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RE: Review of Certified Statement of Assets Transferred Date of Transfer January 3, 2022

We have completed a review of the Children and Family Services Department's (Department) Certified Statement of Assets Transferred (CSAT) form for the incoming official Jeany Zepeda, Interim Director, as of the date of transfer of January 3, 2022. 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 not filed in a timely manner. Also, the form was not complete and there was an amount that was reported inaccurately. The Department did not submit support for the amounts reported, therefore, it could not be reviewed for accuracy or completeness.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Purpose, Scope, Objectives, and Methodology



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 five 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 2018 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 Children and Family Services Department for the incoming official Jeany Zepeda, Interim Director, as of the date of transfer of January 3, 2022.

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.

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

| ICCM Requirement | Procedure Performed |
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| 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 17-2 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 quarterly equipment, vehicle, and software reports from General Accounting should be reconciled as of the transfer date. | Department-provided fixed assets amounts were compared to SAP fixed assets reports. |

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

Summary and Conclusion



Summary

The Children and Family Services Department reported:

| Asset | Amount |
|-----------------|------------|
| Cash | \$ 4,200 |
| Fiduciary Funds | - |
| Fixed Assets | 10,858,594 |
| Other Assets | 42,632,392 |

A Signature/Fund Custodian Authorization form was submitted to the ATC Accounts Payable Section to cancel the outgoing officer's signature authority. Assigned County credit cards and/or Cal-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.

The following conditions were noted:

- The Department was required to submit the CSAT no later than January 11, 2022, and the CSAT was submitted on January 27, 2022, therefore it was 12 business days late.
- The Department was required to submit documentation supporting the amounts reported in the CSAT form; however, the Department did not provide documentation supporting the amounts reported for cash, fiduciary funds, and fixed assets.
- Fixed assets of \$10,858,594 were reported on the CSAT form; however, the amount did not agree to the SAP fixed assets records. The SAP reports from the date of transfer of January 3, 2022, totaled \$968,000. Therefore, the amount reported on the CSAT form was \$9,890,594 higher than official County records.

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Conclusion

The Department's CSAT form for the incoming official Jeany Zepeda, Interim Director, with the transfer date of January 3, 2022, was not filed in a timely manner. Also, the form was not complete and there was an amount that was reported inaccurately. The Department did not submit support for the amounts reported, therefore, it could not be reviewed for accuracy or completeness.

We recommend that the Department investigate the difference and ensure that department records can be reconciled to official County records for all asset categories.