

Resolution No.:	<u>20-136</u>
Introduced:	<u>April 25, 2023</u>
Adopted:	<u>May 2, 2023</u>

**COUNTY COUNCIL  
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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Lead Sponsor: Audit Committee

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**SUBJECT:** Amend Council Contract for Audit Services

**Background**

1. Section 315 of the Montgomery County Charter states that: “The Council shall contract with, or otherwise employ, a certified public accountant to make annually an independent post audit of all financial records and actions of the County, its officials and employees.”

The Montgomery County Code (Section 33-51(c)) indicates that: “An independent audit of the retirement system will be completed annually by the firm of certified public accountants under contract with the Council.”

The Montgomery County Code (Section 21-24(d)) states that: “Financial transactions involving County fire tax funds must be included in the annual audit required by the Charter.”

2. Council Resolution No. 16-326, adopted October 2, 2007, established Council procedures for the selection of the independent auditor. The procedures direct the Council’s Management and Fiscal Policy Committee to perform the functions of the Contractor Qualification and Selection Committee, including reviewing and evaluating proposals and recommending independent auditors to the County Council.
3. Council Resolution No. 16-826, adopted January 27, 2009, established a Council Audit Committee consisting of the members of the Management and Fiscal Policy Committee (currently known as the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee) and the Council President and Council Vice President as ex officio members. The Audit Committee is charged with providing oversight of, among other things, County audit activities and fulfills the functions of the Management and Fiscal Policy Committee established in Council Resolution No. 16-326.

4. The procedures in Council Resolution No. 16-326 indicate that the final selection of the independent auditor will be made by the County Council.
5. The Audit Committee recommends that the Council amend the contract with the firm of SB and Company LLC to conduct an audit of the Montgomery County contracts for Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA), flexible spending accounts, and vision benefit management services. The Council renewed the contract with SB and Company LLC to complete the audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 and the calendar year ending December 31, 2023 (last renewal for the contract with SB and Company LLC).

**Action**

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland authorizes the Council President to amend the contract with SB and Company LLC to conduct a full audit of the Montgomery County contracts for Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA), flexible spending accounts, and vision benefit management services. The Council renewed the contract with SB and Company LLC to complete the audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 and the calendar year ending December 31, 2023.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

  
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Judy Rupp  
Clerk of the Council