

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

DATE: May 14, 2010

TO: Honorable Members of the Audit Committee

FROM: Eduardo Luna, City Auditor

SUBJECT: City Auditor Activity Report – April 2010

This report provides information on the activities and accomplishments of the Office of the City Auditor for the month of April 2010. It includes the audit reports issued and other accomplishments during this period, the status of current audit projects and activities, and a summary of planned audits that we have not yet started.

Audit Reports and Accomplishments:

- April 1, 2010 To assist the City Council in their review of the updated San Diego Data Processing Corporation's Master Service Agreement (MSA), we conducted a follow-up review to determine if our prior recommendations had been implemented and incorporated as appropriate into the updated MSA. This follow-up memo can be found on our website at:

 http://www.sandiego.gov/auditor/reports/memo_pdf/sddpc_follow-up_memo.pdf
- April 7, 2010 At the request of the Audit Committee, we issued a memo discussing an option for an audit firm to review the goals of the Bid to Goal program to help ensure the goals are reasonable and challenging. This memo can be found on our website at:
 http://www.sandiego.gov/auditor/reports/memo_pdf/oca_b2g_memo.pdf
- April 7, 2010 Issued the City Auditor's Quarterly Fraud Hotline Report for the Third Quarter of Fiscal Year 2010. The report can be found on our website at: http://www.sandiego.gov/auditor/reports/hotline_pdf/hotline_q3_fy10_update.pdf
- April 9, 2010 Issued a supplemental report to the Quarterly Fraud Hotline Report for the Third Quarter of Fiscal Year 2010 regarding complaints that were referred to City Departments for investigation that were determined to be substantiated or corrective actions were taken. The report can be found on our website at:

http://www.sandiego.gov/auditor/reports/hotline_pdf/hotline_q3_fy10_update_suplmt.pdf



Audit Reports and Accomplishments (Continued):

- April 12, 2010 Presented to the Audit Committee the City Auditor's Accomplishments Report. The presentation can be found on our website at: http://www.sandiego.gov/auditor/reports/memo_pdf/4-12-10_accomp_pres.pdf
- April 12, 2010 Presented to the Audit Committee a Fraud Hotline Update for the period January to March 2010. The presentation can be found on our website at: http://www.sandiego.gov/auditor/reports/memo_pdf/hotline_presentation_qtr3_fy10.pdf
- April 12, 2010 Presented to the Audit Committee an option for an audit firm to review the goals of the Bid to Goal program. The presentation can be found on our website at: http://www.sandiego.gov/auditor/reports/memo_pdf/4-12-10_OCA_b2g_gainsharing_pres.pdf
- April 29, 2010 Issued the City Auditor's Office first Recommendation Follow-Up Report which provides the status of open recommendations as of March 12, 2010. Of the 361 outstanding recommendations, 89 recommendations were implemented. We will continue reporting on open recommendations semiannually for periods ending June 30th and December 31st. The report can be found on our website at: http://www.sandiego.gov/auditor/reports/pdf/recommendations.pdf
- April 30, 2010 Issued our Performance Audit of the Subcontractor Outreach Program. We found that program management and reporting could be enhanced. We made 13 recommendations to improve the program. The audit report can be found on our website at: http://www.sandiego.gov/auditor/reports/audit_pdf/10-019.pdf

Current Audits and Activities:

Audit Activity	Status	Target Completion Date	Audit Hours Used	Budgeted Hours
Audit of Development Services' Process for the Collection of Public Utilities Fees	The objective of this audit is to determine if Development Services has adequate procedures in place to ensure the proper collection of Public Utilities fees. A draft report was provided to management for review on March 18 and the exit conference was held on April 9. As a result of documentation provided at the exit meeting, additional fieldwork was required.	May 2010	1,114	880
Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System Implementation Review	The objectives of this audit are: (a) determine if the City's key financial activities were adequately reviewed and documented prior to the new system implementation to ensure key financial processes are properly addressed by the new system (b) determine if the system was adequately tested prior to implementation and (c) review high risk interfaced and impacted systems post SAP go-live. Audit fieldwork is in progress. One report has already been issued during this audit.	June 2010	2,687	3,207

Current Audits and Activities (Continued):

Audit Activity	Status	Target Completion Date	Audit Hours Used	Budgeted Hours
General Services - Streets Division Roadways Audit (Part I & II)	The objective of this audit is to determine if City streets are being efficiently and effectively maintained by the City. Audit fieldwork is in progress. We issued a report on Part I, and we plan to issue one additional report. We combined work scheduled for a third report into the CIP audit to eliminate duplication of effort. Our preliminary testing uncovered risks which required additional audit testing. As a result, this audit will exceed the budgeted hours allocated to this project.	Part II June 2010	2,317	1,374
Close-out Audits	Close-out audits are required by City Charter, Article VII, Section 111 when a City Official leaves office. The primary audit objectives are to verify that there are no outstanding debts owed by the City Official to the City, and to ensure that access to critical information and processes has been revoked. We are currently conducting close-out audits for Nader Tirandazi, former Financial Management Director, and Jim Barrett, former Public Utilities Director. We have used 21 hours on these audits, and 117 hours on three previous close-out audits, for a total of 138 hours used this fiscal year.	June 2010	138	240

Current Audits and Activities (Continued):

Audit Activity	Status	Target Completion Date	Audit Hours Used	Budgeted Hours
City Treasurer - Delinquent Account Collections Audit	The objective of this audit is to determine if overdue accounts due to the City are being properly noticed, collected, accounted for, and accurately reported in the City's financial statements. We issued a report on December 2, 2009 regarding Development Services Department's lack of referrals to City Treasurer for collection efforts. Audit fieldwork for a second and final report is in progress.	June 2010	621	621
Fire Rescue – Fire Prevention Audit	The objective of this audit is to assess the efficiency and effectiveness of the City's fire prevention program. Audit fieldwork is in progress.	June 2010	562	920
Risk Management – Public Liability and Loss Recovery Audit	The objective of this audit is to determine if public liability and loss recovery is being properly handled, accounted for and accurately reported. Audit fieldwork is in progress.	June 2010	841	880
Engineering and Capital Projects – CIP Audit	The objective of this audit is to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of Engineering and Capital Projects' administration of CIP projects. Audit fieldwork is in progress.	Part I June 2010	994	1,880

Current Audits and Activities (Continued):

Audit Activity	Status	Target Completion Date	Audit Hours Used	Budgeted Hours
Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline	We review and administer the City's Hotline calls that are received. Investigations are performed by the Office of the City Auditor for accusations of material fraud, waste or abuse, and we issue Hotline reports on fraud related allegations that are substantiated. During the month of April, there were 11 new Hotline calls received.	On-going	1,107 (Fiscal Year 2010 Hours)	1,660 (Fiscal Year 2010 Hours)
Follow-up on Audit Report Recommendations	We have created a database to track all of our audit recommendations made since FY08. We provided our database to City Comptroller staff for follow-up. Comptroller staff contacts those responsible for implementing our recommendations and provides status data to the City Auditor on all recommendations. We then verify if recommendations have actually been implemented. Our next semi-annual follow-up report will be issued in August 2010.	On-going	464	600

Planned FY10 Audits Not Yet Started:

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Planned Audit	Audit Hours
City Treasurer – Parking Administration Audit	640
Police Department – Fiscal Services (Animal Services Contract) Audit	600
City Comptroller / Personnel Department – Payroll Audit	1,280
Risk Management – Workers' Compensation Audit	1,200
Annual Central Stores Inventory Audit FY10	45

Respectfully Submitted,

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