

Status Report on 2009 Performance Audit Work Program

3-Dec-09

<i>Project</i>	<i>Authority</i>	<i>Status as of December 3, 2009</i>	<i>Contract Payments to Date (a)</i>
1 Assessor-Treasurer Issues	Council resolution R2009-21, passed March 24, 2009	Final report was presented to County Council on March 31, 2009.	\$2,000
2 Criminal Justice Task Force (CJTF)	Council resolutions and direction from task force chairs	Reports on pretrial release and chronic minor offenders were completed in June 2009 and finalized in September. Some work remains for 2010.	\$32,987
3 Sheriff's Department Deployment and Data Issues	Performance Audit Committee	Pre-audit planning study was presented on May 28. It recommended a contract performance audit in 2010.	\$1,755
4 Animal Control and Licensing	Performance Audit Committee	Contractor Mark Kumpf presented the final report on September 24.	\$14,000
5 Breaking the Cycle	Council resolution R2009-20s, passed March 31, 2009	Contractor Christopher Murray presented the final report on September 24.	\$24,500
6 Quality Assurance Review of PSAP Assessment Study: A Performance Audit of the LESA Communications Center (April 2009). Examines whether the LESA report meets audit standards.	Performance Audit Committee, and request by Tacoma internal auditor to work together.	Preliminary report December 3.	\$4,900
7 Court Reporters	Letter request from County Council, August 2008	Final report was presented March 19, 2009.	\$0
8 Superior Court Felony Backlog	Request by Chair of Performance Audit Committee	Monitor felony filings, pending cases, and jail population. Prepare graphs.	\$0
9 Update on Public Defense LFOs (amount charged at sentencing for public defense)	Request by Prosecuting Attorney, approved by Performance Audit Committee	Work remains to be done. Can be completed by January 2010.	\$0
10 Administrative Costs of Youth Violence Prevention program	Performance Audit Committee	Brief report can be scheduled for January 2010.	\$0
TOTAL			\$80,142
Contractor budget (2009)			\$145,270
Annual estimate			\$80,142
Amount remaining			\$65,128

(a) Includes payments to contractors and to extra-hire staff.

Other Performance Audit Work

<i>Project</i>	<i>Authority</i>	<i>Status as of December 3, 2009</i>
11 Government Auditing Standards (Yellow Book): What does it mean to conduct an audit according to the Yellow Book?	Request by Councilmembers Muri and Bunney	Briefing held May 28. One-page summary of Yellow Book standards is posted on the performance audit website.
12 Coordination with State Auditor's Office (SAO) on performance audit issues.	Coordination is needed because both SAO and local governments have performance audit authority.	We monitor SAO performance audit reports and discuss them as needed with State Auditor staff and colleagues in other jurisdictions.
13 Annual report to State Auditor on public record request issues.	Council resolution in June 2008 directed Performance Audit Coordinator to submit annual report to SAO.	Submitted report to SAO staff, August and October 2009.
14 Maintain website	This provides easy access to public information	Audit reports and related work are posted on the county website: www.piercecountywa.org/performance-audit
15 Continuing professional education (80 hours per staff member every two years is required)	Required by Yellow Book	On track to comply with requirements
16 Prepare for peer review	Required by Yellow Book	We will conduct a self-assessment in late 2009 and early 2010, as recommended by professional organizations. Peer review is planned in 2010.

MT 12.1.2009