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Ms. Shannon Manigault, OIG  
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Dear Ms. Manigault,

Please accept this correspondence as an update on the administration's actions and response to your letter dated March 29, 2024, to the Commissioner of Public Works and Chief Procurement Officer who report to the Mayor's Office. The matter identified relates to a former employee of Public Works with an allegation of collusion with a vendor on a contract. The report identifies that there was no financial benefit to the employee. Additionally, this **activity primarily occurred between 2014-2021** under previous administrations.

We want to also bring to your attention that the most recent procurement and legislation for contracting related to this vendor provides a summary of OIG Findings, Review/Conclusions, and Proactive Steps of the administration with no findings. **Attached are the June, 2022 legislation which you will note as a completed iPro Report with no findings, and the subsequent Feb, 2023 contract for A/E vendors.**

Given the nature of the allegations and that much of the alleged behavior occurred close to a decade ago, the City Law Department has initiated an investigation and the employee who now works in another department has been placed on administrative leave. Once the investigation concludes, a determination of actions necessitated by the findings will occur.

We appreciate your partnership in ensuring that the city maintains strong integrity and the opportunity to respond to your report.

Sincerely,

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