

# **City of Lauderhill Police Officers' Retirement Plan**

## **Minutes**

April 12, 2023

10:30 A.M.

### **Call to Order / Roll Call:**

Mr. David Hennessy called the meeting of the City of Lauderhill Police Officers' Retirement Plan to order at 10:42 A.M. at the Lauderhill Police Department 6279 West Oakland Park Blvd in Lauderhill Florida.

### **Members Present:**

Mr. Dave Hennessy – Chairman; Ms. Andrea Anderson – Secretary and Mr. Sam Smith – Trustee.

### **Absent:**

Mr. Kennie Hobbs and Mr. Brad Mitchell – Trustees.

### **Others Present:**

Mr. Bob Klausner - Klausner Kaufman, Jensen & Levinson; Mr. Torrance Gary – Police Department; Mr. Dave Williams, Plan Administrator and Mrs. Patty Ostrander – Administrative Assistant.

### **Public Discussion:**

None.

### **Consent Agenda: Warrant Ratification / Approval:**

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

The Board of Trustees reviewed the minutes for March 01, 2023 meeting. Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Anderson. The motion passed 3-0.

#### **Warrant 1096**

Payment of \$4,955.00 to Dulaney & Company for actuarial services through January 2023. Motion to approve by Ms. Anderson seconded by Mr. Smith. The motion passed 3-0.

#### **Warrant 1097**

Payment of \$2,870.00 to Klausner, Kaufman, Jensen & Levinson for legal services through February 2023. Motion to approve by Mr. Smith seconded by Ms. Anderson. The motion passed 3-0.

#### **Warrant 1098**

Payment of \$40.00 to American Express. Motion to approve by Mr. Smith seconded by Ms. Anderson. The motion passed 3-0.

#### **Warrant 1099**

Payment of \$21,715.00 to Southeastern Advisory Services for Consulting services for the first quarter of 2023. Motion to approve by Ms. Anderson seconded by Mr. Smith. The motion passed 3-0.

#### **Warrant 1100**

Payment of \$318.96 to American Express. Motion to approve by Mr. Smith seconded by Ms. Anderson. The motion passed 3-0.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

Mr. Klausner is keeping an eye on HB 3 – anti ESG Bill. The Governor, Attorney General, and Chief Financial Officer – as trustees of the State Board of Administration (SBA) – directed the SBA in August to invest funds of the Florida Retirement System Defined Benefit Plan in a manner that prioritizes the highest return on investment, without consideration of environmental, social, and corporate governance (ESG) factors that have been the subject of debate among investors in recent years. This bill expands the directive to cover all funds invested by state and local governments, including general revenue, trusts dedicated to specific purposes, money held by retirement plans, and surplus funds. Investment decisions, including written policies and the exercise of shareholder rights, must be driven solely by pecuniary factors, and may not sacrifice investment return to promote non-pecuniary factors. The Attorney General is authorized to bring civil or administrative actions to enforce provisions of the bill. The term “pecuniary factor” is defined as a factor that is expected “to have a material effect on the risk or return of an investment based on appropriate investment horizons consistent with applicable investment objectives and funding policy. The term does not include the consideration of social, political, or ideological interests.” Additionally, the bill prohibits both the state Division of Bond Finance and specified public bond issuers from issuing an ESG bond, paying for the services of another to verify or certify a public bond as an ESG bond, or contracting with rating agencies that use ESG scores in a manner that directly impacts the issuer’s bond ratings. For government contracting, the bill prohibits all units of state and local government from: 1) considering social, political, or ideological beliefs when evaluating prospective vendors, or 2) giving any preference to a vendor based on social, political, or ideological beliefs. State and local governments may only deposit funds in banks and savings associations that have been designated as a Qualified Public Depository (QPD). The bill prohibits certification as a QPD if a bank has engaged in an “unsafe and unsound business practice” by denying or canceling services based on political beliefs or affiliations, religious beliefs or affiliations, business sector, or any other factor that is not a quantitative, impartial, risk-based standard, or applying social credit scores. QPDs will be required to certify compliance with this requirement. Mr. Klausner stated that if this Bill passes, it will require more work on the Board with the possibility of hiring a proxy service.

Mr. Klausner requested a fee adjustment for services rendered by KKJL. He stated that KKJL has not sought an adjustment in over 6 years. Ms. Anderson made a motion to authorize Mr. Hennessy to sign the agreement, seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion passed 3-0. Mr. Klausner will send the revised agreement and the declaration to Mrs. Ostrander to forward to Mr. Hennessy for his signature.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Honor Wall - Tabled

**PLAN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

One new member was identified for pension entry – Kyle Gentles. Motion to approve pension entry by Mr. Smith motion seconded by Ms. Anderson. Motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Williams explained that on March 14<sup>th</sup>, he received a faxed direct deposit request from a retiree. As part of our internal controls to verify the authenticity of the request(s), Mr. Williams contacted the member. In doing so, Mr. Williams learned that the member did not submit the request. As a result, no action was taken.

Mrs. Ostrander reminded the trustees about the Annual Form 1.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:**

Mr. Smith asked about FDIC limitations for the Plan. Mr. Klausner stated that the coverage is 250K times the number of participants.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Being there was no other business; the meeting was adjourned at 11:21 A.M.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_



Chairman Hennessy

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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