

Office of the City Auditor 2012 Proposed Budget

Recommendation:

That Audit Committee recommend to City Council:

That the Office of the City Auditor's 2012 Budget, as outlined in Attachment 1 of the November 7, 2011, Office of the City Auditor report 2011OCA016, be approved.

Report Summary

The Office of the City Auditor report 2011OCA016 presents the Office of the City Auditor's recommended budget for 2012.

Report

Attachment 1 contains a copy of the Office of the City Auditor's proposed budget for 2012. The Office of the City Auditor has submitted its complete budget documents through the administrative budget process for formal consideration during City Council's 2012 Budget deliberations.

As an independent audit office reporting on the efficiency, effectiveness and economy of City operations, we must operate in a cost-effective and clearly accountable manner. This is why we have kept our 2012 budget request to a minimal increase compared to 2011.

Approximately 90% of the Office of the City Auditor's budget consists of salary and benefits. Recognizing the financial challenges of the City, and as part of the 2011 budget process, we reduced our full time equivalent positions by one in

2011. In 2012, we are requesting approval to maintain our existing resource levels.

In 2012, we will continue to pursue the highest quality standards of audit services in order to ensure that we can deliver on our 2012 Annual Plan commitment and continue to assist Audit Committee with meeting its roles and responsibilities as defined in Bylaw 15310, Audit Committee Bylaw.

Policy

Bylaw 15310, Audit Committee Bylaw, 10(4)(d) states that, "Committee has the authority and responsibility to report and recommend to Council the budget and staffing of the Office of the City Auditor."

Corporate Outcomes

The information contained in this report is consistent with Council's Strategic Plan in terms of Conditions of Success, specifically sound management practices and processes.

Justification of Recommendation

The City Auditor submits an annual budget request to Audit Committee for its review and recommendation to Council as per the Audit Committee Bylaw. Review of the City Auditor's budget assists Audit Committee in fulfilling its oversight role of the Office of the City Auditor.

Attachments

1. Office of the City Auditor 2012 Proposed Budget