

#22-0377

**TO**: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE**: April 12, 2022

TITLE: Consideration of Options – Appointment of Interim City Auditor–

(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

### Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission consider options for the position of Interim City Auditor.

# **Background**

On February 15, 2022, the City Commission terminated the employment contract of City Auditor, John C. Herbst, with sixty days' notice. On March 15, 2022, the City Commission placed the City Auditor on administrative leave and temporarily appointed Assistant City Auditor III, Megan Gaillard, as Interim City Auditor until April 5, 2022.

Based upon the discussion at the April 5, 2022, Commission Conference Meeting, the Commission directed staff to seek out an auditing firm to serve as City Auditor on a short-term basis or until it is decided to move forward with the hiring of a new City Auditor.

## **Resource Impact**

There is sufficient salary savings in the City Auditor's Budget to cover the anticipated expense of hiring an outside auding firm.

# **Strategic Connections**

This item supports the Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024 Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Internal Support Focus Area
- Goal 8: Build a leading government organization that manages all resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective: Maintain financial integrity through sound budgeting practices, prudent fiscal management, cost effective operations, and long-term planning.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are United.

#### **Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Proposals to be provided

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