A Countywide Audit of Payroll: Salt Lake County Mayor's Financial Administration Payroll Operations

**Audit Findings and Recommendations** 





### Agenda



Audit Team and Management



Introduction to the Audit



Key Opportunities for Improvement



Recommendations for Improvement



Conclusion and Next Steps



### Audit Team and Management

#### **Audit Team**

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#### **Audit Committee**

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The audit team consisted of experienced professionals who ensured thorough examination and reasonable assurance of compliance with audit standards.



### AUDIT REPORT

#### An Audit of Human R - Countywide Payroll Responsibilities

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### About this Audit Report:

- The Audit of Salt Lake County Mayor's Financial Administration Payroll Operations reviewed the period September 1, 2021 August 31, 2022.
- The objectives were to provide reasonable assurance that the internal controls in place are adequate and effective and that the payroll processes comply with all applicable fiscal ordinances, policies, and procedures.
- The audit identified opportunities for improvement in operational effectiveness through enhanced oversight authority.
- Mayor's Financial Administration agreed to 22 of 22 recommendations.

### Opportunities for Improvement





### Oversight Authority

Opportunity to enhance payroll accuracy through oversight.



#### Gift Cards

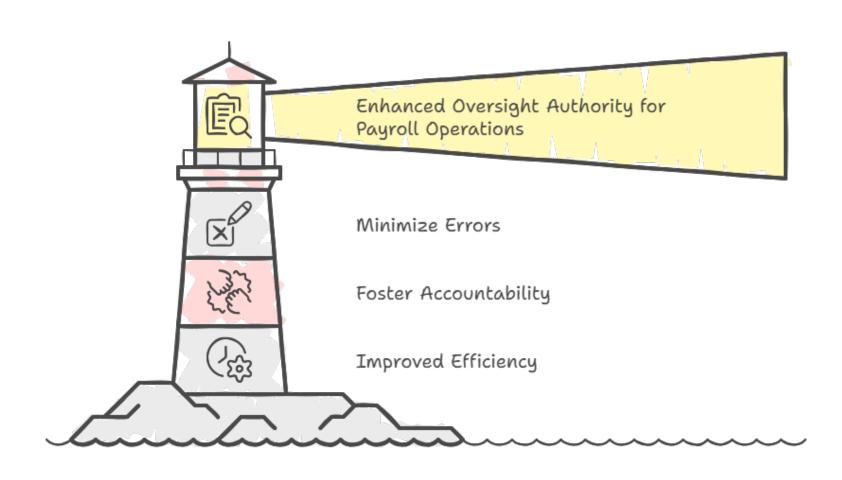
Improve segregation of duties in gift card program.



### Check Security

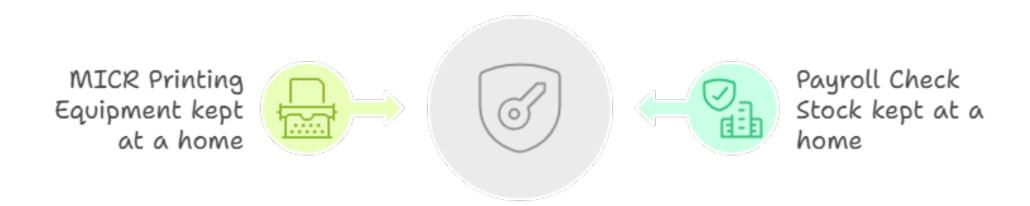
Enhance security of payroll check stock and printing.

### Enhanced Oversight Authority



### Security of Payroll Check Stock & MICR Printer

### **Enhancing Payroll Security**



### Employee Gift Cards





### **Segregation of Duties**

The duties of purchasing, receiving, and distributing were not aways properly segregated.



### **Inventory Reconciliation**

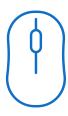
A formal reconciliation was not documented or conducted.

### Recommendations for Improvement

We recommended to Management the following:







**Training** 

### Recommendations for Improvement

We recommended to Management the following:



**Safeguard Check Printing** 



**Segregate Gift Card Duties** 



**Reconcile Gift Card Inventories** 

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