JPFPF Presentation

Amended Retirement Reform Agreement

December 10, 2014

PFPF Resolution (June 2014)

 Endorsed Funding, Benefits, and Governance provisions of agreement reached earlier this year.

First Council Passage of Pension Reform Legislation

2011 Agreement (2011-400): Withdrawn

2013 Agreement (2013-366): Defeated 11-7

2014 Agreement (2014-386): Passed 16-3

History of Retirement Reform

The Long and Winding Road

Long History of Retirement Reform

- July 2007: New City Council takes office (9 of current members).
- August 2008: Florida Tax Watch releases study warning COJ of dangers of then-\$534 Million Unfunded Liability and pension costs
- Sept. 2008: City Council passes final budget with \$56.3M Police and Fire Pension Contribution
- March 2009: City Council appoints Committee on Pension Sustainability to make recommendations on ensuring long-term health of COJ pension plans.
- May 2009: PFPF Executive Director John Keane issues 18 recommendations to Committee on Pension Sustainability

Long History of Retirement Reform, continued

- June 2009: JCCI releases report "Our Money, Our Finances" –
 expressing concern about PFPF's \$789M unfunded
 liability and 49% funded status.
- June 2010: Committee on Pension Sustainability disbanded due to pending lawsuit between COJ and employees over pensions.
- May 2011: Mayor Peyton reaches pension reform agreement with JPFPF (2011-400)
- May 2011: Mayor-elect Brown appoints Pension Transition Committee

Long History of Retirement Reform, continued

- June 2011: Council does not enact 2011-400 by end of term.
- Dec. 2011: 2011-400 withdrawn
- <u>Jan. 2012</u>: COJ ratifies wage agreement with Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) through 9/30/2014
- <u>Sept. 2012</u>: City ratifies wages agreement with Jacksonville Association of Fire Fighters (JAFF) through 9/30/2015
- <u>Feb. 2013</u>: Individual police and fire employees initiate lawsuit with COJ and PFPF in federal court.
- May 2013: COJ, JPFPF reach tentative pension agreement.

Long History of Retirement Reform, continued

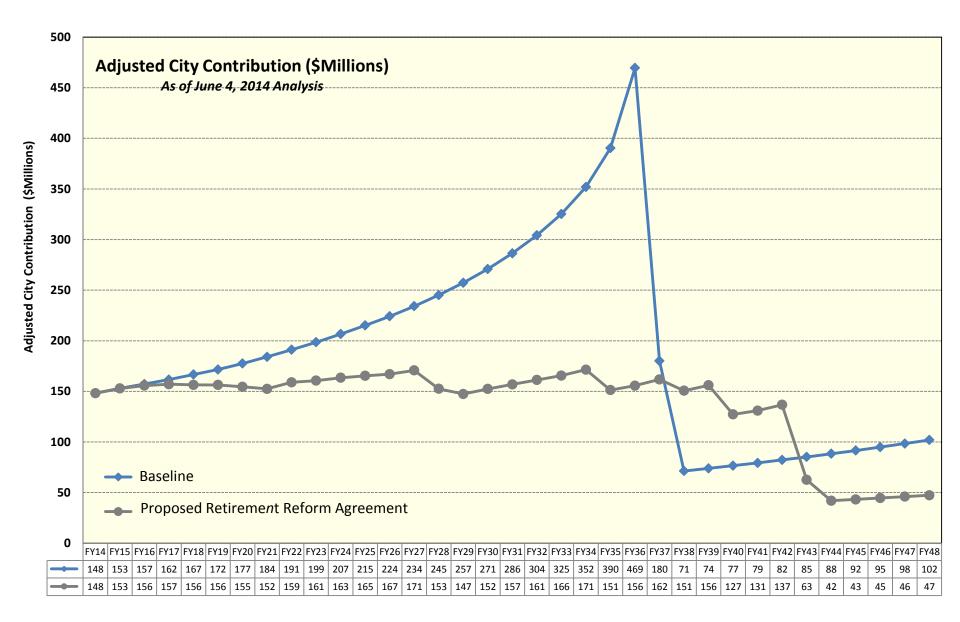
- July 2013: Pension reform agreement defeated 11-7
- August 2013: Mayor Brown re-appoints Retirement Reform Task Force to recommend solutions to City police and fire pension challenges.
- March 2014: Task Force presents recommendations on pension design, PFPF governance, and unfunded liability.
- <u>June 2014</u>: COJ and JPFPF reach tentative retirement reform agreement. Ordinance 2014-386 filed with Council.
- <u>June 2014</u>: PFPF Board Endorses Benefit, Governance, and Funding Reforms
- <u>Dec. 2014</u>: City Council passes amended reform agreement in 16-3 vote.

Retirement Reform

The Costs of Delayed Reform

The Costs of More Delay

Financial Costs



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Operational Costs

Lack of Resolution Hurts Retention and Recruitment

"If nothing else, we need certainty about what this thing is going to be."

 Sheriff John Rutherford, February 19, 2014, to Jacksonville Retirement Reform Task Force

"Stability is the key to our success. People have to know what the future holds."

 JFRD Chief Martin Senterfitt, February 19, 2014, to Jacksonville Retirement Reform Task Force

Retirement Reform Agreement

Amendments

The Amended Agreement

Amendments Proposed by PFPF

Purchase of Service

 PFPF expressed concern that former Atlantic Beach and Jacksonville Beach police officers who left those agencies, withdrew their pension contributions, and later came to work for the JSO were not permitted to purchase their previous time service.

 City Council agreed, and passed an amendment allowing PFPF members who previously worked for other Duval County governments (Cities of Jacksonville Beach, Neptune Beach, Atlantic Beach, and Town of Baldwin) to purchase their past service.

Surviving Spouse Benefits

- In order to receive surviving spouse benefits, a PFPF member and spouse must be "married and living together" at the time of the member's death.
- PFPF proposed a new definition of "married and living together" to include the situation where either the PFPF member or spouse has been confined to a nursing home or hospital.
- City Council agreed.

DROP Participation

- PFPF proposed to clarify the time service of full 5 year participation in DROP as "20 but less than 31 years" of service.
- 31 years or more of service would not be eligible for DROP participation.
- City Council did not agree to make the agreement, but expressed willingness to consider the issue in separate legislation.

The Amended Agreement

Amendments to Ensure Funding

Effective Date Tied to Funding

- None of the provisions of this agreement will take effect until the Mayor and City Council have enacted a dedicated funding source to provide for the City's funding obligation:
 - >\$40 Million/Year for 10 years or until the PFPF reaches 80% funded status; or
 - **▶**The present value equivalent of that amount (\$300 Million if paid up front).

The Amended Agreement

Amendments to PFPF Board Qualifications

Only Impacts City Appointees

 Council amendments do <u>NOT</u> impact Police member, Fire member, or Fifth member.

 Going forward, the two (2) City Council appointees will be required to have at least ten years of professional financial experience.

 Will not be allowed to serve more than two four year terms or be participants in a COJ pension plan.

The Amended Agreement

Amendments to Pension Benefits

Legal Restrictions on Pension Benefit Changes

- By law, we cannot alter the pension benefits of retired employees.
- By law, we cannot alter the pension benefits of current employees who have worked 20 years or more (meaning they are retirementeligible).
- By law, we cannot alter the benefits that current employees have already earned.

Current Employee Pension Design

Retirement Benefit	Current Plan	Original Agreement	Amended Agreement
COLA	3%	3%	Lesser of 4 % or Social Security COLA
DROP Interest Rate	8.4%	Actual Rate of Return (Floor of 5%, Cap of 10%)	Actual Rate of Return (Floor of 0%, Cap of 10%)

Notes on Proposed Current Employee Amendments

Retirement Benefit	Amended Agreement	Notes
COLA	Lesser of 4 % or Social Security COLA	Social Security COLA in 22 of last 39 years was higher than 3% Average COLA over that period was 3.22%.
DROP	Actual rate of return (Floor of 0%, Cap of 10%)	According to Summit, 10 year return was 6.98% net of fees Pew Charitable Trusts projects a 75% likelihood that plan will earn at least 5.4%

The Amended Agreement

Amendments to Governance

Financial Disclosure

 PFPF Executive Director/Administrator will be required to complete Form 1 financial disclosure.

 This matches the current requirement for PFPF Board members and future Financial Investment and Advisory Committee members.

Senior Staff Voluntary Pension Plan

 Amended agreement removes all references to the Senior Staff Voluntary Pension Plan

Term of Agreement

The term of this agreement remains as before.

 Pension benefits section of agreement subject to Chapter 447 of Florida Statutes, which means that City and collective bargaining agents (FOP, JAFF) have all rights under state law.

Form of 2014 Agreement

This is a complete and stand-alone agreement.

 All unchanged provisions from the "Thirty Year Agreement" have been incorporated into the 2014 Agreement.

The Amended Agreement

Amendments to Agreement Process

Sunset

 Ordinance 2014-386 and related agreement will be null and void if the PFPF Board of Trustees does not approve it by January 15, 2015.