

Office of the City Auditor

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Mission Statement

The mission and purpose of the Office of the City Auditor is to provide unbiased analyses, accurate information, and objective recommendations to assist the City in using public resources equitably, efficiently, and effectively in the delivery of services to the citizens of Seattle.

Goals

• Provide unbiased analyses, accurate and timely information, and objective recommendations to City officials and the citizens of Seattle that will result in improved City operations and/or cost savings.

Appropriations

Fund/Line of Business (in thousands of dollars)	Summit Code	1999 Actual	2000 Adopted	2001 Adopted	2002 Endorsed
General Subfund					
Office of the City Auditor	VG100	920	967	1,177	1,208
Department Total		920	967	1,177	1,208
Positions (in Full Time Equivalents)		10.00	12.00	12.00	12.00

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Key Performance Targets

- Complete 1.5 audit projects per staff member annually, with target based on a comparison to peer group audit offices.
- Complete at least 18 projects annually that result in more efficient and effective City programs and/or greater adherence to laws, regulations, and policies.

Program Highlights

Increase audit coverage of capital programs and increase audit staff productivity.

Increase the Office's budget to reflect the City's commitment to further emphasize the independence of the City Auditor. The funding increase reflects several programmatic changes. First, with its move to the Key Tower, the Office of City Auditor will receive a decreased level of support from the Legislative Department and will have to perform an increased amount of internal administrative tasks. Second, the Office will fund an existing research and evaluation position to allow wider audit coverage of the City.

Resources

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