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Subject: RE: Unauthorized Possession of City Assets & Direct Access to Data Systems
Date: Thursday, February 22, 2024 5:02:00 PM
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Good afternoon,

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) obtained these devices in connection with ongoing investigations. Under the Charter, OIG has a right to these devices and the City records they contain.

As noted during my conversation yesterday with CIO Sankey, OIG endeavors to perform its Charter mandate in a manner that minimizes, as much as possible, any negative impact on City operations. To the extent that there are tracking and accountability concerns about the devices recently obtained by OIG, I am happy to complete any documentation or take steps to confirm that these items are in OIG's possession. Indeed, I sought a follow-up call with CIO Sankey so that I might explore ways to do just that. And to address such issues going forward, CIO Sankey and I discussed potential revisions to City policy to incorporate OIG activity. In much the same way I see OIG as working collaboratively and complementarily with City departments to advance the shared goals of City operations conducted with integrity, I believe that with fairly minor tweaks to the policy, we can help ensure that the future needs and concerns of OIG and AIM are satisfied.

Thank you,

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Subject: Unauthorized Possession of City Assets & Direct Access to Data Systems

Good morning Ms. Manigault,

In the attached email for CIO Sankey, it is identified that your office has unauthorized access to assets in your possession that were seized and turned over to you in violation of city policy and you indicated verbally that you will not relinquish the assets. Additionally, there are several risks and liability associated with the direct access of data on these systems that were identified in the attached memo dated 11.16.2023. As you are aware there have also been recent cybersecurity issues locally and nationally and the systems seized by your office can impact the security of the city's system and network. **Please return any/all devices in your possession immediately but not later than close of business today and please use the appropriate mechanisms identified to access information for the work of your office.**

Thank you, Lisa

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Subject: Direct Access to Data Systems

Good afternoon Ms. Manigault,

I wanted to respond to the recent requests to AIM and DHR for direct access to data systems for the City of Atlanta. The attached letter provides additional context regarding the city's security protocols to access information. We appreciate the work of your office and the partnership we have established that includes open lines of communication, briefings to Cabinet, sharing information on referrals and our shared commitment to maintaining integrity in the operation of city government. Thank you, Lisa

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