

Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Jennifer Schembri
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SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: December 4, 2015

Approved

Date

12/4/15

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE TERMS OF THE ALTERNATIVE PENSION REFORM SETTLEMENT FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE LITIGATION ARISING OUT OF MEASURE B WITH BARGAINING UNITS REPRESENTING EMPLOYEES IN THE FEDERATED CITY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND MODIFICATIONS FOR EMPLOYEES IN UNIT 99 AND UNITS 81/82; AND RELATED APPROPRIATION ACTIONS

RECOMMENDATION

(a) Adopt a resolution to:

- (1) Approve the terms of the Federated Alternative Pension Reform Settlement Framework agreement ("Framework") between the City and bargaining units representing employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System ("Federated Bargaining Units"):
 - (i) Association of Engineers and Architects, IFPTE Local 21 (AEA Units 41/42 and 43)
 - (ii) Association of Legal Professionals (ALP)
 - (iii) Association of Maintenance Supervisory Personnel, IFPTE Local 21 (AMSP)
 - (iv) City Association of Management Personnel, IFPTE Local 21 (CAMP)
 - (v) Confidential Employees' Organization, AFSCME Local 101 (CEO)
 - (vi) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 332 (IBEW)
 - (vii) Municipal Employees' Federation, AFSCME Local 101 (MEF)
 - (viii) International Union of Operating Engineers, Local No. 3 (OE#3);
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a Retirement Memorandum of Agreement between the City and Federated Bargaining Units listed above; and
- (3) Approve the modifications for unrepresented employees in Unit 99 and Units 81/82 similar to those in the Federated Alternative Pension Reform Settlement Framework except for those provisions specified herein.

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- (b) Adopt the following 2015-2016 Appropriation Ordinance amendments in the General Fund:
- (1) Increase the City-Wide Measure B Settlement appropriation to the City Manager's Office in the amount of \$1,257,000; and
 - (2) Decrease the Retiree Healthcare Solutions Reserve in the amount of \$1,257,000.

OUTCOME

Approval of the terms of the Federated Alternative Pension Reform Settlement Framework agreement, authorization for the City Manager to negotiate and execute the Retirement Memorandum of Agreement between the City and specific bargaining units representing employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System; and approval of modifications for unrepresented employees in Unit 99 and Units 81/82 similar to those in the Federated Alternative Pension Reform Settlement Framework except for those provisions specified herein.

BACKGROUND

The City of San Jose is currently in litigation with bargaining units representing employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System, as well as the San Jose Police Officers' Association (SJPOA) and the San Jose Fire Fighters, International Association of Fire Fighters, Local 230 (IAFF, Local 230), and a retiree group, over the pension reform ballot measure known as Measure B. Specifically, the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) on behalf of the Municipal Employees' Federation (MEF) and Confidential Employees' Organization (CEO); the International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers (IFPTE) on behalf of the Association of Engineers and Architects (AEA), the Association of Maintenance Supervisory Personnel (AMSP) and the City Association of Management Personnel (CAMP); and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local No. 3 (OE#3), are litigants in the Measure B litigation.

Measure B was approved by the voters on June 5, 2012, and has subsequently been the subject of various forms of litigation. In an effort to settle these cases for budget stability and to provide certainty to the City's workforce, the City Council directed the City Administration to make any and all reasonable efforts to reach and implement a settlement this year.

The City and the SJPOA and IAFF, Local 230 reached an agreement on an Alternative Pension Reform Settlement Framework on July 15, 2015, which was approved by City Council in open session on August 25, 2015, after ratification by the SJPOA and IAFF, Local 230 memberships.

In April 2015, settlement discussions with the bargaining units representing employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System ("Federated Bargaining Units") commenced. In addition to the litigants, the Association of Building, Mechanical, and Electrical Inspectors (ABMEI); the Association of Legal Professionals (ALP); and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), were also engaged in the Measure B settlement discussions, even though these three bargaining units were not parties to the Measure B litigation.

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The City and the Federated Bargaining Units, except for ABMEI, reached an agreed upon settlement on a Federated Alternative Pension Reform Settlement Framework ("Framework" or "Settlement Framework"). The attached Framework presents a path toward the settlement of litigation over Measure B. The settlement framework is subject to a final overall global settlement with all parties related to the Measure B litigation, including retirees.

ABMEI did not agree to the terms of the Settlement Framework and thus the terms described herein do not apply to employees represented by ABMEI. Notwithstanding any action by the Court regarding Measure B, retirement benefits shall remain status quo for employees represented by ABMEI, including but not limited to the current Tier 2 pension benefits and Tier 1 and Tier 2A retiree healthcare. This means that, among other things, for employees represented by ABMEI, current Tier 2 members will not be eligible for the modified benefit of the revised Tier 2; new and former employees represented by ABMEI shall be placed into the current Tier 2 (including retirement age of 65, and a COLA tied to CPI with a 1.5% maximum); the retiree healthcare rates will increase effective December 21, 2015, from 8.76% to 10.47% per a prior agreement with ABMEI, and employees represented by ABMEI are subject to any subsequent increases to retiree healthcare contributions as determined by the Retirement Board; and employees represented by ABMEI in Tier 1 and Tier 2A are not eligible to opt-out of the current retiree healthcare defined benefit plan.

In summary, the Federated Alternative Pension Reform Settlement Framework will:

- Settle significant litigation with AFSCME (MEF and CEO), IFPTE (AEA, AMSP and CAMP) and OE#3 with the Framework's alternative strategy to pension reform. This agreement should avoid further litigation costs with these groups. The Framework will also update the retirement benefits for other employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System, including ALP, IBEW and unrepresented employees in Unit 99 and Units 81/82, to be consistent with the terms of the Framework.
- Over the next 30 years, provide savings of approximately \$1.3 billion from the revised Tier 2 compared to Tier 1 (\$940.8 million), the revised retiree healthcare program compared to the current retiree healthcare program (\$249.9 million), and from the elimination of the Supplemental Retiree Benefit Reserve (SRBR) (\$120 million).
- Modify Tier 2 pension benefits for non-sworn employees to levels similar to other Bay Area agencies to attract and retain non-sworn employees, providing a competitive Tier 2 pension benefit at a reduced cost. The new Tier 2 benefit has several differences from the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) second tier benefit (the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act, or PEPRRA) that reduce costs. For example, the annual Cost of Living Adjustment ("COLA") is back-loaded so that the more years of service an employee has, the higher COLA rate they receive, which is a significant difference from the Tier 2 benefit in other agencies and reduces the cost of the Tier 2 benefit. This also incentivizes longevity. This Tier 2 benefit also has a straight 2% accrual rate each year (same as the current Tier 2) and a maximum benefit of 70%.

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- Allow Tier 1 employees who left the City and either subsequently have returned or return in the future to return into the Tier 1 benefit, incentivizing employees who have left to return to City service.
- Preserve 50/50 risk sharing with employees through the cost sharing of a 50/50 split in normal costs and any future unfunded liability associated with the Tier 2 benefit. In other agencies, the cost sharing is just 50/50 of normal cost.
- Close the retiree healthcare and dental defined benefit plan (hereafter collectively referred to as "retiree healthcare") to new and current Tier 2 employees, and allow an opt-out for Tier 1 employees, into a defined contribution Voluntary Employee Beneficiary Association (VEBA) subject to legal and IRS approval. The VEBA has no employer contribution and is completely funded by the employee. Because the VEBA has a lower contribution rate than the existing defined benefit plan, it reduces retiree healthcare costs for Tier 1 employees and increases their take home pay, while reducing the City's liability for retiree healthcare. In addition, while new and current Tier 2 employees will be mandated to make contributions into a VEBA (other than unrepresented Tier 2 employees), this creates a safeguard for these employees to have funds set aside for retiree healthcare. It should be noted that Tier 2 employees represented by OE#3 who were previously making contributions into the defined benefit retiree healthcare plan will have the option to opt-out or stay in the plan, similar to Tier 1 employees. Additionally, new and current Tier 2 employees in Unit 99 and Units 81/82 will not be mandated to make contributions into a VEBA.
- Implement a new lowest cost healthcare plan in order to reduce retiree healthcare costs.
- Allow retirees with alternate healthcare coverage to receive a 25% credit applicable towards future premiums instead of being covered by the City's healthcare in order to reduce costs (similar to "in lieu" programs commonly used for active employees).
- Reinstate the Federated City Employees' Retirement System's previous definition of disability which is comparable to other agencies.
- Create an Independent Medical Panel appointed by the Federated Retirement Board which will determine disability eligibility instead of the Federated Retirement Board. The agreement creates a process and minimum qualifications for the Independent Medical Panel.
- Continue the elimination of the SRBR from the Federated City Employees' Retirement System, solidifying \$4 million a year in General Fund savings.
- Allow for an agreement on a ballot measure in 2016 to include the following issues in the City Charter:
 - Actuarial soundness;
 - Voters' ability to vote on any defined benefit pension enhancements;
 - No retroactive defined benefit pension enhancements;
 - Any other provisions contained in the Framework that the parties may mutually agree to.

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- As previously noted, ABMEI did not agree to the Framework and thus the terms described above do not apply to employees represented by ABMEI. Retirement benefits shall remain status quo for employees represented by ABMEI, including but not limited to the current Tier 2 pension benefits and retiree healthcare.

The below chart depicts the realized savings from Measure B and retirement reform as shown to the Council during the January 20, 2015, Study Session regarding General Fund Structural Budget Deficit History and Service Restoration Priorities and Strategies:

Retirement Reform Estimate	GF Savings
Implemented	
SRBR Elimination	\$13 M
Retiree Healthcare Changes (lowest cost plan)	\$7 M
New Tier 2 Retirement Plans	\$5 M
<i>Subtotal Implemented</i>	<i>\$25 M</i>

The Settlement Framework preserves these savings, including \$4 million from the continued SRBR elimination for the Federated City Employees' Retirement System (the remaining \$9 million is attributable to the Police and Fire Department Retirement Plan). The exception is the increased cost for the revised Tier 2 benefit. In the first year of the revised Tier 2 Federated pension benefit, the cost is estimated to increase from the current Tier 2 by \$900,000.

The Alternative Pension Reform Settlement Framework has not yet been ratified by the Federated Bargaining Units' respective memberships, but ratification votes will occur before the December 15, 2015, City Council meeting.

ANALYSIS

A complete copy of the Federated Alternative Pension Reform Settlement Framework is attached (Attachment A). The following is *only a summary* of the key provisions of the Framework applicable to employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System; however, as previously noted, the terms of the Framework do not apply to employees represented by ABMEI. Additionally, unless specifically noted, the terms below also apply to unrepresented employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System.

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**Retirement
Memorandum
of Agreement**

A Retirement Memorandum of Agreement ("Retirement MOA") between the City and bargaining units representing employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System will be finalized to memorialize all agreements related to retirement.

The term of the Retirement MOA shall be July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2025.

Revised Tier 2

In order to address recruitment and retention issues, this agreement modestly increases the Tier 2 benefits; however, the City's portion of the Normal Cost will go from 5.74% to an estimated 7.1%, which is still drastically lower than the City's portion of the Normal Cost for Tier 1, which is 17.08%.

Employees hired on or after the effective date of the ordinance implementing these changes will be subject to the following pension benefits. Any current Tier 2 members will be retroactively placed in the revised Tier 2.

Pension Formula Accrual Rate

2.0% per year of service (same as current Tier 2).

Maximum Benefit

The above accrual rate is subject to a maximum of 70% of final compensation.

Final Compensation

Average annual earned pay of the highest three consecutive years of service (same as current Tier 2).

Minimum Service

Tier 2 employees shall be eligible for a service retirement after earning five (5) years of retirement service credit and meeting the age requirement (same as current Tier 2).

Normal Age of Retirement

Employees shall be eligible to retire at age 62 with at least five (5) years of retirement service credit.

Employees will have the ability to retire at age 55 with a 5% reduction per year below age 62, prorated to the closest month.

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Retiree Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)

Plan members shall receive a cost of living adjustment of the lower of (1) the increase in the consumer price index, or CPI (San Jose – San Francisco – Oakland U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics index, CPI-U, December to December); or (2) a back-loaded 2.0% COLA as described below:

Service at Retirement	COLA
1-10 years	1.25% per year
11-20 years	1.5% per year
21-25 years	1.75% per year
26 years and above	2.0% per year

The first COLA will be prorated based on the number of months retired.

No Retroactive Pension Increases or Decreases

Any future changes in pension benefits will be on a prospective basis only.

Current Tier 2 Employees

Except for employees who were previously in Tier 1, the employees currently in Tier 2 in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System will be retroactively moved to this revised Tier 2 benefit.

Any costs, including unfunded liabilities associated with moving the current Tier 2 employees into the revised structures, will be shared between the employees and the City on a 50/50 basis with no ramp up and amortized as a separate liability over a minimum of 20 years.

Vesting Language

The City will remove the language currently contained in City Charter Section 1508-A referring to limiting vesting of benefits.

Revised Tier 2
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Cost Sharing

Employees and the City will share equally in all costs of Tier 2 to the pension plan, including all normal costs and unfunded liabilities (same as current Tier 2).

If an unfunded liability exists for Tier 2 members, employees will contribute based on a "ramp up" to paying 50% of the liability. In years where an unfunded liability exists, the member contribution will be increased by increments of 0.33% per year until such time that the contribution associated with the unfunded liability is shared 50/50. Until such time, the City will pay the balance of the contribution associated with the unfunded liability of the Tier 2 plan.

For example, if the unfunded liability contribution rate of the Federated Tier 2 plan is 2% for three years, the following ramp-up schedule will occur:

Year	Total UAL Rate	City UAL Rate	Employee UAL Rate
1	2.00%	1.67%	.33%
2	2.00%	1.34%	.66%
3	2.00%	1.01%	.99%

Disability Benefits

Plan members eligible for a disability retirement benefit shall receive a monthly allowance benefit equal to 2.0% x Years of Service x Final Compensation, with the following minimum and maximum benefit for those eligible for a service-connected disability retirement benefit and for those eligible for a non-service connected disability retirement benefit.

2.0% x Years of Service x Final Compensation	Minimum	Maximum
Service-connected disability retirement	40%	70%
Non-service connected disability retirement	20%	70%

Survivorship Benefits

The survivorship benefits for Tier 2 shall be the same as the survivorship benefits for Tier 1; however, these benefits will be reduced to reflect the 70% pension benefit maximum.

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Rehired Employees/New Hires From Outside Agencies

Former City Tier 1 employees who have been rehired since the implementation of the current Federated Tier 2 plans, or rehired after the effective date of this agreement, will return to Tier 1. Any lateral hires that are defined as "Classic" members under the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act (PEPRA), regardless of the tier of their previous employer, will also become Tier 1 members. Employees who are considered "new" employees under PEPRA will enter the revised Tier 2 plan.

The costs associated with the transition of these current Tier 2 employees into Tier 1 will be shared between the employees and the City on a 50/50 basis with no ramp up. This will be a separate liability amortized over 20 years.

Service Credit Purchases

Tier 2 members shall be eligible to make the same service credit purchases as Tier 1, with the exception of purchases of service credit related to suspension. All costs associated with service credit purchases will be paid for by the Tier 2 member.

Tier 2 Costing

The below chart indicates the difference in the current Tier 1 and Tier 2 pension normal cost rates for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 in comparison to the revised Tier 2 estimated normal cost based on calculations by the City's actuary, Bartel Associates. The retirement board's actuary, Cheiron, will be asked to calculate the final contribution rates. Please refer to Attachment B.

Normal Cost	Current Tier 1	Current Tier 2	Agreement Tier 2
Total	23.41%	11.48%	14.2% New T2 / 14.3% Current T2
City	17.08%	5.74%	7.1%
Member	6.33%	5.74%	7.1%

The City's actuary estimates that the savings between the revised Tier 2 benefit and the current Tier 1 normal cost would be \$940.8 million over 30 years.

Retiree
Healthcare

The current retiree healthcare and dental defined benefit program will be closed to new employees and current Tier 2 employees (except as noted below). Tier 1 employees who were rehired into Tier 2 will be treated as Tier 1 for pension and Tier 2 for retiree healthcare, until we can offer rehires the option to opt-out pursuant to section 16 of the Alternative Pension Reform Settlement Framework.

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Voluntary Employee Beneficiary Association (VEBA)

The City will implement a defined contribution retiree healthcare benefit in the form of a VEBA.

New and current Tier 2 members shall contribute 2% of base pay to the VEBA. There will be no City contribution into the VEBA.

Tier 2 employees represented by OE#3 who were previously making contributions into the defined benefit retiree healthcare plan will have the option to opt-out or stay in the plan, similar to Tier 1 employees below.

Unrepresented new and current Tier 2 employees in Unit 99 and Units 81/82 will not be mandated to make contributions into a VEBA.

New Lowest Cost Medical Plan

Effective after the final overall agreement is reached, the Kaiser NCAL 4307 Plan shall be available to all active employees in the Federated City Employee's Retirement System, in addition to the existing plan options for active employees. This new plan will reduce the total premium payment by an estimated \$178 for single coverage and an estimated \$535 for family coverage per month. The Kaiser 4307 Plan has a \$3000 deductible and qualifies for a Health Savings Account (HSA).

The current cost sharing arrangement of the City paying 85% of the lowest cost non-deductible HMO plan will continue for active employees but active employees have the option of selecting the new lowest cost healthcare plan. For retiree healthcare, the retirement plan pays 100% of the lowest cost plan available to active employees. The Kaiser 4307 Plan will be the lowest cost plan available to active employees after implementation.

The lowest cost plan for any future or current retirees will be set so that any plan may not be lower than the "silver" level of health insurance as specified by the current Affordable Care Act as of the date of the agreement "the floor". The "silver" plans are estimated to be 70% of healthcare expenses. During and after the term of the Retirement MOA changes to "the floor" will be by mutual agreement between the City and the bargaining units.

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Opt-Out for all Tier 1 members, and for those Tier 2A employees who are represented by OE#3 who were previously making contributions into the defined benefit retiree healthcare and dental plan

Upon compliance with legal and IRS requirements, all Tier 1 employees, and Tier 2A members represented by OE#3, who were previously making contributions into the defined benefit retiree healthcare and dental plan, will be offered a one-time, irrevocable election to opt-out of the current defined benefit retiree healthcare and dental plan and instead be placed in the VEBA. All Tier 1 employees, and Tier 2A employees represented by OE#3, who were previously making contributions into the defined benefit retiree healthcare and dental plan will be offered individual, independent financial counseling to assist with their decision.

If legally permissible, deferred vested rehires will also be offered a one-time irrevocable opt-out upon return to City employment.

All Tier 1 members, and Tier 2A members represented by OE#3, who were previously making contributions into the defined benefit retiree healthcare and dental plan, who choose to opt-out will contribute 4.5% of base pay to the VEBA. All Tier 1 members, and Tier 2A members represented by OE#3, who were previously making contributions into the defined benefit retiree healthcare and dental plan who elect to remain in the defined benefit plan will contribute 7.5% to the defined benefit plan. The difference between the 4.5% contribution to the VEBA and the 7.5% contribution to the plan will be taxable to the employee.

The City will contribute the amount necessary (when combined with the mandatory employee contributions) to ensure the defined benefit retiree healthcare plan receives the full Annual Required Contribution (ARC). City contributions will be expressed as a percentage of payroll for all bargaining unit members and the City will contribute based on all members (including Tier 2). If the City portion reaches 14% of payroll, the City may decide to contribute a maximum of 14%. In the unlikely event that the City's contribution rate falls below 7.5% during the term of the Retirement MOA the parties will meet to discuss this issue.

Subject to IRS approval, a Tier 1 member, or Tier 2A members represented by OE#3 who were previously making contributions into the defined benefit retiree healthcare and dental plan, who elects to opt-out of the defined benefit retiree healthcare and dental plan, will receive from the 115 retiree healthcare trust an amount estimated to equal the employee only contributions into the retiree healthcare and dental plan, with no interest included. These funds will be placed in the employee's VEBA.

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The City will be seeking an IRS private letter ruling regarding the funding of the VEBA through the 115 trust very soon after City Council approval. Should the City not receive a favorable ruling from the IRS or the amounts of funds returned to those employees who opt-out exceeds the amount of funds in the VEBA, the parties will meet and confer over the opt-out and whether or not it can be implemented through other means for Tier 1 employees who opt-out and Tier 2A and Tier 2C employees. Because Tier 2A and Tier 2C employees are being taken out of the defined benefit retiree healthcare plan now, the goal is to return their retiree healthcare contributions or, if necessary, put these employees back into the defined benefit retiree healthcare plan.

Medicare Part A and B Enrollment

The requirement that a member of the Federated City Employees' Retirement System to enroll in Medicare Part A and B shall continue, and shall be based on federal regulations and insurance provider requirements. The enrollment period for Medicare Parts A and B shall begin 3 months prior to the retiree's 65th birthday and conclude 3 months after the retiree's 65th birthday.

Retiree Healthcare In-Lieu Premium Credit

At the beginning of each plan year, a qualified retiree may choose to forego the defined benefit retiree healthcare plan and instead receive a 25% credit for the monthly premium of the lowest cost healthcare plan and dental plan. This credit may only be used for future City retiree healthcare premiums. Retirees may choose this option at the beginning of the plan year or upon a qualifying event. Retirees must verify dependent enrollment on an annual basis if they are receiving a credit for any tier other than single.

Accumulated credits that are never used by the retiree or survivor/beneficiary are forfeited. There is no cap on the amount of credit accumulated, and at no time can a member or survivor/beneficiary take the credit in cash or any form of taxable compensation.

Members in the VEBA are not eligible for this in-lieu benefit.

Catastrophic Disability Healthcare Program (CDHP)

VEBA members who receive a service-connected disability will be eligible for 100% of the single premium for the lowest cost healthcare plan until the member is eligible for Medicare (usually age 65). The member must not be eligible for an unreduced service retirement, must exhaust the funds in the VEBA before becoming eligible for the CDHP, and submit an affidavit on an annual basis verifying the member does not have employment that offers healthcare. A member may re-enroll in the CDHP if they lose employment that offers healthcare coverage before Medicare eligibility.

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Unrepresented Employees in Unit 99 and Units 81/82

Unrepresented new and Tier 2 employees (including Tier 1 rehires) in Unit 99 and Units 81/82 will not be eligible for the VEBA and thus will not be mandated to make contributions into a VEBA.

Subject to IRS approval, a Tier 2 employee (including Tier 1 rehires) in Unit 99 and Units 81/82 who were previously making contributions into the defined benefit retiree healthcare plan, will receive from the 115 retiree healthcare trust an amount estimated to equal the employee only contributions into the retiree healthcare plan, with no interest included. These funds will be placed in the employee's VEBA.

The City will be seeking an IRS private letter ruling regarding the funding of the VEBA through the 115 trust. Should the City not receive a favorable ruling from the IRS or the amounts of funds returned to those employees exceeds the amount of funds in the VEBA, it will be determined whether or not it can be implemented through other means.

Retiree Healthcare Costing

The City's actuary estimates that the changes in the lowest cost healthcare and the opt-out will lower the actuarial liability by 16%. The actuary assumed that 50% of those at younger ages with shorter service grading to 0% of those at older ages with longer service currently in the defined benefit plan will opt-out. Please refer to Attachment C.

AAL	Current Valuation	With Kaiser 4307 Plan	Agreement with Opt Out	Total \$ Impact	Total % Impact
Active	\$ 260.6	\$ 229.7	\$ 189.4	\$ (71.2)	(27%)
Inactive	404.4	370.3	370.3	(34.1)	(8%)
Total	664.9	600.0	559.7	(105.2)	(16%)

The City's actuary estimates that, over the next 30 years, the total dollar savings between the existing retiree healthcare plan and the new plan would be approximately \$249.9 million. It is important to note that the actual cost impact will be determined by the retirement board's actuary.

**Disability
Definition
and Process**

The City will reinstate the previous disability retirement definition for all employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System.

Disability Process Deadlines

Applications for disability retirement must be filed within one month of separation from City service rather than the previous one year time period. Exceptions contained in the Municipal Code will still apply. The applicants must submit medical paperwork including, but not limited to, the initial nature of the disability and current medical treatments. The medical paperwork must be

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filed within one (1) year of separation unless the independent medical review panel grants a longer deadline due to extenuating circumstances. Applications must not be deferred past four (4) years of the date of the application unless the independent medical review panel grants a longer deadline due to extenuating circumstances.

Disability Hearing Process

The Federated Board will appoint an independent medical review panel of three (3) experts to grant or deny disability retirement applications. The panel will make decisions based on a majority vote. The independent medical review panel may decide, based on its own motion or request from a member, to determine if a disability retirement recipient is capable of returning to work.

The appointment shall be approved by a vote of four (4) of seven (7) trustees.

Each member of the independent medical review panel will serve four year terms and meet the following minimum qualifications:

- I. 10 years of practice after completion of residency.
- II. Currently in practice or retired.
- III. Not a prior or current City employee.
- IV. No prior experience providing the City or retirement boards with medical services. The exception shall be prior service as an independent panel member seeking reappointment.
- V. No prior experience as a qualified medical examiner or agreed medical evaluator.
- VI. Varying types of medical practice experience.

Administrative Law Judge (ALJ)

Decisions to grant or deny a disability retirement made by the independent medical review panel may be appealed to an ALJ. Either the applicant or the City has forty-five (45) days to appeal the decision made by the independent medical review panel. The appeal hearing must happen within ninety (90) days of the notice of appeal, unless a later date is mutually agreed upon. The ALJ decision will be considered final.

Supplement
Retiree Benefit
Reserve (SRBR)

The elimination of the SRBR will continue.

Guaranteed Purchasing Power (GPP)

The SRBR will be replaced with a Guaranteed Purchasing Power provision for all current and future Tier 1 retirees, but the GPP will be applied prospectively after its implementation. The GPP is designed to maintain the monthly allowance for Tier 1 retirees at 75% of purchasing power effective the date of the retiree's retirement.

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A retiree's pension benefit will be recalculated annually to determine if the allowance has kept up with inflation per the CPI-U. The actual benefit will be compared to what would have been required to maintain the same purchasing power at the time of retirement. If the benefit for Tier 1 retirees falls below 75%, a separate check will be issued to make up the difference, beginning in February 2016. The number of Tier 1 retirees who currently fall below 75% purchasing power is approximately 68.

The bargaining units representing employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System will have a right to tender defense of the litigation to the City in the event of litigation brought forward by a retired member or members of the bargaining units representing employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System, against bargaining units representing employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System challenging this settlement framework agreement.

SRBR Costing

By continuing the elimination of the SRBR, the City will solidify the \$4 million General Fund savings already achieved by the City as a result of Measure B. Assuming the savings of \$4 million continues annually, using simple arithmetic, the elimination of the SRBR is estimated to result in an approximate savings of \$120 million over 30 years. It should be noted that the calculation of the \$4 million was based on the information available to the City when the SRBR was initially eliminated. Please refer to Attachment D.

Attorneys' Fees

To settle attorneys' fees related to Measure B legal matters, the City shall pay the Federated litigant bargaining units \$1.257 million within thirty (30) days of the settlement framework agreement being approved by City Council.

For IFPTE (AEA, AMSP and CAMP) and OE#3 only, final and binding arbitration is available before a JAMS judge to resolve any additional claims for attorneys' fees related to Measure B litigation (including administrative proceedings) and resolution. AFSCME (MEF and CEO) is not entitled to arbitration for any additional claims for attorneys' fees.

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The Framework contains a quo warranto implementation plan to be followed by the City and the bargaining units representing employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System that is similar to the process agreed to with the SJPOA and IAFF, Local 230.

If the quo warranto process described in the Framework succeeds, the bargaining units representing employees in the Federated City Employees' Retirement System agree to work with the City on a 2016 ballot measure that will supersede Measure B and incorporate the following provisions:

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- (1) A provision requiring voter approval of defined retirement benefit enhancements;
- (2) A provision requiring actuarial soundness;
- (3) A provision prohibiting retroactivity of defined retirement benefit enhancements; and
- (4) Any other provisions contained the Framework that the parties may mutually agree to.

If the quo warranto process is not successful in invalidating Measure B, the parties agree that the Framework will be implemented via a ballot measure in November 2016.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP

The City and the Federated Retirees' Association are continuing settlement discussions related to litigation arising out of Measure B. The goal of these discussions is to reach a global settlement with all parties to the litigation. The City Administration will continue to keep the Council apprised of any updates related to this matter as proceeding with the quo warranto process is contingent on reaching an agreement with all litigants.

As previously noted, the City and the SJPOA and IAFF, Local 230 reached an agreement on an Alternative Pension Reform Settlement Framework on July 15, 2015, which was approved by City Council in open session on August 25, 2015, after ratification by the SJPOA and IAFF, Local 230 memberships.

Once a decision has been made on the recommended process by which to enact this Settlement Framework agreement, the City Administration will bring it forward to City Council for consideration.

PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST

This memorandum will be posted on the City's website in advance of the December 15, 2015, City Council Meeting.

COORDINATION

This memorandum was coordinated with the City Attorney's Office.

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COST SUMMARY/IMPLICATIONS

Appropriation actions in the amount of \$1.257 million, funded from the Retiree Healthcare Solutions Reserve, are recommended as part of this memorandum to pay attorney's fees related to the settlement of Measure B. Although there is currently a Fiscal Reform Plan Implementation Reserve available that would otherwise be used as a funding source for the \$1.257 million action, the reserve funding level stands at only \$787,000 and will likely be needed to pay for additional attorney fees related to the implementation of the Police and Fire Department and Federated settlement frameworks. The use of the Retiree Healthcare Solutions Reserve is recommended instead to fund this settlement, as the Administration believes there will be sufficient funds remaining in this reserve after this action to provide for any further City retiree healthcare contribution rate funding needs that will be determined at a later date. The cost/savings estimates of each element of the framework are noted above and in the attachments, and it is estimated that, over 30+ years, the City will realize savings of approximately \$1.3 billion from the revised Tier 2 compared to Tier 1 (\$940.8 billion), the revised retiree healthcare program compared to the current retiree healthcare program (\$249.9 million), and from the elimination of the SRBR (\$120 million). With the exception of the SRBR, it is important to note that these estimates were done by the City's actuary and actual costs/savings will be determined by the Retirement Board's actuary.


BUDGET REFERENCE

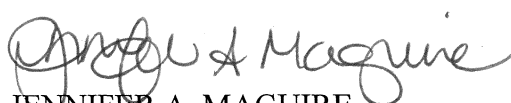
The table below identifies the fund and appropriations to fund the actions recommended as part of this memorandum.

Fund #	Appn #	Appn. Name	Total Appn	2015-2016 Estimated Costs	2015-2016 Adopted Operating Budget Page	Last Budget Action (Date, Ord. No.)
001	3258	Measure B Settlement	\$1,500,000	\$1,257,000	N/A	8/25/15, 29609
001	8411	Retiree Healthcare Solutions Reserve	\$6,195,000	(\$1,257,000)	IX-58	6/23/15, 29589

CEQA

Not a Project, File No. PP10-069(b), Personnel Related Decisions.


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Attachment A – Federated Alternative Pension Reform Settlement Framework Agreement

Attachment B – Letter from John Bartel dated December 3, 2015 on Tier 2 Costing

Attachment C – Letter from John Bartel dated December 3, 2015 on Retiree Healthcare Costing

Attachment D – Letter from John Bartel dated December 3, 2015 on Guaranteed Purchasing Power

For questions, please contact Jennifer Schembri, Director of Employee Relations, at (408) 535-8150.

ALTERNATIVE PENSION REFORM SETTLEMENT FRAMEWORK

(Evidence Code Section 1152)

Settlement Discussion Framework Language

The City of San Jose, AFSCME, Local 101 (on behalf of its chapters, the Municipal Employees' Federation, the Confidential Employees' Organization), the Association of Engineers and Architects, the Association of Maintenance Supervisory Personnel, the City Association of Management Personnel, and the Operating Engineers, Local 3 ("the Litigants") have engaged in settlement discussions concerning litigation arising out of a voter-approved ballot measure, known as Measure B. The Litigants have reached the below framework for a tentative settlement of American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees v. City of San Jose, Santa Clara Superior Court, No. 1-12-CV-227864, Harris, et. Al. v. City of San Jose, et. al., Santa Clara County Superior Court, No. 1-12-CV-226570, Mukhar, et. Al. v. City of San Jose, Santa Clara County Superior Court, No. 1-12-CV-226574), International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers vs. City of San Jose, Public Employment Relations Board Unfair Practice No. SF-CE-996-M, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees vs. City of San Jose, Public Employment Relations Board Unfair Practice No. SF-CE-924-M, Operating Engineers, Local 3 vs. City of San Jose, Public Employment Relations Board Unfair Practice No. SF-CE-900-M, and various other actions, including grievances. This settlement framework shall be presented for approval by the City Council and the respective Union Board of Directors.

Although the Association of Legal Professionals, the Association of Building, Mechanical, and Electrical Inspectors, and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers ("Non-Litigants") are not plaintiffs in a legal challenge to Measure B, these bargaining units also agree to the settlement framework as listed below and will present this framework to their members for approval. Litigants and Non-Litigants will be referred to collectively as "The Parties"

It is understood that this settlement framework is subject to a final overall global settlement. In the event the settlement framework is not accepted, all Parties reserve the right to modify, amend and/or add proposals. Each individual item contained herein is contingent on an overall global settlement/agreement being reached on all terms, by all Parties and other litigants (including the retirees), and ratified by union membership and approved by the City Council.

Retirement Memorandum of Agreement

1. The Parties (the City of San Jose, the Association of Building, Mechanical, and Electrical Inspectors (ABMEI), the Association of Engineers and Architects (AEA), the Association of Legal Professionals (ALP), the Association of Maintenance Supervisory Personnel (AMSP), the City Association of Management Personnel (CAMP), the Confidential Employees' Organization (CEO), the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), the Municipal Employees' Federation (MEF), and the Operating Engineers, Local 3 (OE#3)) shall enter into a Retirement Memorandum of Agreement to memorialize all agreements related to retirement. The Retirement MOA shall expire June 30, 2025.
2. The Retirement MOA will be a binding agreement describing the terms of the final agreement between the parties (ABMEI, AEA, ALP, AMSP, CAMP,

CEO, IBEW, MEF and OE#3) and will be subject to any agreed-upon reopeners herein.

The current Tier 2 retirement plans for Federated employees will be modified as follows:

1. Pension benefit will be 2.0% per year of service
2. One year of service will be 2080 hours. Pensionable pay will be the same as Tier 1 employees.
3. Retirement Age
 - a. The eligible age for an unreduced pension benefit will be age 62
 - b. The eligible age for a reduced pension benefit will be age 55. The reduction for retirement before age 62 will be 5% per year, prorated to the closest month.
4. 70% cap
 - a. The maximum pension benefit will be 70% of an employee's final average salary
5. Three-year final average salary
6. A member is vested after 5 years of service
7. No retroactive defined benefit pension increases or decreases
 - a. Any such changes in retirement benefits will only be applied on a prospective basis.
8. No pension contribution holiday for the City or the employee
9. Final compensation means base pay actually paid to a member and shall not include premium pay or any other forms of additional compensation
10. Current Tier 2 Federated employees will retroactively be moved to the new Tier 2 retirement benefit plan except as provided in Paragraph 18 (returning Tier 1).

- a. Any costs, including any unfunded liability, associated with transitioning current Tier 2 employees into the restructured Tier 2 benefit will be amortized as a separate liability over a minimum of 20 years and split between the employee and the City 50/50. This will be calculated as a separate unfunded liability and not subject to the ramp up increments of other unfunded liability.
11. Removal of language limiting vesting of benefits from City Charter (Section 1508-A (h))
12. Tier 2 cost sharing
 - a. Employees and the City will split the cost of Tier 2 including normal cost and unfunded liabilities on a 50/50 basis
 - b. In the event an unfunded liability is determined to exist for the Federated Tier 2 retirement plan, Tier 2 employees will contribute toward the unfunded liability in increments of 0.33% per year until such time that the unfunded liability is shared 50/50 between the employee and the employer.
 - c. Until such time that the unfunded liability is shared 50/50, the City will pay the balance of the unfunded liability.
13. Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)
 - a. Tier 2 retirees will receive an annual cost of living adjustment based on the Consumer Price Index – Urban Consumers (San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, December to December) (“CPI”) or a back-loaded 2.0% COLA (as described below), whichever is lower. The back-loaded COLA shall be calculated as follows:
 - i. Service at retirement of 1-10 years: 1.25% per year
 - ii. Service at retirement of 11-20 years: 1.5% per year
 - iii. Service at retirement of 21-25 years: 1.75% per year
 - iv. Service at retirement of 26 years and above: 2.0% per year

- b. In the first year of pension benefits, the COLA will be pro-rated based on the date of retirement
- c. Current Tier 2 employees as of the date of this agreement will receive an annual cost of living adjustment of the lower of CPI (as defined above) or 1.5% per year for service at retirement of 1-10 years. After 10 years of service, employees will receive an annual cost of living adjustment in retirement pursuant to Section 13(a) above.

14. Disability Benefit (Tier 2)

- a. A Tier 2 member who is approved by the independent medical review panel for a service-connected disability retirement is entitled to a monthly allowance equal to:
 - i. $2\% \times \text{Years of Service} \times \text{Final Compensation}$, with a minimum of 40% and a maximum of 70% of Final Compensation.
- b. A Tier 2 member who is approved by the independent medical review panel for a non-service connected disability is entitled to a monthly allowance equal to:
 - i. $2\% \times \text{Years of Service} \times \text{Final Compensation}$, with a minimum of 20% and a maximum of 70% of Final Compensation.

15. If there is any Tier 1 or Tier 2 benefit not mentioned in this framework, the parties agree to meet to discuss whether or not that benefit should be included in the Tier 2 benefit.

16. Tier 2 members eligible for retirement will be provided with 50% Joint and Survivor benefits, which provide 50% of the retiree's pension to the retiree's surviving spouse or domestic partner in the event of the retiree's death after retirement.

- a. Tier 2 members eligible for retirement will be provided with survivor benefits in the event of death before retirement. These benefits will

be the same as Tier 1 members but reduced to reflect the new 70% pension cap versus the current 75% pension cap.

17. Tier 2 members not eligible for retirement at the time of death will be provided with survivor benefits of a return of employee contributions, plus interest in the event of death before retirement
18. Former Tier 1 Federated City employees who have been rehired since the implementation of Tier 2 or rehired after the effective date of a tentative agreement based on this framework will be placed in Tier 1
 - a. Any costs, including any unfunded liability, associated with transitioning current Tier 2 employees who were former Tier 1 City employees who have since been rehired will be amortized as a separate liability over a minimum of 20 years and split between the employee and the City 50/50. This will be calculated as a separate unfunded liability and as Tier 1 employees these members are not subject to a ramp up in unfunded liability.
 - b. Any lateral hire from any other pension system who transfers as a "Classic" employee under PEPRA, regardless of tier, will be placed in Tier 1.
 - c. Any lateral hire from any other pension system who transfers as a "new" employee under PEPRA will be placed in Tier 2.
19. Tier 2 members will be provided the same service repurchase options as Tier 1 members (excluding purchases of service credit related to disciplinary suspensions) so long as all costs for the repurchase are paid for by the employee.

Retiree Healthcare - All provisions below are contingent on final costing by the City's Actuary and review for legal and/or tax issues

1. The parties will implement a defined contribution healthcare benefit in the form of a Voluntary Employee Beneficiary Association (VEBA). The plans would not provide any defined benefit, would not obligate the City to provide any specific benefit upon member retirement, and therefore create no unfunded liability. This agreement does not require the City to contribute any future funds to an employee's VEBA, nor does it preclude an agreement to allow future City contributions
2. New lowest cost medical plan
 - a. Kaiser NCAL 4307 Plan (305/\$3,000 HSA-Qualified Deductible HMO Plan) will be adopted as the new lowest cost healthcare plan, for active and retired members
 - b. The City will continue the cost sharing arrangement for active employees of 85% of the lowest cost non-deductible HMO plan
 - c. "Floor": The "lowest cost plan" for any current or future retiree in the defined benefit retirement healthcare plan shall be set that it may not be lower than the "silver" level as specified by the current Affordable Care Act in effect at the time of this agreement. This "Floor" specifically includes the provision that the healthcare plan must be estimated to provide at least 70% of healthcare expenses as per the current ACA "silver" definition.
 - d. Any changes to the "Floor" shall be by mutual agreement only.
3. Potential Tier 1 opt-out
 - a. So long as it is legally permitted, Tier 1 employees may make a one-time election to opt-out of the defined benefit retiree healthcare

plan into an appropriate vehicle for the funds, i.e. a Voluntary Employee Beneficiary Association (VEBA). Members of the current defined benefit plans will be provided with one irrevocable opportunity to voluntarily “opt out” of the current retiree medical plan. Those members who “opt out,” and are thus not covered by the City defined benefit retiree medical plan, will be mandated to join the VEBA plan.

4. Continue enrollment in Medicare Parts A and B as required by any applicable federal regulations or by insurance providers. The enrollment period for Medicare Parts A and B shall begin three months before the retiree’s 65th birthday, continue through the month of birth, and conclude three months after the retiree’s 65th birthday.
5. The current defined benefit retiree healthcare plan is modified to enable retired members to select an “in lieu” premium credit option. At the beginning of each plan year, retirees can choose to receive a credit for 25% (twenty-five percent) of the monthly premium of the lowest priced healthcare and dental plan as a credit toward future member healthcare premiums in lieu of receiving healthcare coverage. On an annual basis, or upon qualifying events described in the “special enrollment” provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, retirees and their spouses/dependents can elect to enroll in a healthcare plan or continue to receive an “in lieu” premium credit. Enrollees receiving in lieu credit at any tier other than retiree only must verify annually that they are still eligible for the tier for which they are receiving the in lieu credit. If a member selects the “in-lieu” premium credit, but the member, their survivor or beneficiaries never uses their accumulated premium credit, the accumulated credit is forfeited. At no time can a member or

survivor/beneficiary take the credit in cash or any form of taxable compensation. There is no cap on the size of the accumulated credit.

6. Members of the VEBA and their spouses/dependents, during retirement, may also elect to enter or exit unsubsidized coverage on an annual basis or upon a qualifying event (however, members in the VEBA will not receive an "in lieu" benefit).
7. The VEBA contribution rate for all members who opt out of the defined benefit plan and are mandated to join the VEBA plan will be 4.5% of base pay.
8. Any former Tier 1 employee who was rehired into Tier 2 will be treated as Tier 1 for pension and Tier 2 for retiree healthcare.
9. All Tier 2A employees (except those represented by OE#3) will mandatorily be removed from the Defined Benefit retirement healthcare plan and will be mandated to contribute 2% of base pay to the VEBA. ***This will occur as soon as practical from implementation of the agreement and does not need to wait for implementation of any other retiree healthcare provision.*** The City may transfer funds from the 115 Trust to the members' VEBA plan account to the extent permitted by federal tax law and subject to receipt of a favorable private letter ruling. If this occurs, an amount estimated to equal the member's prior retiree healthcare contribution, with no interest included, will be contributed to the VEBA.
10. Tier 2A employees represented by OE#3, so long as it is legally permitted, may make a one-time election to opt-out of the defined benefit retiree healthcare plan into an appropriate vehicle for the funds, i.e. a Voluntary Employee Beneficiary Association (VEBA). Members of the current defined benefit plans will be provided with one irrevocable opportunity to voluntarily "opt out" of the current retiree medical plan. Those members who "opt out," and are thus not covered by the City defined

benefit retiree medical plan, will be mandated to join the VEBA plan. Tier 2A employees represented by OE#3 who remain in the Defined Benefit retirement healthcare plan will contribute 7.5% of their pensionable payroll into the plan. The VEBA contribution rate for all Tier 2A employees represented by OE#3 who opt out of the defined benefit plan and are mandated to join the VEBA plan will be 4.5% of base pay.

11. All Tier 2B employees will be mandated to contribute 2% of base pay to the VEBA.
12. All Tier 2C employees will be automatically removed from the dental benefit plan and will be mandated to contribute 2% of base pay to the VEBA. ***This will occur as soon as practical from implementation of the agreement and does not need to wait for implementation of any other retiree healthcare provision.*** The City may transfer funds from the 115 Trust to the members' VEBA plan account to the extent permitted by federal tax law and subject to receipt of a favorable private letter ruling. If this occurs, an amount estimated to equal the member's prior retiree healthcare contribution, with no interest included, will be contributed to the VEBA.
13. Members who remain in the Defined Benefit retirement healthcare plan will contribute 7.5% of their pensionable payroll into the plan. The City will contribute the additional amount necessary to ensure the Defined Benefit retirement healthcare plan receives its full Annual Required Contribution each year. If the City's portion of the Annual Required Contribution reaches 14% of payroll, the City may decide to contribute a maximum of 14%.
14. The parties have been advised that the difference between the defined benefit contribution rate (7.5%) and the VEBA opt-out contribution rate (4.5%) will be taxable income.

15. Upon making such an irrevocable election to opt-out of the defined benefit retiree healthcare plan, an amount estimated to equal the member's prior retiree healthcare contribution, with no interest included, will be contributed by the City to the member's VEBA plan account (pending costing and tax counsel advice). In making these contributions, the City may transfer funds from the 115 Trust to the members' VEBA plan account to the extent permitted by federal tax law and subject to receipt of a favorable private letter ruling. If it is determined by the IRS that the funds may not come out of the 115 trust, the parties will meet and confer regarding the opt-out and whether or not it can be implemented through other means. In addition, if the amount needed based on the number of employees who chose to opt out is more than the funds in 115 trust, the parties will also meet and confer. Members will be provided with individual, independent financial counseling to assist them with any decisions to remain in or "opt out" of the defined benefit retiree medical plan.
16. Pending legal review by tax counsel, deferred-vested Tier 1 members who return to San José will be given a one-time irrevocable option to "opt out" of the defined benefit retirement healthcare option. Upon choosing to "opt out", they will become a member of the VEBA and their VEBA account will be credited for an amount estimated to equal the member's prior retiree healthcare contribution, with no interest included. If they choose not to "opt out", they will return to the Defined Benefit retirement healthcare plan.
17. Catastrophic Disability Healthcare Program –Members of the VEBA who receive service-connected disability retirements will be eligible for 100% of the single premium for the lowest cost plan until the member is eligible for Medicare (usually age 65).

- a. Qualifications - The member must not be eligible for an unreduced service retirement.
- b. The member must exhaust any funds in their VEBA account prior to becoming eligible for the Catastrophic Disability Healthcare Program.
- c. Upon reaching Medicare eligibility, the benefit will cease
- d. Any retiree who qualifies must submit on an annual basis an affidavit verifying that they have no other employment which provides healthcare coverage.
- e. If a retiree is found to have other employment which provides healthcare coverage, their eligibility to participate in the Catastrophic Disability Healthcare Program will automatically cease, subject to re-enrollment if they subsequently lose said employment-provided healthcare coverage.

Disability Definition and Process

1. Reinstate the previous City definition for disability for all Federated employees.
2. Applications for disability must be filed within one month of separation from City service subject to the exceptions reflected in Municipal Code §3.28.1240
3. All applicants must submit medical paperwork indicating the initial nature of their disability including the affected body part if applicable, the current level of disability, and current treatments underway. Such medical paperwork must be filed within one year of separation unless the independent medical review panel grants a longer deadline due to extenuating circumstances.

4. Applications for disability may not be deferred by the applicant past four (4) years of the date of application submittal, unless the independent medical review panel grants a longer deadline due to extenuating circumstances.
5. The member and the City may have legal representation at hearings.
6. Independent panel of experts appointed by 4 of 7 retirement board members will evaluate and approve or deny disability retirement applications
 - a. *Using the established Request for Proposal process, the retirement boards will recruit potential members of the independent medical panel.*
 - b. Each member shall have a four-year term and meet the following minimum qualifications:
 - i. 10 years of practice after completion of residency
 - ii. Practicing or retired Board Certified physician
 - iii. Not a prior or current City employee
 - iv. No experience providing the City or retirement boards with medical services, except for prior service on medical panel
 - v. No experience as a Qualified Medical Evaluator or Agreed Medical Evaluator
 - vi. Varying medical experience
 - c. A panel of three independent medical experts will decide whether to grant or deny all disability applications, whether service or non-service connected. The panel's decision will be made by majority vote.
 - d. Upon its own motion or request, the independent medical panel may determine the status of a disability retirement recipient to

confirm that the member is still incapacitated or if the member has the ability to return to work.

7. Administrative law judge

- a. A decision to grant or deny the disability retirement made by the independent medical panel may be appealed to an administrative law judge.
- b. Applicant or City has forty-five (45) days to appeal a decision made by the independent medical panel. The appeal hearing must commence within ninety (90) days of the notice of appeal, unless a later date is mutually agreed to by the parties.
- c. The decision rendered by the administrative law judge is to be based on the record of the matter before the independent medical review panel.
- d. The decision of the administrative law judge will be a final administrative decision within the meaning of Section 1094.5 of the California Code of Civil Procedure.

8. Workers' Compensation Offset

- a. The workers' compensation offset currently in place for Federated Plan participants will continue for Tier 1 and Tier 2.

Supplement Retiree Benefit Reserve (SRBR)

1. Continue elimination of SRBR

- a. The funds credited to the SRBR will continue to be credited to the Federated City Employees' Retirement System to pay for pension benefits

2. City will replace SRBR with guaranteed purchasing power (GPP) provision for all Tier 1 retirees, prospectively. The GPP is intended to

maintain the monthly allowance for Tier 1 retirees at 75% of purchasing power effective with the date of the retiree's retirement

- a. Beginning January 2016 and each January thereafter, a retiree's pension benefit will be recalculated annually to determine whether the benefit level (including any increases due to cost of living adjustments) has kept up with inflation as measured by the CPI-U (San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose). The actual benefit level will be compared to what would have been required to maintain the same purchasing power as the retiree had at the time of retirement, with a CPI-based increase.
- b. Those Tier 1 retirees whose benefit falls below 75% of purchasing power will receive a supplemental payment that shall make up the difference between their current benefit level and the benefit level required to meet the 75% GPP.
- c. The supplemental GPP payment to qualifying retirees will be paid annually in a separate check, beginning February 2016, and each February thereafter.
- d. The number of Tier 1 retirees whose benefit level was below 75% GPP at the time of costing was approximately 68.
- e. In the event of litigation by a retired member or members of the Federated bargaining units challenging this provision of the Settlement Agreement against a Federated bargaining unit, the Unions will have a right to tender the defense of the litigation to the City. City will accept the defense of the litigation and will defend the Federated bargaining unit with counsel of City's choice, including the City Attorney's Office. If the City is also named defendant in any such suit, Unions will not claim that joint representation of either or both of them and the City constitutes a legal conflict for the

attorney(s) defending the suit. This defense obligation will not apply to lawsuits challenging or in any way relating to this provision filed more than five years after the effective date of this agreement.

Attorney's Fees

1. \$1.257 million to the litigants (AFSCME-MEF and CEO; IFPTE Local 21-AEA, AMSP and CAMP; and OE#3) within 30 days of the settlement framework being approved by Council in open session.
 - a. AFSCME (MEF and CEO) shall not be entitled to any more in Attorneys' Fees and expenses related to the litigation and resolution of Measure B, and are not entitled to final and binding arbitration regarding Attorney's Fees.
 - b. The City and IFPTE Local 21 (AEA, AMSP and CAMP) and OE#3 agree to final and binding arbitration to resolve additional claims over attorneys' fees and expenses related to the litigation and resolution of Measure B.
 - i. The arbitration will be before a JAMS judge formerly of San Francisco or Alameda County
 - ii. The City shall pay the arbitrator's fees and costs, including court reporter
 - iii. The parties agree that the issue presented shall be: Whether IFPTE Local 21 (AEA, AMSP and CAMP) and OE#3 are entitled, under binding statutory or common law basis, to additional attorneys' fees and/or expenses related to litigation and resolution of Measure B? If so, in what amounts?

Quo Warranto/Ballot Measure Implementation Plan

1. The Federated bargaining units (ABMEI, AEA, ALP, AMSP, CAMP, CEO, IBEW, MEF and OE#3) agree to work collaboratively with the City to develop a ballot measure, which, if the quo warranto process (as defined in the Settlement Framework and Proposed Quo Warranto Implementation Plan) succeeds, will supersede Measure B with the following (1) a provision requiring voter approval of defined benefit pension enhancements, (2) a provision requiring actuarial soundness, (3) a provision prohibiting retroactivity of defined benefit pension enhancements, and (4) any other provisions contained in the Settlement Framework that the parties mutually agree to, for inclusion in a 2016 ballot measure that will incorporate any such provisions into the City Charter. Once the parties mutually agree to the language, all the Federated bargaining units shall endorse the ballot measure.
2. As agreed upon by the City and the Federated bargaining units (ABMEI, AEA, ALP, AMSP, CAMP, CEO, IBEW, MEF and OE#3), the proposed quo warranto implementation plan shall be followed by the parties in the manner described below.

Step	Time	Action
1.	Immediately upon signature of the Framework by the litigants	Parties ask for a stay in appellate proceedings (Lucas ruling). AFSCME (MEF and CEO), IFPTE (AEA, AMSP and CAMP), and OE#3 will also ask for a stay in the PERB proceedings until March 31, 2016. So long as the quo warranto process is still ongoing, the stay will be continued on a quarterly basis until the conclusion of the quo warranto process.
2.	Upon ratification of Federated/Retirees Deal	Global Settlement Addendum Agreement on quo warranto process: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Global settlement involving all litigants (including retirees) and bargaining unit representatives • Entered into for purposes of settlement

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Except as otherwise provided in the stipulated order and judgment described below no admission of wrongdoing, including no admission that the City acted in bad faith • Non-precedential for any purpose
3.	Immediately after #2	Begin drafting ordinances. Begin identifying ordinances implemented as a result of Measure B.
5.	Immediately after #2	Parties negotiate charter language, pursuant to Section 1 above under "Quo Warranto/Ballot Measure Implementation Plan," simultaneous with agreement on stipulated facts, order and judgment.
6.	Simultaneous with #5	<p>Although the Federated Bargaining Units are not parties to the pending litigation in Santa Clara Superior Court Case No. 1-13-CV-245503 ("Quo Warranto Case"), the Federated Bargaining Units will support the City and SJPOA's Proposed Stipulated Facts, Order and Proposed Stipulated Judgment in the Quo Warranto Case (for purposes of settlement only)</p> <p>Outline of stipulated facts and findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • history of negotiations including agreement on impasse as of 10/31, number of negotiation sessions, and use of mediation; • changes to the proposed ballot language, including post-impasse changes; • tension between City's powers and MMBA and effort to harmonize through Seal Beach negotiations—as described on pages 3-4 of Attorney General opinion No. 12-605. • language from AG decision to grant QW based on the question of whether impasse had been broken by post-impasse ballot changes made by City and whether City Council needed to negotiate further (the inherent powers vs. MMBA issue); • the cost and time and risks of litigating QW, including appeals and the issue of whether a decision in QW case would be universally applicable; • the desirability of finding a solution that is collaborative • financial challenges facing City and retirement funds - desire on part of employees, retirees and City to make benefits sustainable; • Stipulated Order that City should have engaged in further negotiation of final language before putting on ballot to comply with MMBA obligations and failure to do so was a procedural defect significant enough to declare null and void Resolution placing Measure B on ballot; This order will not include a finding that the City acted in bad faith.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any additional language required by the court to allow the Court to approve the parties' Stipulated Order and Judgment. The Court order must be factually accurate. Agreement that Resolution No. 76158 shall be null and void. Overriding public interest in expedited resolution of quo warranto proceedings and implementation of Settlement Framework to restore and improve city services and sustainability of retirement plans. <p>Stipulated Judgment shall reflect that Measure B shall be invalidated</p>
7.	Upon completion of #5 and #6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submission of Stipulated Order and Stipulated Judgment to quo warranto judge, which may require coordination with the Attorney General.
8.	Upon entry of judgment in quo warranto case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formally adopt ordinances to implement Settlement Framework and replace Measure B. At such time as the judgment becomes final and the Quo Warranto issues, or the voters pass a substitute measure supported by the Parties, all parties dismiss/withdraw all complaints, unfair practice charges, etc.
9.	January 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Begin discussions over including any other provisions in Settlement Framework in ballot measure (per Section 1 above under "Quo Warranto/Ballot Measure Implementation Plan) to be completed by July 2016
10.	Third Party Litigation	All Federated bargaining units (except ALP) agree to oppose any third party litigation challenging the invalidation of Measure B through the quo warranto process either by joining the litigation or by petitioning to file an Amicus Brief.
11.	Immediately upon: (1) retirees not settling their litigation; or (2) quo warranto process not succeeding in invalidating Measure B	Craft ballot measure to implement all aspects of Settlement Framework agreed to by the Federated bargaining units for placement on the ballot in November 2016. The Parties will begin this process immediately in January 2016 if either the retirees have not settled or the quo warranto process has not been completed.

This settlement framework is an outline of the agreement reached by the parties that will need to be implemented through various means, such as ordinances. Successful implementation of this agreement will satisfy and terminate the "Retirement (Pension and Retiree Healthcare) Reopener" agreed upon by the Federated bargaining units.

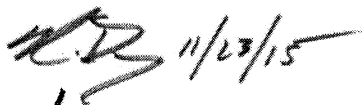
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The Federated Bargaining Units and the City shall in good faith work toward implementing this agreement, and neither party shall take any action to undermine or subvert the terms and benefits provided by this agreement.

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Re: San Jose Federated Tier 2 Pension Benefit

Dear Ms. Schembri:

This letter provides our analysis of the San Jose Federated Tier 2 pension benefit agreement. We understand the agreement will redefine Tier 2 pension benefits as:

- Benefit formula: 2% per year of City service, maximum 70% of final average salary
- Final average salary: final three years base pay
- Normal retirement age 62
- Reduced retirement age 55, with 5% reduction for each year retirement precedes age 62
- Provide the following ancillary benefits:
 - 5 year vesting
 - Cost of Living Adjustments equal to the lessor of CPI and the following based on years of service at retirement:

Years of City Service at Retirement	COLA
1-10	1.25%
11-20	1.50%
21-25	1.75%
26+	2.00%

Current Tier 2 employees as of agreement date will receive the lessor of a 1.5% COLA or CPI for 1-10 years of City service at retirement.

- Automatic 50% survivor benefit
- Disability benefit:
 - Service-connected – 2% x Years of Service x Final Average Salary, with a minimum of 40% and a maximum of 70% of Final Average Salary
 - Non Service-connected – 2% x Years of Service x Final Average Salary, with a minimum of 20% and a maximum of 70% of Final Average Salary

Analysis

The following table shows the estimated impact on the Tier 2 Normal Cost:

Normal Cost	Current Tier 1	Current Tier 2	Agreement Tier 2
Total	23.41%	11.48%	14.2% New T2 / 14.3% Current T2
City	17.08%	5.74%	7.1%
Member	6.33%	5.74%	7.1%



These normal cost results used the current Cheiron Tier 2 retirement rates from the June 30, 2014 valuation. Because the Agreement Tier 2 benefit reduces the normal retirement age from 65 to 62, we believe Cheiron may adjust the Tier 2 retirement rates to reflect the lower normal retirement age. We estimate this could increase the Agreement Tier 2 total normal cost by approximately 0.4%.

The following table projects out City normal cost under the current Tier 2 benefit formula, assuming Tier 2 benefits were the same as Tier 1, and under the agreed to Tier 2 benefit formula over the next 30 years (note all projections are based on the current Cheiron Tier 2 retirement rates):

**City of San Jose
 Federated
 Projection of City Normal Cost of Agreed To Pension Tier 2 Benefit Formula
 (\$ millions)**

FYE	<u>Tier 2 Benefit Unchanged</u>		<u>Tier 2 Benefit Restored to</u>		<u>Tier 2 Benefit as Bargained</u>	
	11.48% Tier 2 NC		Tier 1 Level		14.2% Tier 2 NC	
	11.48% Tier 2 NC		23.41% Tier 2 NC		(14.3% Current Tier 2)	
	<u>Total City Cost</u>		<u>Total City Cost</u>		<u>Total City Cost</u>	
	% of Pay	\$	% of Pay	\$	% of Pay	\$
2017	5.74%	4.0	17.08%	11.8	7.1%	4.9
2018	5.74%	4.8	17.08%	14.4	7.1%	6.0
2019	5.74%	5.7	17.08%	17.1	7.1%	7.1
2020	5.74%	6.7	17.08%	19.9	7.1%	8.3
2021	5.74%	7.7	17.08%	23.0	7.1%	9.6
2022	5.74%	8.8	17.08%	26.2	7.1%	10.9
2023	5.74%	9.8	17.08%	29.2	7.1%	12.2
2024	5.74%	10.7	17.08%	31.9	7.1%	13.3
2025	5.74%	11.6	17.08%	34.6	7.1%	14.4
2026	5.74%	12.5	17.08%	37.2	7.1%	15.5
2027	5.74%	13.4	17.08%	39.9	7.1%	16.7
2028	5.74%	14.4	17.08%	42.8	7.1%	17.8
2029	5.74%	15.3	17.08%	45.6	7.1%	19.0
2030	5.74%	16.4	17.08%	48.8	7.1%	20.3
2031	5.74%	17.5	17.08%	52.0	7.1%	21.7
2032	5.74%	18.6	17.08%	55.4	7.1%	23.1
2033	5.74%	19.8	17.08%	58.8	7.1%	24.5
2034	5.74%	20.8	17.08%	61.9	7.1%	25.8
2035	5.74%	21.7	17.08%	64.7	7.1%	27.0
2036	5.74%	22.7	17.08%	67.4	7.1%	28.1
2037	5.74%	23.6	17.08%	70.1	7.1%	29.2
2038	5.74%	24.5	17.08%	73.0	7.1%	30.4
2039	5.74%	25.6	17.08%	76.1	7.1%	31.7
2040	5.74%	26.6	17.08%	79.1	7.1%	33.0
2041	5.74%	27.5	17.08%	81.9	7.1%	34.1
2042	5.74%	28.5	17.08%	84.7	7.1%	35.3
2043	5.74%	29.4	17.08%	87.5	7.1%	36.5
2044	5.74%	30.3	17.08%	90.3	7.1%	37.6
2045	5.74%	31.3	17.08%	93.0	7.1%	38.8
2046	5.74%	32.2	17.08%	95.7	7.1%	39.9
Totals		542.4		1,613.7		672.9



The agreement also provides that Tier 2 members will pay 50% of the unfunded liability contribution. Even though there is a ramp up feature to this cost sharing we believe, if unfunded liabilities do materialize this will be a cost savings feature for the City.

Assumptions

Study results were estimated using the same assumptions as the Cheiron June 30, 2014 actuarial valuation.

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To the best of our knowledge, this letter is complete and accurate and has been prepared using generally accepted actuarial principles and practices. As a member of the American Academy of Actuaries meeting the Academy Qualification Standards, I certify the actuarial results and opinions herein.

Please call Cathy Wandro (650-377-1606) or me (650-377-1601) with any questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

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December 3, 2015

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Re: San Jose Federated Retiree Healthcare Agreement

Dear Ms. Schembri:

This letter provides our analysis of the San Jose Federated retiree healthcare (medical and dental) agreement. We understand the agreement will:

- Establish a VEBA
 - New hires and current Tier 2 employees (except Tier 2A represented by OE#3) will participate in the VEBA only and will not be eligible for current plan benefits.
 - Current Tier 1 and Tier 2A represented by OE#3 retiree healthcare participants would be given the option to "opt-out" of the current plan and join the VEBA. This, in conjunction with closing the plan to new hires and most current Tier 2 employees will effectively mean the current benefit will wear away over time.
 - Historical employee contributions to the current plan would be transferred for anyone opting out of the current plan.
- Contributions:
 - City will contribute the full ARC, less member contributions, to the current plan based on total pensionable pay regardless of whether an individual participates in the current plan or the VEBA. (Note the City, per the agreement, may cap its contribution at 14% of total pensionable pay.)
 - City will not contribute to the VEBA.
 - Members remaining in the current plan will contribute 7.5% of their pensionable pay.
 - Members participating in the VEBA will not contribute to the current plan.
- All retirees, whether participating in the current plan or the VEBA would be allowed to participate in the City's medical plans, however retirees participating in the VEBA would only be eligible for unsubsidized premiums.
- Adoption of the Kaiser NCAL 4307 medical plan for actives and retirees.
- Add an "in lieu" feature to the current plan that would allow retirees to receive a credit for 25% of the lowest cost medical and dental plan as a credit toward future healthcare premiums, in lieu of receiving healthcare coverage.
- Agreement is contingent on cost analysis determining that funding will be adequate for the current plan and a review of the legal/tax issues.



Analysis – Funding Valuation Basis

The following table shows the estimated impact of the retiree healthcare agreement on the Actuarial Liability under the Funding Valuation basis which uses a 7% discount rate and includes both the explicit and implicit subsidy (millions):

AAL	Current Valuation	With Kaiser 4307 Plan	Agreement with Opt Out	Total \$ Impact	Total % Impact
Active	\$ 260.6	\$ 229.7	\$ 189.4	\$ (71.2)	(27%)
Inactive	404.4	370.3	370.3	(34.1)	(8%)
Total	664.9	600.0	559.7	(105.2)	(16%)

The following table shows the estimated impact of the retiree healthcare agreement on the Annual Required Contribution (ARC) under the Funding Valuation basis. The current valuation's Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL) amortization period is 30 year, level dollar. The agreement ARC uses a UAL amortization period of 25 years, level dollar.

ARC	Based on Payroll	Current Valuation	Agreement with Opt Out	% of Total Payroll Impact
Normal Cost	Eligible Payroll	6.01%	5.02%	(2.43%)
UAL Amortization	Total Payroll	<u>16.07%</u>	<u>13.81%</u>	<u>(2.26%)</u>
Total ARC	Total Payroll	21.12%	16.43%	(4.69%)

The following table shows the estimated impact of the retiree healthcare agreement on the City and member contribution rates under the Funding Valuation basis. Under the agreement, members remaining in the retiree healthcare plan will contribute 7.5% of pensionable payroll. The City will contribute the remaining portion of the ARC (although the City may cap its contribution at 14% of total pensionable payroll). The member and City contributions shown are based on different payrolls, with the member contributions based on the payroll for members remaining in the retiree healthcare plan but the City contribution based on total payroll.

Contributions	Based on Payroll	Current Valuation	Agreement with Opt Out	% of Total Payroll Impact
Member	Eligible Payroll	10.47%	7.50%	(4.89%)
City	Total Payroll	<u>12.32%</u>	<u>12.52%</u>	<u>0.20%</u>
Total¹	Total Payroll	21.12%	16.43%	(4.69%)

We are also attaching a table that projects City contributions for 30 years under the current plan and the retiree healthcare agreement.

¹ The agreement requires member contribution rate be applied only to pensionable pay for those remaining in the current plan while the City contribution rate would be applied to total pensionable pay. Since the member and City rates apply to different pensionable pay for both the current plan and the agreement, the total percentages were calculated based on total pensionable pay, including those ineligible or assumed to opt out.



The following table shows the impact of the agreement on FY 2015/16 dollar contributions, with City contributions equal to the ARC less the member contributions, and amounts rounded to the nearest \$100,000:

	Current	Agreement with Opt Out	Savings
Normal Cost	\$ 12,200,000	\$ 6,300,000	\$ 5,900,000
UAL Amortization	<u>38,800,000</u>	<u>33,300,000</u>	<u>5,500,000</u>
Total ARC	51,000,000	39,600,000	11,400,000
Member	<u>21,200,000</u>	<u>9,400,000</u>	<u>11,800,000</u>
Net City	29,800,000	30,200,000	(400,000)

Assumptions

The above calculations are based on the assumption that the following percentage of employees will opt into the VEBA:

Age	Service						
	< 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	≥ 30
<25	100%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
25-29	100%	100%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
30-34	100%	90%	70%	35%	n/a	n/a	n/a
35-39	100%	85%	60%	30%	15%	n/a	n/a
40-44	100%	75%	50%	25%	0%	0%	n/a
45-49	100%	60%	25%	0%	0%	0%	0%
40-54	100%	50%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
55-59	100%	50%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
60-64	100%	50%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
≥ 65	100%	67%	33%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Participant data does not include member contributions before October 2012. Employees that opt out of the cash portion of the current plan would be entitled to receive their historical member contributions. We estimated the amount of member contributions for those hired before October 2012 by increasing member contributions in the participant data as follows:

- 0% for those hired on or after October 2012
- 50% for those hired from October 2002 through September 2012
- 100% for those hired from October 1992 through September 2002
- 150% for those hired before October 1992

Because members who opt out and remain in the City's medical plans at retirement will only be eligible for unsubsidized premiums, there will be no remaining retiree healthcare liability for them with the City.

Study results were estimated based on the Cheiron June 30, 2014 actuarial valuation for funding purposes and include both the implicit and explicit subsidy for those remaining in the plan.

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San Jose Federated Retiree Healthcare Plan
Projection of City Contributions
Based on the 6/30/14 Funding Valuation
(\$ millions)

Member % City % UAL Amort.	Current Plan		Retiree Healthcare Agreement	
	50% Medical/27% Dental		7.5% of Remaining Payroll	
	50% Medical/73% Dental		ARC less Member %	
	Varies by UAL Base		25-year closed amortization period	
FYE	% of Pay	\$	% of Pay	\$
2017	12.37%	30.7	12.22%	30.3
2018	12.28%	31.3	11.94%	30.5
2019	12.14%	31.9	11.66%	30.6
2020	12.00%	32.4	11.39%	30.8
2021	11.82%	32.8	11.14%	30.9
2022	11.71%	33.5	10.89%	31.1
2023	11.58%	34.0	10.65%	31.3
2024	11.41%	34.5	10.39%	31.4
2025	11.22%	34.9	10.14%	31.5
2026	11.02%	35.2	9.90%	31.6
2027	10.82%	35.6	9.66%	31.7
2028	10.62%	35.9	9.42%	31.9
2029	10.41%	36.2	9.20%	32.0
2030	10.20%	36.5	8.98%	32.1
2031	10.00%	36.8	8.77%	32.3
2032	7.39%	28.0	8.57%	32.4
2033	7.95%	30.9	8.37%	32.6
2034	12.76%	51.1	8.17%	32.7
2035	15.06%	62.0	7.96%	32.8
2036	15.42%	65.3	7.76%	32.9
2037	15.05%	65.6	7.56%	32.9
2038	14.70%	65.8	7.37%	33.0
2039	14.35%	66.1	7.18%	33.1
2040	14.00%	66.3	7.00%	33.2
2041	0.12%	0.6	0.00%	-
2042	0.09%	0.5	0.00%	-
2043	0.08%	0.4	0.00%	-
2044	0.06%	0.3	0.00%	-
2045	0.05%	0.3	0.00%	-
2046	0.04%	0.2	0.00%	-
Totals		1,015.6		765.7



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Re: San Jose Federated Guaranteed Purchasing Power (GPP)

Dear Ms. Schembri:

This letter provides our analysis of the Federated Guaranteed Purchasing Power (GPP) agreement. We understand the agreement provides for a GPP benefit in exchange for agreement to eliminate the Supplemental Retirement Benefit Reserve (SRBR). Elimination of the SRBR has already resulted in significant savings. The GPP benefit will provide current and future Tier 1 retirees a guaranteed 75% of purchasing power benefit after retirement. This benefit will be calculated by comparing the ratio of actual pension benefits to what pension benefits would have been had retirees received 100% of Bay Area CPI increases. If that ratio is less than 75% then retirees would receive an additional check equal to the difference.

Analysis

We believe the cost of this benefit will only be significant if inflation returns to high levels. Inflation has generally been less than 3% (Tier 1 Cost of Living Adjustments) over the last 20 years so only retirees who retired several years ago (prior to 1981) would have ratios less than 75%. As of May 2015 there were approximately 68 retirees with an average age of 88.

We estimate the liability for this group of earlier retirees would not be more than \$750 thousand and because this is an increase for current retirees we think it is possible (if not likely) Cheiron will recommend a shorter (5 year) amortization period. If so then the first year payment will not be more than \$180 thousand. However, if they do not recommend a shorter amortization then using 20 years the first year payment will not be more than \$60,000. Both of these amortization payments would increase with the aggregate payroll assumption of 2.85%.

Our analysis did not include a volatility assumption for inflation. While we believe Cheiron will price the GPP for other (current and future) retirees using some volatility assumptions for inflation, we also would generally expect any additional cost to be fairly modest.

Assumptions

Study results were estimated using the same assumptions as the Cheiron June 30, 2014 actuarial valuation. Our analysis also assumes Cheiron will price this using stochastic simulations based on a median inflation assumption of 3% or less.

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