

Office of City Auditor

Mission

We strengthen public trust in City government by delivering independent, objective, and risk-informed oversight, assurance, and advisory services.

We safeguard public resources by identifying risks, promoting accountability, ensuring compliance, and supporting effective and transparent City operations.

Values

- Integrity
- Objectivity
- Fairness
- Competency

See Also

[Minneapolis City Charter §4.2 \(g\)](#)
[MCO §8.130](#)

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What Does the Office of City Auditor Do?

The Office of City Auditor provides independent and objective services to support transparency, accountability, and good governance across the City of Minneapolis. Our core responsibilities include:

- Assessing internal controls to ensure systems are functioning as intended.
- Evaluating compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies.
- Reporting on program efficiency and effectiveness to support continuous improvement.
- Investigating allegations of fraud, waste, and abuse.
- Conducting assurance audits to provide confidence in city operations.

Who Is the City Auditor?

The City Auditor is independent of both the Mayor's Office and the City Council. The Auditor is appointed to a four-year term by the Audit Committee, which oversees the Office of City Auditor. The Audit Committee is composed of:

- Four Minneapolis residents
- One Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) commissioner
- Two City Council members

What Can the City Auditor Review?

The City Charter grants the Auditor broad authority to review all city departments and programs, including those at MPRB.

Are City Employees & Officials Required to Cooperate with the Auditor?

Yes. The City Charter mandates prompt and unrestricted access to all records, property, and operations. This includes a duty to respond to questions related to any program, process, or function subject to audit.

How are Audit Data Protected?

Under M.S. §13.392, all audit data is considered confidential until a final audit report is published. Once the report is released, the data reverts to its original classification.