

# BADGING/SECURITY ACCESS FOLLOW-UP REVIEW

Mesa Police Department







### **OBJECTIVE**

The objective of this follow-up review was to determine whether the Mesa Police Department's Badging Office effectively implemented the action plans based on the recommendations from the November 2022 Badging/Security Access audit report.

## BACKGROUND

On November 7, 2022, we issued a report on our audit of the Mesa Police Department's Badging/Security Access. The objective of the audit was to determine whether effective controls are in place to ensure that building/suite access is managed appropriately to prevent unauthorized access to City facilities. The audit report included two recommendations to improve controls regarding documenting supervisor approval for badges/access and obtaining badges after termination. The department agreed with the recommendations and developed action plans to implement the recommended changes.

### CONCLUSION

Both recommendations have been implemented and are summarized below:

Recommendations		Status
1-1:	Management should ensure forms are properly completed before issuing identification badges or granting access to City facilities by implementing one or more of the following:	
	<ul> <li>Updating the forms to make it clear that supervisor approval must be obtained before badges will be issued/access granted.</li> <li>If other verification methods are used in place of obtaining supervisor approval, the verification should be documented in the individual's file.</li> <li>Creating internal Badging Office policies and procedures that document the other verification methods that can be used in lieu of supervisor approval.</li> </ul>	<b>√</b>
2-1:	Management should establish a process to ensure all badges are returned after termination or evaluate the risk of badges not being returned and update the Management Policy as appropriate.	<b>✓</b>



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