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PARKING CONTRACT REVIEWED

The New Orleans Office of Inspector General today released a letter reviewing the City's contracting for Curbside Management and Enforcement including parking meter operations and parking ticket processing. The letter to the City coincided with the expiration of existing contracts and the initiation of a new procurement.

The letter recommended improvements applicable to the new procurement, most of which were agreed to by the City. The letter also suggested that that the City should not consider delinquent collections a professional service and recommended that collections should be a separate procurement, subject to public bid law. The City disagreed. However, the RFP and contract contained no requirements for professional certifications for the contractor.

Inspector General Ed Quatrevaux said, "The City needs to reexamine its use of professional services contracts as future procurements are made."

The report is attached to this press release. Other reports issued by the Office of Inspector General can be viewed and downloaded from the website at http://www.nolaoig.org.

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