

**PENSION COMMISSION
City Conference Room
260 Constitution Plaza
Friday, December 19, 2014
9:00 a.m.**

MINUTES

PENSION ADMINISTRATION

MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter Stevens, Chairman; Frank Lord; Gene Goldman; Adam Cloud, Secretary

STAFF PRESENT: Donna Parker, Plan Administrator; Anne Coleman, Assistant Plan Administrator; Carmen Sierra, Assistant City Treasurer

OTHERS PRESENT: Richard Pokorski, Employee Benefits; Lori Mizerak, Assistant Corporation Counsel; George Zoltowski, Management & Budget

Chairman Peter Stevens called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

I. Minutes of the Meeting of November 21, 2014

There were no changes or corrections to the minutes as presented.

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously adopted to accept the minutes of the November 21, 2014 meeting.

II. Survivor Benefits

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously adopted to approve the following survivor benefits:

Nappier, Connie, survivor of the late Barbara Nappier, member of the Municipal Employees' Retirement Fund (MERF) who died November 1, 2014 (Survivor benefits under the MERF; Emp. #S549894 / 980294)

Effective Date:	December 1, 2014	
Annual Allowance:		\$ 3,601.80
Monthly Allowance:		300.15

III. Regular Retirements

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously adopted to approve the following regular retirement benefits:

		<u>AMOUNT</u>		
<u>Caceres, Luis</u>				
Emp. # 942632 / 990646				
Union: Local 760				
		Years	Months	Days
Term of Service (including Sick Exchange):		24	0	0
Sick Exchange:		4	0	0
Grounds:	Service			
Effective Date:	November 17, 2014			
Average Salary:	Final Base Pay			\$ 82,682.82
Pension Allowed:	66.00%			54,570.72
Monthly Payment:				4,547.56

<u>Heavren, Brian</u>				
Emp. # 941740 / 990643				
Union: HPU				
		Years	Months	Days
Term of Service (including Sick Exchange):		28	0	0
Sick Exchange:		4	0	0
Grounds:	Service			
Effective Date:	October 25, 2014			
Average Salary:	Highest 3 out of last 5 years			\$ 127,391.63
	Final Base Pay			129,030.00
Pension Allowed:	72.00%			91,722.00
Monthly Payment:				7,643.50

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III. Regular Retirements (continued)

AMOUNT

Rodriguez, Santa
Emp. # 907367 / 990642
Union: Local 2221

	Years	Months	Days	
Term of Service (including Sick Exchange):	10	0	0	
Sick Exchange:	0	0	0	
Grounds:	Vested Service			
Termination Date:	October 8, 2004			
Effective Date:	October 28, 2014			
Average Salary:	Highest 5 out of last 10 years			\$ 20,003.01
				Final Base Pay 21,745.90
Pension Allowed:	25.00%			5,000.76
Monthly Payment:				416.73

Scully, Robert
Emp. # 942667 / 990644
Union: Local 760

	Years	Months	Days	
Term of Service (including Sick Exchange):	24	0	0	
Sick Exchange:	4	0	0	
Grounds:	Service			
Effective Date:	November 16, 2014			
Average Salary:	Final Base Pay			\$ 82,682.82
Pension Allowed:	66.00%			54,570.72
Monthly Payment:				4,547.56

IV. QDRO Alternate Payee Retirement

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously adopted to approve the following QDRO Alternate Payee retirement benefit:

AMOUNT

McLoughlin, Lori
Emp. # A942659 / 988050
Alternate Payee of: James McLoughlin
Union: Local 760
Term of Service: 17 years
Grounds: Alternate Payee – Service
Effective Date: November 15, 2014
QDRO Approved: March 22, 2013

Annual Alternate Payee Payment:	\$ 17,275.92
Monthly Alternate Payee Payment:	\$ 1,439.66

V. Separations from Pension Payroll

The following separations from Pension Payroll were placed on file:

<u>EMPLOYEE NUMBER</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>	<u>PENSION AMOUNT</u>	<u>PENSION PLAN</u>
445320	Antonacci, Catherine	11/13/2014	\$ 575.61	BOE RAF
116378	Bates, Margaret	11/02/2014	108.96	MERF
056154	Boucher, Philius G.	08/01/2014	1,148.67	MERF
990206	Deres, Mulugeta	11/01/2014	3,767.97	MERF
S335258	Healey, Arlene	11/03/2014	1,576.04	MERF
358096	Hotchkiss, Earl	11/07/2014	4,144.42	MERF
S372197	Johnson, Marie Love	11/24/2014	379.40	CITY-ANN
544418	Murphy, William	11/01/2014	4,234.53	MERF
549894	Nappier, Barbara	11/01/2014	600.30	MERF
S552836	Netcoh, Lorraine	11/02/2014	3,759.69	MERF
748439	Violette, Reginald J.	11/23/2014	1,264.09	MERF
764604	Welles, Arthur C.	11/15/2014	2,711.29	PBF

The pension for the following individual was reinstated since the Pension Unit received verification of her address and/or status.

<u>EMPLOYEE NUMBER</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF REMOVAL</u>	<u>PENSION AMOUNT</u>	<u>PENSION PLAN</u>
215104	Doyle, Doris	03/01/2014	\$ 624.47	MERF

VI. Request for Refunds of Pension Contributions

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously adopted to approve the following refunds of pension contributions:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Akinbobola, Rindalee *	\$ 710.03
Ames, Kasas **	25,744.22
Applegreen, Victerua *	1,201.00
Ayala, Judy	5,464.17
Baker, Kimberly	591.93
Basile, Scott	16,339.65
Benben, Nancy	7,553.98

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VI. Request for Refunds of Pension Contributions (continued)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Boomer, Gary	\$ 2,629.71
Caban, Elba	460.37
Carilli, Paul *	1,466.86
Carrier, Daniel	2,739.64
Carter, Lanette	1,929.93
Cauley Curtis, Tamysa *	53.17
Centeno, Maria	153.95
Chickerella, Jeffrey *	2,053.87
Cruthfield, Migdalia	395.65
Dawson, Wiley	2,305.52
Dignoti-Stella, Deana	3,207.19
Figuerido, Amandio	2,759.76
Garcia, Lucelly *	17.22
Gary, Emmanuel	1,294.31
Holthaus, Susan	278.44
Jacobucci, Todd *	458.69
Joseph, Stephanie	202.34
Maywahlall, Kalowite	114.53
Medina, Jeanette *	175.05
Miller, Sophia	128.61
Mitchell, Thomas	242.00
Moquete-Gonzalez, Kally	8,782.89
Muchollari, Nesim	846.72
Neviso, Frank *	38.22
Nunez, Raymond	491.72
Oliveras, Pedro	306.73
Orr, Carlton	497.16
Ortiz, Luis	6,746.08
Ortiz, Maria	728.22
Ortiz-Mariano, Veronica	5,265.70
Pleasant, Bernice ***	1,546.31
Rodriguez, Angelica	1,711.88
Ruiz, Diamarelisse	665.99
Santiago, Vanessa	333.75
Shell, Jahmal	2,506.32
Soler, James	4,144.78
Spadafina, John	9,279.82
Spencer, Bonnie	242.17
Sullivan, Natalea	263.70
Thomas, Jenna	2,079.20

VI. Request for Refunds of Pension Contributions (continued)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Vinci, Jennifer	\$ 3,823.79
Weaver, Zena	480.67
Williams, Shayla	1,378.11
Wright, Nancy *	122.09
Zayas, Wendy	242.90

None of the above members is vested, or, if vested, he or she has been informed of, and has waived, his or her rights to a vested benefit in lieu of a contribution refund.
The amounts shown above include interest.

- * Additional contributions or interest due to the member.
- ** Beneficiary of deceased active MERF member Iris Maxwell
- *** Beneficiary of deceased active MERF member Alice Pleasant

VII. Qualified Domestic Relations Orders

Chairman Stevens introduced the item. The Plan Administrator reported that the Pension Unit had received one properly executed Qualified Domestic Relations Orders (QDRO) for the MERF. The Plan Administrator recommended that the Commission approve the Orders as presented.

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously adopted to approve the following QDRO, with assignment as indicated, subject to like reductions in the contribution and pension accounts of the plan member and also to approve payment to the Alternate Payee effective no earlier than January 1, 2015 subject to receipt of a properly executed *Application for Pension*.

MERF

QDRO: 14-6

Entered into Court Records: November 25, 2014
Benefit Calculation Date: July 19, 2013
Alternate Payee Retirement Date: January 1, 2015

		<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>
Benefit Assigned to Alternate Payee:	Monthly:	27.13 %	\$ 902.50
Pension Contributions Assigned:	Pre-Tax:	27.13 %	19,739.26
	Post-Tax:	27.13 %	4,731.61
	Interest:	27.13 %	0.00

VIII. Other Business

Chairman Stevens introduced the item.

The Plan Administrator, Donna Parker, informed the Commission that the election of the new employee representative for the Pension Commission was taking place today.

Agenda Item IX. Disability Retirements was taken out of order after Item VII.

IX. Disability Retirements

Benefit Approvals

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously adopted to approve the following disability retirement benefit:

	<u>AMOUNT</u>		
<u>Brighantti, Ruth</u>			
Emp. # 943547/ 990641			
Union: HPU			
	Years	Months	Days
Term of Service (including Sick Exchange):	16	0	0
Sick Exchange:	0	0	0
Grounds:	Service Connected Partial		
Disability Approved:	November 21, 2014		
Effective Date:	July 4, 2014		
Average Salary:	Final Rate of Pay		\$ 67,051.44
Pension Allowed:	50.00%		33,525.72
Monthly Payment:			2,793.81

There being no further business, Chairman Stevens adjourned the Pension Administration portion of the meeting at 9:12 a.m.

Attest:



Adam M. Cloud, Secretary