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Firefighters' Retirement Fund Board of Trustees Minutes

Tuesday, May 27, 2026

1:00 PM

1. Call To Order & Attendance

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM

Present: Robert Davis
Joshua Phillips
Glen Fiorello
John Dozier

Excused:

Others in attendance: Michael Summer, Janice Mitchell, Peter Brill, Anthony Webber, & Karen Czechowicz

Others through Teams: Adam Levinson & Justin Hardy

2. Public Noticed & Public Comments

Meeting was publicly noticed. No public comments.

3. Discussion - Pension Administration RFP

The Board met to discuss responses received to the Pension Administration Services Request for Proposals (RFP) following the retirement of Alicia Gaither. Staff explained the City is evaluating the use of third-party administration services for the Fire, Police, and General Employees pension plans and discussed opportunities to improve operational efficiencies and segregation of duties. Attorney Levinson reviewed the RFP process and advised that each pension board may independently select its administrator. Discussion included proposal submissions from Foster & Foster, Pension Resource Center (PRC), HYN Administration, Nyhart, and Lauterbach & Amen. Trustees reviewed service offerings, administrative responsibilities, transition considerations, payroll processing, member services, and associated costs. Trustees expressed interest in obtaining additional information regarding the current administrator's responsibilities and requested further clarification from the responding firms regarding services, pricing, and implementation processes. Discussion also included coordinating interviews with the responding firms in conjunction with the Police and General Employees pension boards.

4. Motions

Motion made by Josh Phillips and seconded by John Dozier to participate in interviews with Foster & Foster, Pension Resource Center, and HYN Administration in coordination with the Police and General Employees pension boards at a future date to be determined. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Josh Philips and seconded by John Dozier to invite Nyhart and Lauterbach & Amen to provide additional information and/or presentations regarding pension administration services prior to selection of an administrator. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Josh Phillips and seconded by John Dozier directing counsel and the Chair to provide responding firms with the current administrator job description and allow firms the opportunity to submit additional information, clarifications, and revised pricing if desired. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Other Discussion

The Board discussed tentatively scheduling administrator interviews on June 22, 2026, subject to availability of the firms, trustees, legal counsel, and staff. Additional discussion will occur at the Board's regular meeting scheduled for June 1, 2026.

6. Adjournment

Motion made by Josh Phillips and seconded by Glen Fiorello to adjourn and reconvene at the regular meeting on June 1, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.