

METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY
AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
November 8, 2022

On Tuesday, November 8, 2022, at 4:00 p.m., the Metropolitan Nashville Audit Committee met in the Metropolitan Courthouse, 2nd Floor, Committee Room 2. The following people attended the meeting:

Committee Members

Tom Bates, Tennessee Society of CPAs
Kelly Flannery, Director of Finance
Sharon Hurt, Council Member
Brackney Reed, Chamber of Commerce
Jim Shulman, Vice Mayor
Kyonzte Toombs, Council Member

Others

Lauren Riley, Metropolitan Auditor
John Crosslin, Crosslin
David Hunt, Crosslin
Jenneen Kaufman, Metro Finance
Nicki Eke, Department of Law
Courtney Mohan, Department of Law
Delonda Payne, Nashville General Hospital
Jennifer Pedginski, Metro Finance
Bill Walker, Office of Internal Audit
Seth Hatfield, Office of Internal Audit

Quorum present? Yes

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mr. Reed called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A **motion** to approve meeting minutes for both September 13, 2022, and September 28, 2022, was made, seconded, and carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion on Audit Recommendations Follow-up – Audit of Development Conditions

Ms. Riley explained there were originally five audit recommendations, and all five recommendations were implemented. No questions or discussion ensued.

Discussion on Audit Recommendations Follow-up – Audit of Metropolitan Clerk Lobbyist Registration & Disclosure

Ms. Riley explained there were originally three audit recommendations, and all three recommendations were implemented. No questions or discussion ensued.

Discussion on the Audit of Nashville General Hospital Human Resources

Mr. Hatfield summarized the objectives, observations, and recommendations of the report. Ms. Flannery asked whether the audit included specialized positions such as physicians. The audit focused on the administrative positions within the hospital. Vice Mayor Shulman inquired about the survey sent to hospital leaders regarding their satisfaction with internal services received from Human Resources. Mr. Hatfield explained the results were mostly favorable but showed the responsibilities of both Human Resources and the hospital leaders in the recruitment process should be clarified.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion on the Investigation Report on Allegations of Nashville General Hospital

Ms. Riley explained she has been working with Julie Groves, Chief Compliance Officer at Nashville General Hospital and believes the documentation has been located to either substantiate or unsubstantiate the allegation. The investigation should be finalized by the next Audit Committee meeting. Council Member Hurt discussed the timing and responsiveness of Nashville General Hospital for this investigation. She noted the multiple responsibilities held by many within Nashville General Hospital and the limited funding should be taken into consideration.

INTERNAL AUDIT PROJECT STATUS

Recommendation implementation follow-up status

Ms. Riley explained that 10 recommendations were due for implementation. Five recommendations were reported as implemented, and five needed revised dates due to delays in software implementation.

Ongoing projects

Ms. Riley explained that 12 audit reports have been issued, and the office is on target to meet the goal of 17 audit reports for the year.

OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Annual Budget

Ms. Riley informed the committee of the status of the budget, and no further discussion ensued.

Executive Session

A **motion** to adjourn the public meeting and go into Executive Session was made, seconded, and carried.

The public meeting adjourned after approximately 20 minutes.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is November 29, 2022, at 12:00 p.m.

The minutes for the November 8, 2022, Metropolitan Nashville Audit Committee meeting are respectfully submitted.



Lauren Riley, Metropolitan Auditor
Secretary, Metropolitan Nashville Audit Committee

Approved by the Metropolitan Nashville Audit Committee on November 29, 2022