

City of Atlanta

CITY AUDITOR'S OFFICE

AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

Thursday, June 6, 2024	9:00 A.M.	Atlanta City Council
		Council Committee Room 2

Call to Order

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Audit Committee was called to order **Thursday, June 6, 2024,** at **9:01 a.m**. by Danielle Hampton. The following members were present:

Roll Call/Introduction of Members:

Attendees	Status
Danielle Hampton, Chair	Present
Daniel Ebersole, Vice Chair	Absent
Don Penovi	Present
Dargan Burns III	Present

Others in Attendance:

Auditor's Office: Amanda Noble, City Auditor, Stephanie Jackson, Deputy City Auditor, Micheal Jones, Myra Hagley, Chris Shefelton, Christopher Armstead, Kathy McCauley, Ijeg Jones, Zoe Geiger, Anijarae Dade, Princess Jones

Ian Stewart – Boy Scouts of Decatur, Shanonn Manigault, Inspector General,

Adopt Agenda

Mrs. Hampton proposed approval of the agenda. Dargan Barns III moved to approved, motion seconded by Donald Penovi and unanimously approved.

Approve minutes from April 4th meeting

Mr. Burns moved to approve these minutes. Mr. Penovi seconded the motion, and the Committee unanimously approved the minutes from the April 4th meeting.

Danielle Hampton proposed to readjust agenda and start with item number 9 on agenda.

Other Business

Ms. Noble presented that the FY25 budget for Audit was approved and included two new positions for City Audit (Quick Response Team). These positions are scheduled to be filled by mid-year. Ms. Noble introduced new hire Chris Shefelton and updated the committee we have new hire slated to start August 1st. As of August 1st, the Auditor's office will be fully staffed.

Ms. Noble also noted that she is working with council staff to appoint new committee members.

Performance audit for review and approval

The committee members reviewed the public draft for the Cybersecurity audit presented. Dargan Burns III moved to approve the audit, Don Penovi seconded the motion, and the Committee unanimously approved the audit.

Ms. Hampton proposed going into executive session to discuss the full Cybersecurity Audit, which is exempt from public disclosure under GA Code 50-18-72(25)(a)(v). Mr. Burns made a motion to go into executive session, Mr. Penovi seconded the motion and the committee unanimously approved. Following discussion, Ms. Hampton moved to exit executive session, Mr. Burns seconded the motion, and the committee unanimously approved.

Mr. Burns moved to approve the audit, including adding the definition of NIST, Mr. Penovi seconded the motion and the committee unanimously approved.

Status of current projects

Ms. Noble presented the status of current projects to the Committee as summarized in the report.

Audit Follow-up

Mr. Jones presented the report on Open Audit Recommendations as summarized in the report. Currently there are forty-three audit reports and 215 open audit recommendations. Twenty-one recommendations have been added with the Aviation Capital Project Audit, one closed, and nine recommendation status have changed.

Prioritizing open audit recommendations

Ms. Noble presented an updated proposed method to prioritize open audit recommendations. The committee reviewed the document and provided feedback on how effective using the prioritization method will be in prioritizing recommendations going forward. The committee also provided ways this will help with closing recommendations from 2013 – 2018. Mrs. Hampton and Mr. Penovi both recommended adding assets to the prioritization categories. Amanda stated that the draft was the first step and the second step would include applying this document to current open recommendations.

Other Business

Mr. Penovi expressed concern about the capacity of the city's water and sewer systems to handle additional growth and wondered about the planning process for determining capacity.

Public Comment

Shannon Manigault, Inspector General, spoke stating that she was invited to attend by Don Penovi due to recent issues. Ms. Manigault stated that she wanted to make sure that she was available to answer questions.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Penovi moved to adjourn at 10:45am, Mr. Burns seconded the motion, and the Committee unanimously approved the motion.