

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

May 20, 2024

The Honorable Muriel Bowser Mayor of the District of Columbia Mayor's Correspondence Unit John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 316 Washington, D.C. 20004

The Honorable Phil Mendelson Chairman Council of the District of Columbia John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504 Washington, D.C. 20004

Subject: Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) | OIG No. 24-1-07MA

Dear Mayor Bowser and Chairman Mendelson:

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) is beginning the audit for the fiscal year (FY) 2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR). Pursuant to D.C. Code § 1-204.48(a)(4), the Mayor is required to "[s]ubmit to the Council, by February 1st of each fiscal year, a complete financial statement and report for the preceding fiscal year, as audited by the [Office of the] Inspector General of the District of Columbia[.]"

The OIG is required to contract with an independent auditor who is not an OIG officer or employee to audit the complete financial statements and report on the activities of the District government for each fiscal year.¹ The OIG contracted with McConnell & Jones, LLP (MJ) to conduct the FY 2024 audit.² MJ will conduct this audit in accordance with generally accepted U.S. standards, such as those applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

We ask that District agency leaders:

 By May 27, 2024, provide the OIG with a point of contact to Ms. Wanda Scales at wanda.scales@dc.gov,

¹ D.C. Code § 1-301.115a(a)(4).

² FY 2024 is the fifth and final option year in OIG's contract with MJ.

- 2. By June 14, 2024, provide the OIG with a list of any new accounting standards that your entity implemented, or plans to implement, in FY 2024, and
- 3. Promptly inform the OIG of any significant events that may affect the scheduled delivery of the ACFR.

Additionally, we ask that District agency leaders whose entity's financial statements are audited by a third-party auditor:³

- 1. By August 9, 2024, ensure that the auditor is engaged and
- 2. Ensure that your contract's option year renewal, and/or modifications contain definitized requirements for the delivery of the third-party audit opinions on your entity's financial statements to the OIG no later than December 13, 2024.

During the audit, the OIG will host periodic meetings to monitor and oversee the audit process and facilitate communication among MJ, the Executive Office of the Mayor, the DC Council, the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, other District management officials, and independent agencies.

Mr. Robert Binelli, Contract Administrator, will contact District agencies to arrange the initial meeting to reintroduce MJ, discuss the audit process, and answer any questions. In the interim, if you have questions, please contact me or Dr. Slemo Warigon, Assistant Inspector General for Audits, at 202-727-2540.

Sincerely,

Daniel W. Lucas Inspector General

DWL/SDW/wms

cc: See Distribution List

³ MJ is contractually required to review workpapers and resulting opinions of third-party CPA firms who audit financial statements of component units, organization units, funds, and programs; this includes the: District of Columbia Housing Finance Agency, Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation, Retirement Board, Green Finance Authority, 401(a) Defined Contribution Plan, 457 Deferred Compensation Plan, and Section 529 College Savings Plan.

DISTRIBUTION LIST

- Ms. Betsy Cavendish, General Counsel to the Mayor and Co-Chair of the D.C. Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation
- Mr. Kevin Donahue, City Administrator of the District of Columbia
- Mr. Barry Kreiswirth, General Counsel and Senior Policy Advisor to the City Administrator
- Ms. Lindsey Parker, Assistant City Administrator for Internal Services
- Ms. Nina Albert, Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development
- Ms. Lindsey Appiah, Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice
- Mr. Keith Anderson, Deputy Mayor for Operations and Infrastructure
- Mr. Paul Kihn, Deputy Mayor for Education
- Mr. Wayne Turnage, MPH, Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services andDirector of the Department of Health Care Finance
- Ms. Jackie Reyes-Yanes, Director, Mayor's Office of Community Affairs
- Mr. Eugene A. Adams, Director, Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel
- The Honorable Brian L. Schwalb, Attorney General for the District of Columbia
- Mr. Jed Ross, Director and Chief Risk Officer, Office of Risk Management
- Ms. Karima M. Woods, Commissioner, Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking
- Mr. Robert L. Matthews, Director, Child and Family Services Agency
- Mr. Marc D. Loud, Chief Administrative Judge, Contract Appeals Board
- Mr. Charles Hall, Jr., Director, DC Department of Human Resources Director, Department of Human Resources
- Ms. Laura Green Zeilinger, Director, DC Department of Human ServicesLaura Green Zeilinger, Director, Department of Human Services
- Ms. Diane C. Lewis, M.P.A., Chair, Executive Board, Health Benefit Exchange Authority
- Ms. Mila Kofman, Executive Director, Health Benefit Exchange Authority

- Mr. Frank Suarez, Executive Director, Office of Lottery and Gaming
- Ms. Charon P.W. Hines, Acting Director, Department of Aging and Community Living
- Dr. Barbara J. Bazron, Director, Department of Behavioral Health
- Mr. Brian J. Hanlon, Director, Department of Buildings
- Ms. Tiffany Crowe, Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection
- Mr. Thomas N. Faust, Director, Department of Corrections
- Dr. Unique N. Morris-Hughes, Director, Department of Employment Services
- Dr. Francisco J. Diaz, FCAP, FASCP, Interim Director, Department of Forensic Services
- Mr. Delano Hunter, Director, Department of General Services
- Dr. Ayanna Bennet, MSPH, FAAP, Director, Department of Health
- Ms. Colleen Green, Director, Department of Housing and Community Development
- Mr. Gabriel Robinson, Director, Department of Motor Vehicles
- Ms. Melinda Bolling, Acting Director, Department of For-Hire Vehicles
- Ms. Thennie Freeman, Director, Department of Parks and Recreation
- Mr. Timothy W. Spriggs, Director, Department of Public Works
- Ms. Rosemary Suggs Evans, Director, Department of Small and Local Business Development
- Mr. Richard Jackson, Director, Department of the Energy and the Environment
- Mr. Sam Abed, Director, Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services
- Mr. Andrew Reese, Director, Department on Disability Services
- Ms. Sharon Kershbaum, Acting Director, District Department of Transportation
- Mr. Keith Pettigrew, Executive Director, District of Columbia Housing Authority
- Mr. Raymond Skinner, Chair, Stabilization And Reform Board of Commissioners
 District of Columbia Housing Authority

Ms. Angie M. Gates, President and Chief Executive Officer Washington Convention and Sports Authority

Mr. John Boardman, Executive Vice Chairman, Board of Directors
Washington Convention and Sports Authority

Mr. Richard Reyes-Gavilan, Executive Director, DC Public Library

Mr. Antonio (Tony) Williams, Chair, Board of Trustees, DC Public Library

Mr. Kenneth Owens, Executive Director, DC State Athletic Association

Ms. Jennifer Reed, Director, Office of Budget and Performance Management

Mr. Drew Hubbard, Executive Director, DC Workforce Investment Council

Mr. Antwanye Ford, Chairman, DC Workforce Investment Council

Mrs. Jennifer L. Porter, MPH, Director, Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants

Ms. Kwelli D. Sneed, Director, Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement

Major General John C. Andonie, Commanding General, DC National Guard

Dr. Lewis D. Ferebee, Chancellor, DC Public Schools

Mr. John A. Donnelly, Sr., Fire and EMS Chief Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department

Mr. Clint Osborn, Interim Director, Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency

Mr. Thomas Wells, Director, Office of Policy and Legislative Affairs

Ms. Pamela A. Smith, Chief of Police, Metropolitan Police Department

Ms. Angell Jacobs, Chair, Board of Directors, Not-For-Profit Hospital Corporation

Dr. Jacqueline Payne-Borden, Chief Executive Officer, Not-For-Profit Hospital Corporation

Ms. LaToya Foster, Director, Office of Cable Television, Film, Music and Entertainment

Ms. Nancy Hapeman, Interim Chief Procurement Officer
It Office of Contracting and Procurement

Mr. Mathew McCollough, Director, Office of Disability Rights

- Mr. Tomás Talamante, Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Office of the Senior Advisor
- Mr. Kenneth Saunders, Interim Director, DC Office of Human Rights
- Mr. E. Lindsey Maxwell II, Esq., Director, Office of Labor Relations and Collective Bargaining
- Ms. Anita Cozart, Director, Office of Planning
- Dr. Maurice D. Edington, President, University of the District of Columbia
- Mr. Christopher D. Bell, Chair, Board of Trustees, University of the District of Columbia
- Dr. Francisco J. Diaz, FACP, Chief Medical Examiner
- Mr. Stephan Miller, Interim Chief Technology Officer
- Ms. Kimberly A. Bassett, Secretary of State of the District of Columbia
- Ms. Beverly L. Perry, Senior Advisor
- Dr. Christina Grant, State Superintendent, Office of the State Superintendent of Education
- Ms. Bernice Butler, Executive Director, State Board of Education
- Ms. Eboni-Rose Thompson, President, State Board of Education
- Ms. Heather McGaffin, Director, Office of Unified Communications
- Mr. Christopher E. Donald, Executive Director and CEO, District of Columbia Housing Finance Agency
- Mr. Stephen M. Green, Chairman, District of Columbia Housing Finance Agency
- Mr. Gianpiero "JP" Balestrieri, Executive Director, DC Retirement Board
- Mr. Joseph M. Bress, Chair, D.C. Retirement Board
- Ms. Trisha Miller, CEO and Chief Financial Officer, DC Green Finance Authority
- Ms. Brandi Colander, Chair, Board of Directors, DC Green Finance Authority
- Mr. Kenneth Owens, Executive Director, District of Columbia State Athletic Commission
- Ms. Rosalyn Overstreet-Gonzalez, Chairperson, District of Columbia State Athletic Commission

- Ms. Norma B. Hutcheson, Chairperson, DC Board of Ethics and Government Accountability
- Mr. Donald Isaac, Sr., Executive Director, Corrections Information Council
- Ms. M. Colleen Currie, Chief Administrative Law Judge, Office of Administrative Hearings
- Mr. Michael G. Tobin, Executive Director, Office of Police Complaints
- Dr. Michelle J. Walker-Davis, Executive Director, District of Columbia Public Charter School Board
- Mr. Emile C. Thompson, Chairman, Public Service Commission
- Mr. Gary Thompson, Chairperson, DC Board of Elections
- Ms. Monica Holman Evans, Executive Director, DC Board of Elections
- Ms. Schannette Grant, Interim Executive Director, Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions
- Ms. Cecily E. Collier-Montgomery, Director, Office of Campaign Finance
- Ms. Sheila G. Barfield is the Executive Director, Office of Employee Appeals
- Mr. Royale Simms, Acting Executive Director, Public Employee Relations Board
- Mr. Douglas A. Warshof, Chairperson, Public Employee Relations Board
- Mr. Tony Williams, Chairperson, Tax Revision Commission
- Mr. Nick Johnson, Executive Director, Tax Revision Commission
- Mr. Aaron Myers, Executive Director, Commission on the Arts and Humanities
- Ms. Johanna Shreve, Chief Tenant Advocate of the District of Columbia, Office of the Tenant Advocate
- Ms. Sara Jo Bardin, Director, Office of Zoning
- Mr. Gizachew Andargeh, Executive Director, Real Property Tax Appeals Commission
- The Honorable Adam R. Hunter, Chair and Chief Administrative Judge, Rental Housing Commission
- Mr. Jinwoo Charles Park, Executive Director, Criminal Code Reform Commission

Ms. Kristy B. Love, Executive Director, Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Ms. Petrina Jones-Jesz, Ombudsperson, District of Columbia Office of the Ombudsperson for Children

Mr. Fred Moosally, Director, Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration

Mr. Glen Lee, Chief Financial Officer

Ms. Carmen Pigler, Deputy Chief Financial Officer and DC Treasurer and Co-Chair of the DC Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation, DC 529 College Savings Program Trust, 401(a) Defined Contribution Plan, and 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan

The Honorable Anita Bonds, Chairperson, Committee on Executive Administration and Labor

The Honorable Kathy Patterson, DC Auditor

Mr. Wayne McConnell, Managing Partner, McConnell & Jones, LLP