

2022 Finance and Audit Committee Work Program

In 2022, the Finance and Audit Committee will focus on three areas: 1) realignment implementation, 2) transactional matters to oversee the agency's financial plan, financial statements, internal and external audits and internal controls, and 3) topics of special interest to the committee.

Realignment Implementation

The Finance and Audit Committee will review the updated financial plan assumptions as part of the Annual Program Review.

Matters to oversee the agency's financial plan, financial statements, internal and external audits and internal controls

This work includes committee actions required for continued oversight of Sound Transit's financial and audit programs. As in previous years, items will include committee consideration and votes to recommend actions to the Board, including:

- Agency financial plan and financial statements
- Internal audit program audits
- External audits including financial, accountability and performance audits
- Regular briefings to keep the committee informed and prepared for upcoming action items
- Other briefings as needed to monitor agency internal controls.

Sound Transit staff have compiled a projected list of specific actions they anticipate bringing before the committee for action by quarter, which is attached.

Topics of Special Interest to the Committee

The Finance and Audit Committee will also explore additional areas that are topics of interest to members, responsive to changing circumstances or the public, or emerging issues.

- Agency Level Audit Structure
- Enterprise Risk Management Program
- Macroeconomic Aspects of the Annual Program Review
- Non-System Expansion Capital Process
- Shared Planning Model for Annual Budgeting

Reports Provided to the Committee

The Finance and Audit Committee will continue to receive quarterly agency progress reports on the current status of the financial plan, asset and liabilities management, internal audits, and other relevant matters.

Representative schedule of actions and discussions, subject to change.

First Quarter – March 17, 2022

- Reports to Review
 - 2021 Year-end Financial Report (Q4)
 - Quarterly Asset and Liabilities Management Report
- Internal Audit Division Presentation
 - 2022 Audit Work Plan
 - Agency Level Audit Structure

Second Quarter – July 21, 2022

- State Auditor's Office - Report on 2021 Performance Audit results
- Review 2021 Financial Audit Report
- Macroeconomic Aspects of the Annual Program Review
- Non-System Expansion Capital Process
- Reports to Review
 - Annual Green Bonds Report
 - Quarterly Financial Report (Q1)
 - Quarterly Asset and Liabilities Management Report
 - Annual Fare Report
- Internal Audit Division Presentation
 - Completed internal audits (Q1)

Third Quarter – October 20, 2022

- Review Proposed 2023 Budget and Financial Plan projections
- Reports to Review
 - Quarterly Financial Report (Q2)
 - Quarterly Asset and Liabilities Management Report
- Internal Audit Division Presentation
 - 2022 Performance Audit Final Report
 - Completed Audit Division internal audits (Q2)
 - Review 2023 Audit Work Plan
 - Review of potential 2023 Performance Audit topics

Fourth Quarter – December 15, 2022

- Shared Planning Model for Annual Budgeting
- Enterprise Risk Management Program
- Consider forwarding the 2023 Annual Budget to the Board
- Citizens Oversight Panel annual presentation to the Finance & Audit Committee
- 2023 Financial Audit Entrance
- Reports to Review
 - Quarterly Financial Report (Q3)
 - Quarterly Asset and Liabilities Management Report
- Internal Audit Division Presentation
 - Review completed Audit Division internal audits (Q3)
 - Consider 2023 Performance Audit topic
 - Review 2023 Audit Division work plan