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Subject: SAO Response to PRR #7541 - City of Mabton - 1st Installment
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Dear Ms. Grove,

The Office of the Washington State Auditor has received and completed the first installment of our response to your public records request sent in via our website, as follows:

***First I don't see the auditor's PRO identified on your website and that is a legal requirement under RCW 42.56 et seq.
Second, My request is for any and all complaints of any sort submitted to the auditor about the City of Mabton in 2024.***

In response to your first item, we have publicly identified our Public Records Officer (PRO) as her name appears on the code revisers website (as per subsection 2 below) and she is identified as the SAO PRO. There is NO requirement that the name of the SAO PRO appear on the SAO website and the Public Records Request "button" on the SAO website is at the top right side of the page in order to easily locate where to make the public disclosure response. I have included the statute below for your convenience.

RCW [42.56.580](#)

Public records officers.

(1) Each state and local agency shall appoint and publicly identify a public records officer whose responsibility is to serve as a point of contact for members of the public in requesting disclosure of public records and to oversee the agency's compliance with the public records disclosure requirements of this chapter. A state or local agency's public records officer may appoint an employee or official of another agency as its public records officer.

(2) For state agencies, the name and contact information of the agency's public records officer to whom members of the public may direct requests for disclosure of public records and who will oversee the agency's compliance with the public records disclosure requirements of this chapter shall be published in the state register at the time of designation and maintained thereafter on the code reviser website for the duration of the designation.

In response to the second item, we have attached the three closed Hotline complaints received in 2024 regarding the City of Mabton. We still have three open Hotlines and two open Fraud complaints that we are unable to provide until those reports are completed. After consulting with the audit team we estimate the other five complaints should be closed and available to provide to you no later than April 30, 2024. If we are unable to meet this date, we will contact you and let you know when to expect the work will be completed. Please let us know if you have any questions, concerns or issues regarding this request.

Sincerely,



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