

# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND

CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Roberto L. Peña

**SUBJECT: INVESTMENT FEE ANALYSIS DATE:** May 11, 2018

## **BACKGROUND**

At the Council Budget Study Session on May 10, 2018, the Mayor requested additional information on the investment fees for the Office of Retirement Services, specifically an estimate of potential current fees based on the 2016 Comprehensive Annual Fee report.

### **ANALYSIS**

Below are the pro forma fee projections in dollar terms calculated by multiplying each plan's actual asset class balances as of March 31, 2018 by their calendar year 2016 asset class fee ratios. Please note these projections are based on many assumptions with a wide margin of error.

### **Federated Pension:**

March 31, 2018	2016 Fee Ratio	Pro Forma Fees		
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	Portfolio				Mgmt and	Mgmt	Incent	Incent
	Balance	Portfolio	Management	Incentive	Incent	Fees	Fees	Fees
Asset Class	(\$ million)	Weight	Fees	Fees	Fees	(\$ million)	(\$ million)	(\$ million)
Global Equity	626	29.5%	0.71%	0.03%	0.74%	4.4	0.2	4.6
Private Equity	148	7.0%	1.96%	0.64%	2.60%	2.9	1.0	3.9
Global Fixed Income	609	28.7%	0.37%	0.16%	0.53%	2.2	1.0	3.2
Private Debt	78	3.7%	1.28%	-0.17%	1.12%	1.0	-0.1	0.9
Real Assets	348	16.4%	0.77%	0.37%	1.14%	2.7	1.3	4.0
Absolute Return	260	12.3%	1.72%	0.84%	2.56%	4.5	2.2	6.7
Cash	51	2.4%	0.11%	0.00%	0.11%	0.1	0.0	0.1
Total Plan	2,120	100.0%	0.82%	0.25%	1.07%	17.9	5.6	23.4

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#### **Police & Fire Pension:**

	March 3	31, 2018	2016 Fee Ratio			Pro Forma Fees		
	Portfolio				Mgmt and	Mgmt	Incent	Mgmt and Incent
	Balance	Portfolio	Management	Incentive	Incent	Fees	Fees	Fees
Asset Class	(\$ million)	Weight	Fees	Fees	Fees	(\$ million)	(\$ million)	(\$ million)
Global Equity	1,102	31.0%	0.55%	0.02%	0.57%	6.1	0.2	6.3
Private Equity	289	8.1%	1.13%	0.76%	1.89%	3.3	2.2	5.5
Global Fixed Income	573	16.1%	0.81%	0.81%	1.62%	4.6	4.7	9.3
Private Debt	368	10.3%	1.32%	-0.16%	1.16%	4.9	-0.6	4.3
Real Assets	623	17.5%	1.40%	0.33%	1.73%	8.7	2.1	10.8
Absolute Return	223	6.3%	1.70%	0.87%	2.57%	3.8	1.9	5.7
GTAA	360	10.1%	0.82%	0.00%	0.82%	3.0	0.0	3.0
Cash	19	0.5%	0.11%	0.00%	0.11%	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Plan	3,557	100.0%	0.91%	0.30%	1.21%	34.4	10.5	44.9

### **Footnotes**

- The Pro Forma fees shown are approximations of current fees with a wide margin of error
- Actual management fees will vary as the composition of underlying funds and fund types has changed since 2016 which is being used as the reference point for estimation purposes. As of March 31, 2018, the Federated plan is 41% passive, 27% active, 19% hedged, and 13% private. The Police & Fire plan is 30% passive, 36% active, 17% hedged, and 17% private
- Incentive Fees do not reduce the Fund's income from investments. Such "fees" (carried interest) are a profit share that affords the fund manager an ownership alignment with the other equity partners. The IRS does not treat carried interest income the same as fee income to managers. Accordingly, while for convenient reference we refer to the managers' equity interest as a "fee", that reference needs to be understood in the context of aligning our interests with the managers. Unlike a fee, the manager only earns the incentive amount if we also earn a profit over a set hurdle amount, which is why we make the investment with active managers in the first place.
- Actual incentive fees will vary from the values shown since incentive fees are calculated based on the actual performance of underlying funds which is uncertain and subject to change. 2016 incentive fees are used as the reference point for estimation purposes, but do not reflect the current performance of funds
- The calendar year 2017 Fee Report is expected to be available by September 2018

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