
Subject: Status of Audit Report Recommendations

Report to: Audit Committee

Report date: Monday, September 21, 2020

Recommendations

1. That report AC-C 5-2020 regarding the current status of audit recommendations **BE RECEIVED.**

Key Facts

- The purpose of this report is to provide Audit Committee with a status update on management responses to audit recommendations since 2015 that are not fully implemented.
- This report will cover all audits completed and issued up to the previous Audit Committee meeting, January 20, 2020 and Corporate Services Committee meeting, June 17, 2020.
- Management Action Plan (MAP) status updates are considered a best practice by the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) to ensure Audit Committee is aware of any outstanding risk areas within the corporation.
- A total of 18 outstanding high and medium risk audit recommendations and related management responses are detailed in this audit report.
- Since the last MAP report, Internal Audit has completed and submitted to Audit Committee and Corporate Services Committee four additional reports – Procurement Audit, Non-competitive Procurement Audit, Sick Day Benefits Audit and Employee Extended Health Benefit Claims Audit.

Financial Considerations

There are no immediate budgetary considerations associated with this report. The audit recommendations and subsequent Management Action Plans (MAPs) had budgetary implications associated with their implementation and which are accommodated within current operating budgets.

Analysis

Many of the program areas have continued the implementation of management action plans as noted in the attached summary. Some areas have been affected and slowed down due to the pandemic. A more detailed summary report will be provided at the next Audit Committee meeting along with a plan to potentially conduct some follow-up audits.

Alternatives Reviewed

No other alternatives were reviewed at this time.

Relationship to Council Strategic Priorities

Value-for-money (VFM) audits were identified and approved within the current Council's Strategic Priority – Sustainable and Engaging Government. The goal of this strategic initiative is a commitment to high quality, efficient, fiscally sustainable and coordinated core services through enhanced communication, partnerships and collaborations with the community.

Management Action Plan status updates satisfy IIA Performance Standard 2500 – Monitoring Progress. “The Chief Audit Executive must establish a follow-up process to monitor and ensure that management actions have been effectively implemented.”

Other Pertinent Reports

AC-C 3-2019 – Q1 2019 Follow-up Status of Audit Recommendations

Prepared by:

Frank Marcella, MPA, BEd
Manager,
Internal Audit

Recommended by:

Todd Harrison, CPA, CMA
Commissioner
Corporate Services/Regional Treasurer

Submitted by:

Ron Tripp, P.Eng.

Acting, Chief Administrative Officer

Appendices

Appendix 1 – AC-C 5-2020 Management Follow-up Table and Summary