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### **FY15-16 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND ANNUAL AUDIT UPDATE**

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### **Purpose and Policy Guidance**

The purpose of this item is to present Council with an overview of the results of the annual external audit for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2016.

### **Background**

The City of Glendale Charter, Article VI, Section 16, requires that the city obtain an independent annual audit of its financial statements as follows:

“Sec. 16. Independent annual audit.

Prior to the end of each fiscal year the council shall designate qualified public accountants who, as of the end of the fiscal year, shall make an independent audit of accounts and other evidences of financial transactions of the city government and shall submit their report to the council and to the city manager. This section shall not preclude the city council from executing a contract with an accounting firm for more than one year subject to annual appropriation and a maximum three-year agreement.

Such accountants shall have no personal interest, direct or indirect, in the fiscal affairs of the city government or of any of its officers. They shall not maintain any accounts or records of the city business, but, within specifications approved by the council, shall post-audit the books and documents kept by the city and any separate or subordinate accounts kept by any other office, department or agency of the city government.”

Consistent with government finance best practices, the results of the annual external financial statement audit should be presented to the City Council upon completion of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). Additionally, the City has historically submitted the annual CAFR to the Government Finance Officers' Association (GFOA) for consideration of the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting award. The June 30, 2016, CAFR has been completed and submitted to the GFOA for award consideration.

### **Analysis**

Staff will present Council with an overview of the results of the annual external audit for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2016 which will be presented by Mr. Dennis Osuch, a partner with CliftonLarsonAllen, the City's independent auditor.

### **Previous Related Council Action**

On February 2, 2016, staff and Mr. Dennis Osuch presented the June 30, 2015 CAFR and reviewed the audit results.

On January 20, 2015, staff and Mr. Dennis Osuch presented the June 30, 2014 CAFR and reviewed the audit results.

On January 21, 2014, staff and Mr. Dennis Osuch presented the June 30, 2013 CAFR and reviewed the audit results.

### **Community Benefit/Public Involvement**

The annual audit and issuance of a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report is an important element to the City's commitment to financial stability and transparency.

### **Budget and Financial Impacts**

This report is for information purposes only.