Protocol Audit Report

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Protocol Summary

PasswordStore is a protocol dedicated to storage and retrieval of a user's passwords. The protocol is designed to be used by a single user, and is not designed to be used by multiple users. Only the owner should be able to set and access this password.

Disclaimer

The Gush´s team makes all effort to find as many vulnerabilities in the code in the given time period, but holds no responsibilities for the findings provided in this document. A security audit by the team is not an endorsement of the underlying business or product. The audit was time-boxed and the review of the code was solely on the security aspects of the Solidity implementation of the contracts.

Risk Classification

		Impact		
		High	Medium	Low
	High	H	H/M	M
Likelihood	Medium	H/M	M	M/L
	Low	M	M/L	L

We use the CodeHawks severity matrix to determine severity. See the documentation for more details.

Audit Details

The findings described in this document correspond the following commit hash

```
7d55682ddc4301a7b13ae9413095feffd9924566
```

Scope

```
./src/
#-- PasswordStore.sol
```

Roles

- Owner: The user who can set the password and read the password.
- Outsiders: No one else should be able to set or read the password.

Executive Summary

Add some notes about how the audit went, types of thigs you found, etc…

We spent X hours with Z auitors using Y tools, etc…

Issues found

Severity	Number of issues found
High	2
Medium	0
Low	0
Info	1
Total	3

Findings

High

[H-1] Storing the password on-chain makes it visible to anyone, and no longer private

Description: All data stored on-chain is visible to anyone and can be read directly from the blockchain. The `PasswordStore::s_password` variable is intended to be a private variable and only accessed through the `PasswordStore::getPassword` function, which is intended to be called only by the owner of the contract.

We show one such method of reading any data off-chain below.

Impact: Anyone can read the private password, severely breaking the functionality of the protocol.

Proof of Concept:

The following test case shows how anyone can read the password directly from the blockchain.

1. Create a locally running chain: `bash make anvil`
2. Deploy the contract to the chain: `bash make deploy`
3. Run the storage tool:

   We use 1 because that's the storage slot of `PasswordStore::s_password` in the contract.

   ```
   cast storage <CONTRACT_ADDRESS_HERE> 1 --rpc-url 127.0.0.1:8545
   ```

   You will get an output similar to this:

   `0x6d7950617373776f726400000000000000000000000000000000000000000014`

   You can then parse that text to a string with: `bash cast parse-bytes32-string 0x6d7950617373776f726400000000000000000000000000000000000000000014`

   And get an output of:

   `myPassword`

Recommended Mitigation: Due to this, the overall architecture of the contract should be rethought. One could encrypt the password off-chain and then store the encrypted password on-chain. This would require the user to remember another password off-chain to decrypt the password. However, you would also likely want to remove the view function, as you wouldn't want the user to accidentally send a transaction with the password that decrypts your password.

[H-2] `PasswordStore::setPassword` has no access controls, meaning a non-owner could set the password

Description: The `PasswordStore::setPassword` function is set to be an `external` function. However, the NatSpec of the function and the overall purpose of the smart contract indicate that "This function allows only the owner to set a new password."

```
function setPassword(string memory newPassword) external {
    // @audit - There are no access controls
    s_password = newPassword;
    emit SetNewPassword();
}
```

Impact: Anyone can set/change the password of the contract, severely breaking the intended functionality of the contract.

Proof of Concept: Add the following to the `PasswordStore.t.sol`:

Code

```
// @audit The function setPassword is not restricted to the owner, allowing anyone to set the password.
function test_anyone_can_set_password(address randomAddress) public {
    vm.startPrank(randomAddress);
    string memory expectedPassword = "myNewPassword";
    passwordStore.setPassword(expectedPassword);

    vm.startPrank(owner);
    string memory actualPassword = passwordStore.getPassword();
    assertEq(actualPassword, expectedPassword);
}
```

Recommended Mitigation: Add an access control conditional to the `PasswordStore::setPassword` function.

```
if (msg.sender != s_owner) {
    revert PasswordStore__NotOwner();
}
```

Informational

[I-1] The NatSpec documentation for `PasswordStore::getPassword` indicates a non-existent parameter, causing the documentation to be incorrect.

Description:

```
/*
 * @notice This allows only the owner to retrieve the password.
 * @param newPassword The new password to set.
 */
function getPassword() external view returns (string memory) {
```

The function signature is `PasswordStore::getPassword`, while the NatSpec documentation indicates it should be `PasswordStore::getPassword(string)`.

Impact: The NatSpec documentation is incorrect.

Recommended Mitigation: Remove the incorrect NatSpec documentation line.

```
- * @param newPassword The new password to set.
```