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# Auditor General's 2021 Work Plan & 2021 Operating Budget

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# 2020 Highlights

# Audits & Investigations

- **Cybersecurity**, winter maintenance, affordable ownership housing, health and dental benefits
- Return on investment: \$11.5 (2015 2019)
- Common themes and issues from prior reports

# City-wide Risk & Opportunities Assessment

- Expanded mandate and emerging issues: Police, Library, cybersecurity at major A&C's
- Roadmap for future audits / five-year work plan
- Over 50 City divisions and major A&C's assessed

## Modernization

 Modernized by introducing Fraud & Waste Hotline, electronic audit working paper, and recommendation follow-up systems to keep delivering value as the City moved rapidly to a remote working environment



## Current and Upcoming (2021)

#### **City Divisions**

- Transportation Services Winter Maintenance (Phase 2)
- Information Technology Cyber Security of Emergency Response Communication System
- Shelter, Support and Housing Administration Emergency Shelter Operations
- Toronto Building Operational Review

#### **Agencies and Corporations**

- Toronto Police Service Cyber Security
- Toronto **Police** Service **911** operational review
- Toronto Police Service Policing Responsibilities and Service Areas \*
- TTC Cyber Security and Follow-up of outstanding recommendations
- Toronto Public Library capital project procurement and management
- **TCHC** Property Management

### Audit Horizon (2021-2022)

#### **City Divisions**

- Operational Review of 911 Emergency Response Service
- Parks, Forestry and Recreation Parks Development & Capital Projects Branch
- Housing Secretariat Modular Housing and Affordable Rental Housing
- City Planning Operational Review
- Toronto Fire Services Mechanical (Fleet) Maintenance
- Corporate Real Estate Management Facilities
  Management
- Toronto Water and Engineering & Construction Services Basement Flooding Protection Program

#### **Agencies and Corporations**

- Toronto Public Library Cyber Security and Digital Strategy
- Toronto **Police** Service Operational Audits \*
- TCHC Contract Management
- Governance and Accountability Framework with A&C's

<sup>\*</sup> at the Board for approval

# 2021 Challenges and Priority Actions



# **Challenges**

- 1. Addressing an expanded mandate with reduced funding
- 2. Responding to key priorities and emerging risk areas in a timely manner
- 3. Reviewing and investigating a higher volume and backlog of Fraud & Waste Hotline complaints

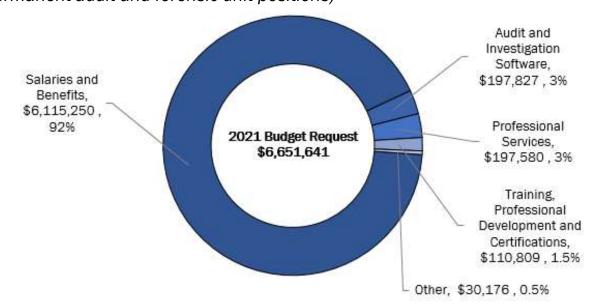
# **Priority Actions**

- Confirm organizational restructure – securing staff resources to support expanded mandate
- 2. Agility in delivering a range of projects pivoting when needed to respond to emerging issues
- 3. Cross-training to build capacity multi-disciplinary teams, leveraging technical resources when needed

2020 Council	2020 Projected	2021 Auditor General	%
Approved Budget	Actuals*	Recommended Budget	Change
\$7,375,800	\$7,375,800	\$6,651,641	-9.8%

<sup>\*</sup> based on Q3 2020 variance report

- 1/20<sup>th</sup> of one per cent (.05%) of the City's 2020 Approved Adjusted Operating Budget
- Expanded mandate with less budget
- Organization restructured to align resources with mandate net zero budget impact (Eliminating administrative positions and converting five contract staff positions to permanent audit and forensic unit positions)





Reduced budget: \$6.652M with an expanded mandate



Agile delivery to address emerging risks and key priorities with restructured staffing and modernized systems



**Cross-training** to build additional capacity and flexibility to continue to deliver value

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