


Department of Finance Director Response

Case # 22-0009-I

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In response to findings in the OIG report (case 22-0009-1) dated January 18, 2022, the Department of Finance (DOF) acknowledges that a fraudulent payment was made to an account associated with [REDACTED]. Furthermore, DOF processed two changes to [REDACTED] electronic funds transfer (EFT) information following email notification and verbal correspondence with an actor believed to be a [REDACTED] representative.

The Bureau of Accounting and Payroll (BAPS) has immediately strengthened internal controls as indicated in the OIG report such as additional verification processes and supervisory signoff for banking changes. Supplementary procedures are being discussed and reviewed; including enhancing responsible employee fraud training and comprehensive bank verification procedures with the City's banking partners.

BAPS is also reviewing more efficient automated vendor communication functionality within our Workday Go Live starting in FY2023.

Cc: The Honorable Brandon M. Scott, Mayor