

The Firefighters' Relief and Pension Board for the City of Tacoma met in regular session.

John Carman, presiding as Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Board Members Present on Roll Call 3 – Minimum Quorum Requirement 3:

Michael San Soucie
John Carman
Mike Steele

Board Members Absent:

Mayor Victoria Woodards
Andy Cherullo

Others Present:

Cheri Campbell, LEOFF 1 Pension Specialist
Charles Lee, Deputy City Attorney
Tim Allen, Retirement Director
Randy Plain, Alternate Board member

Mr. Steele moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 2, 2023, as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Carman. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comments were received.

PUBLIC RECORD

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no Unfinished Business items.

COMMUNICATIONS

A memo dated November 21, 2023, was received from Cheri Campbell, LEOFF 1 Pension Specialist, regarding the election results.
Communication placed on file.

NEW BUSINESS

Retiree submitted a request for long-term care.
Mr. Steele moved to approve the request for long-term care. Seconded by Mr. San Soucie. Motion carried.

Retiree submitted a request for a hearing aid exception.

Mr. Steele moved to approve a one-time exception to purchase new hearing aids prior to the five-year replacement timeframe. Seconded by Mr. Carman. Motion carried.

The hearing aid survey conducted by the City's insurance broker, Mercer, was presented to the board. The survey resulted in no change to the current rate of \$1,750 per ear or \$3,500 per pair of hearing aids.

Mr. Steele moved to keep the hearing aid rate at \$1,750 per ear or \$3,500 per pair for 2024. Seconded by Mr. San Soucie. Motion carried.

The annual nursing home survey results were presented to the Board.

Mr. Steele moved to keep the nursing home semi-private room rate at \$359 per day and increase the private room rate to \$418 per day effective January 1, 2024. Seconded by Mr. San Soucie. Motion carried.

Widow passed away November 8, 2023.

No action taken.

PENSION FUND ROLL ITEMS

Internal Fund Accounting Information			
<i>Regence usage/costs</i>	<i>1 active</i>	<i>October 2023</i>	<i>\$5,277.82</i>
<i>Regence usage/costs</i>	<i>177 retired</i>	<i>October 2023</i>	<i>112,967.77</i>
<i>Transfers to HCTF</i>		<i>October 2023</i>	<i>178,000.00</i>
<i>Current HCTF Balance</i>		<i>As of 10/31/2023</i>	<i>1,777,596.24</i>
<i>Kaiser Permanente Medicare Advantage</i>	<i>2 retirees over 65</i>	<i>October 2023 – \$439.52 each</i>	<i>879.04</i>
Service pension - (taxable)			
		(6)	\$5,332.73
Disability pension – non-duty (taxable)			
		(1)	131.29
Survivor pension - (taxable)			
		(15)	17,558.26
Survivor pension - (non-taxable)			
		(38)	49,903.47
Disability pension - duty (non-taxable)			
		(61)	97,438.74
Total Gross Pension for 121 retirees for November 2023			\$170,364.49
Total Miscellaneous Medical Billings			\$28,428.99
GRAND TOTAL FOR PENSION AND BILLINGS			\$198,793.48

Mr. Steele moved to approve the pension fund roll items as submitted. Seconded by Mr. San Soucie. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

There were no Claims.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no Other Business items.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Steele moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. San Soucie. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:17 AM.

John Carman, Chairperson

Attest: _____
Cheri Campbell, Acting Secretary