

**AC042 AUDIT REVIEWS CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON****AC042 AUDIT REVIEWS THE CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON**

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<b>APPLICANT/ PROPONENT:</b>	<b>City of Greater Geraldton</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>Yes X 1</b>

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this report is to present to the Audit Committee the report from the auditor of the Financial Management System Review, Risk Review and Interim Audit.

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION;**

That the Audit Committee pursuant to Section 7.1C of the Local Government Act RESOLVES to:

1. ADOPT the Financial Management System Review, Risk Review and Interim Audit report;
2. ENDORSE actions taken or proposed to be taken by staff to resolve any items identified in the reports;
3. REQUIRE progress reports on implementation of the proposed management actions, at the next Audit Committee Meeting.

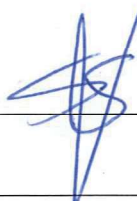
**PROPONENT:**

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton.

**BACKGROUND:**

- a) In accordance with Regulation 5(2)(C) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, Local Government CEO's are required to undertake a Financial Management System Review once every 4 years. The scope of the review incorporates an assessment of the appropriateness and effectiveness of Council's financial management systems and procedures.
- b) In accordance with Regulation 17 of the Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996, Local Government CEO's are required to undertake a review of the appropriateness and effectiveness of a local government's systems and procedures in relation to risk management, internal control and legislative compliance once every 2 calendar years from the first review completion date (31<sup>st</sup> of December 2014).

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From a point of efficiency Council invited our current auditors (AMD Chartered Accountants) to undertake the reviews at the same time of the 2015/2016 interim onsite audit visit.

AMD visited the City's premises from the 1<sup>st</sup> till the 4<sup>th</sup> of February 2016. The auditor reports of the reviews and interim audit with management comments are attached to this document.

#### **ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL & CULTURAL ISSUES:**

##### **Economic:**

There are no economic impacts.

##### **Social:**

There are no social impacts.

##### **Environmental:**

There are no environmental impacts.

##### **Cultural & Heritage:**

There are no cultural or heritage impacts.

#### **RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:**

There are no relevant precedents.

#### **COMMUNITY/COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:**

There has been no community/councillor consultation.

#### **LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

Regulation 5(2)(C) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 and Regulation 17 of the Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996.

#### **FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no financial or resource implications.

#### **INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:**

Title: Governance	Planning and Policy
Strategy 5.2.7	Ensuring efficient and effective delivery of service

#### **REGIONAL OUTCOMES:**

There are no impacts to regional outcomes.

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**RISK MANAGEMENT**

The attached reports through the auditor notes describe the various levels of risk exposure of the organisation with recommendations and management action mitigating those risk levels to an acceptable level.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

There were no alternative options considered.

**COMMITTEE DECISION:**

That the Audit Committee pursuant to Sections 7.1C of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. **ADOPT** the Interim audit report
2. **ENDORSE** actions taken by staff to resolve any items identified in the audit report.
3. **INCLUDE** a standing item on the Audit Committee Agenda for Review of Compliance
4. **RECOMMEND** to Council that the Audit Committee Meetings will be held on a quarterly basis in alignment with key Audit dates.
5. **REQUIRE** a report on the Management Actions from the AMD 2016 Financial Management Systems Review to be presented to the Audit Committee at the next scheduled Committee Meeting.

**ENDORSED UNOPPOSED****Actions for Noting**

Management Actions on the AMD 2016 Financial Management System Review are to be itemised on a working report with details of the responsible officer, expected date of completion and a risk rating. The report is to be submitted to the Audit Committee at the next meeting.

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