

Finance Committee recommendation for audit services.

The RFP's submitted for audit services were reviewed and discussed at the Finance Committee meeting on June 6, 2025.

3 firms submitted proposals:

1. CLA
2. King and King
3. Seward and Monde (current firm)

The proposals were reviewed using the following criteria:

1. Experience
2. Support available to the District
3. Staffing
4. Technology

The discussion at the Finance Committee meeting also included the desire of the Board for a change in audit firms to obtain a fresh perspective.

Based upon the evaluation of the RFP's CLA ranked the highest in the evaluation for the criteria necessary to provide the level of service and support that the District requires in an increasingly complex environment. This included the following:

- level of experience, including similar clients,
- a larger local team with access to additional resources if needed
- ability to provide resources to the Board and District management team to stay informed on the changing accounting and government environment issues
- progressive use of technology in the audit process

In addition, considering the Board's desire for a fresh perspective, CLA was the **second** lowest bidder.

Therefore, at the Finance Committee meeting on June 6, 2025, we recommend the contract for audit services be awarded to CLA.