



Executive Committee

Board Action Item III-A

May 26, 2022

**Acceptance of
Inspector General's
Report**

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

Board Action/Information Summary

☒ Action ☐ Information

MEAD Number:
202363

Resolution:
☐ Yes ☒ No

TITLE:

Acceptance of OIG's Report

PRESENTATION SUMMARY:

OIG performed limited scope site inspections of WMATA's Metrorail stations, associated bus loops, bus shelters, and parking garages. While the overall appearance of the stations was mostly positive at the time of inspection, there were some areas that could be improved upon. OIG also observed potential safety and physical security concerns.

PURPOSE:

The Executive Committee's acceptance of OIG's report entitled:
Special Project Report – Station Cleaning Inspection

DESCRIPTION:

N/A

Key Highlights:

OIG conducted site inspections of 17 of 91 rail stations across all lines and jurisdictions in anticipation of increased ridership on August 18 and 19, 2021.

OIG observed seven potential safety concerns.

OIG observed two potential physical security concerns.

OIG observed trash and debris in the rail/track bed adjacent to 14 of the 17 stations inspected.

OIG observed cleaning supplies left unattended in a publicly accessible area of one station.

OIG observed abandoned bicycles at one station.

Procurement delays impacted WMATA's ability to conduct timely groundskeeping maintenance.

Background and History:

Management agreed with OIG's observations. With respect to the safety concerns, management assessed the safety impact of each instance and immediately addressed or scheduled corrective maintenance. With respect to the physical security concerns, management issued Safety Bulletin SB-22-04-A on April 11, 2022.

MTPD committed to developing a policy to address abandoned bicycles by April 30, 2022.

A new contract for supplemental labor is in place for 2022.

Discussion:

WMATA acknowledged OIG's observations and has taken, or plans to take, the necessary corrective actions.

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.

Acceptance of the final report constitutes the Board's authorization to post the report on the WMATA OIG 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.