city building parking lot

GENERAL BUDGET
HISTORICAL VIEW - REVENUE

REVENUE			
FISCAL YEAR	**BUDGETED**	**ACTUAL**	COMMENTS
2023-2024	$5,150.295	$5,506,644	Due to jump in payroll tax and sale of assets
2024-2025	$5,462,045	$6,106,000	10.9% growth Increase in Payroll, Gross Receipts and Insurance
2025-2026	$5,952,034	$6,886,726	Exceptional growth at 12.8%
2026-2027	$6,299,029		

MAIN SOURCES OF REVENUE AS % OF TOTAL REVENUE

Top Revenue Sources
Payroll Taxes – 44%
Insurance Premiums – 16%
Property Taxes – 16%
Tangible Taxes – 4%
Gross Receipts – 5%
Utility Tax – 3%
Motor Vehicle Taxes – 1%
Other – 9%

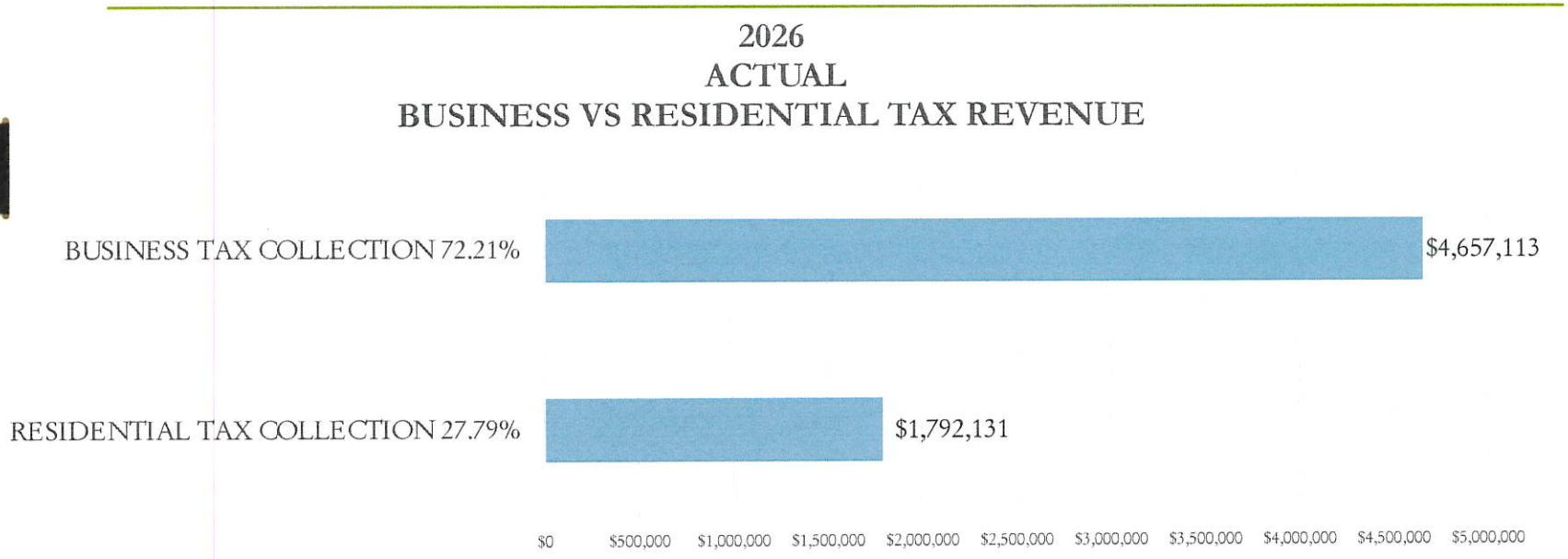

City of Wilder
Revenue By Type
9%
other misc
revenue
16%
propety tax
5%
gross receipts
tax
1%
motor vehicle
tax
16%
insurance premium
tax
3%
utility tax
4%
tangible tax
44%
payroll tax

Financial Comparison 2023-2026

REVENUE SOURCES BY TYPE					
	2023 REVENUE	2024 REVENUE	2025 REVENUE	2026 REVENUE	% Change 2025 to 2026
PAYROLL TAX	$2,143,322	$2,232,163	$2,672,572	$2,852,878	6.7 %
INSURANCE PREMIUM TAX	$894,871	$927,333	$1,005,584	$1,139,281	13%
PROPERTY TAX	$973,428	$965,928	$899,375	$997,953	11%
TANGIBLE TAX	$413,259	$420,710	$442,304	$285,963	35.3%
GROSS RECEIPTS TAX	$236,755	$190,845	$291,263	$324,891	11.5%
OTHER/MISC FEES	$413,350	$479,249	$493,811	$563,701	14%
UTILITY FRANCHISE TAX	$195,963	$193,460	$201,753	$214,478	6%
MOTOR VEHICLE TAX	$63,875	$69,030	$71,659	$70,099	2%
OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE TAX	$22,177	$27,925	$27,925	0*	0%

*Included in Gross Receipts Totals Since Campbell County

BUSINESS VERSUS RESIDENTIAL TAX REVENUE - ILLUSTRATES THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR BUSINESSES TO THE WELFARE OF WILDER AS A COMMUNITY.



Fischer IRB
Paying 100% of the PILOT payment to the city as committed.
Zero subsidy from the city.
Developing according to approved plan.

Contractor jobs

Payroll Taxes

Gross Receipts

Property Taxes

Insurance Premiums

Auto Premiums



Sunrock Fischer Development

Over 133 Condominiums Sold or under construction

Beginning Single Family Phase

222 Unit Apartment Phase Underway



What's New

High Profile
Medical Cannabis
Ribbon Cutting

Payroll Taxes, Gross Receipts, Property Taxes, Utility Tax and Insurance Premium Tax



Biggby Coffee

Renovation and Parking Improvements Underway

For Biggby Coffee,

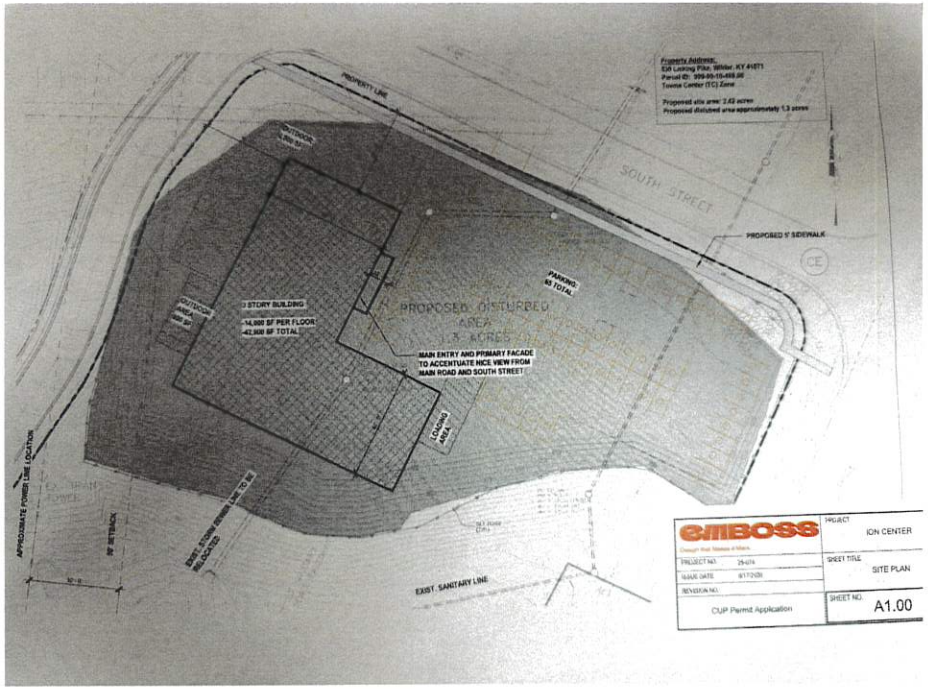
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Sale of 530 Licking Pike

ION Center

Conditional Use Permit Approved



GENERAL BUDGET: HISTORICAL VIEW – EXPENSES

EXPENSES			
FISCAL YEAR	**BUDGETED**	**ACTUAL**	**COMMENTS**
2023-2024	$5,150,295.00	$4,657,092.00	Solid Fiscal Management
2024-2025	$5,462,045.00	$5,096,000.00	Solid Fiscal Management
2025-2026	$5,952,034.00	$5,687,105.00	Solid Fiscal Management
2026-2027	$6,299,029.00		

2022-2026 GENERAL FUND BUDGET REVENUE/EXPENDITURES AND CARRYOVER

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		CARRYOVER TO CAPITAL
FISCAL YEAR	BUDGETED	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL	
2022-2023	$4,976,791	$5,357,000	$4,976,791	$4,848,523	$508,477
2023-2024	$5,150,295	$5,506,644	$5,150,295	$4,657,092	$849,552
2024-2025	$5,462,045	$6,106,000	$5,462,045	$5,096,000	$1,010,000
2025-2026	$5,952,034	$6,449,244	$5,952,034	$5,385,820	$1,063,424

Bentwood Hills Culvert Failure.

Before



After



POLICE DEPARTMENT

ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Over 3,800 runs with 138 arrests**
- **100% score on Kentucky League of Cities Audit**
- **New equipment, AED's for cruisers**
- **Completed 4th year Accreditation**

GOALS

- **Maintain a safe & secure community**
- **Retain & increase staff for future needs**
- **Increase community engagements**

FIRE DEPARTMENT

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Over 1,230 incidents, structural fires, EMS calls, motor vehicle collisions and marine rescues**
- **Added paramedic only position**
- **Lowered ISO rating from high 3 to low 2**

GOALS

- **Maintain/increase shift staffing to meet growing need of community**
- **Begin process of replacing Engine 1403 (2-3 year delivery time).**
- **Maintain or improve on ISO rating**

ADMINISTRATION

ACHIEVEMENTS

- New Computer Server to consolidate Admin, Police, Fire
- Continue cybersecurity training
- Donation Drive
- Wellness Program for employees

GOALS

- Plan for new shelter at Fredericks Landing
- Purchase Property Tax Software
- Research/Plan Trail Extension

PUBLIC WORKS

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Switched out parking lot lights replaced outlets for tree lighting.
- New Dump truck/Plow 12/2026
- Upgraded Chemical Delivery System for Splash Pad
- New Gator/Plow

GOALS

- Work on training and career development with public works staff
- Adding additional full-time staff

Public Works New Gator/Plow



Multi purpose utility vehicle purchased from sale of tractor/mower that was declared surplus. Equipped with snow plow for larger sidewalk areas.

What's to Come

- Additional road and sidewalk repairs planned for 26/27 budget.
- Continued development of city properties maintain an inviting Town Center.
- Continued efforts to attract more businesses and support the growth and expansion of others
- City buildings and city park improvements.
- Continue to monitor Johns Hill/AA Highway Connector Road and plan for annexations.
- Continuation of the community events.
- Continue to be supportive of requests like the one from Heritage Bank wanting a tour of the police and fire departments for students from Crossroads.
- Investment in technology for police and fire which will greatly increase productivity, closure rates for families and victims. Installing cameras and other security measures throughout the city. Expanded trail along the Licking River