DATE: May 27, 2016

TO: Eduardo Luna, City Auditor

FROM: Councilmember Chris Cate

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2017 Citywide Risk Assessment and Audit Work Plan

It is my pleasure to offer recommendations for inclusion in the annual risk assessment and audit plan:

Review of Quality Assurance Operations for Street Repair
As the City works to meet the Mayor’s goal of repairing 1,000 miles of streets in five years, it is critical that the work performed by Streets Division and private contractors meets City standards. The Audit Committee should review current City engineering standards, City inspectors operations, sign-off procedures, and quality assurance measures to ensure taxpayer dollars are maximized.

Citywide Review of Development Impact Fees (DIF) and Facilities Benefit Assessment (FBA) Funds
As the City continues to make strides to address its many infrastructure needs, it is vital that DIF and FBA funds citywide are reviewed to ensure dollars are maximized for the benefit of impacted communities. Given that the vast majority of DIF and FBA funds were created many years ago, the Audit Committee should conduct a review of the ordinances that govern how these funds may be spent. An audit should demonstrate potential discrepancies between the original language of the funds and current community needs, and present recommendations to bring these ordinances up-to-date.

cc: Councilmember Scott Sherman