



# Audit Follow-Up

## *Facilities Security*

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Report #AR-2506  
July 31, 2025

Original Report #2403 Issued December 13, 2023  
Follow-Up Period Ending March 31, 2025

### Summary from Original Report

As a part of the Office of the Inspector General's annual risk assessment, we noted a national trend of incidents at local government facilities resulting in disruptions of operations and violence. Ensuring the safety and security of all people within the City of Tallahassee facilities is essential to achieve its priorities and maintain public trust. We conducted this audit to assist management in protecting employees, citizens, and City facilities while serving the public.

The objective of the audit was to assess the effectiveness of physical security measures in City buildings and facilities to ensure the City has made reasonable efforts to provide a safe environment for all employees and visitors.

Due to the subject of this audit, certain aspects of the audit report are exempt from disclosure pursuant to Section 119.071(3)(a), F.S. We concluded that, overall, the City has taken reasonable and appropriate measures to secure its facilities. However, the audit identified areas where security enhancements should be implemented.

Management developed 6 action plan steps in response to our 3 audit recommendations. Of those, 2 steps were completed and 4 remained in progress as of the end of the prior follow-up period. This status report is the 2nd follow-up on the 4 action plan steps that were not completed as planned and addresses the status of those action plan steps as of March 31, 2025.

**Complete**

2

**In Progress**

4

**Needs Attention**

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### Conclusion

Management developed six action steps addressing recommendations from our audit report, *Facilities Security Audit* (Report #AR-2403), issued December 23, 2023. The initial due date for the completion of those steps was March 31, 2024. As of that date, two steps were completed and four remained in progress. As of March 31, 2025, this second follow-up indicates that the four steps, which were not initially completed as planned, remain outstanding. Management has extended their completion date to March 31, 2026.

Given the significance and potential impact of these outstanding steps on facility security, we will conduct another follow-up audit to determine the status of the action plan steps. This review will report on whether management has fully implemented all audit recommendations and action steps.

## Appointed Official's Response

### *City Manager:*

We appreciate the work of the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) in conducting this audit and providing its observations. Their review is valuable in supporting effective operations and continued improvements. As noted in the report, all action steps identified in response to the audit findings have either been completed or are actively in progress. These actions reflect our ongoing commitment to ensuring the physical security of City Facilities. We will continue to evaluate and implement improvements based on best practices, risk assessment, and alignment with organizational values and objectives. We thank the OIG for its engagement and contribution to this process.

## Acknowledgements

We appreciate the cooperation and assistance provided by management and staff during this audit follow-up.

## Project Team

### **Engagement:**

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Inspector General

## Statement of Accordance

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We conducted this audit follow-up in conformance with *generally accepted government auditing standards*. Those standards require we plan and perform the audit follow-up to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. We believe the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our objectives.

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