

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

Board Action/Information Summary

☒ Action ☐ Information

MEAD Number:
202256

Resolution:
☐ Yes ☒ No

TITLE:

Acceptance of OIG's Report

PRESENTATION SUMMARY:

The Inspector General's Semiannual Report to the Board of Directors, No. 27 summarizes the activities and accomplishments of the Office of Inspector General (OIG) during the six-month period ending December 31, 2020.

PURPOSE:

The Executive Committee's acceptance of OIG's report entitled: Semiannual Report to the Board of Directors, No. 27.

DESCRIPTION:

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Key Highlights:

Semiannual Report to the Board of Directors, No. 27.

During this reporting period, OIG investigative work resulted in three Reports of Investigation (ROI), one Management Alert, one Management Assistance Report, and three Special Project Reports.

Investigative work resulted in the recovery of \$174,054 in fraudulent payments to a WMATA employee.

Audit work resulted in one audit report and 19 contract audit reports with \$8.3 million in possible savings.

OIG issued one audit report that identified weaknesses in WMATA's program management involving a rail project. This report identified \$62.9 million in funds that could be put to better use including \$23.6 million in net savings. Management has ongoing corrective actions that should correct the issues in this audit report.

OIG issued the annual Audit of WMATA's Financial Statements for FYs 2020 and 2019.

Based on an annual budget of \$10.5 million, over the six-month period, OIG returned \$7 dollars to WMATA for every dollar spent.

Background and History:

Acceptance of this report constitutes the Board's authorization to post this report on the WMATA website, provided the Inspector General has conferred with the General Counsel and confirmed that any private or confidential information has been redacted in accordance with applicable law and WMATA policy.

Discussion:

The work highlighted in this report demonstrates OIG's commitment to promoting accountability, efficiency, and effectiveness in WMATA's programs and operations and keeping the Board of Directors fully and currently informed about deficiencies in WMATA's activities, as well as the necessity for and progress of corrective actions.

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FUNDING IMPACT:

There is no impact on funding.

TIMELINE:

Anticipated actions after presentation: Executive Committee's acceptance of this report.

RECOMMENDATION:

Executive Committee accepts OIG's report.