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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	MR. GRAHAM: Good afternoon. My name is Brad
3	Graham, and I am pleased to open the Finance and Audit
4	Committee meeting of the Board of the Texas Department of
5	Motor Vehicles.
6	It is 2:00 p.m., and I am now calling the Board
7	meeting for June 29, 2022, to order. That wasn't loud
8	enough, was it? There we go. That is better.
9	I want to note for the record that the public
10	notice of this meeting, containing all items on the agenda
11	was filed with the Office of Secretary of State on June
12	21st, 2022.
13	Before we begin today's meeting, please place
14	all cell phones and other communication devices make
15	sure I am as well in silent mode. And please, as a
16	courtesy to others, do not carry on side conversations or
17	other activities in the meeting room.
18	I want to welcome those who are with us today
19	for today's committee meeting. Face coverings and social
20	distancing are not required at this meeting.
21	If you wish to address the Board or speak on an
22	agenda item during today's meeting, please complete a
23	speaker sheet at the registration table, or send an email
24	to <u>GCO general@txdmv.gov.</u> Please identify in your email
25	the specific item you are interested in commenting on,
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your name and address, and whether you are representing anyone or speaking for yourself. If your comment does not pertain to a specific agenda item, we will take your comment during the general public comment portion of the meeting.

6 In accordance with the Department's 7 administrative rule, comments to the Board will be limited 8 to three minutes. To assist each speaker, a timer has 9 been provided. The timer light will be green for the 10 first two minutes, yellow for one minute, and then red 11 when your time is up.

Individuals cannot accumulate time from other speakers. Comments should be pertinent to the issues stated on the comment sheet. When addressing the Board, please state your name and affiliation for the record.

There are a few things that will assist in making the meeting run smoother and assist the court reporter in getting the accurate record. Please identify yourself before speaking. Speak clearly and slowly. Do not speak over others.

And please ask the Chairman to proceed. And be sure to get recognized before speaking. I would also like to thank our court reporter who is transcribing this meeting.

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Before we begin today, I would like to remind

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all presenters and those in attendance of the rules of 1 2 conduct in our Board meetings. In the Department's rule, 3 the Board Chair is given authority to supervise the 4 conduct of meetings. This includes the authority to 5 determine when a speaker is being disruptive of the 6 meeting or is otherwise violating the timing or 7 presentation rules I just discussed. 8 The posted agenda stated that a quorum of the

9 Board may be present at this meeting. However, Board 10 members who are not members of the Finance and Audit 11 Committee will not vote on any Committee agenda items 12 today, nor will any Board action be taken.

With that, I will -- I don't believe we have any of our other Board members present. So, I will move to the roll call and establishment of the quorum. Please respond verbally when I call your name.

17 Member McRae, are you here? MS. MCRAE: Here. 18 19 MR. GRAHAM: Member Omumu? 20 MS. OMUMU: Here. MR. GRAHAM: Member Prewitt. 21 22 MR. PREWITT: Here. 23 MR. GRAHAM: And the let the record reflect 24 that I, Brett Graham, am here as well. We have a quorum. 25

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With that, I would ask you to please stand as 1 2 we recognize our pledges of allegiance to the U.S. and 3 Texas. 4 (Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance was 5 recited.) 6 MR. GRAHAM: The Texas flag. 7 (Whereupon, a pledge to the Texas flag was recited.) 8 9 Thank you. With that, we'll move MR. GRAHAM: 10 to Agenda Item 3, comments and announcements from the Committee Chair, Committee members, or the Executive 11 Director. Do we have any comments or announcements? 12 13 (No response.) 14 MR. GRAHAM: None that I know of. Okay. 15 With that, we will move to Agenda item 4, 16 strategic plan update. This is a briefing item, only. We 17 will hear from Glenna Bowman on Item 4(a). MS. BOWMAN: Good afternoon, Chairman Graham, 18 19 Committee members. For the record, my name is Glenna Bowman. I am the Chief Financial Officer for the Justice 20 Department of Motor Vehicles. I am going to see if I can 21 22 do this one without my glasses. 23 At the April 14th Board meeting, we reported on 24 activities related to the Texas Department of Motor 25 Vehicles strategic plan for fiscal year 2023 through 2027. ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

1 One of those activities was to request changes to the 2 Department's budget structure and performance measures. I 3 am very pleased to report that we got approval for 100 4 percent of our requested changes from the Legislative 5 Budget Board and the Office of the Governor.

We also updated the Board on our goals and action plans for the report. And since the Board voted to discontinue the balance score card initiatives at the April 14th meeting, we simplified the budget structure so the components match our goals, objectives, and strategies in the General Appropriations Act.

The Plan also includes several other required elements, including our list of redundancies and impediments. The workforce plan and customer satisfaction report and the complete strategic plan was submitted to the LBB and Office of Governor on June 1st. And it is published in your materials.

So I would be happy to answer any questions you may have on this item.

20 MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Thank you. Does the 21 Committee have any questions for Glenna?

(No response.)

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23 MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Hearing none, are there any 24 public comments for this item?

MS. AUCOIN: Aline Aucoin for the record.

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1 There are no commenters for this item. 2 MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Thank you for that update. 3 We will now move to Agenda Item 4(b), which is 4 5 the preliminary fiscal year 2024 - 2025 Legislative 6 Appropriations Request. And I do note this is an action 7 item. 8 MS. BOWMAN: Yes, sir. Mr. Chairman, Committee 9 members, again, for the record, my name is Glenna Bowman, 10 CFO for the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles. 11 For this item I have with me today our budget 12 director, John Ralston, who will help me answer questions 13 at the end of this presentation, should you have those. 14 MR. GRAHAM: Could I interrupt you just a 15 moment? I am sorry. I need some assistance with the --16 my Board book went to sleep. And I really need that up 17 for this item. 18 (Pause.) 19 MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Sorry for that 20 interruption. Please resume. 21 MS. BOWMAN: Okay. The Department's biennual 22 Legislative Appropriations Request will be submitted to 23 the Texas Legislature when it convenes in regular session 24 in January of next year, 2023. The LAR will request 25 funding for the FY 2024 to 2025 biennium, which begins ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

September 1, 2023, and ends August 31, 2025. 1 2 The LAR includes two primary components. The first is baseline funding, which is the funding level that 3 4 is needed to maintain existing operations and capital 5 projects, plus adjustments for essential operational needs 6 that can be supported by revenues and available balances 7 within the TxDMV Fund Ten. The LAR also includes exceptional items which 8 9 must include General Revenue or GR-funded requests that 10 exceed the baseline limit established by the Legislative Budget Board, and may include other items that promote 11 12 transparency and provide visibility with the Legislature 13 and the Department's high priority needs. 14 The LAR also includes requests for additional 15 staffing or FTEs, the maximum salary allowed for our 16 Executive Director, the capital budget authority, and 17 updates and amendments to appropriation binders. The Department is currently in the process of 18 19 evaluating needed increases to its baseline budget. With 20 the current economy, costs are increasing, which is 21 driving the cost of numerous items in our baseline budget. 22 We've worked to ensure that the items in the proposed 23 baseline are essential to the efficient operation of the 24 TxDMV, and are well within projected revenue levels and 25 available cash balances in the TxDMV Fund Ten.

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The funding will provide for a wide array of 1 2 needs, including additional staff to continue improvements 3 in the temp tag activities; increases in facilities 4 maintenance costs, due to the transfer of the Camp Hubbard 5 campus from the Texas Department of Transportation to the 6 TxDMV; increases in information technology contractor 7 rates and other contract costs that will support hardware and software, compliance upgrades and continued fraud 8 9 mitigation efforts; and cost in volume increases in 10 postage and sticker paper. 11 Staff is proposing to submit -- your materials say a total of four exceptional items. I do have a note 12 13 on that, at the end of this. But the four that are in 14 your materials include \$5-1/2 million for replacement, 15 planning and design for our registration and titling 16 system. 17 This is Phase One of a two-part process to study the entire RTS ecosystem, if you will -- all of the 18 19 surrounding systems besides just the primary system, and all of the interfaces, and how all of that and the tax 20 assessor-collector offices -- it is a large project. 21 22 And so, this planning and design will take all 23 of that into account, so we are asking the Legislature to 24 provide capital authority for us to be able to do that 25 planning and design project.

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Our second item is to expand the Regional 1 2 Service Center presence in Houston and Dallas. The Houston and Dallas Regional Service Centers are expected 3 4 to outgrow their current facilities in 2028. Τn 5 anticipation of future growth, and to better serve our 6 customers, staff recommends opening a new RSC substation 7 in Houston, and another in Dallas.

A third item is \$14.2 million to appropriate the full 20 percent of revenues collected under Transportation Code Section 1006.153(e)(1) to the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority, or the MVCPA, as required by the statute. This has been requested in past sessions, and we are getting closer. But we are not quite there, so we are requesting it again.

And the fourth item that is in your materials is funding authority for an estimated \$100 million for Phase Two of the Camp Hubbard renewal project, which includes a new office building, site work, and demolition of Building Five, where the new building would go, renovations to Building Six, and upgrades to our Central Utility Plant.

I would note that this cost estimate is a placeholder until additional planning and analysis is completed by our contracted vendor, management at TxDMV, and the Texas Facilities Commission. So, we have just

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begun that project and are still continuing to look at the 1 2 costs. 3 An item that is not in your materials, but we did -- there is information about additional FTEs in the 4 5 materials. But I had a conversation with the Legislative 6 Budget Board. 7 In order to get authority for additional FTEs 8 to go with that funding that we have money for in the 9 TxDMV Fund Ten, we need to request an exceptional item. 10 But it would be a zero dollar amount exceptional item, and show the 32 FTEs. And we would lay out what those FTEs 11 are for. 12 13 So that is new. And I apologize. That was not 14 in your materials. 15 The LAR will also propose the continuation of 16 riders that currently exist in our budget, with changes to 17 dates and amounts and certain naming conventions. And we are also requesting a new rider that would make the 18 19 appropriation to the MVCPA an estimated appropriation 20 based on the revenues that are actually collected for that 21 purpose. 22 This is an action item for the Committee. And 23 staff is recommending that the Committee recommend that 24 the Board direct staff to prepare a '24 - '25 Legislative 25 Appropriations Request, to approve the LAR items presented ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

today and all reports and schedules required by the LBB 1 2 and the LAR instructions -- which by the way, we have not 3 yet received. We are still working on last biennium's with their instructions. 4 5 And subject to any technical corrections that 6 are approved by the Department -- by me and by Daniel as 7 the Executive Director to comply with instructions from 8 the Legislative Budget Board. 9 At this time, Mr. Ralston and I will be happy 10 to answer questions that you may have. MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Thank you. Well, let's 11 open it up to questions from the Committee. 12 13 MR. PREWITT: Mr. Chairman. 14 MR. GRAHAM: Yes, sir. Mr. Prewitt. 15 MR. PREWITT: Yes, sir. 16 Glenna, in regards to the registration titling, 17 \$5.5 million -- can we make that in such a manner -- given what we are seeing with inflation and everything else, do 18 19 you feel we need to give that some more flex, as far as that number upward, given the possible cost? 20 Or do you feel that that is a solid -- what are 21 22 your thoughts on that? 23 MS. BOWMAN: You know, we'll always take flex. 24 MR. PREWITT: Right. 25 MS. BOWMAN: I know that Wendy Davis [sic], our ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

IT Director, has had some conversations with Gardner Group 1 2 about this. But Daniel, would you like --3 MR. AVITIA: Mr. Chairman. Yes. Executive Director Avitia. 4 MR. GRAHAM: 5 MR. AVITIA: For the record, Daniel Avitia, 6 Executive Director. Wendy Barron, Ms. Glenna --7 MS. BOWMAN: What did I say? 8 MR. AVITIA: Wendy Davis. 9 MS. BOWMAN: Okay. Well, you know. 10 MR. AVITIA: You just renamed our CIO, but that is okay. 11 12 MS. BOWMAN: My apologies. 13 MR. AVITIA: Member Prewitt, we appreciate the 14 question. And we have had conversations with both DIR, as 15 well as consulting firms. And I think that figure should 16 cover it. 17 MR. PREWITT: Okay. Thank you. MR. AVITIA: Thank you, sir. 18 19 MR. GRAHAM: Are there -- does anybody have 20 any other questions? 21 I have just a few. Regarding the existing RTS 22 system, you described it as an --23 MS. BOWMAN: Ecosystem. 24 MR. GRAHAM: An ecosystem. 25 MS. BOWMAN: Yes. ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

MR. GRAHAM: I mean, as far as I know, that 1 2 system has been in place since I have been involved with 3 the Board, maybe since inception of the DMV. I mean, 4 what --5 MS. BOWMAN: Before -- I know it's over 30 6 years old. 7 MR. GRAHAM: Thirty years old. It's very old technology. 8 MS. BOWMAN: 9 And so you are trying to make the MR. GRAHAM: 10 case that there has been things that have changed in the last 30 years. 11 12 MS. BOWMAN: One or two. Yes, sir. Yes. 13 MR. GRAHAM: Wow. Well, I know that 14 Member McRae lives it every day, right? 15 MS. MCRAE: Yes. Lots of band-aids throughout 16 the years. 17 MR. GRAHAM: Yes. I would think it is time. Ι know that's an incredible endeavor. I wouldn't even -- I 18 don't want to even wrap my head around what that is going 19 to entail. 20 21 Did you want to add to that? 22 MR. AVITIA: I can certainly add. Again, for 23 the record, Daniel Avitia, Executive Director. 24 Chairman Graham, the regional RTS system, 25 registration and title system, has served its purpose over ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

the span of about 30 years or more. Member McRae, I 1 2 think, was around when the system kicked off. 3 MS. MCRAE: I was a baby. It was child labor. 4 5 MR. AVITIA: She was right out of high school. 6 Let's clarify that. 7 It has served its purpose. And not only is it 8 a challenge to keep the system moving forward and putting 9 band-aids on it continuously to keep it going forward, but 10 we are also seeing issues with the system now, very frequently, with latency slowing everybody down or 11 12 shutting down altogether. 13 And so a system shutdown means that counties 14 are down, the DMV is down, and we can't do business at all 15 throughout the State of Texas. So, it is important that 16 we start researching new opportunities to replace this 17 system. Now there is also a recruitment challenge to 18 19 replacing the RTS system. The system is based on old code 20 and old software. And so, when we are recruiting new talent into the agency, it is difficult to tell new 21 22 talent, forget all the new wonderful things that you have 23 learned throughout your years in school. Come learn our 24 old system for us, and help us with our system. 25 So there is also a recruitment challenge when ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

1 it comes to RTS as well.

2	MR. GRAHAM: Thank you. I would imagine its
3	very, very challenging from a security standpoint. I know
4	that I just I am in the process of ditching a seven-
5	year-old server because Microsoft no longer supports their
6	seven-year-old software.
7	And so, I would think that is very important as
8	well. And a big piece of the
9	MR. AVITIA: Absolutely. Yes, sir. Will is
10	nodding his heard in the back of the room there.
11	It is important to Will, and the rest of us as
12	well. Yes, sir.
13	MR. GRAHAM: Yes. I think that's an important
14	ask. And it is time to start what is going to be a tough
15	journey, but we got to do it, right.
16	MR. AVITIA: Yes, sir. Indeed.
17	MR. GRAHAM: Thank you. I would also ask one
18	of you to maybe elaborate on when we started the
19	discussions on Camp Hubbard and the necessity for some
20	changes and some improvements in a fairly dated facility,
21	that was pre-Covid. And a few things have happened in the
22	last couple of years, and the workplace dynamics have
23	definitely changed.
24	If one of y'all would please expand on the
25	impact that that has had on the discussions as it pertains
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to the necessity for space and building facilities and 1 what has come from that. I know that if I was out there 2 3 looking in, I would be thinking, there are so many more 4 people working from home. You know, is this the time for 5 a project like this? 6 MR. AVITIA: Absolutely. 7 MS. BOWMAN: Would you like to answer, or do 8 you want me to? 9 MR. AVITIA: I am happy to, Glenna. 10 MS. BOWMAN: Okay. MR. AVITIA: Chairman Graham, that is an 11 excellent observation, and one that we have been mulling 12 13 through internally quite a bit, along with our architect 14 and engineering firm, Marmon-Mok. They are very familiar 15 with the challenges that Covid has presented when they are 16 laying out new floor plans for buildings. 17 And the discussions that we have had more specifically are centered around the number of staff that 18 19 we realistically currently have and what we intend for 20 future growth. If you look at our strategic plan, you will see that the majority of our teleworkers include our 21 22 customer service representatives, as well as our licensing 23 and permitting specialists -- which accounts for about 30 24 plus percent of our overall staffing. 25 That being said, the plans that we have worked ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

up -- initially -- remember, Glenna mentioned that these 1 2 are just initial plans. And we still have to work 3 extensively with the architect and engineering firm. 4 The current model, and their proposal based on 5 price and structure, is at about 60 to 65 percent, which 6 removes that 30 percent of those staff that we have 7 already identified that are currently teleworking or can 8 work 100 percent remotely. Again, those customer service 9 representatives and licensing and permitting specialists. 10 Now, looking down the road, Marmon-Mok is also 11 aware that there might be a potential for growth within 12 13 the agency. And so the design has to incorporate swing 14 space and spaces as we were talking about in the last 15 Board meeting, hoteling spaces. Not meaning spending the 16 night, but being able to switch spaces in and out. 17 So there is going to be a very flexible floor 18 plan that will allow for what we have today and for 19 potential growth for the next 50 years. 20 MR. GRAHAM: Yes. That's good, because I know 21 it's certainly -- it's changing the workplace guickly. 22 MR. AVITIA: Yes. 23 MR. GRAHAM: I have been -- you and I have 24 spoken on a number of occasions about, are we sure that 25 our quality of our product is not diminished by those who ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

1	are working remotely. And I know that that is something
2	that you all have worked really hard to measure.
3	Would you be comfortable just expanding on that
4	for a moment?
5	MR. AVITIA: Absolutely. Again, for the
6	record, Daniel Avitia, Executive Director.
7	Chairman Graham, we have an extensive amount of
8	key performance indicators that we monitor daily, weekly,
9	monthly. Customer service representatives and licensing
10	and permitting specialists are I don't want to use the
11	word "heavily regulated," but we do keep an eye on all of
12	their activity, their inputs, their outputs.
13	Director Johnson on the motor vehicle side, as
14	well as the Director from CRD as well, Amanda, she keeps
15	track of all of her staff activity. I think we had
16	mentioned in a previous Board meeting, the customer
17	service ratings that we have received have either remained
18	constant through teleworking opportunities, or have
19	increased in some areas.
20	And that is just two divisions that are
21	currently teleworking. Obviously, there are others. But
22	again, we have extensive key performance indicators
23	throughout the agency that help us monitor all of that
24	activity.
25	MR. GRAHAM: Okay. That's great. Coming as an
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1 employer of a business, that I mean, we have no -- we are 2 in a business that we can't do that. 3 MR. AVITIA: Absolutely. 4 MR. GRAHAM: You know, you can't fix trucks 5 from home, you know. 6 MR. AVITIA: Right. 7 MR. GRAHAM: Or sell parts. So I don't really 8 have a grasp of that, because it is not a part of my 9 world. 10 But as I said, we have talked about it. And my concern for making sure that the product that we provide 11 12 to the state is there. And it looks like y'all have it 13 dialed in, and I am glad to hear that. 14 MR. AVITIA: We monitor daily. You know, 15 Chairman Graham, you mentioned a great point. We have identified staff that do need to be in the office every 16 17 day, based on the type of work that they do. So we have 18 gone through that process. And the other thing that I will make mention 19 20 for the Board here today is we have identified certain individuals in the Agency where outputs aren't where we 21 22 need them to be. And each director, as I said, monitors 23 those KPIs, where they do have staff that are either 24 working at 100 percent or a hybrid model. 25 And we have had staff, or asked staff to come ON THE RECORD REPORTING

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1	back to the office in certain situations where we just
2	don't see that the performance is where it needs to be.
3	MR. GRAHAM: Good. Excellent.
4	MS. OMUMU: Mr. Chairman, I have a question.
5	MR. GRAHAM: Yes, Member Omumu.
6	MS. OMUMU: While we are talking about working
7	from home and the new hybrid model, I think, is what helps
8	to keep us competitive in the state.
9	But I do want to ask a question about
10	cybersecurity initiative. I see that it is crossed out on
11	the capital budget project summary. I know that doesn't
12	mean that we have abandoned it altogether. Because I
13	think as we improve our technologies and budget to expand,
14	that is something that we have to keep our eye on, and
15	actually do a little bit more cybersecurity projects.
16	So I just want you to expand on that, Glenna,
17	if you don't mind.
18	MR. GRAHAM: Yes, Member Omumu. Thank you for
19	that question.
20	That is actually a technical change. We are
21	spending far more than \$400,000 on cybersecurity. Where
22	that particular item is sitting in the budget is in our
23	capital budget, which is generally supposed to be for
24	capital assets. And cybersecurity in and of itself is not
25	an asset.

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It is a needed technology, but it is an 1 2 operational cost. So what we are doing is folding that 3 into our operations budget. But again, we are spending 4 more than \$400,000. 5 And in addition, in our baseline increase with 6 some of the FTEs that we are requesting, two of those are 7 for additional cybersecurity positions to augment that. 8 And then, there are also -- there is a couple of database 9 administrators. Because in addition to just the 10 cybersecurity, there is the making sure that our databases are functioning as they should to support all the systems 11 that kind of sit on top of those systems. 12 13 MS. OMUMU: Okay. Thank you. 14 Thank you for the question. MS. BOWMAN: 15 MR. GRAHAM: So I guess I would conclude 16 comments with a redirecting question to you, if I may. 17 Obviously, this is not an insignificant ask of FTEs, or 18 budget, for that matter. 19 If you would, make a broad case of why this 20 is -- how is this going to make this agency stronger, 21 better? And at the end of the day, how are the taxpayers 22 of Texas going to benefit from this request? 23 MS. BOWMAN: Thank you for that question. We 24 are always, as you know, focused on the customer, and 25 trying to make sure that we are providing the best ON THE RECORD REPORTING

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customer service that we can. Costs are increasing. 1 And 2 so we are needing to recruit and retain staff. 3 Historically -- so we have two items. One, we haven't asked for an increase in our baseline since 2016. 4 5 We had some exceptional items for new projects. But just 6 to run the day-to-day and keep things going, and moving 7 ahead of that curve, we have not had an increase since 8 2016. So, it is a significant increase. 9 In terms of the additional FTEs, as you are 10 well aware, we've had additional temp tag efforts so that we can really shore up our customer service and reduce 11 12 fraud. We again are trying to stay ahead of the curve, 13 because we also -- well, we are taking over the facilities 14 from the Texas Department of Transportation, and we'll 15 need FTEs to support that. 16 We are also -- you know, as we grow and we can talk about cybersecurity and all of those things, we need 17 additional internal audit staff so that we can make sure 18 19 that we are looking internally at what we are doing. In 20 the VTR, specialty plates, it is a revenue generator. But it takes a lot of time, so we need staff to help with 21 22 that. 23 We have lots of open records requests. So from 24 a broad view, we are just trying to make sure that, one, 25 we are keeping up. And then in addition, trying to plan ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

1 for the future so that we can meet the needs of our 2 growing customer base, and just all of the things that need to be done. 3 4 MR. GRAHAM: Thank you. 5 Yes, Member McRae. 6 MS. MCRAE: Glenna, and I'm sure this is in our 7 current budget, but I just want to be sure. The replacement of all of the fiber in the counties -- I know 8 9 that there is a project that is -- I don't even know where 10 we stand with that right now. But that is included in our 11 current budget? 12 MS. BOWMAN: So there is funding in the current 13 budget, and it is based on risk. So we are looking at 14 those areas that have the greatest issues with 15 connectivity and being able to get the data that they need 16 from our system. So we are continuing that.

There was some discussion about a wholesale, do everybody. But because we are looking at the new RTS system and planning for that, the hope is that that will be a web-based system and will eliminate the need for some of that physical infrastructure.

And so, we didn't feel like it was the best use of state resources to invest a whole lot into infrastructure that in several years is not going to be needed for what we are doing. But we are still absolutely

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supporting the T1 project, and addressing those areas that 1 2 need it the most. MS. MCRAE: 3 Thank you. 4 MR. GRAHAM: Member Prewitt. 5 MR. PREWITT: Yes, sir. Thank you, Mr. 6 Chairman. 7 Glenna -- and we had briefly mentioned this the other day in a pre-meeting, but I think it -- I mean, I 8 9 know you have to abide by certain protocols in the 10 presentation of the budget. But I do think it is worth noting that DMV as a part of state government has a very, 11 12 I would just say, a very nominal staffing level relative 13 to the revenue it generates, especially when you compare 14 it to other state agencies. 15 And I would certainly, if you feel it is 16 appropriate, or if we feel we can make that case, I would 17 certainly present that to the Legislative Budget Board. Because the 32 FTEs seem like a lot, but in reference to 18 19 our overall revenue base they would bring to the fore as 20 an Agency, it is really, you know, not that much. 21 And so, I just -- you know, to the degree that 22 we can, I hate to say it, toot our own horn. But in 23 terms, we can say, look, we are doing more with less. As 24 a state agency, I think it behooves us to do that, because 25 it is critical we get the monies we are asking for, as you ON THE RECORD REPORTING

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know. 1 2 MS. BOWMAN: Right. And I think that's a really good point. And I think -- we didn't have the 3 4 opportunity to talk about this the other day, but I do 5 think we want to make sure that we message that 6 appropriately. Because --7 MR. PREWITT: Right. 8 MS. BOWMAN: We are not a private company. So, 9 our business is not to raise revenue. But it is to be 10 good stewards, and make sure that we do have the staffing 11 and so forth that we need to manage it properly. 12 MR. PREWITT: Right. 13 MS. BOWMAN: So, yes. I think that is great. 14 We do have information on revenues, but we could certainly 15 draw a little more attention to that. It is a significant 16 amount of revenue, even at the statewide level, that we 17 manage. 18 MR. PREWITT: Right. 19 MS. BOWMAN: Thank you, sir. 20 MR. PREWITT: Yes, ma'am. An FTE question. I think I would 21 MR. GRAHAM: 22 direct this to Executive Director Avitia. 23 And I was sitting here thinking back. And you 24 know, like the last two years are a little hazy. I am not 25 sure what happened. But it is like a blur in there, kind ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

1 of a crazy blur.

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2	But so, I was trying to remember. I remember
3	that two years ago, three years ago, maybe even up to
4	current, there was a freeze on FTEs on the state level.
5	Am I and so the nature of my question is,
6	when we talk about adding these FTEs, is that onto you
7	know, we had approved FTEs. And then, for a period of
8	time, even if you lost someone, if it was an approved FTE,
9	you couldn't replace them.
10	Is this number on top of the original FTE
11	count, or the FTE count that was frozen? Does that make
12	sense?
13	MS. BOWMAN: Yes. I mean, I can take that
14	question.
15	MR. GRAHAM: Yes.
16	MS. BOWMAN: Okay. So the freeze did not go in
17	and actually reduce the number of FTEs that were
18	authorized for TxDMV. Correct me if I'm wrong, John.
19	But it simply said we couldn't hire if they
20	were vacant. Once that hiring freeze was lifted, we had
21	access to all of those 800 FTEs. So this 32 is in
22	addition to.
23	MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Got it. I was just
24	wondering if that was the case, hope so.
25	Well, you know, I have given this a lot of
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scrutiny myself. It is -- any time I serve on any 1 2 organizational board, I take my duty to oversee the funds 3 very seriously. And I also recognize -- I'm on another 4 Board currently that is making a similar ask. 5 And you know, with the amount of growth, if you 6 are not ahead of it -- I mean, if you get behind the 7 curve, especially when we are seeing the kind of growth 8 that we are seeing in this state, it is very, very 9 difficult to get back in front of it. And I am 10 comfortable with this, because there are serious repercussions to getting behind the curve --11 12 MS. BOWMAN: Yes, sir. 13 MR. GRAHAM: -- that are detrimental to the 14 people in this state. And so, I think it is very, very 15 important that we make sure that we are taking care of 16 business, and doing it to the level that is expected. So, 17 those are just my thoughts. Okay. Are there any more questions on Item 18 19 4(b), which is the preliminary fiscal year 2024-'25 20 Legislative Appropriations Request? 21 (No response.) 22 MR. GRAHAM: All right. Hearing none, I 23 will -- I think -- am I supposed to check and see if we 24 have public comment? 25 MR. AVITIA: Yes. ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

MS. AUCOIN: Aline Aucoin, Associate General 1 2 Counsel for TxDMV for the record. After the motion is 3 read and seconded, then there is a request --4 MR. GRAHAM: So, you are telling me if I would 5 flip the page, I would see that. Okay. All right. 6 With that, we have -- I will now entertain a 7 motion regarding Agenda Item 4(b). MR. PREWITT: Mr. Chairman. 8 9 MR. GRAHAM: Yes. MR. PREWITT: I would like to make a motion. 10 Ι move that the Committee recommend that the Board direct 11 12 staff to prepare the FY 2024 - 2025 Legislative 13 Appropriations Request to include the LAR items presented 14 by staff, and all reports and schedules required by the 15 Legislative Budget Board and its LAR instructions, subject 16 to any technical corrections that are approved by the 17 Department's Chief Financial Officer and Executive Director to comply with the instructions from the 18 Legislative Budget Board. 19 20 MS. MCRAE: Chairman, I'd like to second that motion. 21 22 MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Member McRae seconds. 23 Does the Committee have any further discussion? 24 (No response.) 25 MR. GRAHAM: I will now ask if there's any ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

1 public comments.

2 MS. AUCOIN: Aline Aucoin, for the record. There are no commenters for this item. 3 MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Hearing none, I call for 4 5 the vote. Board members, when I call your name, please 6 state your vote for the record. 7 Member McRae. 8 MS. MCRAE: Aye. 9 MR. GRAHAM: Member Omumu. MS. OMUMU: Aye. 10 MR. GRAHAM: Member Prewitt. 11 12 MR. PREWITT: Aye. 13 MR. GRAHAM: And I, Chairman Graham, vote aye. Let the record reflect that there are four votes for and 14 15 zero votes against. The motion passes. Okay. 16 We'll move on to Agenda Item 4(c), Texas 17 Comptroller of Public Accounts post-payment audit of TxDMV. This is a briefing item only. And I guess we'll 18 19 turn this over to Eric Horn. 20 MR. HORN: Thank you. Good afternoon, Chairman 21 Graham, Committee members. For the record, my name is 22 Eric Horn. I am the Director of Accounting Operations 23 with the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles. 24 Today, I will be briefing you on the recent 25 completion of a routine post-payment audit conducted by ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. This audit
covered a twelve month period from December 1, 2019,
through November 30, 2020.

You may recall field work began in July of 2021. And the Board was notified of this audit at the August 2021 Board meeting. We received a final report dated April 7, 2022. And it can be found in your meeting materials beginning on page 108.

9 The objectives of the audit included validating 10 that contracts were procured according to applicable state laws and Comptroller requirements, also that payments were 11 12 processed according to applicable state laws, Comptroller 13 requirements, and statewide automated system guidelines. 14 Documentation to support those payments were properly 15 maintained by TxDMV staff, that financial transactions and 16 high risk assets were properly recorded, and that 17 appropriate security measures over payments were implemented. 18

Very happy to report that the results of the audit were mostly favorable. The audit team used a stop light chart to rate TxDMVs performance in each area of the audit, with green being fully compliant, yellow being compliant with a finding, and red being non-compliant. You can see our results on page 113 of your

eBook. TxDMV was green or fully compliant in five of the

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areas that were included in the scope of the audit. And yellow or compliant with a finding in the remaining three other areas, with recommendations from the audit team that have since been fully implemented by TxDMV staff. A summary of those recommendations can be found on page 114 of your eBook.

7 The five areas that were fully compliant 8 included transactions related to payroll, travel 9 reimbursements, grants, refunds of revenue, and fixed 10 assets. Quickly, I would like to just take a brief moment 11 to publicly thank my staff for their efforts and diligence 12 in ensuring that we were fully compliant in each of those 13 areas.

14 The three areas that were compliant with 15 findings and recommendations that have since been 16 implemented include failure to report information to the 17 vendor performance tracking system, or VPTS, when closing a contract. Contract closeout checklist has been 18 19 implemented since by our purchasing staff in December of 20 2021 to address this finding and to ensure that vendor 21 performance is filed in VPTS timely.

The second area was a timely notice to the Comptrollers Office to remove access for two of our separating employees. In this case, we had two employees that had a final physical working day on a Friday. And

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the Comptroller did not receive requests to remove their
access until the following Tuesday.

We have updated. We updated our internal procedures and implemented the recommendation to be more proactive in notifying the Comptrollers Office prior to the last physical working day of future employees that separate.

And finally, the last recommendation was regarding issuing -- pardon me. Our last recommendation that was issued was related to improving our internal control structure process as it relates to internal promotions.

13 So in this case, we had two employees that received internal promotions and were provided additional 14 15 security access for their new roles that conflicted with 16 the security access that they had previously. The audit 17 team conducted additional analysis and found that no issues occurred due to this conflict, but did make the 18 19 recommendation. And we have corrected and implemented 20 this recommendation to improve the security process going forward. 21

This concludes my remarks. And I am available for any questions that you may have.

24 MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Horn. Do 25 you feel confident that the actions that have been taken

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by the Agency regarding these recommendations are being 1 2 performed to the level that is necessary to ensure we have 3 got them taken care of? 4 MR. HORN: Yes, sir. I am. 5 MR. GRAHAM: Okay. And as the Audit Chair, 6 overall, my thoughts on this are that this was a good 7 audit return. There were a couple of things. They were 8 relatively minor, quickly resolvable, and I think it was a 9 good net result. 10 So does the Committee have any questions for Mr. Horn? 11 MR. PREWITT: Mr. Chairman. 12 13 MR. GRAHAM: Mr. Prewitt. 14 MR. PREWITT: Just a question. I know we talk 15 about different parts of reporting. Today, we'll talk 16 about the maturity assessment rating. 17 In regards to -- would that apply also to this, as far as looking at this audit of this function? Do we 18 19 look at a maturity assessment rating as far as how we did 20 on the audit versus where we think we should be, or -- do 21 you want to address that? Or Salem, would you like --22 MR. GRAHAM: Yes. We are now bringing Salem 23 Chuah to the podium. 24 MS. CHUAH: Salem Chuah, Texas DMV, for the 25 record. ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

Member Pruitt, in terms of maturity assessment 1 2 level, that is an internal audit function and an internal 3 audit rating that we assign. As this was conducted by the 4 Comptroller of Public Accounts, there was no rating that 5 they had assigned us. 6 MR. PREWITT: Perfect. Thank you. 7 MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Thank you, Member Prewitt. 8 9 Are there any further questions from the Committee? 10 MS. MCRAE: I would just like to say that I 11 think -- I thought the audit overall was just outstanding. 12 13 I appreciate the hard work of you and your team. 14 MR. HORN: Thank you. 15 MR. GRAHAM: Okay. With that I will request if 16 there are any public comments. 17 MS. AUCOIN: Aline Aucoin, for the record. There are no commenters on this item. 18 MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Thank you. Okay. 19 That is 20 no action required, briefing only. 21 We will now move to -- thank you, Mr. Horn. 22 Appreciate it. 23 We will move to Agenda Item 4(d), Internal 24 Audit Division status update, internal and external 25 engagements, including the dealer licensing process audit. ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

1 This item is a briefing only.

I will now ask -- well, he is back. Salem Chuah is back to the plate. Please proceed.

MR. CHUAH: Good afternoon, Chairman Graham, Committee members, Executive Director Avitia. For the record, my name is Salem Chuah. I am the Director of the Internal Audit Division.

8 The purpose of this briefing is to provide you 9 with a status update on the Internal Audit Division's 10 activities on fraud, waste and abuse, internal engagements 11 and external engagements.

12 Starting out with fraud, waste and abuse 13 complaints. From April to May, we received six 14 complaints. Four of the six complaints came to us from 15 the State Auditors Office, and we referred those 16 complaints internally to the Enforcements Division, 17 because the complaints involved external parties like dealers or issues that are outside our purview -- so 18 19 things like odometer fraud.

Two of the six complaints came from within the Department and have also been referred to the Enforcement Division because they do not deal with internal fraud, waste or abuse. We currently do not have any active investigations.

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In terms of the Fraud pulse survey, in March of

ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342 this year, we sent this survey to all of the Department employees, so that totaled 710 employees. On page 126 of your Board materials, you can see that the survey consists of 13 questions in various areas. And these areas consist of ethics, reporting misconduct, accountability, and work culture.

We received 362 responses. So, that is a 51 percent response rate, which is a pretty high engagement level from our employees.

10 As for the results, the two questions which were answered the most favorably were questions number 11 12 four and question number one. So, on question number 13 four, we saw 94 percent of respondents stating "no" to 14 having personally felt pressure to compromise the 15 organization's code of ethic. And for question number 16 one, we saw 93 percent of our respondents stating "yes" to 17 their supervisor acting in an honest and ethical way.

The two questions with the least favorable scores were questions number 13 and number 7. On question number 13, we saw 39 percent of respondents stating "yes" to the organization focusing on long term results. Question number 7 saw 60 percent of respondents stating "yes" to being confident that wrongdoing will stop when reported.

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Now we are using the results here and taking

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action on several fronts. The first is we are updating
our fraud policy.

The second is we are developing processes to continue to build and enhance trust. This includes creating a quarterly report which will show the types of complaints and the action that we are doing to address those complaints. We are still going to keep the person making that complaint confidential, even though we are doing this quarterly reporting.

Third, we are incorporating comments that we see from the survey into the risk assessment process, which, as you all know, feeds into the Internal Audit Plan for the upcoming fiscal year. And lastly, we are communicating -- we have, rather, communicated the Department results to division directors so that they can use the results to better their own divisions.

I will be sending out division results to the division directors soon, because we have only communicated the results on a department-wide level. And I want to take a moment here to just emphasize that this specific comments from the Fraud pulse survey are never shared. We aggregate that information and we share a general overview of the comments that we have seen, department-wide.

Are there any questions here on the Fraud pulse survey or the complaints that we have received, before I

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move on to internal and external engagements? 1 2 MR. GRAHAM: I have a comment for the Committee. When we reviewed -- when Salem and I reviewed 3 4 these results, I had asked them to do a little deeper dive 5 into the numbers to a couple of these questions, which 6 they did. 7 They did a great job in analyzing that, which we then reviewed with Executive Director Avitia. 8 And 9 since that time, clearly, you have laid out a really good 10 plan on how to take this data and make sure that we are 11 using it in a way that will -- we won't miss something. 12 I mean, these are really good snapshots into, I 13 like to say the soul of the organization. And I am glad 14 that you do it. And we should take that information very 15 seriously. 16 And I appreciate you all doing that. Clearly, 17 you have expanded on the plan to make sure that we are addressing any sign of trouble, to get ahead of the curve, 18 19 so to speak. 20 So, I just wanted to pass that along to you We had really dug down into that. 21 all. 22 MS. BOWMAN: Thank you. 23 MR. GRAHAM: So, okay. Any questions on this 24 part? 25 (No response.) ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

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1	MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Please proceed.
2	MR. CHUAH: Salem Chuah, for the record, again
3	here. And Chairman Graham, we are also planning to send
4	out the survey again to the full population in the fall of
5	this year
6	MR. GRAHAM: Great.
7	MR. CHUAH: so that we can compare the
8	information from period to period.
9	Moving on to internal engagements. Here on
10	page 127 of your Board materials, you'll see a graphic
11	showing the status of our internal and external
12	engagements.
13	Starting with the internal engagements here, we
14	have three projects that are in a planning phase. The
15	first is the business continuity and disaster recovery
16	audit. The second is the contract development audit. And
17	the third is the fiscal year 2023 risk assessment for the
18	first six months of the new fiscal year.
19	All of these projects were recently approved by
20	the full Board in the April Board meeting of this year.
21	There is one engagement now in the field work phase, and
22	that is the third quarter recommendation implementation
23	follow-up.
24	There were four recommendations that were due
25	for the period ending May 31 of this year. Divisions have
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1 self-reported that they implemented all four. And we are 2 starting the follow-up process now to verify that they 3 have indeed been implemented.

We also completed and issued three engagements in the past few months. This includes the access management advisory, which is a confidential report. The website components and security audit, which is also a confidential report. And the dealer licensing audit.

9 On page 128 of your Board materials, there is a 10 high level summary of the dealer licensing audit results. 11 The full audit report is also included in the following 12 pages. The objective of this audit was to evaluate the 13 Department's processes, designed to ensure verification of 14 dealer applicants identities and criminal history.

15 The scope covered September 2020 to October 16 2021. We found that during this time period, that the 17 Motor Vehicle Division has defined policies and procedures along with checklists to guide the application review 18 19 process. We also found that they had implemented and are 20 keeping track of key performance indicators to ensure that 21 those applications are being reviewed efficiently. 22 Lastly, we also recognize that the Board and the 23 Department have implemented new measures to prevent and 24 deter fraudulent activity.

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During this time period, however, we found that

ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342 the application review process did not consistently detect deficient application materials or consider other components to include in its review. In addition, the review process alone is not enough to identify potential bad actors. So this means that we need a well designed control environment, which is a mixture of preventive and detective controls, so that continuous monitoring.

8 There is a total of four recommendations that 9 were made. All four of these recommendations are rated 10 high, high priority, that is. And the recommendations 11 deal with number one, improving quality control. Number 12 two, identifying components to include an application 13 review process.

Number three, evaluating the revoked licenses and implementing training. And number four, enhancing monitoring and notating higher risk applicants. The Department has either acted on, or is currently taking action to address many of the recommendations that we made.

And then, lastly, I just want to say that we have appreciated the support and the partnership with Monique and the MVD team throughout the course of this audit.

24 Are there any questions from the Committee 25 members?

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1 MR. GRAHAM: So this is the audit that the 2 Board essentially requested, back in, if I recall correctly, the October/November time frame? 3 4 MR. CHUAH: Yes, sir. 5 MR. GRAHAM: And the Audit team spent a 6 significant amount of time on this audit. And both -- it 7 started with Jason, was the -- started the charge. And 8 then, you know, Salem jumped in the middle of it. And we 9 kept charging forwards. 10 You know, one might look at the date range of 11 the data and ask what -- I mean, there is a lot that has 12 happened since the conclusion of that date range, right. 13 What benefit did we get from looking at old data? 14 Well, that data from that time range really 15 gave us a view into, you know, some people who are abusing 16 the system. And allowed the team to dig down and figure 17 out how did they get there. How did we let them in the door? 18 19 How can we improve that? What needs to change? 20 And that is the real benefit to that. 21 Now, even upon conclusion of the first 22 conclusion of the audit, we -- I, as Audit Chair, 23 requested some updated information to look at the more --24 even newer snapshot, which we did -- which, you know, 25 looks better. And my guess would be that we will be ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

revisiting this in the very near future, to look at even
fresher data.

But it has been very beneficial for the Audit Team to bring a plan to the Executive leadership team on how we can begin to tighten the reins, so to speak. And I am sure you -- I would ask you maybe to -- I am sure you are chomping at the bit here to expand on that, as you can. I appreciate it.

9 MR. AVITIA: Chairman Graham, thank you for the 10 opportunity. For the record, Daniel Avitia, Executive 11 Director.

12 Chairman and Members, I just want to thank 13 Salem, Jason, and Derek, and the rest of the Audit Team 14 for their partnership in this engagement. And not just 15 this engagement, but all engagements that we work with 16 them on.

They are a very professional and steadfast team. And they have proven that we can work together within the bounds of the audit and agency relationship, really accomplish a lot of good things.

Without giving away the ways and means, per se, of how things have been working on the back end to improve processes, I can tell you honestly that the snapshot this audit looked like is different today, as it was compared to when this audit was conducted. And I look forward to

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working continuously with Salem and his team as we move
forward.

3 Especially into tomorrow's -- with the most 4 important thing that we are going to bring forward to the 5 Board is the implementation of fingerprinting. My hope 6 that it will pass. And then, I think at that point, we 7 might want to take a look at the impact of fingerprinting, 8 if the Board so approves -- what impact that has had with 9 regard to not just the fraudulent activity, but the 10 internal controls as well, that have been implemented and 11 will continue to be implemented by Director Johnson in the Motor Vehicle Division. 12 13 MR. GRAHAM: Absolutely. Absolutely. Yeah, 14 and I will join you in, once again, thanking Jason for his 15 steady hand in the course of that. We were right in the middle of the transition from one audit director to 16 17 another, and Jason grabbed the reins and helped -- really worked hard to guide us through this. 18 19 And his whole team did a great job. So, no 20 question that the Agency is stronger and in a better place 21 for it. And the work continues. It is not over yet. 22 But a lot of good things came from this audit, 23 so --24 MS. MCRAE: Great job. 25 MR. GRAHAM: Are there any further questions ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

regarding the dealer licensing audit? 1 2 (No response.) 3 MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Was that your conclusion? 4 MR. CHUAH: No, it was not --5 MR. GRAHAM: I didn't think so. Well, we were 6 still moving along. MR. CHUAH: Salem Chuah, for the record. 7 Chairman and Committee members, I just want to take a 8 9 minute here to just echo the sentiments that you all have 10 I really appreciate my team. made. 11 You know, this was really handled by Jason 12 Gonzalez, as well as Jacob Geray, who is no longer with us 13 right now. But they did a lot of the heavy lifting prior 14 to my arrival, so I just wanted to give them a shout-out 15 there. 16 Moving on to external engagements here. 17 Regarding external engagements, the Comptroller of Public Accounts is currently conducting an employment desk audit. 18 19 The objective of this audit is to determine whether 20 applicable requirements are followed for employees with 21 multiple concurrent employment with the State. This audit 22 is currently in field work, and will be completed in the 23 coming months. 24 You have also just heard from my colleague 25 about the completed post-payment audit, so I won't go over ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

1 that again here.

2	And then lastly, the State Auditors Office
3	completed its contract monitoring assessment in April.
4	The Department was selected for this assessment because it
5	is one of the 25 largest state agencies based on the
6	cumulative contracted amounts as identified by the
7	Legislative Budget Board. Glad to report that we were
8	assigned the best rating of no additional monitoring
9	warranted.
10	That concludes my prepared remarks. I am happy
11	to answer any questions that you may have.
12	MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Chuah.
13	Is there any other comments from the Committee,
14	or questions?
15	(No response.)
16	MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Hearing none, we will now
17	move to see if there is any public comment.
18	MS. AUCOIN: Aline Aucoin, for the record.
19	There are no commenters on this item.
20	MR. GRAHAM: Okay. Outstanding. Thank you.
21	All right.
22	With that, we will move to Agenda Item 5,
23	closed session. We are going to go into closed session at
24	this time.
25	It is now 2:59. Is everybody good with 2:59
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p.m. -- on June 29, 2022. We will go into closed session 1 2 under Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, 551.076, and 551.089. 3 4 For those of you in the audience, I anticipate 5 being in closed session for approximately 20 minutes. And 6 we will reconvene in open session after that. With that, 7 we are recessed from the public meeting, and we go into closed session. 8 9 (Whereupon, the Committee recessed into closed 10 session at 2:59 p.m.) MR. GRAHAM: It is 3:29 p.m. and the Finance 11 and Audit Committee is now back in open session. 12 No 13 action items will be taken up from closed session. 14 We will now move to Agenda Item 7, public 15 comment. 16 Aline, are there any public comments today? MS. AUCOIN: Aline Aucoin, for the record. 17 18 There are no public comments on Item 7. 19 MR. GRAHAM: Okay, great. Thank you. 20 Unless there is any further business, I would 21 entertain a motion to adjourn. 22 MR. PREWITT: So moved, Mr. Chairman. 23 MR. GRAHAM: Member Prewitt. 24 MS. OMUMU: I second. 25 MR. GRAHAM: Member Omumu. ON THE RECORD REPORTING (512) 450-0342

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1	When I call your name, please state your vote
2	for the record. Member McRae.
3	MS. MCRAE: Aye.
4	MR. GRAHAM: Member Omumu.
5	MS. OMUMU: Aye.
6	MR. GRAHAM: Member Prewitt.
7	MR. PREWITT: Aye.
8	MR. GRAHAM: And I, Chairman Graham, vote aye.
9	Let the record reflect the vote is unanimous.
10	This meeting is adjourned.
11	(Whereupon, at 3:30 p.m., the meeting was
12	concluded.)
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