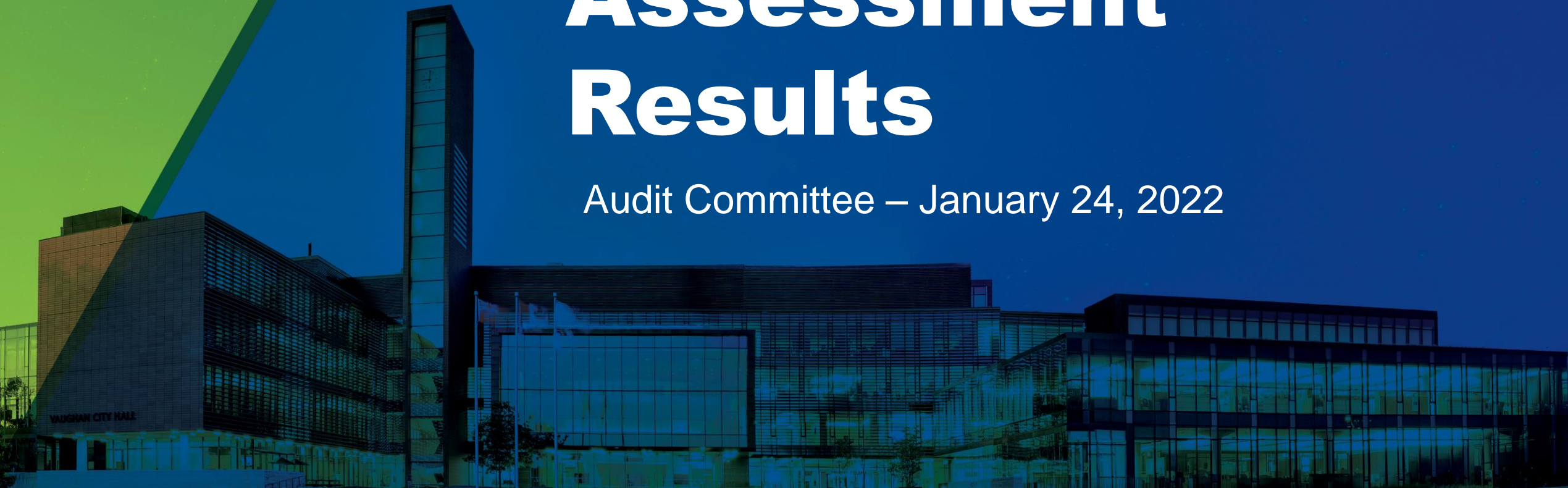


2021 External Quality Assessment Results

Audit Committee – January 24, 2022



Today's Presentation

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Background

- Quality assurance and improvement program
- Includes internal and external assessments
- Audit Committee approved the SAIV approach for the external assessment.

Objective

- Assess Internal Audit's conformance with the Standards and the Code of Ethics.
- Evaluation of the effectiveness in carrying out Internal Audit's mission, identified successful internal audit practices and identified opportunities for continuous improvement.

Assessment Scope & Methodology

- The Quality Self-Assessment was concluded on October 12, 2021, and the validation concluded on October 27, 2021.
- The Standards and the Code of Ethics in place and effective as of October 12, 2021, were the basis for the Quality Assessment.

Scope & Methodology

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- Self assessment report prepared using the methodology established in the IIA's Quality Assessment Manual for the Internal Audit Activity.
- Interviews conducted by the External Assessor
- Survey sent to key stakeholders

Scope & Methodology

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- External assessor also reviewed a sample of audit projects, reviewed survey data; and prepared diagnostic tools.
- The External assessor prepared an “Independent Validation Statement”

Conclusion

Through the self-assessment and independent external validation process, the City of Vaughan's Internal Audit department has received the top ranking of "Generally Conforms".

The internal audit activity is in conformance with the IIA Standards and Code of Ethics.

Observations

Observations are divided into three categories:

- Successful Internal Audit Practices
- Gaps to Conformance – No gaps to conformance with the Standards or Code of Ethics were identified.
- Opportunities for Continuous

Successful Internal Audit Practices

- Very high survey participation rates
- 21 of the 23 questions scored higher than the IIA's benchmark average.
- Internal Audit adds value and improves the City's operations.



Next Steps

- The next external quality assessment of the internal audit activity will be conducted in 2026.



Questions?





Thank You

