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Jim Cooper, Director Salt Lake County Library Services 8030 South 1825 West Salt Lake City, UT 84088

Re: Follow-up Audit: An Audit of Key Controls at the West Jordan Library, Report Number 2018-MLR19

Dear Jim,

We have completed follow-up work on the audit recommendations contained in Report Number 2018-MLR19, An Audit of Key Controls at the West Jordan Library, issued May 2018.

Our follow-up audit work found that the West Jordan Library ("West Jordan") has successfully implemented three out of the four recommendations issued in the original audit report. The remaining issue was closed after consulting with the Library Manager and determining that implementation of the recommendation would be overly burdensome compared to their current procedures and the low level of risk associated with the original audit finding. The staff at West Jordan should be commended for their efforts in implementing these recommendations for improvement.

We truly appreciate the time and efforts of the employees at the West Jordan Library throughout the follow-up audit. Our work was made possible by their cooperation and prompt attention given to our requests. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Shawna Ahlborn, Audit Services Division Administrator, at (385) 468-7179 or Brenda Nelson, Audit Manager, at (385) 468-7178.

Sincerely,

Scott Tingley, CIA, CGAP Salt Lake County Auditor

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Russell Snow, Fiscal Manager, Library Services

Follow-up Audit Results

Finding 2.1: Management at West Jordan did not review, and sign-off on no-sale transactions created by cashiers.

Recommendation	Action Taken	Status
We recommend that a supervisor at West Jordan review daily transaction logs and sign-off for all no-sale transactions.	Currently, a supervisor signs-off on the entire day's deposit packet at the library. No-sales are part of the daily transaction log that is reviewed each day in the deposit packet. We determined that it would be overly burdensome for the supervisor to conduct a separate review of no-sale transactions, compared to the low level of risk associated with the original audit finding.	Closed

Finding 3.1: The Property Manager did not update the controlled assets list when new controlled assets were purchased.

Recommendation	Action Taken	Status
We recommend that the Property Manager at West Jordan update the controlled assets list as soon as possible when controlled assets are replaced, or purchased, to ensure that controlled assets are properly identified, accounted for, and safeguarded against loss or theft.	Management revised asset procedures to ensure the property manager is notified of all asset purchases and adds them to the asset list. Testing confirmed recent equipment had been added.	Implemented

Finding 3.2: The Property Manager did not update the controlled assets list or complete the correct form to show the current location of an asset that had been loaned to another library.

Recommendation	Action Taken	Status
We recommend that the	The Library's policy manual "ITS – Capital and	Implemented
Property Manager at West	Controlled Asset Procedures," was updated to	
Jordan complete a Form PM-3	require documenting transfers of assets	
to document the loaning of	within the Library's KACE system. An example	
the projector to Bingham	transfer was reviewed. The revised controlled	
Creek as soon as possible and	asset procedures and tracking mechanism	
update the asset list to show	adequately address the control weakness	
the current location of the asset.	identified and finding recommendation.	

Finding 3.3: The Property Manager did not use the *Controlled Assets Inventory Form – Employee* to establish personal responsibility for controlled assets assigned to specific employees.

Recommendation	Action Taken	Status	
We recommend that the Property	Library Services uses their own Controlled	Implemented	
Manager implement the use of the	Asset Inventory Form and has the employee		
Controlled Assets Inventory Form –	sign this form as outlined in the Library's		
Employee for assets assigned to a	policy manual "ITS – Capital and Controlled		
specific employee, and that each	Asset Procedures." The asset procedures		
form is signed and dated by the	adequately address the control weakness		
employee to acknowledge that it is	identified.		
an accurate and complete list.			

Appendix A: Additional Information			
Scope &	Generally accepted Government Auditing Standards (GAO-18-568G), require that		
Objectives	auditors perform follow-up audit work to determine if appropriate corrective action		
	has been taken to address issues, findings, and deficiencies identified in prior audit		
	engagements. The primary objective of this follow-up audit was to determine the		
	status of management actions to address the findings reported in Report Number		
	2018-MLR19, An Audit of Key Controls at the West Jordan Library, issued May 2018.		
Background	The original audit evaluated the design, implementation, and effectiveness of the		
	West Jordan Library's key controls. We examined assets, records, and transactions		
	in the areas of change funds, petty cash and other imprest accounts, cash handling		
	and daily deposits, customer accounts receivable, capital and controlled assets, and		
	purchasing card use. The original audit identified four findings related to the audit		
	objectives.		

Appendix B: Follow-up Addit Implementation Status			
Implemented	In Process	Not Implemented	Closed
The agency has	The agency is in the	The agency has taken	Circumstances have
implemented our	process of	no action to implement	changed surrounding
recommendation or	implementing our	our recommendation.	our original finding or
has adequately	recommendation.	Additional follow-up	recommendation that
addressed the original	Additional follow-up	may be required.	make it no longer
issue or finding in all	may be required.		applicable, or the
respects as verified by			agency will only
the follow-up audit. No			implement a portion of
further follow-up is			our recommendation
required.			as verified by the
			follow-up audit. No
			further follow-up is
			required.

Appendix B: Follow-up Audit Implementation Status