



Audit Follow-Up

Facilities Security

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Report #AR-2407
September 13, 2024

Original Report #2403 Issued December 13, 2023
Follow-Up Period Ending March 31, 2024

Summary from Original Report

As a part of the Office of the Inspector General's annual risk assessment, we noted a national trend of incidents at local government facilities resulting in disruptions of operations and violence. Ensuring the safety and security of all people within the City of Tallahassee's facilities is essential to the City's ability to achieve its priorities and maintain public trust. We conducted this audit to assist management in protecting employees, citizens, and City facilities while serving the public.

The objective of the audit was to assess the effectiveness of physical security measures in City buildings and facilities to ensure the City has made reasonable efforts to provide a safe environment for all employees and visitors.

Due to the subject of this audit, certain aspects of the audit report are exempt from disclosure pursuant to Florida Statute 119. We concluded that, overall, the City has taken reasonable and appropriate measures to secure City facilities. However, during the audit, we identified areas where security enhancements should be implemented.

Management developed 6 action plan steps in response to our audit recommendations. Of those, 2 steps were completed during this follow-up period with no further action required, and 4 steps remained in progress. This status report is the 1st follow-up on action plan steps due on or before March 31, 2024.

Complete

2

In Progress

4

Needs Attention

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Conclusion

Management developed 6 action plan steps to address the original audit report #2403 recommendations. As of the end of this follow-up period, March 31, 2024, management successfully completed 2 steps, and 4 remained in progress. We will follow up and report on the status of the remaining action plan steps as part of the 2025 follow-up reporting cycle.

Appointed Official's Response

City Manager:

I am very pleased with the outcome of this audit follow-up. The majority of management actions have been completed, with the remaining expected to be completed early next year. I would like to thank the staff of the Office of the Inspector General for their professional review and ongoing effort to strengthen our facility security processes.

I appreciate the work the Inspector General continues to do in supporting the operations of the City of Tallahassee. My staff and I look forward to continuing to work with the Inspector General on these critical issues.

Acknowledgements

We appreciate the cooperation and assistance provided by management and staff during this audit.

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Statement of Accordance

The Office of Inspector General's mission is to advance integrity, accountability, transparency, and efficiency and effectiveness within City government by providing professional, independent, and objective audit and investigative services.

We conducted this audit follow-up in conformance with the Institute of Internal Auditors International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing and Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards. Those standards require we plan and perform the audit follow-up to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. We believe the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our objectives.

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