From: Assembly Chair LaFrance and Assembly Member Rivera

Subject: Amendment to 2022 Audit Plan

On January 11, 2022, the Assembly approved AM 3-2022, As Amended, which adopted the 2022 Audit Plan.

Since adoption, an issue has arisen which has led us to submit an amendment to the 2022 Audit Plan. An incident at the Gaslight Lounge which involved Anchorage Safety Patrol (ASP) led to inquiries about the contract and policies of the contractor. During this inquiry, it was discovered that a contract compliance audit has never been conducted by Internal Audit for this critical public safety contract of the Municipality of Anchorage. Some years ago, Internal Audit assisted the contractor in doing a self-audit, but due to the nature of this work, no public documentation exists.

Internal Audit routinely conducts contract compliance audits for a variety of Municipal contracts, including our senior centers, community centers, and others. We argue that this critical public safety contract should face similar scrutiny.

To not impact the workload of Internal Audit, this amendment removes the Anchorage Convention and Visitors Bureau contract audit and adds in a contract compliance audit for ASP.

Internal Audit was consulted during the creation of this amendment.

We urge support of this amendment to the 2022 Audit Plan.

Respectfully submitted:

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