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To: Dr. Michael J. Bell, Chief Financial Officer
From: Deputy Director of Finance, Internal Audit & Licensing
Subject: Comprehensive Revenue Study/ Police Services
Re: Police Firing Range

General Information

Internal Audit is currently conducting a comprehensive revenue study of DeKalb County departments that generate revenues from services or user fees. This study is primarily prompted by the past experiences and anticipation of future revenue shortfall.

Purpose and Scope

The purpose of the study is to identify all countywide sources of revenues, review rate/fee structure to determine whether an increase is feasible. Also, we attempted to identify new sources of revenue such as services that are rendered without a fee. It should be pointed out that some fines/fees cannot be changed except by regulation.

Results

The DeKalb County Police Firing Range is usually open to the public on the first two Fridays of each month. The rest of the time, it is in use by various law enforcement agencies. The public fee is \$ 7.00 per hour. Security companies are charged \$ 5.00 per person. Private ranges in the Metro Atlanta area charge from \$10 - \$15 per hour with some requiring additional membership fees.

Internal Audit recommends that Police Services present an increase proposal to the Budget, Finance and Audit Committee and the CEO's office.

Internal Audit continues to seek ways to increase revenue for DeKalb County.

Sincerely,

Eugene O' Mard

Cc: Captain Diane L. Loos, Police Services
Russell Frankofsky, Deputy Director of Finance – Budget and Grants

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