

City of Tacoma

Memorandum

TO:

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Government Performance and Finance Committee - Audit Advisory Board

SUBJECT:

Moss Adams Audit Exit Conference

DATE:

June 7, 2017

SUMMARY:

The Audit Advisory Board meets as needed to review communications from the external auditors. At the June 7, 2017, meeting, Moss Adams will conduct a 2016 audit exit conference with the Board. The Audit Advisory Board will have the opportunity to review the report, discuss any matters of interest with the external auditors, and provide the auditors and/or staff with direction regarding the audit work. The audits were issued an Unmodified Opinion or "clean" report with results consistent if not better than previous year.

BACKGROUND:

Council Resolution 36620 (August 16, 2005) established the Audit Advisory Board and charged it with, among other things, "... ensuring coordination of audit needs of the City Council and the work of independent auditors retained by the City to audit City programs, functions, and activities; making audit management recommendations to the City Council...".

ISSUE:

Moss Adams has completed the 2016 audit work for Tacoma Public Utilities and Environmental Services and will conduct the audit exit conference. Information provided will include 1) the clean (unmodified) audit opinions given, 2) audit findings, and 3) other required communications with governance.

ALTERNATIVES:

None.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Audit Advisory Board should conduct the audit exit conference with Moss Adams and provide the auditors or staff with direction regarding the audit work.