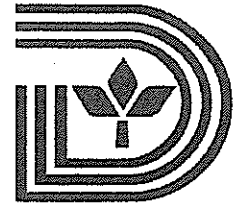


Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE: February 21, 2008

TO: Honorable Members of the Finance, Audit & Accountability Committee –
Mitchell Rasansky, Chair; Jerry R. Allen, Vice-Chair; Dr. Elba Garcia, Mayor Pro Tem;
Vonciel Jones Hill; Angela Hunt; Ron Natinsky; David A. Neumann

SUBJECT: Update on Drugs Destruction

The City Auditor's Office has historically served in an oversight role for the destruction of drugs held by the Dallas Police Department's Property Unit (Unit). This oversight includes certifying that the inventory authorized by the Dallas County Criminal Court agrees to the inventory information contained on the drug packages.

The destruction of drugs is an important part of the Unit's inventory management process. The Unit has not destroyed drugs in several years, resulting in storage constraints; therefore, the Unit needs to process the drug inventory backlog authorized for destruction to handle continuing storage requirements.

In order to address the storage requirements, the Unit wishes to schedule additional destructions. However, several issues arose during the December drug destruction that we believe merit being brought to your attention before the next drug destruction is scheduled.

I will provide a short briefing to the members of the Finance, Audit & Accountability Committee on this matter on Monday, February 25, 2008.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Craig D. Kinton".

Craig D. Kinton
City Auditor