

CITY OF VENICE
MUNICIPAL FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION TRUST FUND
ACTUARIAL VALUATION
AS OF OCTOBER 1, 2022
CONTRIBUTIONS APPLICABLE TO THE
PLAN/FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024
GASB 67/68 DISCLOSURE INFORMATION
AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2022



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November 18, 2022

Board of Trustees
City of Venice
Firefighters' Pension Board

Re: City of Venice Municipal Firefighters' Pension Trust Fund

Dear Board:

We are pleased to present to the Board this report of the annual actuarial valuation of the City of Venice Municipal Firefighters' Pension Trust Fund. Included are the related results for GASB Statements No. 67 and No. 68. The funding valuation was performed to determine whether the assets and contributions are sufficient to provide the prescribed benefits and to develop the appropriate funding requirements for the applicable plan year. The calculation of the liability for GASB results was performed for the purpose of satisfying the requirements of GASB Statements No. 67 and No. 68. Use of the results for other purposes may not be applicable and may produce significantly different results.

The valuations have been conducted in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and practices, including the applicable Actuarial Standards of Practice as issued by the Actuarial Standards Board, and reflect laws and regulations issued to date pursuant to the provisions of Chapters 112 and 175, Florida Statutes, as well as applicable federal laws and regulations. In our opinion, the assumptions used in the valuations, as adopted by the Board of Trustees, represent reasonable expectations of anticipated plan experience.

The funding percentages and unfunded accrued liability as measured based on the actuarial value of assets will differ from similar measures based on the market value of assets. These measures, as provided, are appropriate for determining the adequacy of future contributions, but may not be appropriate for the purpose of settling a portion or all of its liabilities. Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report for a variety of reasons including: changes in applicable laws, changes in plan provisions, changes in assumptions, or plan experience differing from expectations. Due to the limited scope of the valuations, we did not perform an analysis of the potential range of such future measurements.

In conducting the valuations, we have relied on personnel, plan design, and asset information supplied by the City of Venice, financial reports prepared by the custodian bank, and the actuarial assumptions and methods described in the Actuarial Assumptions section of this report. While we cannot verify the accuracy of all this information, the supplied information was reviewed for consistency and reasonableness. As a result of this review, we have no reason to doubt the substantial accuracy of the information and believe that it has produced appropriate results. This information, along with any adjustments or modifications, is summarized in various sections of this report.

Additionally, we used third-party software to model (calculate) the underlying liabilities and costs. These results are reviewed in the aggregate and for individual sample lives. The output from the software is either used directly or input into internally developed models that apply the funding and accounting rules to generate the results. All internally developed models are reviewed as part of the valuation process. As a result of this review, we believe that the models have produced reasonable results. We do not believe there are any material inconsistencies among assumptions or unreasonable output produced due to the aggregation of assumptions.

The total pension liability, net pension liability, and certain sensitivity information shown in this report are based on an actuarial valuation performed as of October 1, 2021. The total pension liability was rolled-forward from the valuation date to the plan's fiscal year ending September 30, 2022 using generally accepted actuarial principles. It is our opinion that the assumptions used for this purpose are internally consistent, reasonable, and comply with the requirements under GASB No. 67 and No. 68.


The undersigned are familiar with the immediate and long-term aspects of pension valuations, and meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries necessary to render the actuarial opinions contained herein. All of the sections of this report are considered an integral part of the actuarial opinions.

To our knowledge, no associate of Foster & Foster, Inc. working on valuations of the program has any direct financial interest or indirect material interest in the City of Venice, nor does anyone at Foster & Foster, Inc. act as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Municipal Firefighters' Pension Trust Fund. Thus, there is no relationship existing that might affect our capacity to prepare and certify this actuarial report.


If there are any questions, concerns, or comments about any of the items contained in this report, please contact us at 239-433-5500.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUMMARY OF REPORT

The regular annual actuarial valuation of the City of Venice Municipal Firefighters' Pension Trust Fund, performed as of October 1, 2022, has been completed and the results are presented in this Report. The contribution amounts set forth herein are applicable to the plan/fiscal year ending September 30, 2024.

The contribution requirements, compared with those set forth in the October 1, 2021 actuarial valuation report, are as follows:

Valuation Date Applicable to Fiscal Year Ending	10/1/2022 <u>9/30/2024</u>	10/1/2021 <u>9/30/2023</u>
Minimum Required Contribution	\$2,617,686	\$2,605,768
Member Contributions (Est.)	97,202	124,761
City And State Required Contribution	2,520,484	2,481,007
State Contribution (Est.) ¹	204,879	204,879
City Required Contribution	\$2,315,605	\$2,276,128

¹ Represents the amount received in calendar 2022. As per a Mutual Consent Agreement between the Membership and the City, all State Monies up to \$296,000 each year will be available to offset the City's required contribution.

As you can see, the Minimum Required Contribution shows an increase when compared to the results determined in the October 1, 2021 actuarial valuation report. The increase is attributable to net unfavorable actuarial experience described in the following paragraph. The increase was partially offset by a reduction in the Normal Cost associated with the termination/retirement of 5 active members.

Plan experience was unfavorable overall on the basis of the plan's actuarial assumptions. Sources of actuarial loss included an investment return of 2.92% (Actuarial Asset Basis) which fell short of the 6.50% assumption and an average salary increase of 7.57% which exceeded the 3.97% assumption. There were no significant sources of actuarial gain.

CHANGES SINCE PRIOR VALUATION

Plan Changes

There have been no changes in benefits since the prior valuation.

Actuarial Assumption/Method Changes

There have been no assumption or method changes since the prior valuation.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL VALUATION RESULTS

	<u>10/1/2022</u>	<u>10/1/2021</u>
A. Participant Data		
Actives	14	19
Service Retirees	37	32
Beneficiaries	8	8
Disability Retirees	4	4
Terminated Vested	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>
Total	77	78
Payroll Under Assumed Ret. Age	1,293,538	1,657,253
Annual Rate of Payments to:		
Service Retirees	2,486,382	2,198,354
Beneficiaries	195,158	192,464
Disability Retirees	75,650	75,650
Terminated Vested	242,506	296,413
B. Assets		
Actuarial Value (AVA)	32,325,635	31,673,566
Market Value (MVA)	28,720,835	33,725,543
C. Liabilities		
Present Value of Benefits		
Actives		
Retirement Benefits	12,388,660	15,687,141
Disability Benefits	216,515	303,802
Death Benefits	31,882	45,549
Vested Benefits	150,428	278,349
Refund of Contributions	0	0
Service Retirees	33,339,109	28,475,451
Beneficiaries	1,565,188	1,547,133
Disability Retirees	954,488	964,540
Terminated Vested	2,201,546	2,722,565
Share Plan Balances ¹	<u>4,186</u>	<u>5,504</u>
Total	50,852,002	50,030,034

C. Liabilities - (Continued)	<u>10/1/2022</u>	<u>10/1/2021</u>
Present Value of Future Salaries	4,195,482	6,051,682
Present Value of Future Member Contributions	293,684	423,618
Normal Cost (Retirement)	292,735	380,070
Normal Cost (Disability)	27,950	36,199
Normal Cost (Death)	5,554	7,225
Normal Cost (Vesting)	74,766	118,689
Normal Cost (Refunds)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Normal Cost	401,005	542,183
Present Value of Future Normal Costs	1,120,880	1,688,613
Accrued Liability (Retirement)	11,510,655	14,413,095
Accrued Liability (Disability)	140,219	191,477
Accrued Liability (Death)	15,731	21,656
Accrued Liability (Vesting)	0	0
Accrued Liability (Refunds)	0	0
Accrued Liability (Inactives)	38,060,331	33,709,689
Share Plan Balances ¹	<u>4,186</u>	<u>5,504</u>
Total Actuarial Accrued Liability (EAN AL)	49,731,122	48,341,421
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)	17,405,487	16,667,855
Funded Ratio (AVA / EAN AL)	65.0%	65.5%

D. Actuarial Present Value of Accrued Benefits	<u>10/1/2022</u>	<u>10/1/2021</u>
Vested Accrued Benefits		
Inactives	38,064,517	33,715,193
Actives	8,485,245	10,642,355
Member Contributions	1,623,722	2,106,889
Total	<u>48,173,484</u>	<u>46,464,437</u>
Non-vested Accrued Benefits	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Present Value Accrued Benefits (PVAB)	48,173,484	46,464,437
Funded Ratio (MVA / PVAB)	59.6%	72.6%
Increase (Decrease) in Present Value of Accrued Benefits Attributable to:		
Plan Amendments	0	
Assumption Changes	0	
Plan Experience	1,984,204	
Benefits Paid	(3,191,618)	
Interest	2,916,461	
Other	0	
Total	<u>1,709,047</u>	

Valuation Date	10/1/2022	10/1/2021
Applicable to Fiscal Year Ending	<u>9/30/2024</u>	<u>9/30/2023</u>
E. Pension Cost		
Normal Cost ²	\$430,475	\$583,092
Administrative Expenses ²	68,178	65,474
Payment Required to Amortize Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability over 15 years (as of 10/1/2022) ²	2,119,033	1,957,202
Minimum Required Contribution	2,617,686	2,605,768
Expected Member Contributions ²	97,202	124,761
Expected City and State Contribution	2,520,484	2,481,007
F. Past Contributions		
Plan Years Ending:	<u>9/30/2022</u>	
City and State Requirement	2,497,947	
Actual Contributions Made:		
City	2,492,308	
State	<u>204,879</u>	
Total	2,697,187	
G. Net Actuarial (Gain)/Loss	1,916,953	

¹ The asset values and liabilities include accumulated Share Plan Balances as of 9/30/2022 and 9/30/2021.

² Contributions developed as of 10/1/2022 displayed above have been adjusted to account for assumed salary increase and interest components.

H. Schedule Illustrating the Amortization of the Total Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability as of

<u>Year</u>	<u>Projected Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability</u>
2022	17,405,487
2023	16,434,570
2024	15,400,543
2027	11,877,434
2031	6,014,832
2034	539,959
2037	0

I. (i) 5 Year Comparison of Actual and Assumed Salary Increases

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Assumed</u>
Year Ended 9/30/2022	7.57%	3.97%
Year Ended 9/30/2021	4.19%	5.44%
Year Ended 9/30/2020	2.04%	5.89%
Year Ended 9/30/2019	3.50%	5.90%
Year Ended 9/30/2018	2.45%	6.00%

(ii) 5 Year Comparison of Investment Return on Market Value and Actuarial Value

	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Actuarial Value</u>	<u>Assumed</u>
Year Ended 9/30/2022	-14.09%	2.92%	6.50%
Year Ended 9/30/2021	19.86%	9.15%	6.75%
Year Ended 9/30/2020	6.92%	7.07%	7.00%
Year Ended 9/30/2019	1.90%	7.16%	7.00%
Year Ended 9/30/2018	8.68%	6.67%	7.00%

(iii) Average Annual Payroll Growth

(a) Payroll as of:	10/1/2022	\$1,293,538
	10/1/2012	2,663,341
(b) Total Increase		-51.43%
(c) Number of Years		10.00
(d) Average Annual Rate		-6.97%

STATEMENT BY ENROLLED ACTUARY

This actuarial valuation was prepared and completed by me or under my direct supervision, and I acknowledge responsibility for the results. To the best of my knowledge, the results are complete and accurate, and in my opinion, the techniques and assumptions used are reasonable and meet the requirements and intent of Part VII, Chapter 112, Florida Statutes. There is no benefit or expense to be provided by the plan and/or paid from the plan's assets for which liabilities or current costs have not been established or otherwise taken into account in the valuation. All known events or trends which may require a material increase in plan costs or required contribution rates have been taken into account in the valuation.



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Please let us know when the report is approved by the Board and unless otherwise directed we will provide copies of the report to the following offices to comply with Chapter 112, Florida Statutes:

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RECONCILIATION OF UNFUNDED ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITIES

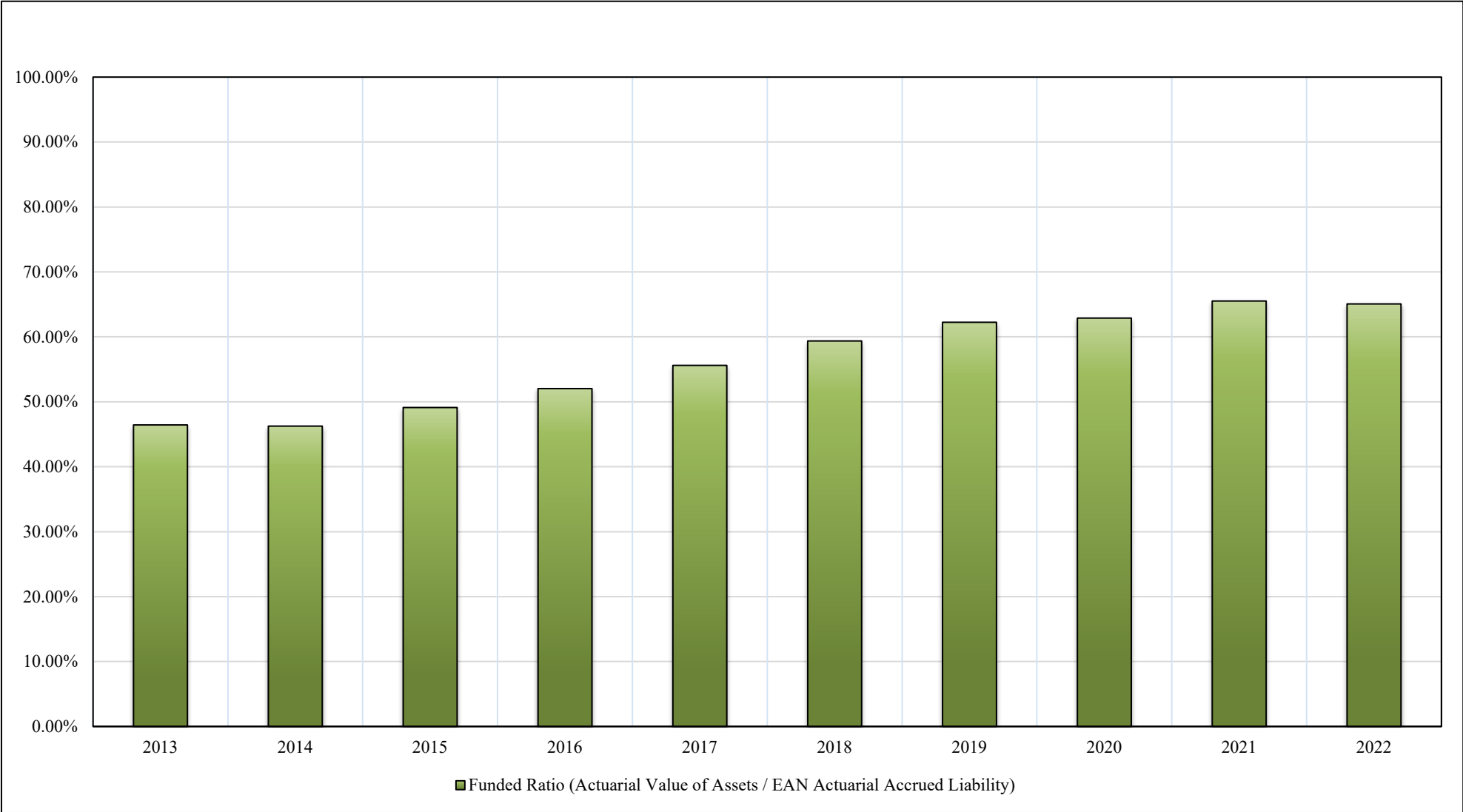
(1)	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability as of October 1, 2021	\$16,667,855
(2)	Sponsor Normal Cost developed as of October 1, 2021	426,175
(3)	Expected administrative expenses for the year ended September 30, 2022	60,880
(4)	Expected interest on (1), (2) and (3)	1,113,091
(5)	Sponsor contributions to the System during the year ended September 30, 2022	2,697,187
(6)	Expected interest on (5)	82,280
(7)	Expected Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability as of September 30, 2022 (1)+(2)+(3)+(4)-(5)-(6)	15,488,534
(8)	Change to UAAL due to Assumption Change	0
(9)	Change to UAAL due to Actuarial (Gain)/Loss	1,916,953
(10)	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability as of October 1, 2022	17,405,487

<u>Type of Base</u>	<u>Date Established</u>	<u>Years Remaining</u>	<u>10/1/2022 Amount</u>	<u>Amortization Amount</u>
Consolidation Base	10/1/2021	12	15,488,534	1,782,536
Actuarial Loss	10/1/2022	15	<u>1,916,953</u>	<u>191,430</u>
			<u>17,405,487</u>	<u>1,973,966</u>

DETAILED ACTUARIAL (GAIN)/LOSS ANALYSIS

(1) Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) as of October 1, 2021	\$16,667,855
(2) Expected UAAL as of October 1, 2022	15,488,534
(3) Summary of Actuarial (Gain)/Loss, by component:	
Investment Return (Actuarial Asset Basis)	1,128,017
Salary Increases	259,218
Active Decrements	370,271
Inactive Mortality	(24,417)
Prior Vested Terminated Members Entering Early Retirement Status	299,352
Other	<u>(115,488)</u>
Increase in UAAL due to (Gain)/Loss	1,916,953
Assumption Changes	0
(4) Actual UAAL as of October 1, 2022	\$17,405,487

HISTORY OF FUNDING PROGRESS



ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

Mortality Rate

Healthy Active Lives:

Female: PubS.H-2010 for Employees, set forward one year.

Male: PubS.H-2010 for Employees, set forward one year.

Healthy Retiree Lives:

Female: PubS.H-2010 (Above Median) for Healthy Retirees, set forward one year.

Male: PubS.H-2010 (Above Median) for Healthy Retirees, set forward one year.

Beneficiary Lives:

Female: PubG.H-2010 (Above Median) for Healthy Retirees.

Male: PubG.H-2010 (Above Median) for Healthy Retirees, set back one year.

Disabled Lives:

80% PubG.H-2010 for Disabled Retirees / 20% PubS.H-2010 for Disabled Retirees.

All rates are projected generationally with Mortality Improvement Scale MP-2018. We feel this assumption sufficiently accommodates future mortality improvements.

The previously described mortality assumption rates were mandated by Chapter 2015-157, Laws of Florida. This law mandates the use of the assumptions used in either of the two most recent valuations of the Florida Retirement System (FRS). The above rates are those outlined in Milliman's July 1, 2021 FRS valuation report for special risk employees, with appropriate adjustments made based on plan demographics.

Interest Rate

6.50% per year compounded annually, net of investment related expenses. This is supported by the target asset allocation of the trust and the expected long-term return by asset class.

Salary Increases

Salary Scale	
Service	Rate
<10	10.00%
10	7.50%
11	5.00%
12	5.00%
13	5.00%
14	5.00%
15-19	4.00%
20+	3.75%

The rates are based on results of the September 10, 2021 experience study.

Payroll Growth

0.00% for purposes of amortizing the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability.

Administrative Expenses

\$63,511 annually, based on the average of actual expenses incurred in the prior two fiscal years.

Marriage Assumption

All active members are assumed married, with males 3 years older than females.

Amortization Method

New UAAL amortization bases are amortized over 15 years.

Bases established prior to the valuation date are adjusted proportionally to match the Expected Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability as of the valuation date, in order to align prior year bases with the portion of the current year UAAL associated with prior year sources.

Funding Method

Entry Age Normal Actuarial Cost Method. The following loads are applied for determining the minimum required contribution:

Interest - a half year, based on current 6.50% assumption.

Salary - A full year, based on current 3.97% assumption.

Cost-of-Living Adjustment

3% per year from retirement to age 65. Benefits based on Credited Service after September 30, 2014 are not subject to the COLA.

Termination Rate

% Terminating During the Year	
<u>Service</u>	<u>Rate</u>
<10	10.00%
10	8.00%
11	8.00%
12	8.00%
13	2.00%
14	2.00%
15-19	2.00%
20+	0.00%

The rates are based on results of the September 10, 2021 experience study.

Retirement Age

Earlier of age 55 and 10 years of service or 25 years of service, regardless of age. Also, any Member who reaches Normal Retirement is assumed to continue employment for one additional year. This assumption is based upon results of the September 10, 2021 experience study.

Early Retirement

Commencing with eligibility for Early Retirement Age (Earlier of age 50 with 10 years of service or 20 years of service, regardless of age), Members are assumed to retire with an immediate subsidized benefit at the rate of 15% per year. There is no Early Retirement assumption for Members with less than 10 years of Credited Service as of October 1, 2014. This assumption is based upon results of the September 10, 2021 experience study.

Disability Rate

Sample rates below, based on results of the September 10, 2021 experience study:

% Becoming Disabled During the Year	
<u>Age</u>	<u>Rate</u>
20	0.14%
25	0.15%
30	0.18%
35	0.23%
40	0.30%
45	0.51%
50	1.00%
55	1.55%
59+	2.09%

Asset Valuation Method

Each year, the prior Actuarial Value of Assets is brought forward utilizing the historical geometric four-year average Market Value return (net of fees). It is possible that over time this technique will produce an insignificant bias above or below Market Value of Assets.

GLOSSARY

Actuarial Value of Assets is the asset value used in the valuation to determine contribution requirements. It represents the plan's Market Value of Assets (see below), with adjustments according to the plan's Actuarial Asset Method. These adjustments produce a "smoothed" value that is likely to be less volatile from year to year than the Market Value of Assets.

Entry Age Normal Cost Method - Under this method, the normal cost is the sum of the individual normal costs for all active participants. For an active participant, the normal cost is the participant's normal cost accrual rate, multiplied by the participant's current compensation.

(a) The normal cost accrual rate equals:

(i) the present value of future benefits for the participant, determined as of the participant's entry age, divided by

(ii) the present value of the compensation expected to be paid to the participant for each year of the participant's anticipated future service, determined as of the participant's entry age.

(b) In calculating the present value of future compensation, the salary scale is applied both retrospectively and prospectively to estimate compensation in years prior to and subsequent to the valuation year based on the compensation used for the valuation.

(c) The accrued liability is the sum of the individual accrued liabilities for all participants and beneficiaries. A participant's accrued liability equals the present value, at the participant's attained age, of future benefits less the present value at the participant's attained age of the individual normal costs payable in the future. A beneficiary's accrued liability equals the present value, at the beneficiary's attained age, of future benefits. The unfunded accrued liability equals the total accrued liability less the actuarial value of assets.

(d) Under this method, the entry age used for each active participant is the participant's age at the time he or she would have commenced participation if the plan had always been in existence under current terms, or the age as of which he or she first earns service credits for purposes of benefit accrual under the current terms of the plan.

Market Value of Assets is the fair market value of plan assets as of the valuation date. This amount may be adjusted to produce an Actuarial Value of Assets for plan funding purposes.

Normal (Current Year's) Cost is the current year's cost for benefits yet to be funded. Under the Entry Age Normal cost method, it is determined for each participant as the present value of future benefits, determined as of the Member's entry age, amortized as a level percentage of compensation over the anticipated number of years of participation, determined as of the entry age.

Present Value of Benefits is the single sum value on the valuation date of all future benefits to be paid to current plan participants.

Total Annual Payroll is the projected annual rate of pay for the fiscal year beginning on the valuation date of all covered Members.

Total Required Contribution is equal to the Normal Cost plus an amount sufficient to amortize the Unfunded Accrued Liability over no more than 30 years. The required amount is adjusted for interest according to the timing of contributions during the year.

Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) is the difference between the actuarial accrued liability (described above) and the Actuarial Value of Assets. Under the Entry Age Normal Actuarial Cost Method, an actuarial gain or loss, based on actual versus expected UAAL, is determined in conjunction with each valuation of the plan.

DISCUSSION OF RISK

ASOP No. 51, Assessment and Disclosure of Risk Associated with Measuring Pension Obligations and Determining Pension Plan Contributions, states that the actuary should identify risks that, in the actuary's professional judgment, may reasonably be anticipated to significantly affect the plan's future financial condition.

Throughout this report, actuarial results are determined using various actuarial assumptions. These results are based on the premise that all future plan experience will align with the plan's actuarial assumptions; however, there is no guarantee that actual plan experience will align with the plan's assumptions. It is possible that actual plan experience will differ from anticipated experience in an unfavorable manner that will negatively impact the plan's funded position.

Below are examples of ways in which plan experience can deviate from assumptions and the potential impact of that deviation. Typically, this results in an actuarial gain or loss representing the current-year financial impact on the plan's unfunded liability of the experience differing from assumptions; this gain or loss is amortized over a period of time determined by the plan's amortization method. When assumptions are selected that adequately reflect plan experience, gains and losses typically offset one another in the long term, resulting in a relatively low impact on the plan's contribution requirements associated with plan experience. When assumptions are too optimistic, losses can accumulate over time and the plan's amortization payment could potentially grow to an unmanageable level.

- Investment Return: When the rate of return on the Actuarial Value of Assets falls short of the assumption, this produces a loss representing assumed investment earnings that were not realized. Further, it is unlikely that the plan will experience a scenario that matches the assumed return in each year as capital markets can be volatile from year to year. Therefore, contribution amounts can vary in the future.
- Salary Increases: When a plan participant experiences a salary increase that was greater than assumed, this produces a loss representing the cost of an increase in anticipated plan benefits for the participant as compared to the previous year. The total gain or loss associated with salary increases for the plan is the sum of salary gains and losses for all active participants.
- Demographic Assumptions: Actuarial results take into account various potential events that could happen to a plan participant, such as retirement, termination, disability, and death. Each of these potential events is assigned a liability based on the likelihood of the event and the financial consequence of the event for the plan. Accordingly, actuarial liabilities reflect a blend of financial consequences associated with various possible outcomes (such as retirement at one of various possible ages). Once the outcome is known (e.g. the participant retires) the liability is adjusted to reflect the known outcome. This adjustment produces a gain or loss depending on whether the outcome was more or less favorable than other outcomes that could have occurred.

Impact of Plan Maturity on Risk

For newer pension plans, most of the participants and associated liabilities are related to active members who have not yet reached retirement age. As pension plans continue in operation and active members reach retirement ages, liabilities begin to shift from being primarily related to active members to being shared amongst active and retired members. Plan maturity is a measure of the extent to which this shift has occurred. It is important to understand that plan maturity can have an impact on risk tolerance and the overall risk characteristics of the plan. For example, closed plans with a large amount of retired liability do not have as long of a time horizon to recover from losses (such as losses on investments due to lower than expected investment returns) as plans where the majority of the liability is attributable to active members. For this reason, less tolerance for investment risk may be warranted for highly mature closed plans with a substantial inactive liability. Similarly, mature closed plans paying substantial retirement benefits resulting in a small positive or net negative cash flow can be more sensitive to near term investment volatility, particularly if the size of the fund is shrinking, which can result in less assets being available for investment in the market.

To assist with determining the maturity of the plan, we have provided some relevant metrics in the table following titled “Plan Maturity Measures and Other Risk Metrics”. Highlights of this information are discussed below:

- The Support Ratio, determined as the ratio of active to inactive members, has decreased from 86.0% on October 1, 2012 to 22.2% on October 1, 2022, indicating that the plan has been maturing during the period.
- The Accrued Liability Ratio, determined as the ratio of the Inactive Accrued Liability, which is the liability associated with members who are no longer employed but are due a benefit from the plan, to the Total Accrued Liability, is 76.5%. With a plan of this maturity, losses due to lower than expected investment returns or demographic factors may result in larger increases in contribution requirements than would be needed for a less mature plan. Please note Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, requires that the plan sponsor contributes the minimum required contribution; thus, there is minimal solvency risk to the plan.
- The Funded Ratio, determined as the ratio of the Actuarial Value of Assets to the Total Accrued Liability, has increased from 42.8% on October 1, 2012 to 65.0% on October 1, 2022.
- The Net Cash Flow Ratio, determined as the ratio of the Net Cash Flow (contributions minus benefit payments and administrative expenses) to the Market Value of Assets, increased from -4.9% on October 1, 2012 to -0.9% on October 1, 2022. The current Net Cash Flow Ratio of -0.9% indicates that contributions are not currently covering the plan's benefit payments and administrative expenses.

It is important to note that the actuary has identified the risks in this section as the most significant risks based on the characteristics of the plan and the nature of the project, however, it is not an exhaustive list of potential risks that could be considered. Additional advanced modeling, as well as the identification of additional risks, can be provided at the request of the audience addressed on page 2 of this report.

PLAN MATURITY MEASURES AND OTHER RISK METRICS

	<u>10/1/2022</u>	<u>10/1/2021</u>	<u>10/1/2017</u>	<u>10/1/2012</u>
<u>Support Ratio</u>				
Total Actives	14	19	22	37
Total Inactives ¹	63	59	59	43
Actives / Inactives ¹	22.2%	32.2%	37.3%	86.0%

Asset Volatility Ratio

Market Value of Assets (MVA)	28,720,835	33,725,543	22,991,416	14,897,878
Total Annual Payroll	1,293,538	1,657,253	1,787,588	2,663,341
MVA / Total Annual Payroll	2,220.3%	2,035.0%	1,286.2%	559.4%

Accrued Liability (AL) Ratio

Inactive Accrued Liability	38,060,331	33,709,689	29,495,358	22,501,440
Total Accrued Liability (EAN)	49,731,122	48,341,421	41,246,684	34,115,851
Inactive AL / Total AL	76.5%	69.7%	71.5%	66.0%

Funded Ratio

Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA)	32,325,635	31,673,566	22,935,682	14,604,878
Total Accrued Liability (EAN)	49,731,122	48,341,421	41,246,684	34,115,851
AVA / Total Accrued Liability (EAN)	65.0%	65.5%	55.6%	42.8%

Net Cash Flow Ratio

Net Cash Flow ²	(267,990)	(186,270)	776,065	(727,234)
Market Value of Assets (MVA)	28,720,835	33,725,543	22,991,416	14,897,878
Ratio	-0.9%	-0.6%	3.4%	-4.9%

¹ Excludes terminated participants awaiting a refund of member contributions.

² Determined as total contributions minus benefit payments and administrative expenses.

PARTIAL HISTORY OF PREMIUM TAX REFUNDS

Received During <u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Increase from Previous Year</u>
1998	143,012.28	_____ %
1999	125,041.12	-12.6%
2000	177,255.46	41.8%
2001	176,495.28	-0.4%
2002	194,519.07	10.2%
2003	166,236.19	-14.5%
2004	180,446.49	8.5%
2005	192,363.23	6.6%
2006	239,238.99	24.4%
2007	355,709.22	48.7%
2008	391,694.05	10.1%
2009	233,461.64	-40.4%
2010	262,094.82	12.3%
2011	251,217.11	-4.2%
2012	272,498.46	8.5%
2013	270,222.11	-0.8%
2014	304,801.85	12.8%
2015	272,353.29	-10.6%
2016	246,275.58	-9.6%
2017	193,289.58	-21.5%
2018	180,163.45	-6.8%
2019	173,349.35	-3.8%
2020	180,552.05	4.2%
2021	188,963.10	4.7%
2022	204,878.98	8.4%

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

<u>ASSETS</u>	COST VALUE	MARKET VALUE
Cash and Cash Equivalents:		
Short Term Investments	840,196.23	840,196.23
Cash	3,729.99	3,729.99
Total Cash and Equivalents	843,926.22	843,926.22
Receivables:		
Member Contributions in Transit	3,120.65	3,120.65
City Contributions in Transit	92,307.69	92,307.69
State Contributions	5,193.92	5,193.92
Investment Income	38,326.79	38,326.79
Total Receivable	138,949.05	138,949.05
Investments:		
U. S. Bonds and Bills	4,272,276.20	4,053,514.95
Federal Agency Guaranteed Securities	1,885,035.90	1,655,671.47
Corporate Bonds	990,677.36	843,679.35
Stocks	5,898,644.40	5,414,024.96
Mutual Funds:		
Fixed Income	1,283,980.07	1,133,066.01
Equity	9,813,222.75	10,869,169.84
Pooled/Common/Commingled Funds:		
Real Estate	2,820,290.43	3,795,742.24
Total Investments	26,964,127.11	27,764,868.82
Total Assets	27,947,002.38	28,747,744.09
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Payables:		
Investment Expenses	23,672.44	23,672.44
Administrative Expenses	3,236.77	3,236.77
Total Liabilities	26,909.21	26,909.21
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PENSIONS	27,920,093.17	28,720,834.88

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022
Market Value Basis

ADDITIONS

Contributions:			
Member		97,409.35	
Buy-Back		195,737.00	
City		2,492,307.63	
State		204,878.98	
Total Contributions			2,990,332.96
Investment Income:			
Net Realized Gain (Loss)	109,351.21		
Unrealized Gain (Loss)	(5,611,533.37)		
Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments		(5,502,182.16)	
Interest & Dividends		901,810.12	
Less Investment Expense ¹		(136,346.28)	
Net Investment Income			(4,736,718.32)
Total Additions			(1,746,385.36)
<u>DEDUCTIONS</u>			
Distributions to Members:			
Benefit Payments		2,635,230.28	
Lump Sum Share Distributions		639.28	
Lump Sum PLOP Distributions		555,748.50	
Refunds of Member Contributions		0.00	
Total Distributions			3,191,618.06
Administrative Expense			66,704.72
Total Deductions			3,258,322.78
Net Increase in Net Position			(5,004,708.14)
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PENSIONS			
Beginning of the Year			33,725,543.02
End of the Year			28,720,834.88

¹Investment related expenses include investment advisory, custodial and performance monitoring fees.

ACTUARIAL ASSET VALUATION
SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

Actuarial Assets for funding purposes are developed by increasing the Actuarial Assets used in the most recent actuarial valuation of the Fund by the average annual market value rate of return (net of investment related expenses) for the past four years. Actuarial Assets shall not be less than 80% nor greater than 120% of Market Value of Assets.

Details of the derivation are set forth as follows:

Plan Year End	Rate of Return ¹	
09/30/2019	1.90%	
09/30/2020	6.92%	
09/30/2021	19.86%	
09/30/2022	-14.09%	
Annualized Rate of Return for prior four (4) years:		2.92%
(A) 10/01/2021 Actuarial Assets:		\$31,673,566.18
(I) Net Investment Income:		
1. Interest and Dividends	901,810.12	
2. Realized Gain (Loss)	109,351.21	
3. Unrealized Gain (Loss)	(5,611,533.37)	
4. Change in Actuarial Value	5,656,777.20	
5. Investment Related Expenses	(136,346.28)	
Total		920,058.88
(B) 10/01/2022 Actuarial Assets:		\$32,325,635.24
Actuarial Asset Rate of Return = 2I/(A+B-I):		2.92%
10/01/2022 Limited Actuarial Assets		\$32,325,635.24
10/01/2022 Market Value of Assets		\$28,720,834.88
Actuarial Gain/(Loss) due to Investment Return (Actuarial Asset Basis)		(\$1,128,017.39)

¹Market Value Basis, net of investment related expenses.

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
 SEPTEMBER 30, 2022
 Actuarial Asset Basis

REVENUES

Contributions:		
Member	97,409.35	
Buy-Back	195,737.00	
City	2,492,307.63	
State	204,878.98	
 Total Contributions		 2,990,332.96
Earnings from Investments:		
Interest & Dividends	901,810.12	
Net Realized Gain (Loss)	109,351.21	
Unrealized Gain (Loss)	(5,611,533.37)	
Change in Actuarial Value	5,656,777.20	
 Total Earnings and Investment Gains		 1,056,405.16

EXPENDITURES

Distributions to Members:		
Benefit Payments	2,635,230.28	
Lump Sum Share Distributions	639.28	
Lump Sum PLOP Distributions	555,748.50	
Refunds of Member Contributions	0.00	
 Total Distributions		 3,191,618.06
Expenses:		
Investment related ¹	136,346.28	
Administrative	66,704.72	
 Total Expenses		 203,051.00
 Change in Net Assets for the Year		 652,069.06
 Net Assets Beginning of the Year		 31,673,566.18
 Net Assets End of the Year ²		 32,325,635.24

¹Investment related expenses include investment advisory, custodial and performance monitoring fees.

²Net Assets may be limited for actuarial consideration.

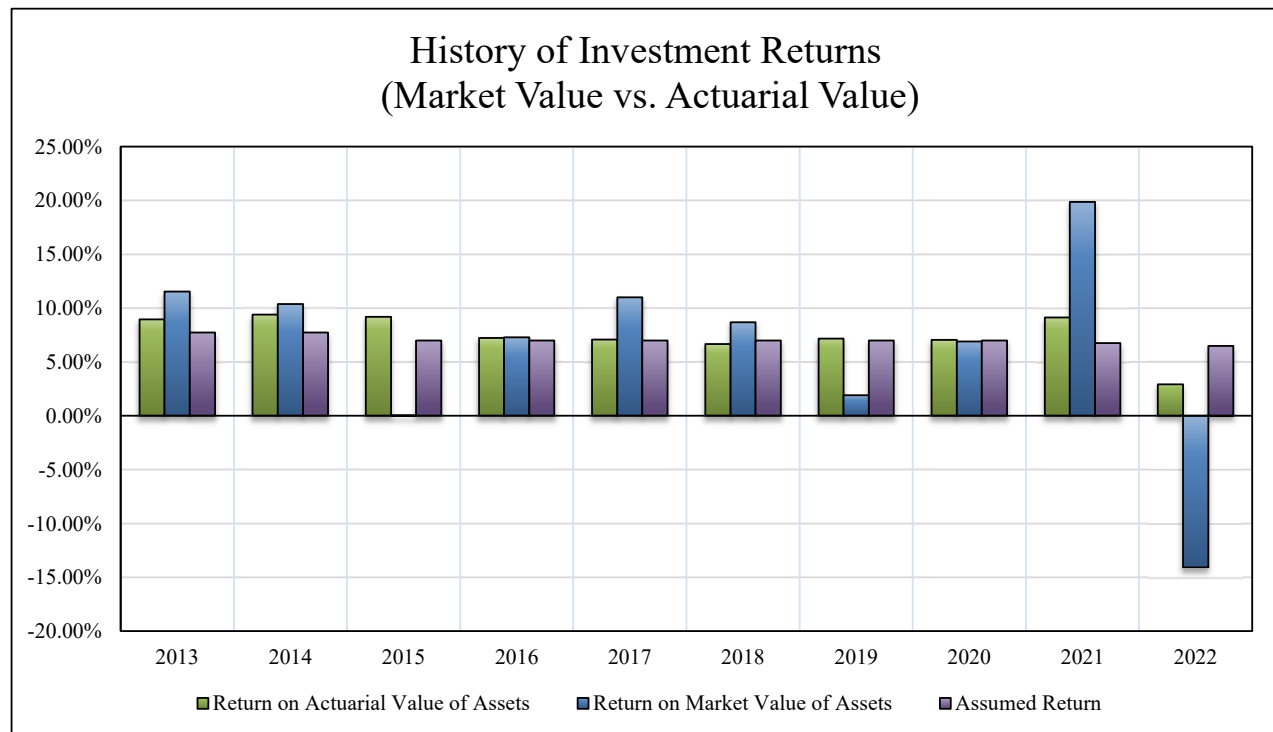
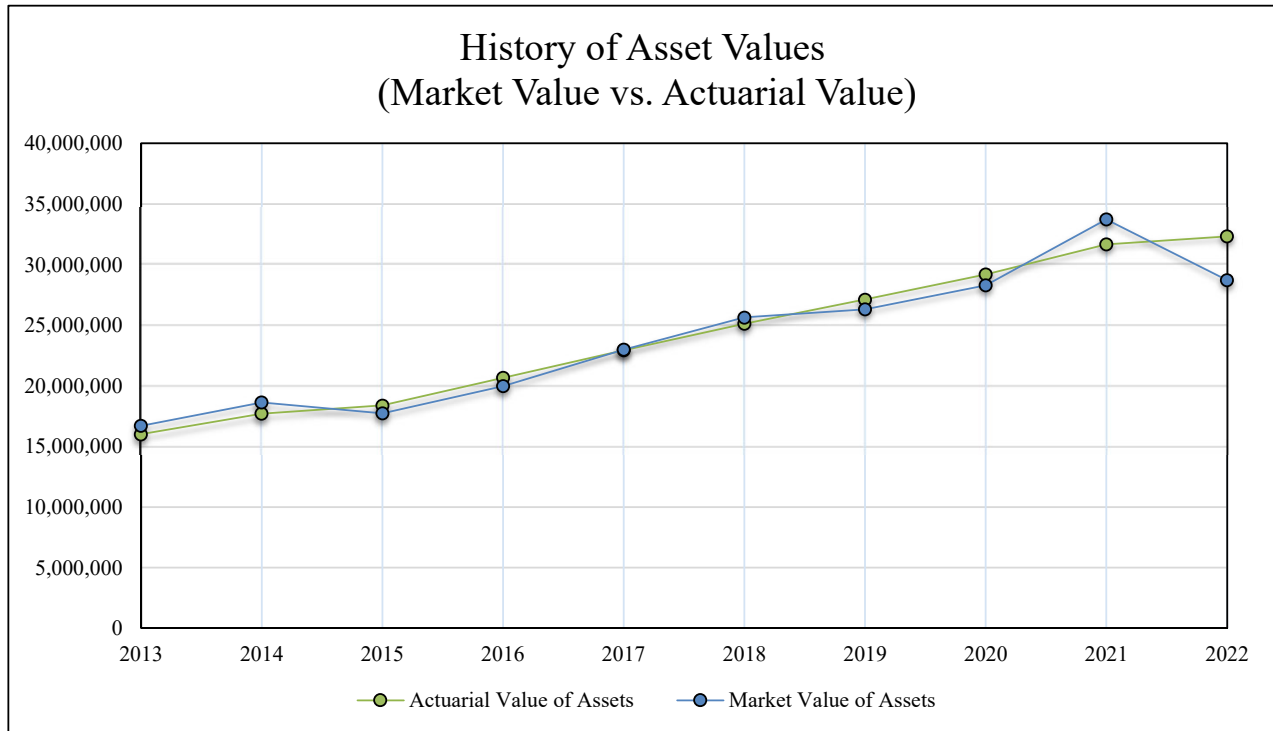
SUPPLEMENTAL CHAPTER 175 SHARE PLAN ACTIVITY
October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022

9/30/2021 Balance (Est.)	5,503.68
Prior Year Adjustment	7.57
Plus Additions	0.00
Investment Return Earned (Est.)	(686.00)
Administrative Fees (Est.)	0.00
Less Distributions	<u>(639.28)</u>
9/30/2022 Balance (Est.)	4,185.97

CITY CONTRIBUTIONS IN EXCESS OF MINIMUM REQUIREMENT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED (FYE) SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

(1) Required City and State Contributions	\$2,497,947.00
(2) Less Allowable State Contribution	<u>(204,878.98)</u>
(3) Required City Contribution for Fiscal 2022	2,293,068.02
(4) Less 2021 Prepaid Contribution	0.00
(5) Less Actual City Contributions	<u>(2,492,307.63)</u>
(6) City Contributions in Excess of Minimum Requirement Applied to Reduce Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability as of September 30, 2022	(\$199,239.61)

HISTORY OF ASSET VALUES AND INVESTMENT RETURNS



STATISTICAL DATA

	<u>10/1/2022</u>	<u>10/1/2021</u>	<u>10/1/2020</u>	<u>10/1/2019</u>
<u>Actives</u>				
Number	14	19	21	22
Average Current Age	48.5	47.6	47.1	46.1
Average Age at Employment	28.0	28.0	28.2	28.0
Average Past Service	20.5	19.6	18.9	18.1
Average Annual Salary	\$92,396	\$87,224	\$87,435	\$86,051
<u>Service Retirees</u>				
Number	37	32	30	29
Average Current Age	63.0	64.7	64.5	64.1
Average Annual Benefit	\$67,200	\$68,699	\$67,988	\$67,727
<u>Beneficiaries</u>				
Number	8	8	9	9
Average Current Age	81.3	81.1	80.0	79.0
Average Annual Benefit	\$24,395	\$24,058	\$22,149	\$22,149
<u>Disability Retirees</u>				
Number	4	4	4	4
Average Current Age	61.8	60.8	59.8	58.8
Average Annual Benefit	\$18,913	\$18,913	\$18,913	\$18,913
<u>Terminated Vested</u>				
Number	14	15	15	15
Average Current Age	42.0	42.6	41.6	40.6
Average Annual Benefit	\$17,322	\$19,761	\$19,761	\$19,761

AGE AND SERVICE DISTRIBUTION

PAST SERVICE

AGE	0	1	2	3	4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30+	Total
15 - 19												0
20 - 24												0
25 - 29												0
30 - 34							1					1
35 - 39												0
40 - 44								2				2
45 - 49								2	3			5
50 - 54									2	1		3
55 - 59								1	2			3
60 - 64												0
65+												0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	7	1	0	14

VALUATION PARTICIPANT RECONCILIATION

1. Active lives

a. Number in prior valuation 10/1/2021	19
b. Terminations	
i. Vested (partial or full) with deferred annuity	(1)
ii. Vested in refund of member contributions only	0
iii. Refund of member contributions or full lump sum distributio	0
c. Deaths	
i. Beneficiary receiving benefits	0
ii. No future benefits payable	0
d. Disabled	0
e. Retired	(4)
f. Continuing participants	14
g. New entrants / Rehires	0
h. Total active life participants in valuation	14

2. Non-Active lives (including beneficiaries receiving benefits)

	Service Retirees, Vested Receiving <u>Benefits</u>	Receiving Death <u>Benefits</u>	Receiving Disability <u>Benefits</u>	Vested (Deferred Annuity)	Vested (Due Refund)	<u>Total</u>
a. Number prior valuation	32	8	4	15	0	59
Retired	6	0	0	(2)	0	4
Vested (Deferred Annuity)	0	0	0	1	0	1
Vested (Due Refund)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hired/Terminated in Same Year	0	0	0	0	0	0
Death, With Survivor	(1)	1	0	0	0	0
Death, No Survivor	0	(1)	0	0	0	(1)
Disabled	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refund of Contributions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rehires	0	0	0	0	0	0
Expired Annuities	0	0	0	0	0	0
Data Corrections	0	0	0	0	0	0
b. Number current valuation	37	8	4	14	0	63

SUMMARY OF CURRENT PLAN
(Ordinance 2021-42)

<u>Original Effective Date</u>	October 1, 1961
<u>Latest Amendment</u>	March 10, 2020
<u>Eligibility</u>	Full-time employment with the City as a Firefighter. The Plan is closed to Firefighters hired after September 30, 2014.
<u>Credited Service</u>	Total number of years and fractional parts of years of service with the City as a Firefighter.
<u>Average Final Compensation</u>	Average W-2 Salary (plus tax deferred and tax sheltered income) during the 5 highest years of the last 10 for Members eligible for Normal Retirement as of October 1, 2014. Salary for all other Members shall be base pay applicable for service after October 1, 2014. Notwithstanding the foregoing, effective October 1, 2014, sick or vacation time which is accrued, but for which a member has not been paid prior to October 1, 2014, shall not be considered in determining the value of any future retirement benefit, including the calculation of any frozen benefit.

Normal Retirement

Eligibility	Earlier of age 55 and 10 years of Credited Service, or 25 years of Credited Service.
Benefit Amount	3.50% of Average Final Compensation times Years of Credited Service, plus \$175 per month, for Members eligible for Normal Retirement as of October 1, 2014. The benefit accrual rate is 2.75% for Credited Service on and after October 1, 2014 for Members not eligible for Normal Retirement as of that date.
Form of Benefit	10 Years Certain and Life thereafter. Optional forms are available.

Early Retirement

Eligibility	Earlier of age 50 and 10 years of Credited Service, or the completion of 20 years of Credited Service regardless of age for Members with 10 or more years of Credited Service as of October 1, 2014. Early Retirement is not available for Members with less than 10 years of Credited Service as of that date.
Benefit	Deferred benefit payable at Normal Retirement Date or reduced 2% per year and payable immediately.

Disability

Eligibility Total and Permanent as determined by the Board. Members are covered from date of employment for service-incurred disabilities and after five (5) years of service for non-service disabilities.

Benefit Amount Greater of 2% times Average Final Compensation times Credited Service, or 50% of Average Final Compensation. Benefits are payable as a 100% Joint and Survivor Annuity to spouse or children. Optional forms are available.

Pre-Retirement Death

Eligibility Coverage in effect from date of employment for service incurred deaths and after five (5) years of service for non-service incurred.

Benefit 50% of Average Final Compensation paid to spouse until death, if service incurred, or until death or remarriage, if non-service incurred.

Minimum Benefit for Vested Members Accrued benefit, less any spouse or surviving children benefits payable.

Cost of Living Adjustment

Normal and Early service retirees who retire after October 1, 1998 receive a 3.0% increase each year after retirement through age 65. For Members not eligible for Normal Retirement as of October 1, 2014, no cost-of-living adjustments are applicable to benefits based on Credited Service after that date.

Vesting (Termination)

Less than 10 years of Contributing Service Refund of Member Contributions.

10 years or more Accrued benefit payable at Early Retirement Age or later if Member contributions left in Fund; otherwise, Refund of Member Contributions. Additionally, members are 100% vested for benefits accrued prior to October 1, 2014, regardless of accrued service as of that date.

Contributions

Employee 7.00% of Salary.

State Premium tax refund.

City Remaining amount necessary for payment of Normal (current year's) Cost and amortization of the accrued past service liability as provided in Part VII of Florida Statutes Chapter 112.

Board of Trustees

Two City Council appointees who are City residents, two elected Members of the Fire Department, and a fifth Member elected by the other four and appointed by Council (as a ministerial duty).

Share Plan

Funded using half the excess State Monies Reserve as of September 30, 2018. Future allocations of State Monies in excess of \$296,000.

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

<u>ASSETS</u>	MARKET VALUE
Cash and Cash Equivalents:	
Short Term Investments	840,196
Cash	3,730
Total Cash and Equivalents	843,926
Receivables:	
Member Contributions in Transit	3,121
City Contributions in Transit	92,308
State Contributions	5,194
Investment Income	38,327
Total Receivable	138,950
Investments:	
U. S. Bonds and Bills	4,053,515
Federal Agency Guaranteed Securities	1,655,671
Corporate Bonds	843,679
Stocks	5,414,025
Mutual Funds:	
Fixed Income	1,133,066
Equity	10,869,170
Pooled/Common/Commingled Funds:	
Real Estate	3,795,742
Total Investments	27,764,868
Total Assets	28,747,744
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Payables:	
Investment Expenses	23,672
Administrative Expenses	3,237
Total Liabilities	26,909
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PENSIONS	28,720,835

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022
Market Value Basis

ADDITIONS

Contributions:

Member	97,409
Buy-Back	195,737
City	2,492,308
State	204,879

Total Contributions	2,990,333
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Investment Income:

Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments	(5,502,182)
Interest & Dividends	901,810
Less Investment Expense ¹	(136,346)

Net Investment Income	(4,736,718)
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Total Additions	(1,746,385)
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DEDUCTIONS

Distributions to Members:

Benefit Payments	2,635,230
Lump Sum Share Distributions	639
Lump Sum PLOP Distributions	555,749
Refunds of Member Contributions	0

Total Distributions	3,191,618
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Administrative Expense	66,705
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Total Deductions	3,258,323
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Net Increase in Net Position	(5,004,708)
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NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PENSIONS

Beginning of the Year	33,725,543
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End of the Year	28,720,835
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¹Investment related expenses include investment advisory, custodial and performance monitoring fees.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(For the Year Ended September 30, 2022)

Plan Administration

The Plan is a single employer defined benefit pension plan administered by a Board of Trustees comprised of: Two City Council appointees who are City residents, two elected Members of the Fire Department, and a fifth Member elected by the other four and appointed by Council (as a ministerial duty).

Eligible are full-time employment with the City as a Firefighter. The Plan is closed to Firefighters hired after September 30, 2014.

Plan Membership as of October 1, 2021:

Inactive Plan Members or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefits	44
Inactive Plan Members Entitled to But Not Yet Receiving Benefits	15
Active Plan Members	19
	<u>78</u>

Benefits Provided

The Plan provides retirement, termination, disability and death benefits.

A summary of the benefit provisions can be found in the October 1, 2021 Actuarial Valuation Report for the City of Venice Municipal Firefighters' Pension Trust Fund prepared by Foster & Foster Actuaries and Consultants.

Contributions

Employee: 7.00% of Salary.

State: Premium tax refund.

City: Remaining amount necessary for payment of Normal (current year's) Cost and amortization of the accrued past service liability, as provided in Part VII of Florida Statutes Chapter 112.

Investment Policy:

The following was the Board's adopted asset allocation policy as of September 30, 2022:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>
Domestic Equity	45.0%
International Equity	15.0%
Broad Market Fixed Income	25.0%
Global Fixed income	5.0%
Real Estate	10.0%
Total	<u>100.0%</u>

Concentrations:

The Plan did not hold investments in any one organization that represent 5 percent or more of the Pension Plan's Fiduciary Net Position.

Rate of Return:

For the year ended September 30, 2022, the annual money-weighted rate of return on Pension Plan investments, net of Pension Plan investment expense, was -14.09 percent.

The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

NET PENSION LIABILITY OF THE SPONSOR

The components of the Net Pension Liability of the Sponsor on September 30, 2022 were as follows:

Total Pension Liability	\$ 48,377,225
Plan Fiduciary Net Position	<u>\$ (28,720,835)</u>
Sponsor's Net Pension Liability	<u>\$ 19,656,390</u>
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of Total Pension Liability	59.37%

Actuarial Assumptions:

The Total Pension Liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of October 1, 2021 updated to September 30, 2022 using the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation	2.50%
Salary Increases	Service Based
Discount Rate	6.50%
Investment Rate of Return	6.50%

Mortality Rate Healthy Active Lives:

Female: PubS.H-2010 for Employees, set forward one year.

Male: PubS.H-2010 for Employees, set forward one year.

Mortality Rate Healthy Retiree Lives:

Female: PubS.H-2010 (Above Median) for Healthy Retirees, set forward one year.

Male: PubS.H-2010 (Above Median) for Healthy Retirees, set forward one year.

Mortality Rate Beneficiary Lives:

Female: PubG.H-2010 (Above Median) for Healthy Retirees.

Male: PubG.H-2010 (Above Median) for Healthy Retirees, set back one year.

Mortality Rate Disabled Lives:

80% PubG.H-2010 for Disabled Retirees / 20% PubS.H-2010 for Disabled Retirees.

All rates are projected generationally with Mortality Improvement Scale MP-2018. We feel this assumption sufficiently accommodates future mortality improvements.

The previously described mortality assumption rates were mandated by Chapter 2015-157, Laws of Florida. This law mandates the use of the assumptions used in either of the two most recent valuations of the Florida Retirement System (FRS). The above rates are those outlined in Milliman’s July 1, 2021 FRS valuation report for special risk employees, with appropriate adjustments made based on plan demographics.

The most recent actuarial experience study used to review the other significant assumptions was dated September 10, 2021.

The Long-Term Expected Rate of Return on Pension Plan investments can be determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of Pension Plan investment expenses and inflation) are developed for each major asset class.

For 2022 the inflation rate assumption of the investment advisor was 2.50%.

These ranges are combined to produce the Long-Term Expected Rate of Return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

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Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the Pension Plan's target asset allocation as of September 30, 2022 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return¹</u>
Domestic Equity	7.50%
International Equity	8.50%
Broad Market Fixed Income	2.50%
Global Fixed income	3.50%
Real Estate	4.50%

¹ Source: AndCo Consulting

Discount Rate:

The Discount Rate used to measure the Total Pension Liability was 6.50 percent.

The projection of cash flows used to determine the Discount Rate assumed that Plan Member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that Sponsor contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the Member rate. Based on those assumptions, the Pension Plan's Fiduciary Net Position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the Long-Term Expected Rate of Return on Pension Plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the Total Pension Liability.

	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
	5.50%	6.50%	7.50%
Sponsor's Net Pension Liability	\$ 25,326,537	\$ 19,656,390	\$ 14,930,150

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS
Last 2 Fiscal Years

	09/30/2022	09/30/2021
Total Pension Liability		
Service Cost	698,736	830,057
Interest	3,052,291	3,068,569
Changes of benefit terms	-	-
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	(233,313)	(414,457)
Changes of assumptions	-	1,159,634
Contributions - Buy Back	195,737	-
Benefit Payments, including Refunds of Employee Contributions	(3,191,618)	(2,837,258)
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Net Pension Liability - Ending (a) - (b)	<u>\$ 19,656,390</u>	<u>\$ 14,129,849</u>
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SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Last 2 Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year Ended	Actuarially Determined Contribution	Contributions in relation to the Actuarially Determined Contributions	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Covered Payroll	Contributions as a percentage of Covered Payroll
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09/30/2021	\$ 2,372,093	\$ 2,588,963	\$ (216,870)	\$ 1,747,719	148.13%

Notes to Schedule

Valuation Date:

10/01/2020

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT RETURNS
Last 2 Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year Ended	Annual Money-Weighted Rate of Return Net of Investment Expense
09/30/2022	-14.09%
09/30/2021	19.86%

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(For the Year Ended September 30, 2022)

Plan Description

The Plan is a single employer defined benefit pension plan administered by a Board of Trustees comprised of: Two City Council appointees who are City residents, two elected Members of the Fire Department, and a fifth Member elected by the other four and appointed by Council (as a ministerial duty).

Eligible are full-time employment with the City as a Firefighter. The Plan is closed to Firefighters hired after September 30, 2014.

Plan Membership as of October 1, 2021:

Inactive Plan Members or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefits	44
Inactive Plan Members Entitled to But Not Yet Receiving Benefits	15
Active Plan Members	19
	78

Benefits Provided

The Plan provides retirement, termination, disability and death benefits.

A summary of the benefit provisions can be found in the October 1, 2021 Actuarial Valuation Report for the City of Venice Municipal Firefighters' Pension Trust Fund prepared by Foster & Foster Actuaries and Consultants.

Contributions

Employee: 7.00% of Salary.

State: Premium tax refund.

City: Remaining amount necessary for payment of Normal (current year's) Cost and amortization of the accrued past service liability, as provided in Part VII of Florida Statutes Chapter 112.

Net Pension Liability

The measurement date is September 30, 2022.

The measurement period for the pension expense was October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022.

The reporting period is October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022.

The Sponsor's Net Pension Liability was measured as of September 30, 2022.

The Total Pension Liability used to calculate the Net Pension Liability was determined as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions:

The Total Pension Liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of October 1, 2021 updated to September 30, 2022 using the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation		2.50%
Salary Increases	Service Based	
Discount Rate		6.50%
Investment Rate of Return		6.50%

Mortality Rate Healthy Active Lives:

Female: PubS.H-2010 for Employees, set forward one year.

Male: PubS.H-2010 for Employees, set forward one year.

Mortality Rate Healthy Retiree Lives:

Female: PubS.H-2010 (Above Median) for Healthy Retirees, set forward one year.

Male: PubS.H-2010 (Above Median) for Healthy Retirees, set forward one year.

Mortality Rate Beneficiary Lives:

Female: PubG.H-2010 (Above Median) for Healthy Retirees.

Male: PubG.H-2010 (Above Median) for Healthy Retirees, set back one year.

Mortality Rate Disabled Lives:

80% PubG.H-2010 for Disabled Retirees / 20% PubS.H-2010 for Disabled Retirees.

All rates are projected generationally with Mortality Improvement Scale MP-2018. We feel this assumption sufficiently accommodates future mortality improvements.

The previously described mortality assumption rates were mandated by Chapter 2015-157, Laws of Florida. This law mandates the use of the assumptions used in either of the two most recent valuations of the Florida Retirement System (FRS). The above rates are those outlined in Milliman’s July 1, 2021 FRS valuation report for special risk employees, with appropriate adjustments made based on plan demographics.

The most recent actuarial experience study used to review the other significant assumptions was dated September 10, 2021.

The Long-Term Expected Rate of Return on Pension Plan investments can be determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of Pension Plan investment expenses and inflation) are developed for each major asset class.

For 2022 the inflation rate assumption of the investment advisor was 2.50%.

These ranges are combined to produce the Long-Term Expected Rate of Return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the Pension Plan's target asset allocation as of September 30, 2022 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return ¹
Domestic Equity	45.0%	7.50%
International Equity	15.0%	8.50%
Broad Market Fixed Income	25.0%	2.50%
Global Fixed income	5.0%	3.50%
Real Estate	10.0%	4.50%
Total	100.0%	

¹ Source: AndCo Consulting

Discount Rate:

The Discount Rate used to measure the Total Pension Liability was 6.50 percent.

The projection of cash flows used to determine the Discount Rate assumed that Plan Member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that Sponsor contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the Member rate. Based on those assumptions, the Pension Plan's Fiduciary Net Position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the Long-Term Expected Rate of Return on Pension Plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the Total Pension Liability.

CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY

	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total Pension Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (a)-(b)
Balances at September 30, 2021	\$ 47,855,392	\$ 33,725,543	\$ 14,129,849
Changes for a Year:			
Service Cost	698,736	-	698,736
Interest	3,052,291	-	3,052,291
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	(233,313)	-	(233,313)
Changes of assumptions	-	-	-
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-
Contributions - Employer	-	2,492,308	(2,492,308)
Contributions - State	-	204,879	(204,879)
Contributions - Employee	-	97,409	(97,409)
Contributions - Buy Back	195,737	195,737	-
Net Investment Income	-	(4,736,718)	4,736,718
Benefit Payments, including Refunds of Employee Contributions	(3,191,618)	(3,191,618)	-
Administrative Expense	-	(66,705)	66,705
Net Changes	521,833	(5,004,708)	5,526,541
Balances at September 30, 2022	\$ 48,377,225	\$ 28,720,835	\$ 19,656,390

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to changes in the Discount Rate.

	Current		
	1% Decrease 5.50%	Discount Rate 6.50%	1% Increase 7.50%
Sponsor's Net Pension Liability	\$ 25,326,537	\$ 19,656,390	\$ 14,930,150

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position.

Detailed information about the pension Plan's Fiduciary Net Position is available in a separately issued Plan financial report.

PENSION EXPENSE AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND DEFERRED
INFLOWS OF RESOURCES RELATED TO PENSIONS
FISCAL YEAR SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

For the year ended September 30, 2022, the Sponsor will recognize a Pension Expense of \$2,508,669.

On September 30, 2022, the Sponsor reported Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	-	-
Changes of assumptions	-	-
Net difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan investments	3,577,432	-
Total	\$ 3,577,432	\$ -

Amounts reported as Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources related to pensions will be recognized in Pension Expense as follows:

Year ended September 30:			
2023		\$	908,566
2024		\$	645,452
2025		\$	639,380
2026		\$	1,384,034
2027		\$	-
Thereafter		\$	-

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS
Last 2 Fiscal Years

Measurement Date	09/30/2022	09/30/2021
Total Pension Liability		
Service Cost	698,736	830,057
Interest	3,052,291	3,068,569
Changes of benefit terms	-	-
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	(233,313)	(414,457)
Changes of assumptions	-	1,159,634
Contributions - Buy Back	195,737	-
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SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Last 2 Fiscal Years

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EXPENSE DEVELOPMENT AND AMORTIZATION SCHEDULES

The following information is not required to be disclosed but is provided for informational purposes.

COMPONENTS OF PENSION EXPENSE
FISCAL YEAR SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

	Net Pension Liability	Deferred Inflows	Deferred Outflows	Pension Expense
Beginning balance	\$ 14,129,849	\$ 3,261,888	\$ 1,124,261	\$ -
Total Pension Liability Factors:				
Service Cost	698,736	-	-	698,736
Interest	3,052,291	-	-	3,052,291
Changes in benefit terms	-	-	-	-
Contributions - Buy Back	195,737	-	-	195,737
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience with regard to economic or demographic assumptions	(233,313)	233,313	-	-
Current year amortization of experience difference	-	(440,542)	-	(440,542)
Change in assumptions about future economic or demographic factors or other inputs	-	-	-	-
Current year amortization of change in assumptions	-	-	(579,817)	579,817
Benefit Payments, including Refunds of Employee Contributions	(3,191,618)	-	-	-
Net change	<u>521,833</u>	<u>(207,229)</u>	<u>(579,817)</u>	<u>4,086,039</u>
Plan Fiduciary Net Position:				
Contributions - Employer	2,492,308	-	-	-
Contributions - State	204,879	-	-	-
Contributions - Employee	97,409	-	-	(97,409)
Contributions - Buy Back	195,737	-	-	(195,737)
Projected Net Investment Income	2,183,451	-	-	(2,183,451)
Difference between projected and actual earnings on Pension Plan investments	(6,920,169)	-	6,920,169	-
Current year amortization	-	(820,697)	(1,653,219)	832,522
Benefit Payments, including Refunds of Employee Contributions	(3,191,618)	-	-	-
Administrative Expenses	(66,705)	-	-	66,705
Net change	<u>(5,004,708)</u>	<u>(820,697)</u>	<u>5,266,950</u>	<u>(1,577,370)</u>
Ending Balance	<u><u>\$ 19,656,390</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,233,962</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,811,394</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,508,669</u></u>

AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE - INVESTMENTS

Increase (Decrease) in Pension Expense Arising from the Recognition of the of Differences Between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments

Plan Year Ending	Differences Between Projected and Actual Earnings	Recognition Period (Years)	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
2022	\$ 6,920,169	5	\$ 1,384,033	\$ 1,384,034	\$ 1,384,034	\$ 1,384,034	\$ 1,384,034	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2021	\$ (3,723,270)	5	\$ (744,654)	\$ (744,654)	\$ (744,654)	\$ (744,654)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2020	\$ 30,360	5	\$ 6,072	\$ 6,072	\$ 6,072	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2019	\$ 1,315,569	5	\$ 263,114	\$ 263,114	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2018	\$ (380,215)	5	\$ (76,043)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Net Increase (Decrease) in Pension Expense			\$ 832,522	\$ 908,566	\$ 645,452	\$ 639,380	\$ 1,384,034	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE - CHANGES OF ASSUMPTIONS

Increase (Decrease) in Pension Expense Arising from the Recognition of the Effects of Changes of Assumptions

Plan Year Ending	Changes of Assumptions	Recognition Period (Years)	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
2021	\$ 1,159,634	2	\$ 579,817	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Net Increase (Decrease) in Pension Expense			\$ 579,817	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE - EXPERIENCE

Increase (Decrease) in Pension Expense Arising from the Recognition of the Effects of Differences between Expected and Actual Experience

Plan Year Ending	Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	Recognition Period (Years)	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
2022	\$ (233,313)	1	\$ (233,313)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2021	\$ (414,457)	2	\$ (207,229)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Net Increase (Decrease) in Pension Expense			\$ (440,542)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -