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Auditor Dennis Gallagher

Auditor Gallagher Introduces New Director of Audit Services for the City

Auditor Dennis Gallagher is pleased to introduce Kip Memmott who is now serving the City and County of Denver as the Director of Audit Services.

Kip has over twelve years of auditing, consulting and policy analysis experience at the

federal, state, local government and private sector levels through his work activities as the Internal Audit Manager with the County of San Diego, California, a Senior Performance Auditor with the State of Arizona's Office of the Auditor General as well as through his experience as a Senior Consultant with KPMG LLP and as an intern for the U.S. General Accountability Office (GAO) and the Arizona State Legislature.

Kip holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Utah and a Master of Arts degree with a certificate in Public History (*Public Administration emphasis*) from Arizona State University. In addition to his academic and professional experience, he is a Certified Government Auditing Professional. Kip has been formally recognized several times for his excellent work performance. He was named the County of San Diego Auditor and Controller Department's *Employee of the Year* in 2002 and 2006 and a project he managed examining the State of Arizona's behavioral health system received an *Impact Award* from the National Conference of State Legislatures. He was instrumental in reengineering the internal audit function for the County of San Diego, which received the highest possible rating of compliance with professional auditing standards from an external peer review conducted in 2006.

Kip has several significant goals and plans for the Division that, once accomplished, will help to ensure that the vision he espouses is accomplished. Work on each of these goals is underway. Specific goals include:

- Automating the Audit Project Management Process
- Improving Report Products
- Implementing a Suite of Audit Advisory Services
- Enhancing the Division's Information Technology Audit Performance
- Audit and Fraud Detection Capabilities
- Utilizing Tangible Performance Measures to Assess On-Going Performance
- Establishing Collaborative Relationships with Elected Officials and Operational Management

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Kip Memmott

Vision

To improve the accountability of the City & County of Denver's use of resources provided by taxpayers.

Mission

To promote open, accountable, efficient and effective government by performing impartial reviews and other audit services that provide objective and useful information to improve decision making by management and the people. We will monitor and report on recommendations and progress towards their implementation.