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# Auditor General's Office 2018 Operating Budget

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### **Presentation Overview**

- 1. Background and accomplishments ... This year
- 2. Moving forward ...... Next year
- 3. Risks

#### Background: Importance of a Strong Audit Function

"Individual Councillors...must be able to count upon the work of an independent auditor in order to fulfill their own oversight duties"

"Indeed, the Auditor General could be of great assistance to Council by bringing forward high quality value-for-money reports and studies of the broader and very fundamental issues that the City has to resolve."

"The Auditor General could also exert influence on management to improve their practices and to keep their focus on the important issues they have to address."

2002 Report to the Mayor's Taskforce on the Establishment of an Independent Auditor General: Serving Council and Citizens: Strengthening the Audit Function at the City of Toronto, by Denis Desautels, Auditor General for Canada, 1991-2001

### Background: Council-Approved Budget Increases

▶ February 2017: City Council approved temporary budget increases to provide additional capacity to undertake value for money audits and investigations (EX22.2, Recommendation 250)

2017: +\$1.0 million

2018: +\$1.5 million

2019: +\$1.4 million

2018 Operating Budget request reflects the 2017 Budget + \$1.5 million

### Additional Realized and Potential Savings

#### 2017

18 performance audit reports and in-depth investigation reports

189 new recommendations

- \$78.1 million **new** realized savings
- \$61.1 million potential savings to be realized

#### 2016

15 performance audit reports and in-depth investigation reports

149 new recommendations

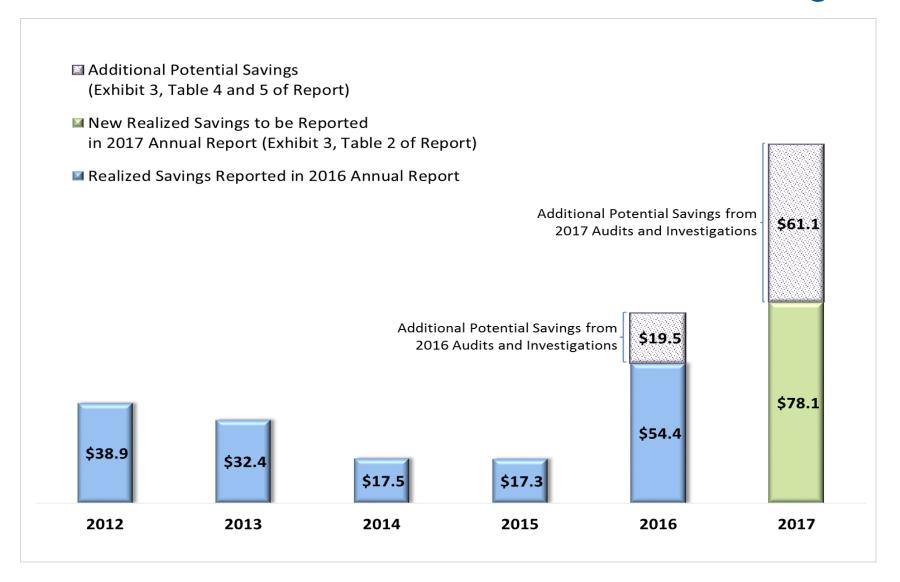
- \$54.4 million realized savings
- \$19.5 million potential savings to be realized

#### 2015

14 performance audit reports163 new recommendations

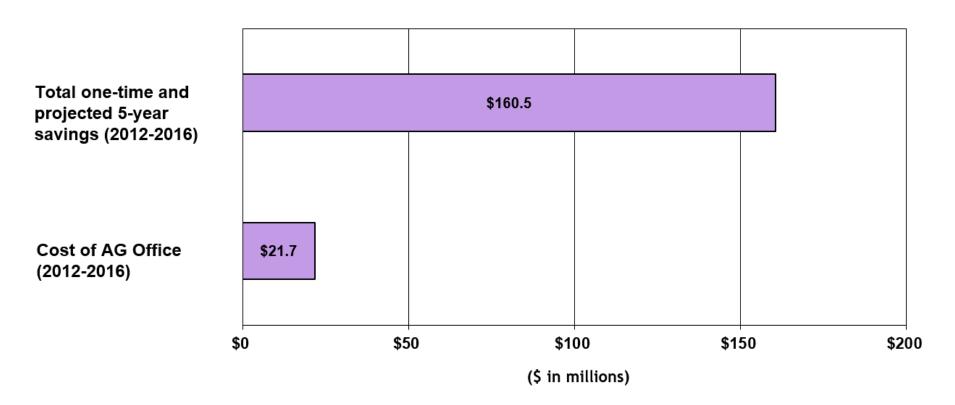
• \$17.3 million realized savings

### Additional Realized and Potential Savings



Five-year savings (\$ in millions) in year identified

### Return on Investment



#### For every \$1 invested:

- the return was \$7.4 (2016 Annual Report)
- the expected return is \$8.3 (2017 forecast)

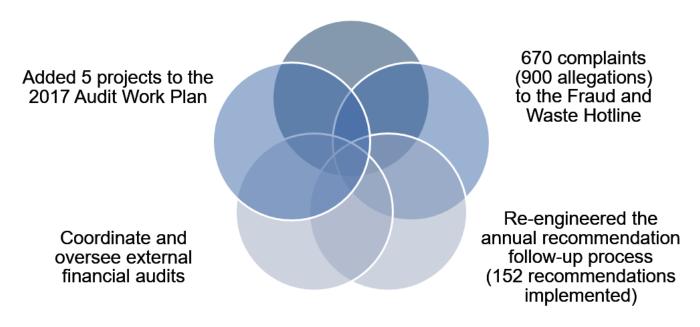
## Many Benefits of Audit

While there is always a focus on dollar savings, other important benefits include:



### 2017 Major Activities and Accomplishments

18 performance audit and in-depth investigation reports completed (189 recommendations)



\$1 million temporary budget increase in 2017

- Accelerate, expand, add audits and investigations
- Significant realized and potential savings

## Moving Forward: 2018 Budget

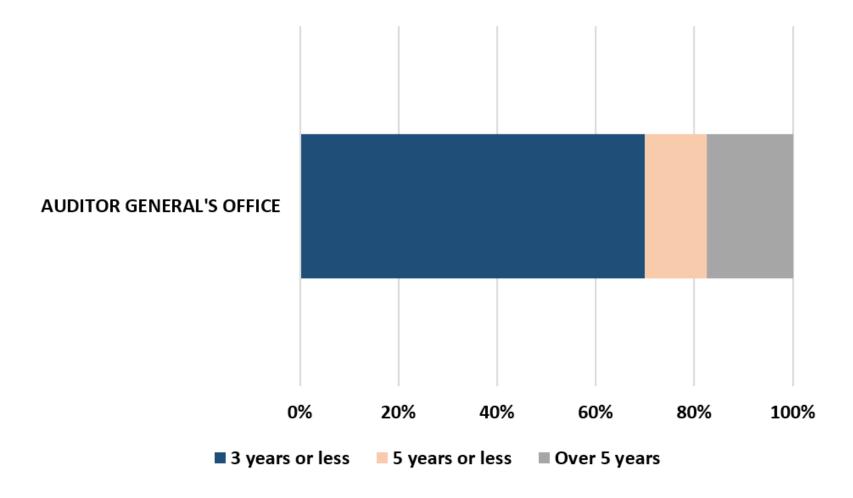
► The Auditor General's 2018 Operating Budget request is:

**\$7.445** million

- ► The \$1.5 million increase from the approved adjusted 2017 operating budget of \$5.903 million
- ► The increase reflects City Council's 2017 decision (EX22.2) to provide the Auditor General with additional capacity to undertake value for money audits and investigations

2018 Budget Request	2017 Approved Budget	2017 Projected Actual
\$7,444,900	\$5,902,900	\$5,736,900

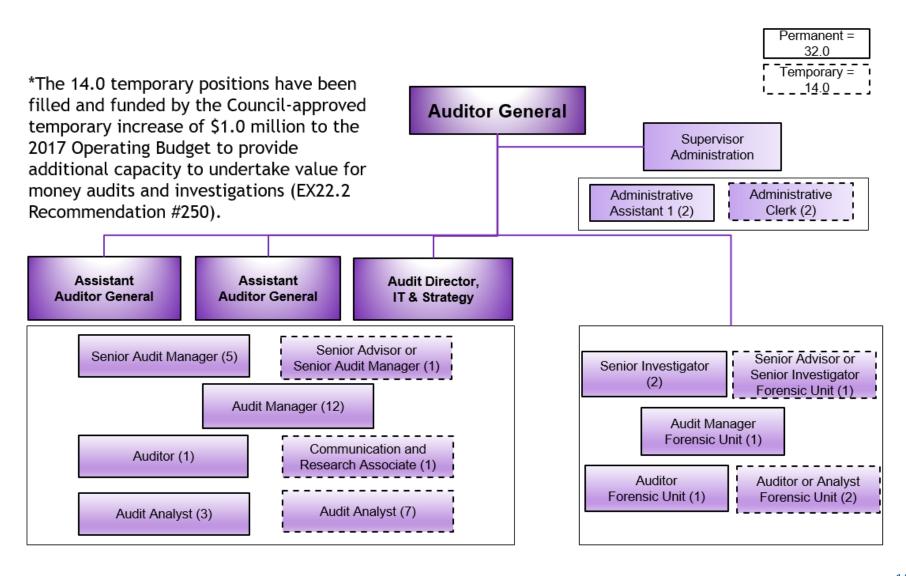
## Risks We Are Facing



## Workforce Demographics



### 2018 Organizational Chart and Workforce



## Recap

- The Auditor General's 2018 Operating Budget request of \$7.445 million reflects:
  - City Council approved temporary budget increases to provide additional capacity to undertake value for money audits and investigations (EX22.2, Recommendation 250)

2017: +\$1.0 million 2018: +\$1.5 million 2019: +\$1.4 million

- With the funding from City Council's additional temporary planned increases we will be able to:
  - complete a greater number of high priority projects to address risks
  - identify efficiencies and savings on a more timely basis.

### Auditor General's Office

Behind every Auditor General there is a great team We are honoured to serve the City of Toronto

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