

Audit Committee Minutes
Thursday, April 16, 2020
10:00 a.m. Teleconference via Microsoft Teams

Open Session

Members present via Microsoft Teams were Council member Andy Pico, Tom Strand, Brian McAllister, and Welensky Nathan, and youth liaison Eli Andrew. Also present were City Auditor Denny Nester, Jacqueline Rowland, Dale Rickard, Tom Baird, Sally Barber, Craig Blewitt, Lisa O'Boyle, Izabela Podlecki, Ted Collas, Wendy Patterson, Nicole Spindler, and Frederick Stein. Linette Crouch was present to take the minutes.

The meeting was called to order by Andy Pico at 10:01 a.m. Minutes of the February 20, 2020 meeting were approved.

Nester presented report 20-10 Colorado Springs Utilities Electric Cost Adjustment. There were no comments.

Baird presented report 20-11 City of Colorado Springs Ambulance Transport Contract RFP Process Review.

Blewitt gave details regarding the six-month status of report 19-19 City of Colorado Springs Transit Contract Compliance. Committee members, Blewitt and Patterson discussed concerns and consequences of non-compliance.

Nester requested committee approval of BKD CPAs & Advisors as the independent auditor for 2020-2023. Nester explained the process of the RFP. Strand moved and Nathan seconded to approve BKD CPAs & Advisors as the independent auditors. All ayes. Motion approved.

Pico read the certificate that will be mailed to each of the participating Youth Ambassadors and thanked them for their interest and service. Committee members were appreciative of the Ambassadors input during the previous months.

Nester spoke about the hiring freeze and that the City Auditor position advertisement has been stopped at this time. Pico mentioned this was a City Council Finance Committee decision and that all of City Council has agreed at this time.

Rowland gave an update on the 2020 Audit Plan status.

Nester requested that committee members reach out with suggestions for the 2021 Audit Plan.

Nester discussed the Annual Communications for the committee.

Pico adjourned the meeting at 11:07 a.m.