Presentation on Management Audit

Agenda Item 7.a.

June 25, 2019



Background of Presentation

Fiscal Stability Committee recommended Organization Management Audit

Fiscal Stability Committee recommended third party review of Alameda County Fire Services

Presentation on scope for two studies presented to City Council October 2018



Overview of Presentation

Provide highlights of the Management Audit conducted by Management Partners

Discuss how the recommendations will be considered and how they relate to the Strategic Plan now being developed

Refer the Management Audit to the Council Fiscal Committee



Purpose of the Management Audit

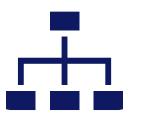


Identify opportunities to improve efficiency and service delivery, and to identify opportunities to reduce costs.

The context for the study was the City's structural financial deficit and a need to retain and attract valued employees.



Key Components Studied





Organization structure and reporting relationships Staffing within each function as compared with peer cities Staff recruitment and retention, competitiveness, professional development and succession planning



Best practices, internal systems, technology and tools

Alternatives for delivering services differently while assuring high quality



Categories of Review

Fiscal sustainability plan	Staffing	Strategic planning	Streamlining recruitment
Professional development and competitive compensation	Succession planning	Provision of non- typical municipal services	Alternative maintenance service delivery
Recreation program cost recovery	Reorganizing for greater efficiency	Process improvements	Technology tools



Top Five Recommendation Areas





Economic Development Initiatives



Sustaining the Employee Workforce



Alternative Service Delivery Opportunities



Technology Improvements



Fiscal Sustainability Strategies

✓ Comprehensive fiscal sustainability plan

- Expenditure controls
- Service delivery changes
- Revenue enhancements
- Service level reductions



- Community Development Services
- Recreation programs

✓ Various reductions or changes in services and costs





Revenue Enhancement Strategies

Revenue enhancement recommendations

- Recreation fees and charges (Recommendations 21 and 22)
- Community development (planning, building) fees and charges (*Recommendations 37, 38* and 39)
- Permit tracking system technology surcharge (*Recommendation 42*)

Other significant revenue enhancement opportunities

- Local transactions and use (sales) tax increase
- Real property transfer tax (requires charter city amendment)
- Transient occupancy tax increase
- Utility users tax
- Business license tax increase



<u>Alternative Service Delivery Potentials for</u> <u>Cost Savings</u>

- ✓ Reduce General Fund costs for youth and family services through partnerships with non-profits and other agencies
- ✓ Reduce or eliminate General Fund costs for Mark Green Sports Center by contracting or repurposing use
- ✓ Contract California Certified Unified Program Agencies (CUPA) program to save General Fund dollars
- ✓ Conduct RFP for street sweeping services to determine cost effectiveness
- ✓ Conduct RFP for fleet services maintenance to determine cost effectiveness





Sustaining the Employee Workforce

 Conduct Citywide compensation survey for competitiveness



 Create comprehensive professional development program



Technology Improvements

These are all fundamental for efficiency

- Land management system
- Encroachment permit tracking system



- Computerized maintenance management system (CMMS)
- Finance/Enterprise resource planning (ERP) system
- Employment applicant tracking system



Economic Development



✓ Streamline planning permit processes

- Create new/expanded business improvement districts
- ✓ Prioritize economic development activities based on fiscal sustainability needs





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Next Steps

Fiscal Stability Committee review recommendations Some recommendations evaluated in strategic plan



Next Steps

Some items evaluated as part of budget process

Some items subject to Meet and Confer and MOUs



Next Steps

CPSM to present fire service evaluation July 16 Study Session



Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Stability Committee evaluation not impact General Fund

Implementation may enhance revenues and reduce operating costs



Recommendation

1. Accept Report

2. Refer to Fiscal Stability Committee for evaluation and recommendation

