

Status Report on 2009 Performance Audit Work Program

24-Sep-09

Project	Authority	Status as of September 24, 2009	Contract Payments to Date (a)	Contract Payments Annual Estimate (a)
1 Assessor-Treasurer Issues	Council resolution R2009-21, passed March 24, 2009	Final report was presented to County Council on March 31, 2009	\$2,000	\$2,000
2 Criminal Justice Task Force (CJTF)	Council resolutions and direction from task force chairs	Reports (June 2009) on pretrial release and chronic minor offenders. Working on "dashboard report" of criminal justice system measures. Final report of CJTF in October.	\$21,518	\$31,200
3 Sheriff's Department Deployment and Data Issues	Performance Audit Committee	Pre-audit planning study was presented on May 28. It recommended a contract performance audit in 2010.	\$1,376	\$3,000
4 Animal Control and Licensing	Performance Audit Committee	Contractor Mark Kumpf had site visit here in June. Report presented on Sept 24.	\$5,000	\$14,000
5 Breaking the Cycle	Council resolution R2009-20s, passed March 31, 2009	Contractor Christopher Murray did a process evaluation. Report presented on Sept 24.	\$8,200	\$24,500
6 <i>PSAP Assessment Study: An Independent Performance Audit of the LESA Communication Center (published April 15, 2009). This is a quality assurance review of the report to assess whether it meets performance audit standards.</i>	Performance Audit Committee, and request by Tacoma internal auditor to conduct a joint project.	Work is in progress. Report is scheduled for October 20 to City Council and October 22 to Performance Audit Committee.	\$0	\$4,000
7 Court Reporters	Letter request from County Council, August 2008	Final report was presented March 19, 2009	\$0	\$0
8 Superior Court Felony Backlog	Request by Chair of Performance Audit Committee	Monitor felony filings and pending cases each month. Prepare graphs for chair and others.	\$0	\$0
9 Update on Public Defense LFOs (amount charged at sentencing for public defense)	Request by Prosecuting Attorney	Work in progress. Tentatively scheduled for October 22 meeting.	\$0	\$0
10 Administrative Costs of Youth Violence Prevention program	Performance Audit Committee	Work in progress.	\$0	\$0
TOTAL			\$38,094	\$78,700
Contractor budget (2009)				\$145,270
Annual estimate				\$78,700
Amount remaining				\$66,570

(a) Includes extra-hire staff as well as payments to contractors.

Other Performance Audit Work

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Government Auditing Standards (Yellow Book): What does it mean to conduct an audit according to the Yellow Book?	Request by Councilmembers Muri and Bunney	Briefing held May 28. One-page summary of Yellow Book standards is posted on the performance audit website
Coordination with State Auditor's Office on performance audit issues.	Coordination is needed because both SAO and local govts have performance audit authority	We monitor SAO reports and discuss them as needed with SAO and colleagues in other jurisdictions.
Annual report to State Auditor on public record request issues.	Council resolution in June 2008 directed Performance Audit Coordinator to submit annual report to SAO.	Submitted report to SAO staff, August 2009.
Maintain website	This provides easy access to public information	Audit reports and related work are posted on the county website: http://www.piercecountywa.org/performance-audit
Continuing professional education (80 hours ever two years is required)	Required by Yellow Book	On track to comply with requirements
Prepare for peer review	Required by Yellow Book	We will conduct a self-assessment later in 2009, as recommended by professional organizations. Peer review is planned in 2010.

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