March 22, 2022

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

The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia  
The John A. Wilson Building  
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Washington, D.C. 20004  

Dear Mayor Bowser and Chairman Mendelson:  

This letter informs you that the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) plans to conduct a review of recommendations issued during Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 by the OIG’s Audit Unit and Inspections and Evaluations Unit (I&E). Please see the attachment for a list of District agencies and corresponding projects that will be part of our review.  

This review will also follow up on all recommendations issued by both Units prior to FY 2021 that were still open when the OIG published its most recent recommendation follow-up report in September 2021.  

D.C. Code § 1-301.115a(a-1)(3) requires the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) to “[p]rovide a means for keeping the Mayor, Council, and District government department and agency heads fully and currently informed about problems and deficiencies relating to the administration of the[ir] programs and operations and the necessity for and progress of corrective actions” (emphasis supplied).  

The objectives of this engagement are to determine: (1) the status of open recommendations; (2) whether corrective actions remedied key conditions identified in prior OIG reports; and (3) whether agencies realized monetary benefits (if applicable). We will conduct this review under generally accepted government auditing standards and standards promulgated by the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency.
To determine the progress of corrective actions, the OIG will survey District agencies to assess their efforts to implement recommendations and determine the status of corresponding corrective actions. Once they have analyzed the information received through the survey, the Audit Unit and I&E will coordinate and contact District agencies to request additional information and documentation to corroborate agencies’ survey responses.

This project is included in the OIG’s *Fiscal Year 2022 Audit and Inspection Plan*¹ and will be conducted under project code OIG No. 21-1-01MA. Please reference this project code in correspondence involving this engagement. Our preliminary fieldwork will begin on or about April 4, 2022.

Lisa Wilson, Supervisory Auditor, will arrange an entrance conference to discuss the review process, objectives and to answer questions. District agency leaders who receive this letter are asked to provide a point of contact from their agency to Ms. Wilson at Lisa.Wilson1@dc.gov by March 25, 2022. In the interim if you have questions, please contact me, Fekede Gindaba, Assistant Inspector General for Audits, or Edward Farley, Assistant Inspector General for I&E, at (202) 727-2540.

Sincerely,

Daniel W. Lucas  
Inspector General

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Attachment

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¹ Both the Audit Unit and I&E included this engagement in their respective parts of the *FY 2022 Audit and Inspection Plan*. As we did in FY 2021, the OIG will publish a single report that presents the findings of the Units’ recommendation follow-up.
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