


COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
Inter-Office Communication

Date: February 25, 2015
To: Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors
From: Jerome J. Heer, Director of Audits
Subject: New Ordinance Strengthening Fraud Auditing Program

In recent months, the Comptroller's Audit Services Division has been refining our fraud auditing program to ensure that we are operating in a manner that limits through prevention and deterrence waste, fraud and abuse in County government. Our review of existing Ordinance language highlighted several areas where we can strengthen our accountability work. Specifically, the attached addition to the Comptroller section of the Milwaukee County Code of Ordinances will provide:

- Clearer expectations for all persons conducting business with the County as an employee or contractor;
- Stronger access to records of contractors and subcontractors doing business with the County;
- Enhanced protection for those who cooperate with us in our investigations;
- Reporting expectations that hold the Audit Services Division accountable for the fraud program; and
- Penalties for individuals who violate the provisions of this new Ordinance section.

A resolution and fiscal note are attached for your consideration in enacting these enhancements. Should you or your colleagues have any questions or concerns, we are available at your convenience.



Jerome J. Heer

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Enclosures

cc: Scott B. Manske, Milwaukee County Comptroller
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