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**To:** Honorable John P. Daley, *Chairman, Finance Committee*

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**CC:** Annette C.M. Guzman, *Budget Director*  
Department of Budget & Management Services

**Date:** July 22, 2020

**Re:** Request for Information from FY2020 Mid-Year Budget Hearing

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The following information is provided in response to questions posed at our department's hearing held on July 21, 2020 to discuss our FY2020 Mid-Year Budget position.

**I. Request ID#1080-01**

Commissioner Sims asked for the percentage of the increase in complaint contacts since January attributable to the county versus those attributable to MWRD.

**Response:**

The number of new complaints received in relation to the MWRD in the first two quarters of 2020 is substantially similar to those received during the same time period in 2019. The OIIG received 19 complaints related to MWRD matters in the first two quarters of 2019 and 20 complaints related to MWRD matters in the first two quarters of 2020. Therefore, please be aware that approximately 6% of all complaints received relate to MWRD operations.

**II. Request ID#1080-02**

Commissioner Moore asked how many discriminatory practice cases the office received this year and if there has been an increase this year?

**Response:**

In 2019 our office received 72 harassment related complaints, 30 of which were received prior to July 1, 2019. As of July 1, 2020, we have received 32 harassment related complaints. This represents a 6% increase over the same time period last year. Please note that our system uses the term harassment to include the subset of cases alleging discriminatory intent.

As always, please let us know if you have any additional questions. Thank you.