

## External Quality Control Review

## City of Chattanooga Office of Internal Audit

Conducted in accordance with guidelines of the

## Association of Local Government Auditors

for the period of October 1, 2014 through December 31, 2015



## **Association of Local Government Auditors**

April 14, 2016

Mr. Stan Sewell, City Auditor Office of Internal Audit 1001 Lindsay Street Chattanooga, TN 37402

Dear Mr. Sewell,

We have completed a peer review of the City of Chattanooga Office of Internal Audit for the period October 1, 2014 to December 31, 2015. In conducting our review, we followed the standards and guidelines contained in the *Peer Review Guide* published by the Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA).

We reviewed the internal quality control system of your audit organization and conducted tests in order to determine if your internal quality control system operated to provide reasonable assurance of compliance with *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our procedures included:

- Reviewing the audit organization's written policies and procedures.
- Reviewing internal monitoring procedures.
- Reviewing a sample of audit and non-audit engagements and working papers.
- Reviewing documents related to independence, training, and development of auditing staff.
- Interviewing auditing staff to assess their understanding of, and compliance with, relevant quality control policies and procedures.

Due to variances in individual performance and judgment, compliance does not imply adherence to standards in every case, but does imply adherence in most situations.

Based on the results of our review, it is our opinion that the City of Chattanooga Office of Internal Audit internal quality control system was suitably designed and operating effectively to provide reasonable assurance of compliance with *Government Auditing Standards* for audit engagements during the period October 1, 2014 to December 31, 2015.

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Dear Mr. Remias and Ms. Brewington:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the thorough and complete peer review performed by the team. This experience is always rewarding. Your review provides independent and objective assurance to the parties relying on our work. In addition, the exchange of personal experiences and best practices will enhance the quality of our office's future audit projects.

We are very pleased our office was found to be in full compliance with no need for a management letter.

In closing, I would like to thank the peer review team for their time and expertise. Also, we very much appreciate Paul Geib of Milwaukee Public Schools coordinating the review.

Very truly yours,

Stan Sewell City Auditor