

RESOLUTION NO. 62,972-N.S.

EXPANDING CURRENT COUNCIL DIRECTIVES TO INCLUDE NOTIFYING THE CITY AUDITOR OF ANTICIPATED OR PLANNED AUDITS OR STUDIES BY EXTERNAL PARTIES, IN ADDITION TO THOSE COMPLETED

WHEREAS, the City Auditor, by Charter, has the authority and responsibility to conduct performance audits, financial audits, and special studies of all phases of Berkeley government in accordance with government auditing standards; and

WHEREAS, City Auditor staff perform audits of City systems, programs, taxpayers, and contracts; and

WHEREAS, management and employees in the public sector are responsible for taxpayer use of public resources and should be held accountable for carrying out this responsibility efficiently and effectively; and

WHEREAS, existing Council direction requires that the City Auditor be provided copies of all outside audit reports and management letters within five working days of receipt; and

WHEREAS, in order to enable the provision of audit services and consultations in the most timely, efficient, and effective manner, it is necessary to provide the City Auditor and the City Manager with information about the need for such services in a timely fashion.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Berkeley directs the City Manager to ensure that staff promptly notify the City Auditor when audits and similar engagements are anticipated or contemplated.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Auditor shall be notified when each draft audit report or study is received for review and when each final report is received, and shall be given the opportunity to obtain a copy of each final report within five working days of receipt by City staff.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Berkeley City Council on June 28, 2005 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Anderson, Capitelli, Maio, Moore, Olds, Spring, Worthington, Wozniak and Mayor Bates.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

Attest: Sara T. Cox
Sara T. Cox, City Clerk

Tom Bates
Tom Bates, Mayor