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Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk: Review of Certified Statement of Assets Transferred Date of Transfer- January 6, 2025

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RE: Review of Certified Statement of Assets Transferred Date of Transfer January 6, 2025

We have completed a review of the Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk's (Department) Certified Statement of Assets Transferred (CSAT) form for the incoming official, Josie Gonzales, Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk, as of the date of transfer of January 6, 2025. The primary objectives of the review were to determine if the CSAT form was accurate, complete, and filed timely with the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector (ATC).

Our review determined that the form was accurate, complete, and filed in a timely manner.

We would like to express our appreciation to the personnel at the Department who assisted and cooperated with us during this engagement.

Respectfully submitted,

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Purpose

Each County officer or employee in charge of any office, department, service, or institution of the County, and the executive head of each special district whose affairs and funds are under the supervision and control of the Board of Supervisors or for which the Board is ex-officio, is required to make and file with ATC a complete detailed inventory of all property belonging or pertaining to his/her office within 30 days after assuming the duties of the office.

Departments are responsible for completing their own CSAT form when there is a change in Department Head. The 2024 Internal Controls and Cash Manual (ICCM) Chapter 17-Transfer of Assets and Other Property states that incoming officials must complete and submit the CSAT form and worksheet to the ATC's Internal Audits Division (IAD).

Scope and Objectives

Our review examined the CSAT form completed by the Department for the incoming official, Josie Gonzales, Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk, as of the date of transfer of January 6, 2025.

The objectives of our review were to determine whether the form was accurate, complete, and filed timely.

Methodology

The CSAT form and supporting documentation provided by the Department were reviewed to verify that the amounts entered on the CSAT form were correctly stated in accordance with the ICCM Chapter 17-Transfer of Assets and Other Property.



The following procedures were performed in accordance with the related ICCM requirements:

ICCM Requirement	Procedure Performed
ICCM Chapter 17-2 states that incoming officials must total all money not held in the County Treasury that the department is responsible for.	Department-provided cash amounts were compared to the cash fund control records.
ICCM Chapter 17-3 states that amounts of all fiduciary funds must be reconciled to the amount as of the transfer date.	Auditor obtained fiduciary fund amounts in SAP (Enterprise Financial Management System) and compared to the amounts provided by the Department, if any.
ICCM Chapter 17-3 states that fixed asset amounts from the SAP equipment, vehicle, and software query should be reconciled as of the transfer date.	Department-provided fixed assets amounts were compared to SAP fixed assets reports.
ICCM Chapter 17-3 states that the department must provide the dollar value and supporting documentation of all other assets.	Department-provided amounts for other assets were compared to supporting documentation provided by the Department.

Additionally, we determined whether the annual reporting of sensitive equipment was filed with ATC-IAD, a Signature/Fund Custodian Authorization form was submitted to the ATC Accounts Payable Section, and whether the assigned procurement cards and/or travel cards were canceled with the Purchasing Department.



Summary

The Department reported:

Asset	Amount
Cash	\$ 5,940
Fiduciary Funds	7,080,359
Fixed Assets	2,942,496
Other Assets	80,711

A Signature/Fund Custodian Authorization form was submitted to the ATC Accounts Payable Section to cancel the outgoing officer's signature authority. Assigned procurement cards and/or travel cards for the outgoing official have been canceled with the Purchasing Department. A sensitive equipment listing has been filed with IAD within the last year.

Conclusion

The Department's CSAT form for the incoming official, Josie Gonzales, Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk, with the transfer date of January 6, 2025, was accurate, complete, and filed in a timely manner.