

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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Washington, D.C. 20002**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FY-2019 AUDIT, AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE
INDEPENDENT AUDIT FIRM'S CONTRACT TO PERFORM THE FY-2020 AUDIT AND AUTHORIZING
SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS FROM INDEPENDENT AUDIT FIRMS TO PERFORM THE FY-2021
AUDIT**

WHEREAS, in accordance with COG's procedures and in compliance with requirements established by the federal government for recipients of grants and other financial assistance programs, COG engages an independent certified public accounting firm to conduct an annual fiscal year-end audit; and

WHEREAS, the Audit Committee recommends acceptance of the FY-2019 audit report and unqualified (clean) opinion prepared by the independent audit firm PBMares, LLP; and

WHEREAS, based on the annual performance assessment, the Audit Committee recommends extension of the audit firm's contract for the FY-2020 audit; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2015, the Board of Directors approved Resolution R20-2015, requiring the Audit Committee to solicit informal quotes or formal proposals from at least three (3) qualified audit firms at least every five (5) years to assess competitive pricing of audit services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:**

1. The board hereby accepts the FY-2019 Audit prepared by PBMares, LLP, as presented by the Audit Committee.
2. The Executive Director, or his designee, at the direction of the Audit Committee, is hereby authorized to engage PBMares, LLP to conduct the annual fiscal year-end audit for FY-2020 and prepare the annual Form 990 not-for-profit tax return, at a cost not to exceed \$82,800.
3. The Executive Director, or his designee, at the direction of the Audit Committee, is hereby authorized to solicit formal proposals from at least three (3) independent certified public accounting firms to conduct the annual fiscal year-end audit for FY-2021.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors on January 8, 2020.

Laura Ambrosio, COG Communications Specialist