## The Regional Municipality of York

Audit Committee June 6, 2019

Report of the Director, Audit Services

# **Audit Services Branch Report**

## 1. Recommendation

Council receive this report for information.

# 2. Summary

This report provides an update on the activities of the Audit Services Branch since the last Audit Committee meeting.

The follow up report, Attachment 5, Tables C and D are in private as the original reports to Audit Committee were in private as they dealt with the security of property of the Region.

## 3. Background

On October 11, 2000 the Audit Committee approved the development of the Audit Services function through the report of the Chief Administrative Officer. The Audit Committee Charter indicates the Audit Committee is to meet at least twice a year.

## 4. Analysis

#### **Audit Plan Execution**

The Audit Services Branch has been actively executing the approved 2019-2022 Four Year Audit Plan and other consulting engagements. A summary of the activities since the last Audit Committee meeting is outlined in Attachment 1.

### **Audit Reports Issued**

The Audit Reports issues since the last Audit Committee meeting are:

- Ontario Works Community and Health Services, Social Services Branch (Attachment 2)
- Finance Treasury Investment Audit Report, (Attachment 3)
- Environmental Services Capital Planning and Delivery Materials Quality Assurance Audit Report (Attachment 4)
- Outstanding Audit Recommendations Follow Up Report (Attachment 5)

### **Audit Services Branch supports Vision 2051**

The Audit Services Branch, through both audit and consulting engagements, assists the Region in achieving operational excellence and fiscal responsibility, which are two of the action areas in Vision 2051 under Open & Responsive Governance. The audit and consulting assignments assist management in ensuring processes are efficient, effective and economical.

### 5. Financial

Audit Services Branch will manage its workload within the Audit Services budget.

# 6. Local Impact

The Audit Services Branch provides audit services to seven of the local municipalities through an Audit Services Memorandum of Understanding, on a cost recovery basis.

## 7. Conclusion

A follow up of outstanding audit recommendations for audit reports issued prior to March 31, 2019 indicates that management remains cognisant and active in implementing Audit Services recommendations.

Audit Services continues to work with Region management at all levels to provide them with an independent, objective assurance and consulting activity designed to add value and improve the Region's operations. Audit Services does this by bringing a systematic and disciplined approach to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of risk management, control, and governance processes through guidance provided by the *International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing*.

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