

INTERNAL AUDIT DEPARTMENT



Second & Final Close-Out Follow-Up Internal Control Audit: Countywide Audit of County Business Travel and Meeting Policy -County Executive Office

As of June 23, 2020

Audit No. 1839-P (Reference 1626-A-F2) Report Date: July 9, 2020

Recommendation Status FIRST FOLLOW-UP SECOND FOLLOW-UP 1 Implemented 2 In Process 0 Not Implemented 0 Closed 0 Closed

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To:	Frank Kim County Executive Officer
From:	Aggie Alonso, CPA, CIA, CRMA Internal Audit Department Director
Subject:	Second & Final Close-Out Follow-Up Internal Control Audit: Countywid County Business Travel and Meeting Policy – County Executive Office

We have completed a follow-up audit of the County Executive Office (CEO) expenditures governed by the County Business Travel and Meeting Policy as of June 23, 2020, original Audit No. 1626-A, dated February 7, 2018. Details of our results immediately follow this letter. Additional information including background and our scope is included in Appendix A.

Our Second Follow-Up Audit concluded CEO implemented the two (2) remaining recommendations from the original audit. Because the recommendations were implemented, this report represents the final close-out of the original audit.

We appreciate the assistance extended to us by CEO personnel during our follow-up audit. If you have any questions, please contact me at 714.834.5442 or Assistant Director Scott Suzuki at 714.834.5509.

Attachments

Other recipients of this report: Members, Board of Supervisors Members, Audit Oversight Committee **CEO** Distribution Foreperson, Grand Jury Robin Stieler, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors Eide Bailly LLP, County External Auditor

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RESULTS				
FINDING NO. 1	No Policy and Procedures for Business Travel and Meeting Administration			
CATEGORY	Control Finding			
RECOMMENDATION	We recommend CEO develop detailed policies and procedures regarding business travel and meeting expenditures that all areas of CEO can utilize.			
CURRENT STATUS	Implemented. CEO developed draft department-wide policy and procedures (P&Ps), which is pending final approval. Due to the current COVID-19 crisis, the review process is on hold. Although the internal P&Ps are still in review, the department currently follows the new procedure. Based on the actions taken by CEO, we consider this recommendation implemented.			

FINDING NO. 3	Policy Regarding Mileage and Other Expenses Claim Form Submission		
CATEGORY	Control Finding		
RECOMMENDATION	We recommend CEO modify the Travel Policy to clarify the timeframe in which Mileage and Other Expenses Claim forms must be submitted to the Auditor-Controller.		
CURRENT STATUS	Implemented. CEO completed a revision of the County Business Travel and Meeting Policy, which clarifies the timeframe in which Mileage and Other Expenses Claim forms must be submitted to the Auditor- Controller. The revised policy was submitted to the Board and approved on September 24, 2019 (Board Resolution 19-092). Based on the actions taken by CEO, we consider this recommendation implemented.		

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APPENDIX A: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION					
SCOPE	Our follow-up audit was limited to reviewing actions taken by CEO as of June 23, 2020 to implement the two (2) remaining recommendations from our First Follow-Up Audit No. 1839-A, dated December 13, 2018.				
BACKGROUND	The original audit evaluated operational effectiveness of internal control for expenditures governed by the County Business Travel and Meeting Policy. The First Follow-Up Audit concluded CEO implemented (1) recommendation and was in process of implementing two (2) recommendations.				



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Implemented	In Process	Not Implemented	Closed					
The department has implemented our recommendation in all respects as verified by the follow- up audit. No further follow-up is required.	The department is in the process of implementing our recommendation. Additional follow-up may be required.	The department has taken no action to implement our recommendation. Additional follow-up may be required.	Circumstances have changed surrounding our original finding/ recommendation that: (1) make it no longer applicable or (2) the department has implemented and will only implement a portion of our recommendation. No further follow-up is					

APPENDIX B: FOLLOW-UP AUDIT IMPLEMENTATION STATUS



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