

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2026-106

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member Miller

**Date of Introduction:** February 10, 2026

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** February 9, 2026

**Type of Action:** Renewal of contract for appointment and authorization of agreement.

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms the renewal of Matthew Lascell's contract as the Inspector General for a term of four years beginning March 21, 2026 and expiring on March 20, 2030. The employment contract between Mr. Lascell and the City is authorized.

**Background Information:** Chapter 602, Part 3, *Ordinance Code*, established the Office of Inspector General and a process for selection and retention of the Inspector General. The Inspector General shall head the Office of Inspector General and shall have a bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited college or university, and at least ten years of experience in government auditing, investigation, or prosecutorial or criminal justice administration, public administration, or business administration. Professional certifications such as certified inspector general, certified inspector general auditor or investigator, certified public accountant, certified internal auditor, or certified fraud examiner are recommended. The Inspector General shall not have been found guilty of or entered a plea of nolo contendere to any felony, or any misdemeanor involving the breach of public trust. If not already certified as an inspector general, the Inspector General shall be required to obtain certification within 24 months of becoming the Inspector General.

Mr. Lascell has served as the Inspector General since 2022. He worked previously as the Crisis Response Director, Inspector General, and Ombudsman for the Naval Criminal Investigative Service. Mr. Lascell holds a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Central Florida and a master's degree in policy administration and management from Georgetown University.

**Policy Impact Area:** Office of Inspector General operations

**Fiscal Impact:** The salary for this position is \$251,622.96 annually.

**Analyst:** Hampsey