



Bruce Simpson City of Detroit Ombudsman 2023-2024 Ombudsman Budget Recommendations

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The Corporate Transparency Act /LLC Regulation

I am recommending that the City of Detroit take advantage of The Corporate Transparency Act when it takes effect in January 2024. This tool will "ensure that persons who form corporations or limited liability companies in the United States will disclose the beneficial owners of those corporations or limited liability companies for criminal gain, to assist law enforcement in detecting, preventing and punishing terrorism, money laundering and other misconduct involving United States corporations and limited liability companies, and for other purposes."

An Annual Performance Review for Trash Removal Contracts

We recommend adding additional contractual language to ensure accountability and the implementation of an [Annual Performance Review Process](#).

Vending Ordinance Expansion and Creating Opportunities for Small Businesses

This recommendation is for City Council to review and amend the current Vendor Ordinance to create and expand the areas of opportunities when and where stationary, street, and foot vendor products can be purchased.

If the ordinance is not amended, a permanent location for vending should be identified, established, and promoted.

General Services Department (GSD) Forestry Quarterly Report

We recommend quarterly reports from the GSD forestry division, including the capacity to perform these services and related contracts. Including data concerning tree removal, tree trimming, property damaged by City and Detroit Land Bank Authority (DLBA) owned trees, and tree planting efforts by organizations affiliated with the City. These quarterly reports should be issued to the City Council, the Ombudsman, and the Auditor General.



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