

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

Mayor Woodards, presiding as Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM.

Board Members Present on Roll Call 5 – Minimum Quorum Requirement 3:

Mayor Victoria Woodards  
Andy Cherullo  
Michael San Soucie  
John Carman  
Mike Steele

Others Present:

Cheri Campbell, LEOFF 1 Pension Specialist  
Charles Lee, Deputy City Attorney  
Debra Casparian, Deputy City Attorney  
Tim Allen, Retirement Director  
Catherine Marx, Retirement Director

Mr. Steele moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 4, 2024, as submitted.  
Seconded by Mr. Carman. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comments were received.

**PUBLIC RECORD**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A letter of medical necessity regarding a retiree's long-term care private room was signed by the MD on April 19, 2024.  
Communication placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS

A memo dated April 9, 2024, was received from Charles Lee, Deputy City Attorney, regarding a widow's pension and funeral/death benefits.  
Communication placed on file.

## NEW BUSINESS

A CPI cost of living increase is due July 1, 2024. CPI is 5.52% for applicable LEOFF 1 widows and retirees and widows of retirees retired prior to LEOFF -- per RCW 41.26.250 & 260 requirement for pensions not governed by the current salary attached to the position (escalation).

Mr. Carman moved to approve the 5.52% CPI cost of living increase effective July 1, 2024. Seconded by Mr. Steele. Motion carried.

Fire Pension Fund accounting through the first quarter ending March 31, 2024, was presented to the Board.

No action taken.

## PENSION FUND ROLL ITEMS

<b>Internal Fund Accounting Information</b>			
<i>Regence usage/costs</i>	<i>1 active</i>	<i>March 2024</i>	<i>\$278,087.14</i>
<i>Regence usage/costs</i>	<i>176 retired</i>	<i>March 2024</i>	<i>368,921.08</i>
<i>Transfers to HCTF</i>		<i>March 2024</i>	<i>197,000.00</i>
<i>Current HCTF Balance</i>		<i>As of 03/31/2024</i>	<i>1,023,986.48</i>
<i>Kaiser Permanente Medicare Advantage</i>	<i>2 retirees over 65</i>	<i>March 2024 – \$432.25 each</i>	<i>864.50</i>
<b>Service pension - (taxable)</b>			
		<b>(5)</b>	<b>\$5,148.07</b>
<b>Survivor pension - (taxable)</b>			
		<b>(14)</b>	<b>15,837.61</b>
<b>Survivor pension - (non-taxable)</b>			
		<b>(37)</b>	<b>39,842.80</b>
<b>Disability pension - duty (non-taxable)</b>			
		<b>(60)</b>	<b>96,170.71</b>
<b>Total Gross Pension for 116 retirees for April 2024</b>			<b>\$156,999.19</b>
<b>Total Miscellaneous Medical Billings</b>			<b>\$66,472.92</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL FOR PENSION AND BILLINGS</b>			<b>\$223,472.11</b>

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

## CLAIMS

There were no Claims.

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Lee introduced Debra Casparian, Deputy City Attorney, who will be taking his place as the legal advisor to the Board.

The Board members welcomed Ms. Casparian and thanked Mr. Lee for his time spent advising the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Steele moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Carman. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:09 AM.

*Victoria R. Woodards*

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Mayor Victoria Woodards, Chairperson

Attest: *Cheri Campbell*  
Cheri Campbell, Acting Secretary