

Detailed Follow Up Report - Auditor Determined Status

Rec#	Recommendation	Auditor FollowUp	City Auditor's Status	Closed
2305	Victim Services		Issued:	9/6/2023
1A	The Deputy City Attorney should work with the Police Department to ensure that preconviction rights forms are being consistently completed and/or provided to Victim Services in a timely manner.	April 2024: Victim Services has asked the Police Department supervisors to ensure the preconviction rights form is properly completed. It is also developing a training video to assist with this effort.	In Progress	<input type="checkbox"/>
1B	The Deputy City Attorney should by default, accept unsigned requests to invoke victim rights on forms provided by Police, until otherwise directed by the victim.	April 2024: The department will not be accepting unsigned forms due to logistical challenges. Instead, it is working with the Police Department to improve form completion.	In Progress	<input type="checkbox"/>
1C	The Deputy City Attorney should work with Information Technology staff to implement system changes capturing advocacy activities in a manner that would allow management to routinely verify completion of required services, such as hearing notifications.	April 2024: The department indicated that changes cannot be implemented until the new SPARKs system is deployed, which is expected to be in the fall of 2024.	In Progress	<input type="checkbox"/>
1D	The Deputy City Attorney should offer web-based options for victims to provide or update contact information and complete other victim services forms.	April 2024: The department has requested City IT add this capability to the website.	In Progress	<input type="checkbox"/>
2A	The Deputy City Attorney should work with technology staff to establish validation procedures to ensure data transfers are complete and data entry errors are minimized. As well, evaluate ways to streamline the notification process through automation.	April 2024: The department indicated that changes cannot be implemented until the new SPARKs system is deployed, which is expected to be in the fall of 2024.	In Progress	<input type="checkbox"/>
2B	The Deputy City Attorney should identify all data fields containing privileged information, evaluate appropriate access to such data for compliance with statutory requirements, and make changes to user roles and access rights accordingly.	April 2024: The department reported that they will turn off access to users in the developer/programmer role when it is no longer needed. In future status updates auditors will review whether data fields containing privileged data have been identified and role-based access policies align with statutory requirements.	In Progress	<input type="checkbox"/>