

Resolution No. ____

A Resolution of the City Council for the City of Palo Alto
Appointing Katherine Murdock, Certified Internal Auditor, Baker
Tilly US, LLP, as the Palo Alto City Auditor.

R E C I T A L S

- A. The Palo Alto City Charter specifies the duties and functions of the City Auditor for the City of Palo Alto;
- B. The Charter further specifies that the City Council shall appoint the City Auditor;
- C. Since October 1, 2020, the City has procured City Auditor services through a professional services agreement with Baker Tilly US, LLP;
- D. In February 2024, Baker Tilly informed the City that the previous City Auditor vacated the appointed position;
- E. The Council requested up to three candidates from Baker Tilly US, LLP and conducted interviews with candidates to serve as City Auditor;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Palo Alto RESOLVES as follows:

SECTION 1. The Council hereby appoints Katherine Murdock, Certified Internal Auditor, Baker Tilly US, LLP, as City Auditor for the City of Palo Alto;

SECTION 2. Katherine Murdock shall serve as City Auditor at the will of the Council as provided by the Charter, and shall further serve according to all of the terms and provisions of the Charter, the Municipal Code and the agreement for outsourced internal auditing services between the City of Palo Alto and Baker Tilly US, LLP; and,

SECTION 3. Nothing in this action confers employment or other employment rights, responsibilities and obligations to Katherine Murdock or Baker Tilly US, LLP; and,

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SECTION 4. This resolution shall be effective immediately. The appointment of Katherine Murdock as City Auditor shall begin immediately and end on the expiration of the agreement for outsourced internal auditing services between the City of Palo Alto and Baker Tilly US, LLP, including any amendment, extension or termination approved by the Council, or, consistent with at-will service, at the Council’s discretion at an earlier date as determined by Council.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED:

Deputy City Attorney

City Manager