Subject: Office of the Auditor General (OAG) – Investigation of Building Code Services

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Report to Audit Committee on 10 February 2025

and Council 26 February 2025

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Objet : Bureau de la vérificatrice générale (BVG) - Enquête sur les Services du Code du bâtiment

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Rapport présenté au Comité de la vérification

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REPORT RECOMMENDATION(S)

That the Audit Committee receive the Investigation of Building Code Services report and recommend that Council consider and approve the recommendations.

RECOMMANDATION(S) DU RAPPORT

Que le Comité de la vérification reçoive le rapport de l'Enquête sur les Services du Code du bâtiment et recommande au Conseil d'examiner les recommandations, à des fins d'approbation.

BACKGROUND

The Investigation of Building Code Services was undertaken as a result of reports made to the Fraud and Waste Hotline.

DISCUSSION

In accordance with the Governance report approved by Council on December 7, 2022, the Investigation of Building Code Services is being tabled with the Audit Committee. The report will then be referred to Council for approval of the recommendations.

Details of the investigation objective, scope, findings, recommendations, and management action plans can be found in the investigation report (**Document 1**).

In addition to the detailed investigation report, we have developed a one-page summary of key highlights from our investigation (**Document 2**).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no legal implications associated with this report.

COMMENTS BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR(S)

This is a city-wide issue.

CONSULTATION

As this is considered an internal administrative matter, no public consultation was undertaken.

ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS

There are no accessibility impacts associated with this report.

TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES

This report supports the Term of Council Priority "a city that has affordable housing and is more liveable for all".

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1 – OAG: Investigation of Building Code Services

Document 1 – BVG: Enquête sur les Services du Code du bâtiment

Document 2 – OAG: Investigation of Building Code Services – Highlights

Document 2 – BVG: Faits saillants tirés de l'Enquête sur les Services du Code du bâtiment

DISPOSITION

The Office of the Auditor General will proceed according to the direction of the Audit Committee and Council in considering this report.