



Agenda Item No. 14(B)(1)

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION AUDITOR**

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime, and
Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Neil R. Singh, CPA
Acting Commission Auditor

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DATE: July 19, 2016

SUBJECT: Commission Auditor's Work Plan: Calendar Year 2016 Supplement

This supplement provides Calendar Year (CY) 2016 revisions for the Commission Auditor's Work Plan, dated May 13, 2014. Brief status updates are included for on-going audit projects. Additional details of prior fiscal year accomplishments, for all sections, were separately published in the Commission Auditor's FY 2014-15 Annual Report, dated March 3, 2016. The Annual Report can be viewed on OCAs website via the following link: <http://www.miamidade.gov/auditor/annual-report.asp>

Previously issued Commission Auditor's work plans have been fairly consistent, particularly in work plans for our Research and Budget Divisions. With this supplement, it is my intent to provide a "changes only" supplement to the previously approved audit work plan, thereby reducing the need to republish similar information for each year.

Please file this supplement together with the Commission Auditor's CY 2014 Work Plan.

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AUDIT DIVISION

Next Assigned Audits

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- Determine CSBE participation and utilization in compliance with the Code of Miami-Dade County.

Status: Project originally modified to include three separate reports:

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Status: Field work phase.

3. *Review of Miami-Dade County Public Health Trust's (PHT) indigent health care costs funded by Surtax and Maintenance of Effort revenues.*
 - Review and verify indigent health care costs of PHT/Jackson Health Systems as provided by the external auditor KPMG. Resolution No. R-1020-11, dated November 5, 2011, states that the "governing body of the PHT shall be required to ensure that the external auditor for the PHT annually provides certification and explanation to both the governing body of the PHT and to the Commission that all ad valorem/general fund support and surtax revenues that are received are used for the purpose for which they were intended."
Status: Field work phase.

4. *Audit of Miami-Dade Transit (MDT) Warranty Bus Parts.*
 - Review the department's internal controls and processes to determine compliance with stipulated warranty provisions to maximize recovery of warranties and to minimize out-of-pocket repair and maintenance costs.
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5. *Audit of Information Technology Department's (ITD) Software Development Process.*
 - Determine whether current processes for developing systems are adequate for securing confidential and protected information; and examine the software development process to determine effectiveness, efficiency and the ability to prevent waste and project failure.
Status: Field work phase.

Tentative Audit Projects under Consideration

1. *Audit of Information Technology Department (ITD) Cyber Incidents Response Plan.*
 - Review the Cyber Incidents Response Plan that ITD has in place for the County to manage network intrusions or cyber-attacks. Having a well-established and actionable plan for managing cyber intrusions or attacks is vital for the County in being able to minimize damage to County computer networks, data loss, work stoppage, and overall costs. The Florida Information Protection Act 2014 (FIPA) requires an entity that acquires, maintains, stores, or uses personal information, to provide a notice to the Department of Legal Affairs and to individuals of any breach of security affecting 500 or more individuals in the state of Florida. In addition to the other costs of a security breach, an entity that failed to provide prompt notice of a security breach in violation of either subsection 3 or 4 of FIPA could be liable for up to \$500,000 in penalties. This

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audit will examine the adequacy of the County's Cyber Incidents Response Plan to manage computer networks and information infrastructures, should the County experience such undesirable incidents.

2. *Audit of Miami-Dade Tourist and Convention Development Tax.*
 - This audit will determine whether the Tourist and Convention Development Tax is being utilized for the purposes intended, as per County Ordinance, as prescribed by Florida Statutes. All business owners subject to the tax are required to submit a monthly tax return to the Tax Collector's Office. The Tourist Development Tax for fiscal year ending 2013-2014 was \$22.9 million in revenues and the Convention Development Tax was \$69.1 million. This audit will include the review of tax collection and disbursement procedures to ensure that there are appropriate internal controls in place.

Non-Audit Services

1. Review of the Manager/Mayor's Exercise of Delegated Authority Pursuant to Section 2-8.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.
 - Required by Ord. No. 09-12, adopted March 3, 2009.
Status: Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
2. Beacon Council
 - Resolution No. R-552-09, adopted May 5, 2009, directed OCA to prepare quarterly reports to the BCC on The Beacon Council's use of the eight percent of the business tax previously utilized by the Metro-Miami Action Plan (MMAP) Trust.

The Beacon Council has provided the OCA information with supporting documentation relating to Targeted Urban Areas and Enterprise Zones closed projects, visitations analysis and expense allocations relating to use of the eight percent (8%) portion of the business tax allocation. OCA has reviewed the information and the first report was issued.
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 - Resolution No. R-256-10, adopted March 2, 2010, directed the OCA to utilize the Directives Database maintained by the Clerk of the Board to track and follow-up on directives and requests contained herein. Status reports, with supplemental information, are submitted to the BCC on a quarterly basis.
Status: Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
4. Tourism Impact Statements (TIS)
 - Resolution No. R-581-11, adopted July 7, 2011, directed the OCA to provide a Tourism Impact Statement on certain legislative matters before the BCC; and the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to track bills in the Florida Legislature for potential impact on Miami-Dade County tourism.
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5. Procurement of the Miami-Dade County Military Affairs Board
 - Resolution No. R-868-13, adopted October 22, 2013 (approving Implementing Order 3-59), directed the OCA and the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) to review all procurements undertaken by the Military Affairs Board on a quarterly basis. The OCA or the OIG shall present a report to the BCC regarding all procurements undertaken by the Military Affairs Board pursuant to the Implementing Order. Reports for quarters ended December 31, 2014 and March 31, 2015 have been issued.
Status: Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.

6. Research and Legislative Analysis for Committee Meetings
 - Memorandum from the Office of the Chair, dated February 10, 2015, directed the OCA to provide research and legislative support to six newly formed committees. To facilitate the work of the committees, OCA staff will gather information and conduct research, including comparative analysis of programs and policies of other governmental agencies around the country.
Status: Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.

7. ISD Pricing Review
 - This review includes conducting a comparison of labor rates, administrative cost allocation and the 10% markup charge to peer jurisdictions; performing a survey of peer jurisdictions to determine whether it is the Government Entity or External Contractor that provides services similar to those currently performed by ISD's Design and Construction Services Division; and performing a comparison between the ISD's Copy Center Pricing and Commercial Vendors Pricing.
Status: Field work phase.

8. Review of the County's Community Based Organizations (CBO) Grant Management Process.
 - Conduct a review of the monitoring process administered by the OMB Grants Coordination Office.
Status: Field work phase.

Follow-up Projects

Pursuant to Sec. 8.05(4) of Government Auditing Standards (Reporting Standards), performance audits require a follow-up audit to determine whether appropriate corrective actions have been taken. The OCA's internal policy requires this follow-up be scheduled within one year of the issuance of the final report.

1. Audit of User Access Program (UAP) Exemptions
Status: Not started.

2. Audit of Accountability for Computer Equipment Purchased from FY 2008-09 through FY 2010-11
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3. Audit of Debt Collection Processes Phase I
Status: Report writing phase.
4. Audit of MDT Advertising Revenue Collection Program
Status: Preliminary phase.

Audit Projects Completed/Modified/Closed During the Prior Year

1. Follow-up Report - Review of Community Action Agency Operations - *Report issued May 6, 2015*
2. Follow-up Report - Audit of Internal Controls for the Protection of Electronically Stored Personal and Health Information: Community Action and Human Services - *Report issued May 8, 2015*
3. Follow-up Report - Audit of Internal Controls for the Protection of Electronically Stored Personal and Health Information: Public Housing and Community Development - *Report issued May 8, 2015*
4. Audit of Non-Governmental Entities' Compliance with Lease Agreements for Use of County-owned Properties. - *Report issued May 6, 2016*
5. *Modification Memo*: During Calendar Year 2015 the (OCA) received new requests related to ISD from Commissioner Zapata and Commissioner Cava. As a result, the project: Review General Services Administration Pricing Best Practices was modified to the Review of Selected ISD Pricing to reflect the new requests. - *Modification Memo issued December 17, 2015*
6. *Modification Memo*: Due to the new RFP process, OCA modified the Audit of the County's Community Based Organization (CBO) Grant Management Process to a review of the monitoring process administered by the OMB Grants Coordination Office. *Modification Memo issued March 1, 2016*
7. *Closure Memo*: Mason Tillman Associates, LTD, issued a new Disparity Study in May 2015, which was after OCA's report was completed but before the report was issued. This new study detailed a new set of recommendations that the Mayor responded to on March, 23, 2016. As a result of these revisions, the findings and recommendations in OCAs Audit is no longer relevant and this audit is closed. - *Closure Memo issued March 24, 2016*

Deletions from Prior Work Plans

1. Audit of the Rickenbacker and Venetian Causeways Toll Collections – The manual toll collection process for the causeways was recently replaced by an electronic toll collection system. Due to the expected increased efficiency and reduced fraud risk of this automation, OCA will refocus its resources to more high risk areas.

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Non-Audit Services Completed During the Prior Year

1. The Beacon Council's Use of Eight Percent of the Business Tax Previously Used by the Metro-Miami Action Plan – *Report issued February 24, 2015*
2. Review of the Military Affairs Board Procurement Practices - *Report issued March 18, 2015*
3. Tourism Impact Statement – Resolution R-581-11
In accordance with Resolution R-581-11, OCA provided the BCC with eleven reports on legislative matters that may positively or negatively impact Miami-Dade County tourism.

Special Studies Completed During the Prior Year

1. Project Management Analysis – Report issued June 1, 2015
2. Debt Collection Process Update – Report issued June 9, 2015
3. ISD Print Shop vs. Commercial Vendors Pricing – Report issued July 7, 2015
4. Transit Corporate Fare Discount Program – Report issued July 7, 2015

BUDGET DIVISION

New Projects

- Ordinance 15-44 relating to the rules of procedure of the Board of County Commissioners; amending Section 2-1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida; requiring a separate vote on certain amendments to the Mayor's proposed county budget at Public Budget Hearings; establishing County policy to require distribution of Mayor's changes memoranda no later than 48 hours prior to the first and second Budget Hearings. The OCA will prepare and maintain a list of all issues raised in conjunction with the budget approval process, and distribute this list to each member of the BCC.
- Ordinance 15-58 related to approval of the County Budget; amending section 2-1795 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida to revise the duties of the Commission Auditor and the roles and timing of Commission Committees related to the budget. The OCA will provide the BCC a written report detailing the services provided to the community, the resources allocated for the delivery of such services, and the achievement of performance measures with respect to the delivery of services.

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RESEARCH DIVISION

New Projects

The following ongoing projects were added by the BCC:

- Ordinance No. 13-29, adopted April 2, 2013 directed the OCA to complete background research on any person, organization, place or thing that is the subject of a naming, renaming or co-designation item.
Status: Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
- Resolution No. R-449-14, adopted May 6, 2014, directed the OCA to conduct background checks of all individuals serving on evaluation/selection committees, and members of his or her immediate family (spouse, domestic partner, parents, stepparents, children and stepchildren).
Status: Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
- Resolution No. R-636-14, adopted July 1, 2014, directed the OCA to complete background research on all applicants being considered to serve on County boards and trusts that require nominations and/or appointments by the BCC and to prepare a report detailing the findings of said research.
Status: Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
- Ordinance amending Article XXXI of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida to locally adopt the spirit underlying the principles of the convention on the elimination of all forms of discrimination against women, an international treaty; amending Section 2-477 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida to authorize the OCA to gather data regarding economic development, health and safety, and education of women in Miami-Dade County; amending Section 2-269 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida to authorize the Miami-Dade County Commission for Women to analyze such data and to report to the Board.

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June 3, 2014

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION AUDITOR**

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Charles Anderson, CPA
Commission Auditor

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DATE: May 13, 2014

SUBJECT: Commission Auditor's Work Plan: Calendar Year 2014

The Commission Auditor's Calendar Year (CY) 2014 Work Plan is submitted in accordance with Sec. 2-478 of the Code. Brief status updates are included for on-going audit projects. Additional details of prior fiscal year accomplishments, for all sections, were separately published in the Commission Auditor's FY 2012-13 Annual Report, dated February 11, 2014, available online at <http://www.miamidade.gov/auditor/library/2014-02-10-annual-report.pdf>.

Essential projects pursuant to Budget Work Plan:

1. *Analyze the Mayor's proposed budget and make recommendations to the BCC regarding adjustments to the proposed budgets*
 - Conduct in-depth review and analysis of the proposed budget giving full consideration to the BCC's priorities.
 - Develop budgetary reports, by Committee and by Department on: activities cost, staffing changes, overall revenue and expenditure direction, reorganizations, selected line item review, and capital programs.
 - Develop first and second budget hearing recommendations for BCC.
2. *Review the reasonableness of all revenue estimates included in the Mayor's proposed budget.*
3. *Offer input throughout the budgetary process.*

New audit projects recommended for approval:

1. *Audit of Change Orders.* Review the change orders process to ensure County policies and procedures are complied with and the number of change orders is kept to a minimum.

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2. *Audit of Animal Services Department (ASD)*. Review the consistency of ASD animal acceptance process to determine whether ASD accepts all animals brought to their shelter and investigate reasons for any non-acceptance.
3. *Audit of the Rickenbacker and Venetian Causeways Toll Collections*. Review the controls over the collection and accounting of toll revenue.

Projects included pursuant to legislative requirements (Non-Audit):

1. *Oversight of the Performing Arts Center Trust (PACT)* - Required by Ordinance No. 0783, adopted June 26, 2007. Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
2. *Review of the Manager/Mayor's Exercise of Delegated Authority Pursuant to Section 2-8.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County* - Required by Ord. No. 09-12, adopted March 3, 2009. Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
3. *Beacon Council* – Required by Resolution No. R-552-09, adopted May 5, 2009. Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
4. *Board Directives* – Required by Resolution No. R-256-10, adopted March 2, 2010. Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
5. *Review Agenda Items with Fiscal Impact* – Required by Resolution No. R-530-10, adopted May 4, 2010. Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
6. *Tourism Impact Statement* – Required by Resolution R-581-11, adopted July 7, 2011. Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
7. *Complete background research on the person, organization, place or thing that is the subject of a naming, renaming or co-designation item and prepare a report detailing the findings* – Required by Ordinance No. 13-29, adopted April 2, 2013. Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
8. *Review of all Procurements of the Miami-Dade County Military Affairs Board* – Required by Resolution R-868-13, adopted October 22, 2013. Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.

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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION AUDITOR

**COMMISSION AUDITOR'S CALENDAR YEAR
(CY) 2014 WORK PLAN**

May 13, 2014

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COMMISSION AUDITOR'S CY 2014 WORKPLAN

Introduction

Mission Statement: *Provide high quality, independent audits, budgetary, legislative research and other analyses and assessments to assist the Board of County Commissioners' decision-making by helping to ensure governmental accountability and the best use of public resources.*

Miami-Dade County Home Rule Charter Amendment, adopted by the voters on September 10, 2002, created the Office of the Commission Auditor (OCA). The Charter Amendment: (a) empowered the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) to provide by ordinance for the Commission Auditor's specific functions and responsibilities; and (b) indicated that the Commission Auditor's functions and responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, providing the BCC with independent budgetary, audit, management, revenue forecasting, and fiscal analyses of BCC policies, and County services and contracts,

During the year, the OCA continued to provide the highest quality professional services by:

- Completing six (6) audit and non-audit service projects, following-up on previously unresolved findings from prior audits, providing audit technical assistance for various projects and inquiries, and continuing work on ongoing audit and non-audit projects;
- Providing analytical budgetary reports and approximately 37 responses to commissioners pertaining to various issues and budget items;
- Reviewing approximately 20 BCC and Committee agendas (averaging 34 agenda items per meeting), and providing as supplements to the BCC agenda;
- Completing background research on any person, organization, place or thing that is the subject of a naming, renaming or co-designation item as per Ordinance 13-29;
- Providing detailed financial costs and budgetary impacts analyses for items with a fiscal impact as per Resolution R-530-10;
- Providing the BCC with budget reviews for Community Redevelopment Agencies;
- Providing Tourism Impact Statements on certain legislative matters before the BCC as per Resolution R-581-11;
- Verifying accuracy of BCC directives status details and producing quarterly reports to the BCC as per resolution R-256-10;
- Providing professional staff support to the Compensation and Benefits Review Ad Hoc Committee, chaired by Commissioner Barbara Jordan; and
- Responding to formal and informal requests from the BCC on important County matters.

OCA's planned areas of emphasis for CY 2014 are:

- Auditing: Complete ongoing projects to further demonstrate our commitment to the provision of value-added services;
- Budgeting: Provide proactive, prospective budgeting information and analyses to the BCC.
- Research: Provide an enhanced targeted research and special project support to best assist the BCC.

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2. *Audit of Internal Controls for expenditures in compliance with approved budgets for selected Community Redevelopment Agencies (CRAs)*
 - Determine whether expenditures were properly authorized in accordance with the approved budget; and
 - Examine supporting documentation, contracts and other information to determine whether tax increment funds were utilized according to the Interlocal Agreement, CRA Plan or Florida Statutes.

Status: Not Started.
3. *Audit of Information Technology Department (ITD) Software Development Process*
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Status: Pending. The Commission Auditor has requested the PHT's external auditor certification and explanation that all ad valorem/general fund support and surtax revenues were used for the purpose for which they were intended.
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Status: Field work phase.
6. *Review of General Services Administration (merged with ISD) Pricing Best Practices.*
 - Conduct a best practices review of pricing policies for products and services of similar governmental organizations and compare with the policies and practices of GSA (currently ISD).

Status: Preliminary phase. The objective and scope of the project was modified which requires additional field work.
7. *Audit of Community Small Business Enterprise (CSBE) Participation and Utilization in a Sample of County Contracts.*
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- Review the County's CBO grants management process for efficiency, effectiveness, and coordination of grant proposals. Additional field work was recommended during review.
Status: Field work phase.
9. *Audit of Non-Governmental Entities' Compliance with Lease Agreements for Use of County-owned Properties.*
- Review a sample of County leases with non-governmental entities and provide reasonable assurance that the properties are being used in accordance with lease agreements.
Status: Field work phase.

Non-Audit Services

1. Oversight of the Performing Arts Center Trust (PACT) - (BCC - Ordinance No. 0783)
- Grant of \$4.1 million in operational subsidies and any prospective funding was conditioned upon the PACT's agreement to County Manager/Mayor and OCA oversight.
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5. Report/Audit of Various County Departments/Offices/Agencies
 - These are audits of various County departments/offices/agencies with an initial focus on entities funded by the General Fund. The goal is to provide objective analyses so that management and those charged with governance and oversight can use the information to improve program performance and operations, reduce costs, facilitate decision making and contribute to public accountability.
Status: As needed.
6. Tourism Impact Statements (TIS)
 - Resolution No. R-581-11, adopted July 7, 2011, directed the Commission Auditor to provide a Tourism Impact Statement on certain legislative matters before the BCC; and the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to track bills in the Florida Legislature for potential impact on Miami-Dade County tourism.
Status: Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
7. Procurement of the Miami-Dade County Military Affairs Board
 - Resolution No. R-868-13, adopted October 22, 2013 (approving Implementing Order 3-59), directed the OCA and the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) to review all procurements undertaken by the Military Affairs Board on a quarterly basis. The OCA or the OIG shall present a report to the BCC regarding all procurements undertaken by the Military Affairs Board pursuant to the Implementing Order.
Status: Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.
8. Review of Community Redevelopment Agencies' Budgets
 - These budget reviews include 13 CRAs. The goal is to ensure that the budgeted projects and expenditures are in compliance with applicable Florida Statutes and Miami-Dade County ordinances and resolutions for those budgets submitted for BCC approval.
Status: Project continues until otherwise directed by the BCC.

Follow-up Projects

Pursuant to Sec. 8.05(4) of Government Auditing Standards (Reporting Standards), performance audits require a follow up audit to determine whether appropriate corrective actions have been taken. The OCA's internal policy requires this follow up be scheduled within one year of the issuance of the final report.

1. Review of Unpaid Toll Violations by Miami-Dade County Fleet
Status: Reporting Phase.
2. Review of Community Action Agency Operations
Status: Field work phase.
3. Audit of Internal Controls for the Protection of Electronically Stored Personal and Health Information: Community Action and Human Services
Status: Field work phase.
4. Audit of Internal Controls for the Protection of Electronically Stored Personal and Health Information: Public Housing and Community Development
Status: Field work phase.
5. Audit of User Access Program (UAP) Exemptions
Status: Not Started.

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6. Audit of Accountability for Computer Equipment Purchased from FY 2008-09 through FY 2010-11
Status: Not Started.

Audit Projects Completed/Closed During Prior Year

1. Audit of Accountability for Computer Equipment Purchased from FY 2008-09 through FY 2010-11 – *Report issued June 5, 2013*
2. Audit of User Access Program (UAP) Exemptions – *Report issued October 22, 2013*
3. Audit of Debt Collection Processes Phase I – *Report issued March 25, 2014*
4. Audit of MDT Advertisement Revenue Collection Program – *Report issued April 2, 2014*
5. Closure Memo: Audit of Property Exempt from Taxation per Florida Statutes. Audit closed due to scope limitation. According to the County Attorney's Office, Section 193.074 Florida Statutes, lists specific offices that are required to maintain the confidentiality of records in their possession. The OCA is not a listed agency and therefore is required to obtain a court order as a condition to review the requested records - *Closure Memo issued July 1, 2013*
6. Closure Memo: Review of Procurement Processes, including Change Orders, Sole Source Contracts, Debarment and Suspension Procedures, and Selection Committees. Audit closed since the Procurement Management Services Division of the Internal Services Department initiated enhancements to the procurement processes that addressed the audit issues - *Closure Memo issued July 1, 2013*

Non-Audit Services Completed During Prior Year

1. Review of FY 2012-13 Budgets for the CRAs
 - March 4, 2013 – *South Miami*
 - September 3, 2013 - *North Miami Beach & Miami Beach City Center*
 - September 27, 2013 - *Southeast Overtown/Park West, Omni & Midtown Miami*
2. Analysis of Excise Gas Tax Paid to Miami-Dade County from FY 2009-10 through FY 2011-12 – *Report issued July 25, 2013*
3. Tourism Impact Statement – Resolution R-581-11
In accordance with Resolution R-581-11, OCA provided the BCC with nine (9) reports on legislative matters that may positively or negatively impact Miami-Dade County tourism.

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BUDGET WORK PLAN

1. **Review the reasonableness of all revenue estimates included in the Mayor's proposed budget**
 - Review information on economic and revenue conferences sponsored by the State of Florida Economic Demographic Research Department, the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives for the latest revenue updates (*October-December*) and (*June-August*).
 - Analyze monthly State of Florida revenue distributed to the counties for local trends and the potential of future adjustments to revenue streams (*Monthly*).
 - Develop revenue assumptions and analyze historical data for utilization at the County Revenue Estimating Conferences (*as necessary between December-July*).
 - Attend and participate in the Social and Economic Development Council meetings (*Quarterly*).
 - Conduct an in-depth review and analysis on the proposed budget revenue (*July-September*).

2. **Assist the BCC in compiling its Budget Priorities**
 - If requested, assist BCC Committee Chairs in developing Committee priorities (*March-May*).
 - Correlate BCC priorities with the Mayor's budget priorities (*March-May*).

3. **Offer input throughout the budgetary process**
 - Meet with department personnel to obtain an understanding of major issues (*Quarterly*).
 - Review State of Florida budgetary issues and their impact on the County budget.
 - Review departmental business plans and performance indicators for future goals and objectives from County administration to analyze their alignment with BCC goals and objectives (*February-April*).
 - Review departmental budget submission drafts, attend Committee meetings and discuss issues of concern as required (*February-May*).

4. **Analyze the Mayor's proposed budget and make recommendations to the BCC regarding adjustments to the proposed budgets**
 - Conduct in-depth review and analysis of the proposed budget giving full consideration to the BCC's priorities (*July-September*).
 - Develop budgetary reports, by Committee and by Department on: activities cost, staffing changes, overall revenue and expenditure direction, reorganizations, selected line item review, and capital programs (*July-August*).
 - Develop first and second budget hearing recommendations for BCC (*September*).
 - Prepare a budget for the County if requested by the Commission.

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5. **Provide periodic reports to the BCC which shall include, but not limited to, the following:**
 - Create written correspondence, as necessary and/or requested, for various budgetary issues during the year.
 - Review BCC Committee agendas for budgetary concerns within legislative items and coordinate with the OCA Research staff (*Monthly*)
 - Provide assistance to the Audit and Research staff as requested.

6. **Monitor budget performance**
 - Review, analyze and make recommendations to the BCC regarding all proposed budget amendments.
 - Monitor the County's budget as necessary and take exception to improper specific expenditures incurred by any County department, agency or entity.
 - Review intradepartmental budget amendments for compliance with Ordinance No. 07-45 and report to the BCC.
 - Review interdepartmental budget transfers for compliance with Ordinance No. 07-168 and report to the BCC.
 - Evaluate the County Administration quarterly budget report, comparing the report to existing County budget and financial systems.
 - Examine the County's five-year financial plan for accuracy in budgetary assumptions utilizing historical data and future funding trends (*December-January*).

7. **Perform special budgetary, financial and taxation analyses and provide policy assistance to the BCC as required**
 - Arrange for site visits to each Department to enhance understanding of its mission, business plan, strategic initiatives, and performance measures (*Quarterly*).
 - Select, analyze, and report on County departmental activities (*January-May*).
 - Provide special reports as requested.

8. **Review Agenda Items with Fiscal Impact**
 - Required by Resolution No. R-530-10, adopted May 4, 2010, directed the Commission Auditor to track all agenda items with a fiscal impact for the required financial budgetary impact analysis and to identify for the BCC those items which do not include the required information (*Bi-Monthly*).

RESEARCH WORK PLAN

Pursuant to Ordinance 03-2 and Article XLVII of the Code of Miami-Dade County, the Commission Auditor is charged with the following responsibilities on behalf of the Commission:

- To determine the extent to which legislative policies are being faithfully, efficiently and effectively implemented by the County Mayor and County personnel;
- To give information to the Commission whenever required regarding any subject relating to the affairs of the County;
- To inform about pending legislation, issues and proposals coming before the Commission and provide independent assessments including, but not limited to, a fiscal impact analysis of all ordinances and resolutions on the Commission agenda;
- To determine whether County programs are achieving their desired objectives; and
- To review both administrative control and executive control systems as established by the County Mayor and departmental personnel, and to determine whether such control systems are adequate and effective in accomplishing their objectives.

In accordance with the above ordinance, the Research Section performs the following:

1. Provide legislative research and analyses to support regular BCC meetings and special meetings of the BCC.
2. Review each agenda to evaluate the reasonableness and completeness of the information presented, as well as to evaluate the merits and impacts of the proposed transactions and/or legislation.
3. Complete background research on the person, organization, place or thing that is the subject of a naming, renaming or co-designation item and prepare a report detailing the findings.
4. Pursuant to BCC directive or Commissioners' request, OCA will conduct research and provide reports which shall include (where appropriate) best practices and comparative analysis.
5. Conduct research and provide reports upon the request of the BCC or a Commissioner.
6. Prepare and conduct briefings related to legislative agendas upon the request of a Commissioner.
7. Determine the extent to which proposed legislation is consistent with current policy and the proposed legislation's implications relative to future policy.
8. Determine the extent to which legislative policies are being faithfully, efficiently and effectively implemented by the Mayor and County personnel and provide periodic reports to the BCC as needed.

MISCELLANEOUS REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE

Respond to oral requests from individual members of the BCC, provided the response requires a relatively minor effort that can be accomplished without disruption of the approved work plan.