

City of San Antonio

TO:

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FROM:

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Members of the Audit Committee; Ben Gorzell, Jr., Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT:

Results of Fiscal Year 2014 External Financial Audit and Presentation of Related Reports

DATE:

May 5, 2015

Padgett Stratemann & Co. (PS&Co.) completed the external financial audit of the City's financial records for fiscal year 2014 on March 24, 2015. An item has been placed on the May 5th agenda to present and discuss the results of the fiscal year 2014 external financial audit and related audit reports to members of the Audit Committee.

The City is required to engage an independent certified public accounting (CPA) firm to conduct an annual audit of the City's financial records and accounts. As a result, various reports and opinions are prepared in order to communicate the financial position of the City. A brief description of each of the reports produced during the annual audit is provided below.

On an annual basis, the City publishes a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The CAFR reports the City's financial position, results of operations, and the liquidity of its various funds. The CAFR is submitted to rating agencies, document repositories, bondholders, and is also available to the general public.

Finance Department staff also prepares the Financial and Compliance Reports on Federal and State Grants, "Single Audit Reports". Because the City receives financial assistance in the form of federal and state grants, Single Audit Reports are required in order to comply with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996, the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, and the State of Texas Single Audit Circular. The Single Audit Reports are submitted to the City's respective federal and state cognizant audit agencies and the respective federal and state agencies from which the City received grant funding during the fiscal year.

An annual audit of the Passenger Facility Charges collected and used by the City's Aviation Department is also required by the Federal Aviation Administration. The audit results are summarized in a report entitled, "Schedule of Expenditures of Passenger Facility Charges."

Additionally, the Letter on Internal Control (Management Letter) is a formal communication by PS&Co. to City Council and City Management that focuses on internal control matters discovered during the course of the audit of the City's financial statements.

If you should have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me at 207-8604.