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**Subject:** RE: Are you doing an audit on SHARE?

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Mr. Preston: There is an ongoing criminal inquiry and we are supporting that effort. When such an inquiry is ongoing it is our practice to hang back and let it run its course.

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**From:** David Preston  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 31, 2013 1:09 PM  
**To:** Jones, DavidG  
**Cc:** Mills, Kimberly; Licata, Nick; Harrell, Bruce; Takami, David; McGinn, Mike; Holmes, Peter  
**Subject:** Re: Are you doing an audit on SHARE?  
**Importance:** High

Thanks for your quick reply, David. You beat both Bruce Harrell and Nick Licata to the draw by a few days. (I asked them the same question about a SHARE audit, but they still haven't answered me.)

I must say I'm a little disappointed here . . . I don't know what's going on with any "recent concerns" expressed about SHARE, but I and many other people have been expressing concerns about SHARE for a long time now. A long time indeed!

I've already gotten several sets of SHARE contract documents from Mr. Takami, and they are **more** than enough to convince any reasonable person that SHARE's accounting methods are flawed in the extreme.\* When I reported these concerns to Mr. Takami, he gave me to understand that some sort of police and/or FBI investigation was ongoing (see attached response document from Mr. Takami), but now it seems that that is probably not the case.

In any case, the FIRST LINE of investigation into SHARE's contracts with the City should have been a thorough, city-run audit. However, now you're telling me that there is no such audit *even now*.

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Can I quote you for my news blog ("Seattle official says 'No Audit of SHARE')? Or would you like to pass me along to someone higher up?

In any case, if there's no audit, there's no audit, and I'm going to have to report that fact to my readers, who care very much about this.

Regards,

David Preston  
The Blog Quixotic



\*If you'd like to have a sit-down discussion with me about problems with SHARE's accounting methodology (such as it is) I'll be happy to schedule some time with you.

**From:** [Jones, DavidG](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 31, 2013 12:22 PM  
**To:** David Preston  
**Subject:** RE: Are you doing an audit on SHARE?

Mr. Preston - thanks for your email. My answers to your two questions are as follows:

Q1: Are you doing an audit of SHARE?

A: Our office is not currently conducting an audit of SHARE, but we received some emails recently in which concerns were expressed about SHARE and we are assessing the information contained in the emails.

Q2: If not, do you know of someone at the City who is?

A: We're not aware of any ongoing audit of SHARE being conducted by the City of Seattle.

You are likely aware that the City of Seattle's Human Services Department (HSD) administers the City's contracts with SHARE and is responsible for overseeing the contracts' implementation. If you are conducting research on the issue of the City's contracts with SHARE, I recommend, if haven't already done this, that you consider contacting HSD for information about their oversight efforts. The following link provides information on how to contact them:

[http://www.seattle.gov/humanservices/contact\\_us.htm](http://www.seattle.gov/humanservices/contact_us.htm)

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**From:** David Preston  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 31, 2013 10:27 AM  
**To:** Jones, DavidG  
**Subject:** Are you doing an audit on SHARE?  
**Importance:** High

Hey, David!

I've been working on the SHARE story a long time now, talking with City officials, looking at various problems with SHARE's accounting methods.

I received your name as part of an e-mail chain from a friend. So my question is: Are you doing an audit of SHARE? If not, do you know of someone at the City who is?

It's important that you be open with me on this. Thanks.

Regards,

David Preston

