

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

CHARTER OFFICER

City Council

November 18, 2025

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BACKGROUND

- Charter Review Committee: Met on February 16, 2022, to propose amendment to establish the Office of Inspector General (OIG).
- City Council Decision: On April 12, 2022, City Council formed a working group led by Councilmember Hemenway to draft a new Charter Amendment.
- **Resolution:** Adopted October 2023, to place Charter Amendment November 2024 Presidential Election
- Election Results: March 5, 2024, voters in favor of establishing the OIG
- **Sub-committee:** Created by City Council in April 2025 and led by Councilmember Robillard. Subcommittee met on 7/22/25 in closed session. t Subcommittee met and presented in open session on 8/12/25. Final presentation on 10/21/25 City Council meeting; Council to vote on establishing classifications/salaries and adoption of Ordinance.

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CHARTER AMENDMENT LANGUAGE

- Section 420. Office of Inspector General
 - **Duties:** Investigation, audits, inspections, operational performance evaluations
 - Appointment: Determined by Mayor and City Council
 - **Budget:** Annual Budget sufficient for efficient functioning
 - Independence: No interference from Mayor or City Council

NOTE: During 8/12/25 Subcommittee Meeting, a comprehensive list of duties/responsibilities was presented and shared with the Public. The job description does not require City Council approval and will be finalized by Human Resources.



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INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE – OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL

- Subcommittee discussed implementing a process for the Inspector General to retain Outside Legal Counsel in the event of conflict of interests. City Attorney's Office drafted Riverside Municipal Code Section 2.08.020 and 2.08040 to outline process.
- Introduction of an Ordinance amending Section 2.08.020 and adding Section 2.08.040 to the Riverside Municipal Code regarding the Office of Inspector General as an Administrative Office and department of the City and allowing the ability to retain outside legal counsel by the Inspector General if needed.



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OFFICE STRUCTURE

New Classifications and Levels:

- (New) Inspector General At-Will Position
- (New) Deputy or Assistant Inspector General OR Keep Current OPA Manager At-Will Position
- Performance Analyst Position

Existing Internal Audit Division:

Replace Internal Audit Division with new Office of Inspector General – Reassign existing audit staff and division funding under a newly appointed Inspector General, expanding responsibilities to include ethics oversight and operational efficiency.



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SALARY RECOMMENDATIONS

• Salary Recommendation by HR – Annual Maximum at \$217,213. Based on internal and external comparisons with existing OPA Manager, Charter Officers, Executives

Note: Salaries reflected below were adjusted by 3% due to recently approved Cost of Living Adjustment. 8/12/25 Meeting recommendation at \$210,886

City's Existing Classifications	Annual Maximum Salary	
Organizational Performance &	\$178,700	
Audit Manager		
+10.25% differential (2 steps)	\$197,017	
+15.75% differential (3 steps)	\$206,868	
+21.55% differential (4 steps)	\$217,213 *Recommended Salary*	
+27.63% differential (5 steps)	\$228,072	
Other Executive Classifications	Annual Maximum Salary	
City Manager	\$390,094	
City Attorney	\$372,629	
RPU General Manager	\$336,031*	
Assistant City Manager	\$302,276*	
City Clerk	\$267,075*	
HR Director	\$266,259*	
*Maximum of salary range; not actual incumbent salary		

City of Riverside – Inspector General – External Survey			
Agency	Classification	Max Annually	
Los Angeles, County of	Inspector General	\$ 282,816	
Los Angeles, City of	Inspector General	\$ 238,704	
Los Angeles Unified School			
District	Inspector General	\$ 232,416	
San Francisco, City and			
County	Inspector General	\$ 203,160	
California Dept of			
Transportation	Inspector General	\$ 203,112	
California Highway Patrol	Inspector General	\$ 179,979	
	Office of Public Safety	\$145,620	
	Accountability Inspector		
Sacramento, City of	General		
Sacramento, County	Inspector General	\$120,456	
Average Max Annual Salary	\$200,783		

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OIG BUDGET		
Current Internal Audit Division Budget		
Current IAD Budget	\$653,494	
Personnel Cost 1 FTE –Organizational Performance and Audit (OPA) Manager - FILLED 1 FTE – Senior Performance Analyst – VACANT 1 FTE – Performance Analyst - FILLED	\$485,429	
Non-Personnel Cost	\$168,065	
New Office of Inspector General Budget – 20% increase fro		ivision
OIG Budget	\$785,384	
OIG Budget Personnel Cost 1FTE - Inspector General 1 FTE - Deputy/ Assistant Inspector General OR OPA Manager	\$785,384	
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RECOMMENDATION

- 1. Approve the creation of the classification and salary range for the Inspector General;
- 2. Adopt the attached Resolution amending the Master Fringe Benefits and Salary Plan to create the classification and salary range for the Inspector General;
- 3. Introduce an Ordinance amending Section 2.08.020 of and adding Section 2.08.040 to the Riverside Municipal Code regarding the Office of the Inspector General as an administrative office and department of the City and retention of outside counsel by the Inspector General, if needed; and
- 4. With at least five affirmative votes, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an interdepartmental transfer of \$653,494 from the General Fund, City Manager's Office, Internal Audit expenditure accounts to the General Fund, Office of Inspector General, expenditure accounts, and any associated personnel and non-personnel costs as determined by the Finance Department, including the moving of 3.0 FTEs from the Internal Audit Division to the Office of Inspector General.



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