

Discussion: Approve the Scope of Work to issue an RFP for Internal Auditing Services

Brief History of the City Auditor Position



The City Auditor's Duties



Audit

- Review financial audits
- Risk assessment
- Internal controls
- Organizational efficiency reviews
- Other specialized studies/projects as assigned



Investigate

- Fraud, waste, and abuse
- Council-directed reviews
- Maintain the Ethics Hotline



Access

Authority to examine City records, policies, financial statements, and audits



Report

Monthly reports to Audit Committee & Quarterly reports and recommendations to Council

Process to Identify & Select New City Auditor

- Present scope of work to Council Audit Committee
- 2 Release RFP staff administers the process (creating the RFP, advertising, evaluation)
- 3 Council Audit Committee reviews the proposals and receives a recommendation from staff
- 4 Council Audit Committee presents their final recommendation to Council for approval

Scope of Work

1 Annual Audit Planning

Develop and present an annual internal audit plan for approval by the Council Audit Committee and City Council, based on risk assessment, emerging issues, and Council Priorities

Performance Audits

Reviews performance of City programs, departments, or functions to evaluate efficiency, effectiveness, and compliance with Council-adopted policies Financial & Compliance Audits

Review transactions, reporting, and compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and City policies as directed

4 Ethics Hotline & Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Claims

Administer and monitor the City's hotline, investigate complaints, and report findings to the Council Audit Committee

Scope of Work (Cont.)

5 Internal Control Reviews

Assess internal controls across City operations and recommend policy improvements to safeguard assets, reduce risk, and strengthen accountability

6 Monthly & Quarterly Reporting

Provide regular updates and written reports to the Council Audit Committee (Monthly) and City Council (Quarterly) summarizing audit activities, findings, and recommendations 7 Special Projects

Conduct special audits or investigations as may be directed by the City Council or Council Audit Committee in coordination with City staff

8 Consultation

Provide advice on audit-related matters, emerging risks, and best practices in municipal auditing, as requested

Recommendation

