7.8 - Office of the City Auditor Plan for an External Quality Assessment

Recommendation: That the Office of the City Auditor plan to have a qualified, independent assessor conduct an external quality assessment of the Office of the City Auditor's internal audit function be approved.

Plan:

- 1. Hire a qualified, independent assessor to conduct an external quality assessment of our internal audit function between September and November of 2025.
- 2. The assessment will include a comprehensive review of the our conformance to the Standards, including a review of the adequacy of our methodologies, competencies, and contribution to the City's governance and operations.
- 3. Select the assessor based on price, timeline, absence of conflicts of interest, and relevant designations and experience.
- 4. Assessor presents the results of their assessment directly to Audit Committee in the first quarter of 2026.
- 5. We will provide action plans and status updates on the completion of our action plans.

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