

# **Board Report**

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FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MAY 16, 2018

SUBJECT: MANAGEMENT AUDIT SERVICES FY 2018 THIRD

**QUARTER REPORT** 

**ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE** 

### RECOMMENDATION

RECEIVE AND FILE the third quarter report of Management Audit Services (Management Audit) for the period ending March 31, 2018.

## <u>ISSUE</u>

At its January 2005 meeting, the Board designated the Executive Management and Audit Committee (EMAC) as their audit committee. The EMAC requested a quarterly report from Management Audit on its audit activities. In July 2011, the audit responsibilities were transferred to the Finance, Budget and Audit Committee. This report fulfills the requirement for the third quarter of FY 2018.

#### DISCUSSION

Management Audit provides audit support to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and his executive management team. The audits we perform are categorized as either internal or external. Internal audits evaluate the processes and controls within the agency. External audits analyze contractors, cities or non-profit organizations that we conduct business with or receive Metro funds.

There are four groups in Management Audit: Performance Audit, Contract Pre-Award Audit, Incurred Cost Audit and Audit Support and Research Services. Performance Audit is primarily responsible for all audits for Operations, Finance and Administration, Planning and Development, Program Management, Information Technology, Communications, Risk, Safety and Asset Management and Executive Office. Contract Pre-Award and Incurred Cost Audit are responsible for external audits in Planning and Development, Program Management and Vendor/Contract Management. All of these units provide assurance to the public that internal processes are efficiently, economically, effectively, ethically, and equitably performed by conducting audits of program effectiveness and results, economy and efficiency, internal controls, and compliance. Audit Support and Research Services is responsible for administration, financial management, budget coordination, and audit follow-up and resolution tracking.

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The summary of Management Audit activity for the quarter ending March 31, 2018 is as follows:

Internal Audits: Two internal audits were issued and 14 were in process.

External Audits: One contract pre-award audit with a total value of \$17.5 million was completed and 5 incurred cost audits with a total value of \$19 million were completed. 54 incurred cost audits were in process.

Other Audits: 126 Consolidated Audits were issued by external auditors.

Audit Follow-up and Resolution: 14 recommendations were closed during the third quarter. At the end of the quarter, there were 28 open audit recommendations. In addition, two recommendations for the OIG were closed. Details of all open, extended, and closed recommendations can be found in the Third Quarter Board Box titled "Status of Audit Recommendations".

Management Audit's FY 2018 third quarter report is included as Attachment A.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Management Audit will provide the FY 2018 Fourth Quarter report of audit activity to the Board at the September 2018 Finance, Budget and Audit Committee meeting.

# **ATTACHMENT**

Attachment A - Management Audit Services Quarter Report

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