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Williamsburg Tourism Council Tuesday, August 20, 2019

#### Roll Call

#### Voting

**Busch Gardens** 

Colonial Ntl Hist. Park (NPS)

Colonial Williamsburg

Hotel/Motel Association

Restaurant Association

Yorktown/Jamestown Found.

City of Williamsburg

James City County

York County

Ex Officio

**GWCTA** 

Virginia Tourism Council

Julie O'Neil

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## Public Comment

Limit to 3 Minutes

State Name and Address

No Q & A



### Approve Minutes

June 18, 2019



#### Revenue/Expenses

		Year to Date		2010
	_	7/31/2019	_	2019
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Projected
REVENUE				
SB942	\$6,291,701	\$3,947,758	\$2,343,943	\$10,303,712
\$1	\$707,399	\$639,650	\$67,749	\$1,474,661
Maint of Effort	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$837,889
Other	\$78,597	\$4,000	\$74,597	\$78,597
Total Revenue	\$7,077,697	\$4,591,408	\$2,486,289	\$12,694,859
EXPENSES				
Dest Marketing	\$4,864,953	\$5,554,635	\$(689,682)	\$8,592,330
Other Sales & Marketing	\$183,262	\$334,230	\$(150,968)	\$353,079
Labor & Benefits	\$504,200	\$872,610	\$(368,410)	\$1,028,572
Shared Admin	\$127,052	\$179,911	\$(52 <i>,</i> 859)	\$154,248
Total Expenses	\$5,679,467	\$6,941,386	\$(1,261,919)	\$10,128,229
2019 Rev over Expenditures by Month	\$1,398,230	\$(2,349,978)	\$3,748,208	\$2,566,629



#### Cash on Hand

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		May-19			Jun-19			Jul-19	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance
State Disbursement	\$957,848	\$678,132	\$279,716	\$1,136,470	\$661,535	\$474,935	\$1,078,561	\$769,287	\$309,274
Maint of Effort	\$0	\$-	\$0	\$0	\$-	\$0	\$0	\$-	\$0
Bank Account Balances: operations									
BB&T Reserve Checking	\$250,306	\$250,000	\$306	\$250,296	\$250,000	\$296	\$250,306	\$250,000	\$306
BB&T ICS Investment Fund	\$501,866	\$503,756	\$(1,890)	\$502,585	\$505,013	\$(2,428)	\$503,308	\$506,271	\$(2,963)
Ches Bank Money Market	\$2,014,956	\$2,011,873	\$3,083	\$2,018,048	\$2,014,388	\$3,660	\$2,021,476	\$2,016,906	\$4,570
Ches Bank Checking	\$3,732,770	\$1,940,483	\$1,792,287	\$3,028,129	\$2,196,294	\$831,835	\$3,301,983	\$2,446,142	\$855,841
Total Cash on Hand	\$6,499,898	\$4,706,112	\$1,793,786	\$5,799,058	\$4,965,694	\$833,364	\$6,077,073	\$5,219,318	\$857,755
Interest Earned:									
State Interest Paid	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
BB&T Reserve Checking	\$306	\$333	(\$27)	\$296	\$333	(\$37)	\$306	\$333	(\$27)
BB&T ICS Investment Fund	\$426	\$420	\$6	\$413	\$421	(\$8)	\$427	\$422	\$5
Ches Bank Money Market	\$3,636	\$2,509	\$1,127	\$3,091	\$2,513	\$578	\$3,428	\$2,516	\$912
Ches Bank Checking	\$1,568	\$970	\$598	\$1,065	\$1,098	-\$33	\$1,267	\$1,223	\$44
Total Interest Earned	\$5,936	\$4,233	\$1,703	\$4,865	\$4,365	\$500	\$5,428	\$4,494	\$934

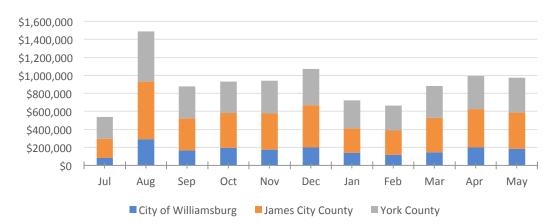
#### **Transient Tax**



Transient Tax \$1 of the \$2													
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	TOTAL
City of Williamsburg	\$59,869	\$58,788	\$42,833	\$46,433	\$47,696	\$44,949	\$18,491	\$27,995	\$39,266	\$53,399	\$27,307	\$71,566.00	\$467,026
James City County	\$39,712	\$23,755	\$44,779	\$26,086	\$38,131	\$28,791	\$13,520	\$13,253	\$27,723	\$38,816	\$38,317	\$45,656.00	\$332,883
York County	\$66,598	\$66,182	\$42,174	\$53,499	\$42,557	\$46,921	\$28,963	\$28,947	\$46,755	\$57,127	\$55,005	\$62,707.00	\$534,728
Total	\$166,179	\$148,725	\$129,786	\$126,018	\$128,384	\$120,661	\$60,974	\$70,195	\$113,744	\$149,342	\$120,629	\$179,929.00	\$1,334,637

#### SB 942





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City of Williamsburg	\$83,427	\$291,808	\$166,484	\$193,208	\$174,634	\$199,174	\$138,630	\$116,084	\$145,405	\$197,571	\$185,578	\$1,892,003
James City County	\$212,948	\$636,898	\$356,619	\$390,212	\$400,715	\$470,804	\$275,144	\$270,843	\$383,647	\$429,350	\$403,258	\$4,230,438
York County	\$241,914	\$558,126	\$355,033	\$348,248	\$363,300	\$402,173	\$309,296	\$278,496	\$353,895	\$366,127	\$386,567	\$3,963,175
Unallocated						\$279	\$367	\$203	\$306			\$1,155
Total	\$538,289	\$1,486,832	\$878,136	\$931,668	\$938,649	\$1,072,430	\$723,437	\$665,626	\$883,253	\$993,048	\$975,403	\$10,086,771

#### Director's Report

Late Summer/Fall Campaign
June/July Highlights
Procurement
Hiring
Video/Photo Shoot
Pure Silk Championship
Cal Ripken World Series



#### Late Summer/Early Fall Campaign

#### Scenario:

The Smith Travel Research (STR) June report showed that "Rooms Sold" was down 2.4% and Revenue was down 2.2%. Directed a late-summer advertising campaign to push overnight visitation (as mandated by SB 942).

#### Direction:

- Target drive market, as transactions will be last minute travel decisions
- Demo to include young families, families with older children, young couples, and active adults
- Digital media plan, with a focus on online travel partners
- Call to action must motivate transactions/bookings
- Paid media effort to be supported via pr and social

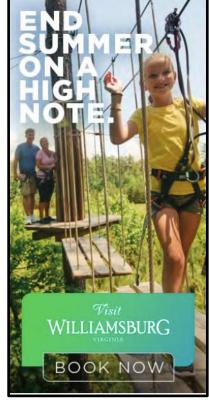


#### Creative











#### Media Placement

Spend: \$350K

Timeline: August 1 -> September 15

#### Media partners:

- TripAdvisor
- Adara Media
- Vista Graphics (consumer emails)

### Initial Data Points

- Trip Advisor is a top performer out of all late-summer media placements delivering over 10,000 site sessions and very engaged visitors who are viewing 2 pages on average
- Retargeting previous site visitors; producing site visitors who view multiple pages per session (3 pages)



#### June/July Highlights

- Memberships
  - U.S. Travel Association
  - Capital Region U.S.A.
- Simpleview (CRM)
- Southern Living Press Event
- Student Youth Travel Association (August 9-13; Birmingham)
- Prep for Connect Sports and Connect Corporate (August 26-28; Louisville)
- Scares That Care Event Prep (September 13) 5K Fundraiser
  - Generating more than 1,100 room nights; org has rebooked for next year
- Virginia Society of Association Executives Annual Expo (May 5-7) Planning Committee: Sip Williamsburg Theme



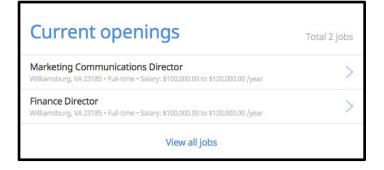
#### June/July Highlights

- FAMs
  - TravelingMom.com (7/1-3)
  - The Irish Daily Star (7/3-7)
  - Southern Living Magazine (7/8-12)
  - Erin Gifford, Kidventurous (7/12)
  - Bodaciously Awesome Family (7/20-27)
  - Kinder Magazine Germany (7/28-29)
  - The Scottish Sun (7/27-29)
- Broadcast Coverage
  - CBS Richmond (WTVR) Virginia This Morning
    - World Chocolate Day Chef Travis Brust (Live) and Chef Matthias Maihoefer (Taped) 7/2
    - Summer Entertaining Steve Sowell 7/16 (Live and Taped)
    - Summer Dishes Scott Hoyland 7/17 (Live and Taped)



#### Hiring







#### Procurement

#### Agency of Record Research

Request for Proposals Issued
Deadline for Questions
Responses to Questions
Written Proposal Deadline
Invitations to Present
Oral Presentations
Award Announcement
Contractual Process

Thursday, August 22, 2019
Friday, August 30, 2019
Tuesday, September 3, 2019
Wednesday September 18, 2019
Wednesday September 25, 2019
Thursday, October 3, 2019
Tuesday October 8, 2019
October 2019



#### Video/ Photo Shoot

- Food and Beverage
  - Taste Studio
  - Blue Talon
  - Culture Café
  - Copper Fox Distillery
  - Billsburg Brewery
  - Precarious
- Sports/Outdoor Recreation
  - Golf
  - Fishing
  - Hiking
  - Mountain Biking
  - Horseback Riding
  - Kayaking/Canoeing
  - Beach
- Shopping
  - Yorktown Farmer's Market
  - Merchants Square













#### Pure Silk Championship







Flag

Presentation Backdrop

Leaderboard







Presentation Backdrop

Bib/Competitor Number - Caddie

**Grandstand - Front** 



### Pure Silk Championship

ITEM	KEY DETAILS	ESTIMATED VALUE
Television	<ul> <li>Golf Channel units</li> <li>Tournament promotional spots</li> <li>In Telecast exposures of leaderboard graphics, audio mentions, signage, etc.</li> </ul>	\$2,783,439
Press / Media Coverage	<ul> <li>Local and national media coverage (print, TV, online)</li> <li>Media coverage</li> </ul>	\$4,595,426
Digital (Web, Mobile, Social)	<ul><li>LPGA.com, mobile sites</li><li>Social Media (Twitter, Facebook)</li></ul>	\$559,339
	ESTIMATED VALUE	\$7,938,204





### Chair Report

Welcome New Council Members
Open Seats – Transition
AG Opinion



### Old Business



New Business



### Adjourn

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**Next Meeting Date** 

September 17, 2019

