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### **City of Los Banos Initiates Independent Audit of City Operations for 2023–2024**

**LOS BANOS, CA — April 18, 2025** — The City of Los Banos has officially issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for an independent, in-depth audit of City operations covering the fiscal years 2023 and 2024. This action reflects the City’s ongoing commitment to transparency, accountability, and restoring public confidence in local government.

The audit will include a thorough review of the City’s bidding processes, vendor selection, and payments made for major capital and infrastructure projects. A detailed examination of past practices is essential to moving the community forward.

“This audit fulfills a campaign promise I made to the residents of Los Banos,” said Mayor Michael Amabile. “Our community deserves a full and honest accounting of how public funds have been managed. This process will help ensure we learn from the past while setting a stronger standard for the future.”

The City Council shares the mayor’s dedication to creating a culture of openness and fiscal responsibility. The goal of the audit is not only to identify any potential discrepancies or areas of concern, but also to improve internal processes and policies in the interest of good governance.

“As we move forward, we remain respectful of those who came before us,” said Mayor Amabile. “The intention of this audit is not to cast blame, but to shine a light on the facts and better understand what changes, if any, are necessary to safeguard the public trust.”

The findings of the audit will be made available to the public, and the City will provide regular updates as the process progresses.

For more information on the audit process or to view the RFP, please visit the City of Los Banos website at [www.losbanos.org](http://www.losbanos.org).

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