Audit Follow-Up

Facilities Security

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Original Report #AR-2403, Issued December 13, 2023
Follow-Up Period Ending March 31, 2026

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Executive Summary

This third follow-up audit assessed whether Facilities Security management implemented the four action plan steps from Audit Report #AR-2403 not yet completed. The original report, issued December 13, 2023, included six action plan steps. The audit addressed physical security for City buildings, facilities, and related physical access systems.

Management completed two action plan steps during prior follow-up periods. During this third follow-up, audit procedures showed management had made progress but had not yet completed any of the four remaining action plan steps.

Accordingly, the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) concluded the four remaining action plan steps remained in progress. The OIG will conduct additional follow-ups to assess management's progress in completing the action plan steps as appropriate.

Summary from Original Report

The original audit evaluated physical security measures in City buildings and facilities to determine whether the City had made reasonable efforts to provide a safe environment for employees and visitors. The audit found that the City had taken reasonable and appropriate actions to secure City facilities. However, the audit also identified areas where facility security should be strengthened.

In a prior follow-up period, we reported that Facilities Security management had completed two of the six steps developed to address the recommendations in Audit Report #AR-2403. The status of the six action plan steps is summarized below.

Conclusion

During this third follow-up audit, we determined that four action plan steps from the original audit had not yet been completed. Based on our audit procedures, we concluded those action plan steps are still in progress and while progress toward completing those steps had been reported by management, additional actions were needed for the steps to be considered complete.

The Office of the Inspector General will continue to follow-up on the status of the outstanding action plan steps.

Complete	In Progress	Needs Attention
2	4	0

Appointed Official Response

City Manager:

We appreciate the work of the Office of the Inspector General in conducting this review and follow up of Facilities security. As noted in the report, two action steps have been completed, and the remaining action steps are in progress. These efforts support safer facilities, more consistent practices, and continued operational improvement. I would like to thank the staff of the Inspector General's Office for their professional review and ongoing efforts to strengthen city controls and processes.

Acknowledgements

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Statement of Accordance

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We conducted this audit follow-up in conformance with *generally accepted government auditing standards*. Those standards require we plan and perform the audit follow-up to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. We believe the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our objectives.

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