

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of 12/10/2013 Action Item for the City Council Meeting of 12/17/2013

DATE: November 26, 2013

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Continuing Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS) Updated Service Credits for Current Participants and Increases for Prior and Current Annuities.

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing and allowing, under the Act governing the Texas Municipal Retirement System, "Updated Service Credits" in said system for service performed by qualifying members of such system who presently are members of the City of Corpus Christi; providing for increased prior and current service annuities for retirees and beneficiaries of deceased retirees of the City; establishing an effective date for such actions; and providing for severance.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this ordinance is to provide "Updated Service Credits" in said system for service performed by qualifying members of such system who presently are members of the City of Corpus Christi; providing for increased prior and current service annuities for retirees and beneficiaries of deceased retirees of the City and to adhere to the negotiation of "Updated Service Credits" and "Increased Prior and Current Service Annuities" in the collective bargaining agreement with Corpus Christi Police Officer's Association (CCPOA), Government Accounting Standards, as interpreted by the City's external auditor, dictating that the City must record the liability as if annually repeating for the term of the contract (which ends on July 31, 2015).

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

On July 27, 2004, for an effective date of January 1, 2005, Council adopted "Updated Service Credits" and "Increased Prior and Current Service Annuities" on an annual basis (annually repeating, not requiring approval by Council each year). Ordinance 025865

On December 7, 2010 Council approved the contract with the Corpus Christi Police Officer's Association (CCPOA), which included provisions for "Updated Service Credits" and "Increased Prior and Current Service Annuities" on an "Ad Hoc" basis.

On December 14, 2010 Council approved Ordinance 028892 authorizing "Updated Service Credits" and "Increased Prior and Current Service Annuities" for 2011.

On November 15, 2011, Council approved Ordinance 029290 authorizing "Updated Service Credits" and "Increased Prior and Current Service Annuities" for 2012.

On December 11, 2012, Council approved Ordinance 029692 authorizing "Updated Service Credits" and "Increased Prior and Current Service Annuities" for 2013.

ALTERNATIVES:

None. The City is restricted by the terms of the collective bargaining agreement with the CCPOA and provisions of the state statute governing TMRS. State statute extends to services performed by qualifying members of such system who presently are members of the City of Corpus Christi; providing for increased prior and current service annuities for retirees and beneficiaries of deceased retirees of the City. This is a five year contract which is effective from August 1, 2010 through July 31, 2015.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

Given the negotiation of "Updated Service Credits" and "Increased Prior and Current Service Annuities" in the collective bargaining agreement with CCPOA, Government Accounting Standards, as interpreted by the City's external auditor, dictate that the City must record the liability as if annually repeating for the term of the contract (which ends on July 31, 2015).

For calendar year 2014, the rate calculated by TMRS under the Ad Hoc provision is 10.51% however the City budgeted and was contributing 14.8% since January 2013 thru July 2013. In August 2013, the City increased its contribution to 15.46% to address the liability issue.

With the adoption of these benefits, the City's full contribution rate for 2014 will be 11.00%.

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

Adoption of this ordinance is in accordance with the Agreement negotiated with the Corpus Christi Police Officers' Association.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-emergency, Ordinance - Two readings (12/10/13, 12/17/13)

□ Revenue

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

None

□ Operating

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Fiscal Year: 2013-2014	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item				
BALANCE	_			

□ Capital

X Not applicable

Fund(s):

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance