

Objectives

The Objectives of this audit were to review construction costs and processes used by the Capital Improvement Department to renovate the Morehead Middle School to the new "Animal Services – Westside Adoption Center". The construction audit focused on Phase I and included a review of the following areas:

- Compliance with Capital Improvement Department Policies and Procedures.
- Construction Expenditures, Change Orders, and Inspections.
- Proper approvals and supporting documentation.



Scope

The scope from July 30, 2024 to August 1, 2025 included:

- Reviewing Capital Improvement Policies and Procedures.
- Conducting interviews with Capital Improvement staff.
- Reviewing Construction Expenditures.
- Reviewing issued Change Orders.
- Reviewing Daily Inspection Reports.



Finding 1 (Positive)

Based on the results of our review of the Westside Adoption Center Construction, we identified that the Capital Improvement Department:

- Has established Policies and Procedures for conducting inspections, reviewing expenditures and processing Change Orders.
- Properly reviews and approves payment applications from contractors and pays invoices within 30 days.
- Properly reviews and approves Change Orders.
- Conducts inspections and completes detailed Daily Inspection Reports.



Recommendation

The Capital Improvement Department should continue to ensure that all aspects of a construction project including planning, budgeting, scheduling, compliance and quality control are properly monitored and maintained.

Management Response

None required.



Conclusion

The Capital Improvement met the audit objectives in the following areas:

- Has established Policies and Procedures for conducting inspections, reviewing expenditures and processing Change Orders.
- Reviews, approves and pays invoices within 30 days.
- Properly reviews and approves Change Orders.
- Completes detailed Daily Inspection Reports on the job-site.



Requested Action

To accept the results of the Animal Services – Westside Adoption Center Construction Audit A2025-08 and forward the Audit Report to City Council for action.

