

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES**  
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

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Date: June 15, 2020

To: Budget and Finance Committee

From: Richard H. Llewellyn, Jr., City Administrative Officer Subject: **RESPONSE TO BUDGET MOTION 21 (C.F. 20-0600-S21) – CONTROLLER –  
SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR FOR FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE UNIT****RECOMMENDATION**

Note and file this Motion.

**DISCUSSION**

Budget Motion Number 21 proposes to amend the 2020-21 Budget to add 12-months funding of \$166,180 (\$116,563 for direct costs and \$49,617 for indirect costs) and regular authority for one Special Investigator II in the Office of the Controller (Controller) to support the Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Unit (FWA).

The Controller currently has one Special Investigator II assigned to FWA and the additional position would help address the growing backlog of cases requiring investigation. If the new position is added, the Controller reports it would be able to process an additional 30 cases per year for a total of 60 cases per year. In 2018-19, the Controller received 119 cases for investigation. There are no special funds eligible to support the costs of this position.

In light of the City's current economic condition and the uncertainty of revenues in 2020-21, this Office does not recommend the actions in this Motion.

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

The recommendation to note and file this Budget Motion will have no fiscal impact. If the Motion is approved, the 2020-21 Budget would fall out of balance by \$166,180 (116,563 for direct costs and \$49,617 for indirect costs).

**FINANCIAL POLICY COMPLIANCE**

The recommendation in this report complies with the City's Financial Policies.