Office of the City Auditor City of San Diego

Activities and Accomplishments of The Office of the City Auditor July 2008 through December 2009

Audit Committee Meeting, April 12, 2010



Office of the City Auditor Mission

To advance open and accountable government through accurate, independent, and objective audits and investigations that seek to improve the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness of City government

Provide essential information to the Audit Committee and City Council to assist them in their oversight and decision-making process

Core Activities

- Performance audits of City operations
- Annual risk assessment and work plan
- Recommendation follow-up
- Investigate material claims of fraud, waste or abuse
- Manage outside audit contract

40 Audit Reports

- 23 Performance Audits
- 5 Agreed-Up Procedure Reviews
- 8 Fraud Hotline Investigative Reports
- 4 Outside Audit Contracts

Benefits to the City

- Made 274 recommendations to improve economy, efficiency, and effectiveness
- Identified \$7.4 million in potential savings and revenue enhancements
- \$3 potential savings to \$1 cost
- 38% less than cost of external auditors

City Auditor Staffing

- 2 Audit Managers
- 13 Auditors
- 1 Fraud Investigator
- 1 Support Staff

11 graduate degrees and 19 certifications

Other Noteworthy Activities

- 2009 ALGA Website Award Honorable Mention
- ALGA Annual Conference and International Law Enforcement Auditors Association training conference in 2009
- U.S. Comptroller General's Domestic Working Group
- Article "Ethics and the Agency Auditing Function" (Western City)
- Peer Review Participation City of Denver Audit Department