

#### THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

DATE: November 8, 2018

TO: Honorable Members of the Audit Committee

FROM: Kyle Elser, Interim City Auditor

SUBJECT: City Auditor Activity Report – October 2018

This report provides information on the Office of the City Auditor's activities as of October 31, 2018. This includes any audit reports issued during the month of October, the status of current audit projects, and a list of planned audits that have not yet started.

The "Target Completion Date" provided for each audit project indicates our estimate of when the audit report will be issued. However, future circumstances may delay report issuance, such as delays in receiving data for review, numerous and extensive findings that require further evaluation, and additional discussions with management to prove and demonstrate that our audit findings are valid and recommendations for improvement are necessary.

#### Reports Issued October 2018:

October 10, 2018 – Issued our City Auditors Quarterly Fraud Hotline Report – Q1 Fiscal Year 2019. The report can be found on our website at:

https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/quarterly hotline report fy19 gtr1.pdf



### Audits in Progress – Report Writing Stage

Audit	Audit Objective	Target Completion Date	Audit Hours Used	Budgeted Hours <sup>1</sup>
IT Audit of the Accela Software Implementation	This is a cursory audit of the Accela software implementation. The objective of this audit is to help ensure Accela is configured to mitigate the risks identified in prior audit recommendations and proper system implementation procedures are followed.	November 2018	610	504
Community Planning Group Audit	The objectives for this audit are to determine if Community Planning Groups have an effective control environment, are they in compliance with key elements of Council Policy 600-24 and Administrative Guidelines, and if they are a contributing factor to permit approval delays.	November 2018	1,775	1,498
Department of Finance - External Financial Reporting	The objective for this audit is to assess the City's compliance regarding the State of California's compensation reporting requirements. An additional objective - assessing how the City uses compensation data internally - will potentially be issued as a separate report.	November 2018	339	800

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For audits carried over from Fiscal Year (FY) 2018, "Budgeted Hours" reflects the actual hours used in FY 2018 plus the Budgeted hours for FY 2019.

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Audit	Audit Objective	Target Completion Date	Audit Hours Used	Budgeted Hours <sup>1</sup>
Transportation Storm Water – Transportation Engineering Ops Division and Streets Division – Curb Painting Process/Program	The objective for this audit is to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of the City's Curb Painting process/program.	December 2018	681	790
Security Audit of Cityhub and Supporting Infrastructure	The objective is to determine whether Cityhub data is adequately secured through the application and supporting infrastructure as a data repository for department sensitive information.	December 2018	666	582

# Audits in Progress – Fieldwork Stage

Audit	Audit Objective	Target Completion Date	Audit Hours Used	Budgeted Hours <sup>1</sup>
Parks and Recreation - Joint Use Agreements	The objective for this audit is to determine if the Joint Use Agreements are reasonable and effective.	January 2019	397	800

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# Audits in Progress – Planning Stage

Audit	Audit Objective	Target Completion Date	Audit Hours Used	Budgeted Hours <sup>1</sup>
Transportation Storm Water - Tree Trimming Process	The tentative objective for this audit is to determine the efficiency and effectiveness of the tree trimming / removal process.	TBD	323	1,000
Public Utilities - Water Operations - Construction & Maintenance – AMI Implementation Project	The tentative objective for this audit is to determine the efficiency and effectiveness of the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Implementation Project.	TBD	190	2,000
Neighborhood Services - Homelessness	The tentative objective for this audit is to determine if actions taken by the City are effective in reducing homelessness in a cost-efficient manner.	TBD	351	2,000
Public Utilities - Customer Support Service Division	The tentative objective for this audit is to determine the efficiency and effectiveness of the Customer Support Division call center – call wait times and customer service.	TBD	367	1,200

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# Other Audit Activity

Audit	Audit Objective	Target Completion Date	Audit Hours Used	Budgeted Hours
Follow-up on Audit Report Recommendations	We report the implementation status on a semi-annual follow-up report, and we periodically issue other recommendation follow-up reports. Our most recent report was issued on March 29, 2018. Our next Follow-up report will be issued in November 2018.	On-going	303	800
Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline	City Auditor investigative staff reviews Fraud Hotline calls received and performs investigations for allegations of material fraud, waste or abuse. Reports are issued for substantiated fraud-related allegations, and we issue a Quarterly Fraud Hotline Report with the status of activities.	On-going	809	3,100

#### FY 2019 Planned Audits Not Yet Started

Planned Audits	Estimated Audit Hours
IT Audit of Citywide Sensitive Data Encryption Standards and Data Classification	640
IT Audit of Disaster Recovery Preparedness	800
IT Audit of Network Perimeter Controls	820
Public Works - Engineering & Capital Projects - Department Charges	1,800
Development Services – Charges for Deposit Accounts	2,000
Risk Management / City Attorney - Liability Payouts	2,200
Strategic Human Capital Management	2,200
Annual Mission Bay Fund Audit FY 18	420
Annual Central Stores Inventory Audit FY 19	20

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Honorable Mayor Kevin Faulconer

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