

Construction Co-Sourcing Audit Presentation to City Council



June 27, 2023

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Who We Are

Established in 2001, Talson Solutions, LLC is an MBE Capital Program Advisory firm, 100% dedicated to construction auditing, compliance, project management, consulting, and risk assessments for capital programs.

Subject matter expert staff in accounting, auditing, architecture, construction management, engineering, finance, project management, and transportation/infrastructure.

Mission: <u>Provide</u> project stakeholders, including audit committees, funding sources, trustees, and executive management, with <u>verifications</u> and <u>assurances</u> that their project team and contractors are executing a well-planned, quality project, are performing efficiently and effectively, and are minimizing risk.

Talson is a trusted and valued service partner to private and public sector clients across the US and internationally.

Since 2001, Talson has audited and/or monitored over \$40 billion in capital projects.



Our Experience









Contractors Reviewed

Panama Canal Expansion

Denver Water City of Aurora Colorado Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority P

Hensel Phelps Construction Co.

AECOM

Turner

Construction
Auditing,
Vendor
Reviews & Risk
Assessment for
Canal
Expansion
Program, Third
Set of Locks
Project

Governance
Assessment
Risk
Management
Assessment
Construction
Audit

Construction Audit Training Pre Contract
Review
------Close-out Audit
-----Monthly

Monthly Payment Application Review Performance
Audits of
Regional
Connector &
Crenshaw
Transit
Projects

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Engagement Scope

Capital Program Operational Risk Assessment of the City's 22-23 Capital Improvement Plan(CIP)

Activities Included:

- ♠ Co-Sourcing approach
- Weekly status meetings with City's Internal Audit personnel and key engineering personnel
- Assessing documented Capital Program Governance and Project Administration Controls (document review and interviews)
- Ranking projects based on select risk criteria (quantitative & qualitative)
- Develop five (5) year audit plan with specific project selection for Years 1 4 and project selection for Year No. 5 TBD

Note: In 2021, Talson facilitated to Corpus Christi Internal Audit a "Construction Audit Training" session



Risk Assessment & Methodology



Risk Considerations

- Ratios: Cost to Schedule
- ★ City and Regulatory Priorities
- Contract Type

- Project Duration
- ♠ Change Orders
- ♠ Construction Contract Value

Projects Reviewed 51



Audit Plan

2023 Recommendations					
	Audit No. 1	Audit No. 2	Audit No. 3	Audit No. 4	Alternate/No. 5
Project	Williams Lift Stations	Junior Beck Dr.	Greenwood WWTP Electrical	Police Academy	Packery Channel/ Sidewalk
District	4	3	3	5	4
Department	Wastewater	Streets	Wastewater	Public Safety	Parks & Rec
Construction Contract Value	\$11.6 million	\$4.9 million	\$6.0 million	\$21.0 million	\$14.9 million
Justification	Regulatory/ Completed Project	Delayed Completion/ Identified by Audit Committee	Regulatory/ Identified by Audit Committee	32% Budget Increase	Close-Out
Reported Work Done	\$2.4 million	\$2.3 million	\$5.8 million	\$0	\$1.5 million

2024-2026

12 Projects totaling \$463 M of construction cost

2024 - Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4 2025 - Districts 1 to 5



Thank You

Talson

- Embraces Co-Sourcing Partnership with City
- Financial / Technical Expertise
- Industry Reputation and Relationships
- Cost Prevention & Savings
- Valued Service Partner
- ▲ Commitment & Integrity

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