

1 Introduced by Council President at the request of the Mayor:  
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4 **ORDINANCE 2014**

5 AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO CHAPTER 121 (POLICE  
6 AND FIREFIGHTERS PENSION PLAN), ORDINANCE  
7 CODE; CREATING SECTION 121.101(F); AMENDING  
8 SECTION 121.102(E) (POLICE AND FIRE PENSION  
9 PLANS) CREATING A NEW CATEGORY OF MEMBER KNOWN  
10 AS A "GROUP II MEMBER" BASED UPON A DATE OF  
11 HIRE ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2014 AND SECTION  
12 121.113(A)(1), 121.113(A)(2), AND (B)  
13 (CALCULATION OF PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS FOR  
14 POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUND) REVISING THE  
15 CONTRIBUTION PERCENTAGES OF EXISTING POLICE  
16 AND FIRE PENSION PLAN MEMBERS; CREATING  
17 SECTION 121.114 (UNFUNDED ACTUARIAL LIABILITY)  
18 TO OUTLINE THE MUTUAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY  
19 AND THE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUND BOARD OF  
20 TRUSTEES IN ADDRESSING THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY;  
21 CREATING SECTION 121.115 (SUPPLEMENTAL SHARE  
22 PLAN); CREATING SECTION 121.116 (INVESTMENT  
23 AUTHORITY) TO OUTLINE THE INVESTMENT AUTHORITY  
24 OF THE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUND BOARD OF  
25 TRUSTEES; CREATING SECTION 121.117 (EXECUTIVE  
26 ADMINISTRATOR) TO OUTLINE THE QUALIFICATIONS  
27 FOR FUTURE EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATORS OF THE  
28 POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUND; CREATING SECTION  
29 121.118 (USE OF GENERAL COUNSEL) TO OUTLINE  
30 THE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUND'S USE OF THE  
31 OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL; AMENDING SECTION

1           121.201    (RETIREMENT    BENEFITS)    TO    CREATE  
2           121.201A FOR "GROUP I MEMBERS" AND TO CREATE  
3           121.201B FOR "GROUP II MEMBERS" TO OUTLINE THE  
4           PENSION    BENEFITS    EXTENDED    TO    EACH    GROUP,  
5           SECTION 121.204 (SURVIVING SPOUSE'S BENEFITS),  
6           SECTION 121.206 (CHILDREN'S BENEFITS), AND  
7           SECTION 121.209 (DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION  
8           PROGRAM (DROP)); CREATING NEW SECTION 121.211  
9           (GROUP II BACKDROP PROGRAM) TO ESTABLISH THE  
10          BACKDROP PROGRAM OF PENSION BENEFITS EXTENDED  
11          TO GROUP II MEMBERS; AMENDING CHAPTER 121 TO  
12          CREATE A NEW PART 5 (FINANCIAL INVESTMENT AND  
13          ADVISORY COMMITTEE); AMENDING CHAPTER 121 TO  
14          CREATE A NEW PART 6 (ETHICS, FIDUCIARY  
15          RESPONSIBILITIES AND BEST PRACTICES); AMENDING  
16          ARTICLE 22 (JACKSONVILLE POLICE AND FIRE  
17          PENSION BOARD OF TRUSTEES) OF THE CHARTER OF  
18          THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE; APPROVING THE 2014  
19          RETIREMENT REFORM AGREEMENT; ATTACHING THE  
20          REQUIRED ACTUARIAL IMPACT STATEMENT; PROVIDING  
21          AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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23          **WHEREAS,** the consolidated City of Jacksonville (the "City") has  
24 both a Jacksonville Sheriff's Office and a Jacksonville Fire/Rescue  
25 Department and seeks to offer and continue to offer a retirement  
26 Plan to law enforcement officers and firefighters that will provide  
27 appropriate benefits and be financially stable; and

28          **WHEREAS,** the City seeks to continue to offer a competitive but  
29 financially sustainable retirement Plan to law enforcement officers  
30 and firefighters; and

31          **WHEREAS,** the retirement Plan for Jacksonville law enforcement

1 officers and firefighters is implemented by the Jacksonville Police  
2 and Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees (also referred to as the  
3 "JPFPF", "Board" or "Pension Plan"), an independent agency of the  
4 City of Jacksonville created by special act of the Florida  
5 Legislature; and

6       **WHEREAS**, the Jacksonville Association of Firefighters (Local  
7 122, International Association of Firefighters), which is the  
8 collective bargaining agent for all firefighters and their ranked  
9 superiors, and Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 5-30, which is the  
10 collective bargaining agent for all law enforcement officers and  
11 their ranked superiors, hereinafter referred to as the "Unions",  
12 are bargaining units certified in accordance with Florida law that  
13 presented waivers as to their right to collective bargaining on  
14 pension benefits; and

15       **WHEREAS**, The Agreement, hereinafter known as the 2014  
16 Agreement, is the fourth amendment to a series of agreements  
17 commonly known as the "30 Year Settlement Agreement; and

18       **WHEREAS**, the City and the JPFPF (collectively referred herein  
19 as "the Parties") have a shared desire to resolve outstanding  
20 retirement issues for the benefit of taxpayers and JPFPF members;  
21 and

22       **WHEREAS**, the Parties recognize and agree that it is in the  
23 best interest of the members of the JPFPF as well as the citizens  
24 of the City of Jacksonville that any outstanding disputes be  
25 comprehensively and fully resolved, without the need for further  
26 litigation; and

27       **WHEREAS**, the Parties represent that they will in good faith,  
28 present and support the terms of the 2014 Pension Reform Agreement  
29 (attached hereto as Exhibit 1) to their respective elected and/or  
30 appointed officials and use their best efforts to obtain the  
31 approval of said officials necessary for the implementation of the

1 2014 Pension Reform Agreement; and

2       **WHEREAS**, the Agreement and adoption of the ordinances  
3 suggested therein will save the City of Jacksonville taxpayers  
4 \$1.83 billion over the next 35 years; and

5       **WHEREAS**, the Parties agree to resolve these matters on the  
6 terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement; and

7       **WHEREAS**, all prior settlement agreements between the Parties  
8 and all amendments thereto are modified on the terms and conditions  
9 set forth pursuant to the terms of the Agreement with non-modified  
10 provisions remaining; and

11       **WHEREAS**, all prior settlement agreements between the Parties  
12 and all amendments thereto are modified on the terms and conditions  
13 set forth pursuant to the terms of the Agreement with non-modified  
14 provisions remaining; and

15       **WHEREAS**, the Parties have agreed that the so-called "Thirty  
16 Year Agreement", which includes all prior settlement agreements  
17 between the Parties and all amendments thereto including the 2014  
18 Agreement (i.e., 2000-1164-E, 2003-303-E, 2003-1338-E, 2006-508-E,  
19 and this legislation), will now expire on September 30, 2024,  
20 except for the provisions in the 2014 Agreement labeled "Governance  
21 of the Police and Fire Pension Fund," which will expire on  
22 September 30, 2030; and

23       **WHEREAS**, upon the approval of the Agreement by both the JPFPF  
24 and the City (inclusive of City Council and the Mayor), the  
25 Plaintiffs and Cross-Claim Plaintiff will file an agreed upon  
26 consent judgment in Randall Wyse, et al. vs. City of Jacksonville,  
27 et al., Case No.: 3:13-cv-121-J-34MCR; and

28       **WHEREAS**, to the extent that the Court declines the annual  
29 review obligation, the City of Jacksonville and the Police and Fire  
30 Pension Fund agree to meet and choose a mutually acceptable judge,  
31 attorney or special master to serve in this monitoring role; and



1       **WHEREAS**, the City of Jacksonville shall withdraw its impasse  
2 notices before the Florida Public Employees Relations Commission  
3 associated with 2012 pension negotiations with the Fraternal Order  
4 of Police, Lodge 5-30 and the Jacksonville Association of Fire  
5 Fighters, Local 122, case numbers SM-2012-078 and SM-2012-092  
6 respectfully; and

7       **WHEREAS**, the City Council, for the benefit of all parties,  
8 seeks to amend the ordinance code in order to incorporate some of  
9 the provisions of the Agreement; and

10       **WHEREAS**, the Agreement provides for the amendment of the  
11 Ordinance Code and Charter as necessary the issues resolved in the  
12 Agreement; now, therefore,

13       **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

14       **Section 1. Part 1, Chapter 121, Ordinance Code Amended; New**  
15 **Section 121.101 (f) created; Sections 121.102(e) and 121.113**  
16 **Amended; Sections 121.114, 121.115, 121.116, 121.117 and 121.118**  
17 **Created.** Part 1, Chapter 121, *Ordinance Code*, is hereby amended;  
18 Sections 121.102(e) and 121.113, *Ordinance Code*, are hereby  
19 amended, and Sections 121.114, 121.115, 121.116, 121.117 and  
20 121.118, *Ordinance Code*, are hereby created, to read as follows:

21               **Chapter 121. POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS PENSION PLAN**

22               **PART 1. POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUND ADMINISTRATION**

23                       \* \* \*

24               **Sec. 121.101. Control and Administration of Police and Fire**  
25 **Pension Fund.**

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27               (f) Effective October 1, 2014, the JPPPF shall not engage in  
28 the determination of pension benefits and shall leave the  
29 negotiation and future modification of pension benefits to elected  
30 City officials and certified bargaining agents. Nothing in this  
31 section shall be construed to impair the rights provided under

Article 1, Section 6 of the Florida Constitution or Chapter 447, Florida Statutes, provided that until September 30, 2024 the City will not take unilateral action that would alter the benefits which were enacted as of October 1, 2014.

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**Sec. 121.102. Police and Fire Pension Plans.**

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(e) Definitions of Membership Classes:

(1) Members: Are employees of the City of Jacksonville who have enrolled in the Police and Fire Pension Plan and are contributing to the Plan through payroll deduction and are either classified as Group I Members or Group II Members.

(2) Group I Members: Are employees of the City of Jacksonville who were hired by the City for full time employment prior to October 1, 2014 and who have enrolled in the Police and Fire Pension Plan and are contributing to the Plan through payroll deduction.

(3) Group II Members: Are employees of the City of Jacksonville who are hired by the City for full time employment on or after October 1, 2014 and who have enrolled in the Police and Fire Pension Plan and are contributing to the Plan through payroll deduction.

(4) Group I Retirees: Are former Group I Members who are retired under the terms of the Plan.

(5) Group II Retirees: Are former Group II Members who are retired under the terms of the Plan.

(26) Qualified Members: Are ~~Group I Members~~ ~~employees of the City~~ who have elected to participate in the deferred retirement option program under Section 121.209.

(37) Beneficiary or Beneficiaries: Are (i) with respect to Group I Members, former active Group I Mmembers who have completed

1 five or more years of credited service as active members and have  
2 either (1) vested their service for deferred retirement (Inactive  
3 Beneficiary) or (2) have met time and service requirements for  
4 retirement, or are retired as totally and permanently disabled  
5 while an active member, or anyone receiving benefits as a surviving  
6 spouse or minor child of a member (Active Beneficiary); or (ii)  
7 with respect to Group II Members, former active Group II Members  
8 who have completed ten or more years of credited service as active  
9 members and have either (1) vested their service for retirement or  
10 (2) have met time and service requirements for retirement, or are  
11 retired as totally and permanently disabled while an active member,  
12 or anyone receiving benefits as a surviving spouse or minor child  
13 of a member (Active Beneficiary). In the case of the distribution  
14 of DROP benefits for Group I Members, the estate of the Qualified  
15 Member or former Qualified Member may also be considered to be a  
16 beneficiary in the event that there is no surviving spouse.

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18 **Sec. 121.113 Calculation of pension contributions for Police**  
19 **and Fire Pension Fund.**

20 The Pension Fund created by Laws of Fla. Ch. 18615 (1937), as  
21 amended, shall consist of moneys derived as follows:

22 (a) Salary Deductions.

23 (1) Group I Members. A deduction of ~~seven~~ eight percent  
24 per annum, plus an additional two percent subject to the conditions  
25 described within (i) and (ii) below, from all salaries (base  
26 salary, longevity, City college incentive, enhanced certification  
27 pay, emergency operation and hazardous duty pay; shift  
28 differential, and "upgrade" pay; and excluding all overtime, state  
29 incentive pay, reimbursed expenses and allowances such as  
30 cleaning/clothes allowances, and payments for unused accrued time),  
31 ~~of all members of the Police and Fire Departments participating in~~

1 ~~this fund, or who will become members hereafter Group I Members, to~~  
2 ~~be deducted in installments from each periodical paycheck of each~~  
3 ~~of these members Group I Member., together with a sum equal to not~~  
4 ~~less than the minimum recommended contribution in the most recent~~  
5 ~~actuarial valuation of the fund expressed as a percent per annum of~~  
6 ~~all salaries (as defined above) of all members of the Police and~~  
7 ~~Fire Departments participating in this fund according to the amount~~  
8 ~~thereof as set up in the current budget in each year hereafter,~~  
9 ~~together with such additional sums as may be necessary to~~  
10 ~~administer this fund, which two latter amounts shall be designated~~  
11 ~~by the Board and certified to the Council for each fiscal year, and~~  
12 ~~the Council shall thereupon place the amount so designated in the~~  
13 ~~budget for the succeeding year and levy a tax therefor, if~~  
14 ~~necessary; except that the City may in good faith challenge the~~  
15 ~~City contribution designated by the Board. In the event of such a~~  
16 ~~challenge, the Board's actuary and City's actuary shall agree on an~~  
17 ~~impartial third actuary who shall resolve all disputes between the~~  
18 ~~actuaries and whose decision shall be binding and final as between~~  
19 ~~the Board and the City. The foregoing eight percent deduction shall~~  
20 be increased by two percent as follows:

21 (i) For Fire Members: On October 1, 2010, fire Members  
22 received a general wage reduction of two percent. (See Agreement  
23 Between the City of Jacksonville and the International Association  
24 of Firefighters Local 122, October 1, 2009 through September 30,  
25 2012.) In the first pay period, after October 1, 2014, which  
26 reflects a total general wage increase of at least two percent over  
27 the general wages in effect for fire Members as of October 1, 2010  
28 (an increase which fully restores the general wage reduction of  
29 October 1, 2010) the fire Member's salary deduction will  
30 simultaneously increase to ten percent.

31 (ii) For Police Members: On January 1, 2012, police Members

1 received a general wage reduction of three percent. (See Agreement  
2 Between the City of Jacksonville and the Fraternal Order of the  
3 Police, October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2014.) In the first  
4 pay period, after October 1, 2014, which reflects a total general  
5 wage increase of at least two percent over the general wages in  
6 effect for police Members as of January 1, 2012 (an increase which  
7 fully restores two percent of the January 1, 2012 three percent  
8 general wage reduction) the police Member's salary deduction will  
9 simultaneously increase to ten percent.

10 (2) Group II Members. A deduction of ten percent per  
11 annum from all salaries (base salary, longevity, City college  
12 incentive, enhanced certification pay, emergency operation and  
13 hazardous duty pay; shift differential (provided that, the shift pay  
14 included in the calculation may not exceed 125 percent of the shift  
15 pay earned during the five years prior to the beginning of the  
16 130th pay period immediately preceding retirement, adjusted for  
17 promotion), and upgrade pay; and excluding all overtime, state  
18 incentive pay, reimbursed expenses and allowances such as  
19 cleaning/clothes allowances, and payments for unused accrued time),  
20 of all Group II Members, to be deducted in installments from each  
21 periodical paycheck of each Group II Member. The foregoing ten  
22 percent per annum salary deduction shall also apply during the  
23 BACKDROP period described in Section 121.211 for all eligible Group  
24 II Members who elect the BACKDROP.

25 (b) The City shall contribute a sum equal to an amount not  
26 less than the minimum recommended contribution in the most recent  
27 actuarial valuation of the fund expressed as a percent per annum of  
28 all salaries (as defined above) of all members of the Police and  
29 Fire Departments participating in this fund according to the amount  
30 thereof as set up in the current budget in each year hereafter,  
31 together with such additional sums as may be necessary to

1 administer this fund, which two latter amounts shall be designated  
2 by the Board and certified to the Council for each fiscal year, and  
3 the Council shall thereupon place the amount so designated in the  
4 budget for the succeeding year and levy a tax therefor, if  
5 necessary; except that the City may in good faith challenge the  
6 City contribution designated by the Board. In the event of such a  
7 challenge, the Board's actuary and City's actuary shall agree on an  
8 impartial third actuary who shall resolve all disputes between the  
9 actuaries and whose decision shall be binding and final as between  
10 the Board and the City.

11 (bc) Notwithstanding the deduction provided in subsection  
12 (a)(1) of this Section, a deduction of two percent per annum shall  
13 be made from all salaries (as defined in Section 121.113(a)(1)) of  
14 Qualified Members in Group I who elect to participate in the  
15 deferred retirement option program, with such amount being credited  
16 to the Pension Fund's Ordinance 91-1017-605, Base Benefit Fund  
17 ~~from qualified members who elect to participate in the Deferred~~  
18 ~~Retirement Option Program.~~

19 (ed) In addition to the above described pension  
20 contributions, the fund shall receive all proceeds from the sale of  
21 surplus, lost, abandoned and unclaimed property held by the Office  
22 of the Sheriff, 30 percent of fines and court costs from charges of  
23 violations heard in County Court and 30 percent of all parking  
24 fines.

25 (de) The contributions made by each employee hereunder,  
26 effective January 1, 1988, shall be designated as City  
27 contributions pursuant to Section 414(h)(2) of the Internal Revenue  
28 Code of 1986, as amended. Such designation is contingent upon the  
29 contributions being excluded from the employee's gross income for  
30 federal income tax purposes. The City's Section 414(h)(2)  
31 contributions for each employee, effective January 1, 1988, shall

1 be considered as the employee's accumulated contributions subject  
2 to refund under this subsection and to be taxable on return to the  
3 employee either in a retirement allowance or upon refund at  
4 termination pursuant to Section 72 or 402, IRC, as amended.

5 (ef) The application of the employer pick up provisions of  
6 section 414(h)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, as described above  
7 in 121.113(d) shall also extend to elective contributions made by  
8 payroll deduction installment payments for the purpose of securing  
9 service credit for prior service or additional service. As used  
10 herein, "elective contributions" shall include contributions  
11 initiated under conditions wherein, (i) a member is eligible to  
12 purchase credit for prior service under 121.107, ~~or~~ for (ii) a former  
13 member who received a refund of contributions previously made to  
14 the fund who was subsequently rehired and again becomes a member  
15 and elects to repurchase such prior broken service under 121.107,  
16 or (iii) a member who is eligible to purchase service as a police  
17 officer or firefighter within the State of Florida under  
18 121.107(d), or (iv) a member who is eligible to purchase additional  
19 permissive service credit for wartime military service under  
20 121.208. However, direct payments made by the member for elective  
21 contributions shall not qualify under the pick-up provisions. In  
22 order to qualify for pre-tax treatment under Section 414(h)(2),  
23 elective contributions paid via payroll deduction installment  
24 payments must be made pursuant to the completion of a binding  
25 irrevocable payroll authorization executed by the member. Such  
26 employee contributions made through payroll deduction will be  
27 picked up and paid by the City with the member having no option of  
28 receiving such picked up amounts directly instead of having such  
29 amounts contributed to the fund. The payroll deduction  
30 authorization will state the number of pay periods during which the  
31 deduction(s) will be made, the dollar amount of the deduction(s),

1 and that the plan will not accept direct payments from the member  
2 while the payroll deduction is in effect.

3 (fg) For purposes of purchasing time service credits (or  
4 "elective contributions" as defined in 121.113(e)), the fund will  
5 additionally allow the lump sum amount of such purchases or  
6 "elective contributions" to be alternatively made in the form of  
7 the acceptance of a direct rollover of an eligible rollover  
8 distribution from one or more of the providers of the Deferred  
9 Compensation Plan administered by the City under Section 457 of the  
10 I.R.C. effective January 1, 2002.

11 **Sec. 121.114. Unfunded Actuarial Liability; Mutual**  
12 **Contributions.**

13 (a) As of May 2014, the Police and Fire Pension Fund has an  
14 unfunded actuarial liability. In order to begin alleviating such  
15 liability, contributions shall be made by both the Board of  
16 Trustees and the City, with each contribution contingent upon the  
17 other contribution being made.

18 (b) The JPPFP will transfer the balances in the Enhanced  
19 Benefits Account and the City Stabilization Account (currently  
20 approximately \$61 million total) to the City for the benefit of the  
21 Plan.

22 (c) Subject to appropriations, beginning with fiscal year  
23 2014-15 and ending with fiscal year 2023-24 or when the fund  
24 reaches an 80% funded status, whichever is sooner, the City shall  
25 contribute \$40 million annually as an additional unfunded liability  
26 payment.

27 (d) The Florida Premium Tax Dollars (i.e., Chapter 175/185  
28 Funds) will be allocated as follows: Beginning with fiscal year  
29 2014-15 and ending with fiscal year 2021-22, JPPFP shall contribute  
30 all Chapter 175/185 Funds to the City for the benefit of the plan,  
31 minus the holiday bonus. (As used herein, "holiday bonus" refers



1 to the annual discretionary Chapter 175/185 Fund bonus payment  
2 identified in City Ordinance 2006-508.)

3 (e) (1) The contributions in subsection (c) and (d) shall be  
4 contingent upon the other party making the payment noted in each  
5 subsection. Should the contribution in subsection (c) or (d) be  
6 less than that set forth in subsection (c) or (d), then the other  
7 contribution shall be reduced pro rata.

8 (2) In any fiscal year immediately following a year in  
9 which the City does not make the contribution set forth in  
10 subsection (c) the City shall add to and include within its  
11 contribution in subsection (c) the following amount: the  
12 contribution due under subsection (d) from the previous year less  
13 the JPPPF pro rata amount due the previous year under subsection  
14 (e) (1).

15 (3) In a year fiscal year where the JPPPF's contribution  
16 in subsection (d) is reduced pro rata, as outlined in subsection  
17 (e) (1), the Board may use the Chapter 175/185 funds to either: (i)  
18 pay down the unfunded liability as a contribution above those  
19 otherwise required or (ii) fund a share plan as established in  
20 Section 121.115 or (iii) pay the holiday bonus. (As used herein,  
21 "holiday bonus" refers to the annual discretionary Chapter  
22 175/185 Fund bonus payment identified in City Ordinance 2006-  
23 508.) The share plan created herein will be governed by the  
24 rules and regulation in Section 121.115. The share plan will  
25 remain unfunded until the requirements outlined in this section  
26 have been met.

27 (f) Each year, upon receipt of the Duval County Property  
28 Appraiser's initial ad valorem revenue estimate (currently June,  
29 1), the Chief Financial Officer shall convene an Additional  
30 Unfunded Liability Payment Committee (the "Committee"), which shall  
31 include (1) the Council Auditor; (2) the Chief Administrative

1 Officer; (3) the Treasurer; (4) the Budget Officer; (5) the  
2 Jacksonville Electric Authority Chief Financial Officer; and (6)  
3 the chairman of the Jacksonville retirement Reform Task Force, or  
4 at his discretion or inability to serve, the chairman of the Task  
5 Force Plan Funding Subcommittee. If neither is willing or able to  
6 serve, the Mayor shall appoint another member of the Jacksonville  
7 Retirement Task Force.

8 (g) These persons shall review available, appropriate and  
9 potential revenues and cost savings sufficient to provide the  
10 City's contribution set forth in this section, including but not  
11 limited to the sources cited in the Jacksonville Retirement Reform  
12 Task Force Final Report; innovative cost savings; incremental  
13 growth in available revenues, such as ad valorem taxes and state  
14 shared revenues; sale of City-owned real estate; JEA revenue  
15 sharing; and other appropriate sources. No later than June 20 of  
16 each year, the Committee shall make a funding source(s)  
17 recommendation to the Mayor and Council President for their  
18 consideration in proposing and adopting the City budget for the  
19 following fiscal year.

20 (h) Beginning with the 2015-2016 fiscal year budgeting  
21 process and ending with the 2023-24 fiscal year budgeting  
22 process, the Mayor shall include the Unfunded Liability  
23 Payment Committee's recommendation in his proposed annual  
24 budget that is presented to the Jacksonville City Council no  
25 later than July 15. If the Mayor does not include the Unfunded  
26 Liability Payment Committee's recommendation in his proposed  
27 budget, he shall propose an alternate funding source for the  
28 City's contribution set forth in this section. The City Council  
29 shall review for appropriation the Mayor's recommendation or  
30 any other unencumbered amounts necessary to fund the City's  
31 contribution set forth in this section. If the City Council

1 decides not to appropriate the City's contribution set forth in  
2 this section, it shall certify in writing, delivered to Board of  
3 Trustees with a copy to the Mayor and Treasurer, the reasons for that  
4 decision.

5 **Sec. 121.115. Supplemental Share Plan.**

6 (a) Supplemental share plan retirement benefit. A supplemental  
7 share plan retirement benefit ("Share Plan") is hereby created. The  
8 Share Plan shall consist of an individual share account for each  
9 active police officer or firefighter ("Participant") on or after  
10 the effective date hereof. The sole source of funds for the Share  
11 Plan shall be Florida Premium Tax Dollars (i.e., Chapter 175/185  
12 Funds) distributed pursuant to Section 121.114. The Jacksonville  
13 Police and Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees may deposit into the  
14 Share Plan only those monies identified in Section  
15 121.114(e)(3)(ii) and only when in conformance with the  
16 requirements of Section 121.114(d) and (e). the Share Plan shall  
17 remain dormant until such time as the Board makes its first deposit  
18 pursuant to Section 121.114(e)(3)(ii).

19 (b) Participant Share Plan accounts shall be credited with  
20 premium tax revenues and investment earnings or losses, and  
21 interest, and distributed as follows:

22 (c) Annual crediting. Effective January 1 after the first year  
23 in which the Board has made its first contribution to the Share  
24 Plan pursuant to Section 121.114(e)(3)(ii) and each January 1  
25 thereafter, the Share Plan account of each active Participant on  
26 the city's payroll as of the preceding September 30th shall be  
27 credited as follows: Each active Participant who was employed on  
28 the preceding September 30th shall receive one share for the plan  
29 year ending on the same September 30th. The total number of shares  
30 thus determined shall be divided into the premium tax revenues  
31 received during that plan year to determine the amount to be

1 credited to the Share Plan account of each eligible Participant.  
2 Participants who had less than one year of service on September 30<sup>th</sup>  
3 shall receive prorated shares for each full month of service based  
4 on their partial year of service prior to September 30. Chapter  
5 175 premium taxes shall be separately distributed to firefighter  
6 Participants and Chapter 185 premium taxes shall be separately  
7 distributed to police officer Participants.

8 (d) *Investment earnings and losses, or interest.* Effective the  
9 first January 1 after the Board makes its first contribution to the  
10 Share Plan, and each January 1 thereafter, the Share Account of  
11 each active Participant shall be credited or debited with earnings  
12 or losses based upon the amount in the Share Account at the close  
13 of the immediately preceding calendar year at a rate equal to the  
14 pension plan's actual net rate of investment return for the  
15 preceding plan year.

16 (e) *Distribution of share accounts.* A Participant with ten  
17 (10) or more years of credited service with the City, upon  
18 termination of creditable service employment, shall be eligible to  
19 receive a distribution of 100 percent of the balance in his or her  
20 Share Account, together with all earnings and losses and interest  
21 credited to the Share Account through the date of termination of  
22 employment. No benefit shall be payable to a Participant who  
23 terminates creditable service employment with fewer than ten (10)  
24 years of credited service. The Share Account balances of such non-  
25 vested terminated members shall be redistributed among all eligible  
26 Participant's Share Accounts in the same manner as premium tax  
27 revenues in the following calendar year. The designated beneficiary  
28 of a Participant who has died shall receive the accumulated total  
29 of their Share Account balance. A Participant awarded a disability  
30 pension from the pension plan shall receive the accumulated total  
31 of their Share Account balance. Payment of Share Account benefits

1 shall be by lump sum, which shall consist of the accumulated total  
2 balance of the active Participant's Share Account, or, at the  
3 Participant's direction, the Share Account balance may be rolled  
4 over to another qualified plan in accordance with the Internal  
5 Revenue Code, with an additional payment made for any amount  
6 credited in the year following termination of employment.

7 **Sec. 121.116. Board of Trustees' Investment Authority.**

8 (a) The Board of Trustees is authorized to invest and reinvest  
9 the assets of the Pension Fund in any lawful investment as provided  
10 in applicable provisions of s.112.661, 175.071, 185.06, 215.47,  
11 Florida Statutes, and is further authorized to invest in  
12 alternative investments, alternative investment vehicles and  
13 portfolio positions, as those terms are defined in this section.

14 (b) Investments in hedge funds are prohibited.

15 (c) No investment shall be permitted except pursuant to a  
16 written investment policy adopted by the Board of Trustees as  
17 provided in chapter 112, part VII, Florida Statutes. Prior to the  
18 adoption of any change in asset allocation or the introduction of a  
19 new asset class, the Board of Trustees shall give 10 days written  
20 notice of the meeting at which the proposed change shall be  
21 considered to the City Council Finance Committee.

22 (d) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have  
23 the following definitions:

24 (1) "Alternative investment" means an investment by the  
25 Board of Trustees in a private equity fund to include all of the  
26 private equity sub-strategies, including venture capital,  
27 distressed investing, private debt/mezzanine debt, private real  
28 assets/natural resources/energy, venture fund, or distress fund or  
29 a direct investment in a portfolio company through an investment  
30 manager or general partner.

31 (2) "Alternative investment vehicle" means the limited

1 partnership, limited liability company, or similar legal structure  
2 or investment manager through which the board invests in a  
3 portfolio company.

4 (3) "Portfolio company" means a corporation or other  
5 issuer, any of whose securities are owned by an alternative  
6 investment vehicle or the Board of Trustees and any subsidiary of  
7 such corporation or other issuer.

8 (4) "Portfolio positions" means individual investments in  
9 portfolio companies which are made by the alternative investment  
10 vehicles.

11 (5) "Proprietor" means an alternative investment vehicle,  
12 a portfolio company in which the alternative investment vehicle is  
13 invested.

14 (e) The Board of Trustees is authorized to make the same  
15 investments the General Employee Pension Fund or the Correctional  
16 Officers Pension Fund are permitted to make.

17 **Section 121.117. Executive Director-Administrator.**

18 (a) The selection of any Executive Director-Administrator of  
19 the Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees  
20 shall be governed by a professional process subject to Florida law  
21 in which the candidate shall be selected by the Board using the  
22 City Employee Services Department's search and selection processes,  
23 and, if necessary, utilizing the assistance of an executive search  
24 firm retained by the Board of Trustees. A salary and benefits  
25 survey should be conducted prior to advertising for the position in  
26 order to establish a compensation level comparable to funds of  
27 similar size and complexity to the Fund. In addition to the  
28 requirements of applicable law, candidates will be required to have  
29 a minimum of five years of pension administration or institutional  
30 investment experience, expertise in the oversight of investment  
31 portfolios, and a degree in finance, economics, accounting or a

1 related area of study from an accredited university. Comparable  
2 experience administering the activities of a state or local public  
3 pension plan will also be considered. Candidates who are CPAs or  
4 who have a JD, MBA or CFA degree will be preferred. This section  
5 shall not apply to anyone holding the position of Executive  
6 Director-Administrator at the time of the enactment of this  
7 section.

8 (b) As part of the selection of any future Board of Trustees'  
9 Executive Director-Administrator, the aggregate compensation of the  
10 Executive Director-Administrator shall be determined in accordance  
11 with the market analysis of comparably-sized public pension plans  
12 as noted in subsection (a). The City and Board of Trustees shall  
13 ensure that any future Executive Director-Administrator and any  
14 senior management employee shall be placed in either the City  
15 General Employees' Pension Fund or a defined contribution plan with  
16 the Board of Trustees' employer contribution subject to the limits  
17 of federal law.

18 (c) The Board of Trustees' current Senior Staff Pension Plan  
19 will be frozen as of the close of the pay period immediately  
20 preceding August 15, 2014, and following that date no further  
21 benefits will accrue under the Senior Staff Pension Plan.  
22 Participants in the current Senior Staff Pension Plan will receive  
23 the plan benefits after closure of the Plan, and following their  
24 employment termination, as if they had been enrolled in the FRS  
25 Special Risk Plan, unless the Board sets a lesser benefit level.

26 **Section 121.118. Use of General Counsel.** The parties agree  
27 that while the Charter gives the JPPFF the authority to employ  
28 separate legal counsel, the City's Office of General Counsel (the  
29 "OGC") is the proper source for legal representation on routine  
30 matters (e.g., open records, public meetings, and other ordinary  
31 legal issues). The parties acknowledge and agree that separate

1 counsel is and will be necessary regarding investments, pension  
2 and/or retirement related matters. The JPPF and the OGC shall  
3 consult on needs for separate counsel for other specific purposes.  
4 The parties agree that the current legal counsel structure and fees  
5 is reasonable and appropriate. In the event that parties should in  
6 the future be unable to agree regarding the selection or use of  
7 separate legal counsel nothing contained in this provision is  
8 intended to be nor should be construed as a waiver of any rights  
9 either party may otherwise have under the Charter or Florida Law.

10 **Section 2. Part 2, Chapter 121 Amended; Section 121.201**  
11 **Amended; Sections 121.201A and 121.201B Created; Sections 121.204,**  
12 **121.206 and 121.209 Amended; Section 121.211 Created.** Part 2,  
13 Chapter 121, Ordinance Code, is hereby amended; Section 121.201,  
14 Ordinance Code, is hereby amended; Sections 121.201A and 121.201B,  
15 Ordinance Code, are hereby created; Sections 121.204, 121.206 and  
16 121.209, Ordinance Code, are amended; and Section 121.211,  
17 Ordinance Code, is hereby created; to read as follows:

18 **Chapter 121. POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS PENSION PLAN**

19 **PART 2. PENSION BENEFITS**

20 \* \* \*

21 **Sec. 121.201. Retirement benefits.**

22 Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary in Chapter 18615,  
23 Laws of Fla. Ch. 18615 (1937), ~~and to provide for an increase in~~  
24 ~~the benefits thereby provided:~~ retirement benefits shall be as  
25 defined and set forth in Section 121.201A and Section 121.201B.

26 ~~(a) Time service retirement. Members shall be entitled to a time~~  
27 ~~service retirement benefit equal to a maximum of 80 percent of the~~  
28 ~~average salary (as defined in Section 121.113 (a)) received by the~~  
29 ~~member for the 52 pay periods immediately preceding the time of~~  
30 ~~retirement, upon the completion of 30 years of credited service.~~  
31 ~~For each year prior to the thirtieth year of service that a member~~



1 ~~retires, the 80 percent retirement benefit shall be reduced by two~~  
2 ~~percent, of the average salary (as defined in Section 121.113 (a))~~  
3 ~~received by the member for the 52 pay periods immediately preceding~~  
4 ~~the time of retirement, with the minimum normal retirement benefit~~  
5 ~~being 60 percent after completion of 20 years of credited service.~~

6 ~~(b) Disability retirement.~~

7 ~~(1) Any member, who prior to reaching the minimum normal retirement~~  
8 ~~becomes permanently and totally disabled from useful and efficient~~  
9 ~~service as a police officer or firefighter, as established by~~  
10 ~~competent medical evidence, shall be entitled to a disability~~  
11 ~~retirement. The disability retirement benefit shall be equal to 60~~  
12 ~~percent of the average salary received by the member for the 52 pay~~  
13 ~~periods immediately preceding the time of disability retirement.~~  
14 ~~The Board shall establish the effective date on which the~~  
15 ~~disability benefit shall commence. The Board shall, by rule,~~  
16 ~~establish procedures for the examination of applicants for~~  
17 ~~disability retirement, for the conduct of disability retirement~~  
18 ~~hearings, for review of said hearings by a court of competent~~  
19 ~~jurisdiction, and reexamination of retirees on disability pension.~~  
20 ~~In the event the application for a disability pension is denied by~~  
21 ~~the Board, then a new application for the same disability cannot be~~  
22 ~~filed by the member within six months of the denial.~~

23 ~~(2) Any member of the pension funds created by these acts who has~~  
24 ~~been in the service of the City for a period of time equal to the~~  
25 ~~minimum time necessary for time service retirement or more and~~  
26 ~~becomes permanently and totally disabled from useful and efficient~~  
27 ~~service shall be entitled to the same rate of pension benefit~~  
28 ~~calculation of the average salary (as defined in Section 121.113~~  
29 ~~(a)) received by the member for the 52 pay periods immediately~~  
30 ~~preceding the time of disability retirement as those members of his~~  
31 ~~pension plan who retire on time service retirement. Any member who~~

~~elects to retire under a disability pension as provided in this Section shall be required to meet the same requirements for a disability pension as are required for any other member of the respective fund requesting a disability retirement. The Board shall establish the effective date on which the disability benefit shall commence.~~

~~(3) In applying the provisions of this Section, the adjustment supplement described in 121.201 (d) (2) that is calculated for the benefit of a member and a surviving spouse shall be based upon the actual years of credited service, subject to the minimum and maximum provisions, rendered by the member.~~

~~(4) The Board shall establish the effective date on which the disability benefit shall commence. The Board shall, by rule, establish procedures for the examination of applicants for disability retirement, for the conduct of disability retirement hearings, for review of said hearings by a court of competent jurisdiction, and re examination of retirees on disability pension. In the event the application for a disability pension is denied by the Board, a new application for the same disability cannot be filed by the member within six months of the denial.~~

~~(c) Vested retirement benefits.~~

~~(1) Members who terminate employment on or after the effective date of this Ordinance with five or more years of credited service and are not otherwise eligible to retire, are eligible to receive either a deferred retirement benefit of three percent of the average salary received by the member for the 52 pay periods immediately preceding the date of vesting, for each year of credited service prior to the date of vesting, to commence on the date the member would have been eligible to receive minimum time service benefits or be paid a refund of 100 percent of member contributions to the Plan without interest. Within 30 days of a~~

~~member leaving the payroll prior to normal service retirement, the member must make the election in writing to either vest or the refund will be issued automatically. Acceptance of the refund of employee contributions constitutes an irrevocable waiver of all rights to benefits from the Plan.~~

~~(2) In the event that the Member who is entitled to vested retirement benefits becomes deceased prior to the scheduled date for the commencement of the payment of retirement benefits, the surviving spouse and/or children of such Member shall not be entitled to a refund of contributions nor shall they be entitled to the payment of survivors benefits otherwise extended to Members who completed the required number of years of service to become eligible for minimum time service benefits.~~

~~(3) Members who are entitled to receive vested retirement benefits are not eligible to qualify for potential enhancements pursuant to the minimum monthly pension provisions of section 121.301.~~

~~(d) Cost of Living Adjustments.~~

~~(1) A Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) based on each prior annual benefit amount actually received (exclusive of onetime bonuses or adjustments) shall be provided for retirees and survivors. Beginning with the first bi weekly pay period after January 1, 2007, and for the first bi weekly pay period after each succeeding January 1, the recipient shall be granted a COLA in the amount of three (3) percent.~~

~~(2) In addition to the COLA, a minimum adjustment supplement of five (5) dollars per month for each year of actual credited service of the participant used to compute the pension benefit shall be provided for current and future retirees and their survivors, and it shall be paid beginning with the first full biweekly pay period after October 1, 2003, and continuously thereafter; provided however that such supplement shall be no less than twenty five (25)~~

~~dollars nor more than one hundred and fifty (150) dollars per month. The adjustment supplement described herein shall be based upon the member's actual years of service rather than imputed years of service, which is used for purposes of calculating pension benefits under the disability retirement provisions of section 121.201(b) and the surviving spouse provision of section 121.204(a), and becomes operative in the event of the disability or death of a member, respectively. The Mayor shall annually, each January, evaluate the annual cost of the foregoing adjustment supplement by comparing it to the City's annual cost to provide single employee group health insurance. In the event that the City's cost to provide such health insurance per employee is less than the amount of such supplement per retiree, then the supplement shall be reduced to the amount of the insurance cost.~~

~~(e) Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP). A member eligible to receive normal retirement benefits as provided in Section 121.201 (a), may remain in the employment of the City until the elected termination date by electing to participate in the DROP, as provided in Section 121.209, deferring the receipt of such retirement benefits for a maximum of 130 full bi weekly pay periods (60 months) from the date of participation in the Deferred Retirement Option Program.~~

~~(f) Limitations on benefits. Notwithstanding any benefit granted hereunder or under any other provision relating to benefits under the Police and Fire Pension Plan, benefit payments for any Member shall not exceed the maximum amount permitted under Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.~~

~~(g) Annual Compensation Limit. Section 401(a)(17) of the Internal Revenue Code establishes an annual compensation limit for each employee under a qualified plan. The provisions of Code Section 401(a)(17) are further described pursuant to Treasury Regulations~~

1 ~~Section 1.401(a)(17) 1. The Police and Fire Pension Plan~~  
2 ~~incorporates by reference the annual compensation limit described~~  
3 ~~under Section 401 (a)(17) and Treasury Regulations Section~~  
4 ~~1.401(a)(17) 1. Accordingly, the Plan acknowledges that the~~  
5 ~~compensation taken into account for any Member of the Plan in~~  
6 ~~determining plan allocations or benefit accruals for the plan is~~  
7 ~~limited to the annual compensation limit as described in Internal~~  
8 ~~Revenue Code Section 401(a)(17) and the Treasury Regulations~~  
9 ~~related thereto. The Plan additionally elects to avail itself of~~  
10 ~~the transition rule for governmental plans as described in Treasury~~  
11 ~~Regulation Section 1.401(a)(17) 1(d)(4)(ii) which provides that~~  
12 ~~'eligible participants', as such term is used in the regulations,~~  
13 ~~will not be affected by the revised limit per the 1993 OBRA and~~  
14 ~~accordingly such 'eligible participants' may have their~~  
15 ~~contributions and benefits computed by using compensation of more~~  
16 ~~than \$150,000.00 (as adjusted), so long as it does not exceed the~~  
17 ~~limit in effect on July 1, 1993. All other plan participants ('non-~~  
18 ~~eligible participants') shall be subject to the revised limits for~~  
19 ~~plan years beginning after December 31, 1995.~~

20 ~~(h) Requirements that Actuarial Assumptions be specified. Section~~  
21 ~~401(a)(25) of the Internal Revenue Code provides that whenever the~~  
22 ~~amount of any benefit is to be determined on the basis of actuarial~~  
23 ~~assumptions, such assumptions are specified in the plan in a way~~  
24 ~~which precludes employer discretion. The provisions of Code~~  
25 ~~Section 401(a)(25) and the linkage between the proper use of~~  
26 ~~actuarial assumptions and the conclusion that the plan is~~  
27 ~~established and maintained primarily to provide systematically for~~  
28 ~~the payment of 'definitely determinable benefits' to employees, is~~  
29 ~~further described pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.401-~~  
30 ~~1(b)(1)(i). The Police and Fire Pension Plan incorporates by~~  
31 ~~reference the requirements that actuarial assumptions be specified~~

as described under Code Section 401(a)(25) and Treasury Regulations Section 1.401-1(b)(1)(i).

~~(i) Required distributions. Distributions from the Plan will be made in accordance with the requirements of the regulations under Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a)(9) and that any provisions in the Plan that are contradictory to the distribution requirements shall be overridden. In accordance therewith, distributions to participants must commence by the later of April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the employee attains the age of 70 ½, or April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the employee retires. In addition to meeting the minimum distribution amount, the distribution must also meet the incidental benefit requirements of Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a)(9)(g) and Proposed Regulations Sections 1.401(a)(9)-1 and 1.401(a)(9)-2.~~

**Sec. 121.201A Retirement Benefits for Group I Members.**

This Section 121.201A applies solely to Group I members. Nothing herein shall be construed to apply to Group II members. The following definitions are applicable to Group I members:

(a) Time service retirement.

(1) For members with 10 or more years of service as of October 1, 2014, those Members shall be entitled to a time service retirement benefit equal to a maximum of 80 percent of the average salary (as defined in Section 121.113 (a)(1)) received by the member for the 52 pay periods immediately preceding the time of retirement, upon the completion of 30 years of credited service. For each year prior to the thirtieth year of service that a member retires, the 80 percent retirement benefit shall be reduced by two percent, of the average salary (as defined in Section 121.113 (a)(1)) received by the member for the 52 pay periods immediately preceding the time of retirement, with the minimum normal

1 retirement benefit being 60 percent after completion of 20 years of  
2 credited service.

3 (2) For employees with fewer than 10 years of service, those  
4 Members shall be entitled to a time service retirement benefit  
5 equal to a maximum of 80 percent of the average salary (as defined  
6 in Section 121.113 (a)(1)) received by the member for the 104 pay  
7 periods immediately preceding the time of retirement, upon the  
8 completion of 30 years of credited service. For each year prior to  
9 the thirtieth year of service that a member retires, the 80 percent  
10 retirement benefit shall be reduced by two percent, of the average  
11 salary (as defined in Section 121.113 (a)(1)) received by the  
12 member for the 104 pay periods immediately preceding the time of  
13 retirement, with the minimum normal retirement benefit being 60  
14 percent after completion of 20 years of credited service. However,  
15 in no event shall the average salary be less than it would have  
16 been using the 52 pay periods ending on October 1, 2014.

17 (b) Disability retirement.

18 (1) A Group I member, who prior to reaching the minimum normal  
19 retirement becomes permanently and totally disabled from useful and  
20 efficient service as a police officer or firefighter, as  
21 established by competent medical evidence, shall be entitled to a  
22 disability retirement. The disability retirement benefit shall be  
23 equal to 60 percent of the average salary received by the member  
24 for the 52 pay periods immediately preceding the time of disability  
25 retirement. The Board shall establish the effective date on which  
26 the disability benefit shall commence. The Board shall, by rule,  
27 establish procedures for the examination of applicants for  
28 disability retirement, for the conduct of disability retirement  
29 hearings, for review of said hearings by a court of competent  
30 jurisdiction, and reexamination of retirees on disability pension.  
31 In the event the application for a disability pension is denied by

1 the Board, then a new application for the same disability cannot be  
2 filed by the member within six months of the denial.

3 (2) A Group I member of the pension funds created by these acts who  
4 has been in the service of the City for a period of time equal to  
5 the minimum time necessary for time service retirement or more and  
6 becomes permanently and totally disabled from useful and efficient  
7 service shall be entitled to the same rate of pension benefit  
8 calculation of the average salary (as defined in Section 121.113  
9 (a)(1)) received by the member for the 52 pay periods immediately  
10 preceding the time of disability retirement as those members of his  
11 pension plan who retire on time service retirement. Any member who  
12 elects to retire under a disability pension as provided in this  
13 Section shall be required to meet the same requirements for a  
14 disability pension as are required for any other member of the  
15 respective fund requesting a disability retirement. The Board shall  
16 establish the effective date on which the disability benefit shall  
17 commence.

18 (3) In applying the provisions of this Section, the adjustment  
19 supplement described in 121.201A(d)(2) that is calculated for the  
20 benefit of a member and a surviving spouse shall be based upon the  
21 actual years of credited service, subject to the minimum and  
22 maximum provisions, rendered by the member.

23 (4) The Board shall establish the effective date on which the  
24 disability benefit shall commence. The Board shall, by rule,  
25 establish procedures for the examination of applicants for  
26 disability retirement, for the conduct of disability retirement  
27 hearings, for review of said hearings by a court of competent  
28 jurisdiction, and re-examination of retirees on disability pension.  
29 In the event the application for a disability pension is denied by  
30 the Board, a new application for the same disability cannot be  
31 filed by the member within six months of the denial.



1 (c) Vested retirement benefits.

2 (1) Members who terminate employment on or after the effective date  
3 of this Ordinance with five or more years of credited service and  
4 are not otherwise eligible to retire, are eligible to receive  
5 either a deferred retirement benefit of three percent of the  
6 average salary received by the member for the 52 pay periods  
7 immediately preceding the date of vesting, for each year of  
8 credited service prior to the date of vesting, to commence on the  
9 date the member would have been eligible to receive minimum time  
10 service benefits or be paid a refund of 100 percent of member  
11 contributions to the Plan without interest. Within 30 days of a  
12 member leaving the payroll prior to normal service retirement, the  
13 member must make the election in writing to either vest or the  
14 refund will be issued automatically. Acceptance of the refund of  
15 employee contributions constitutes an irrevocable waiver of all  
16 rights to benefits from the Plan.

17 (2) In the event that the Member who is entitled to vested  
18 retirement benefits becomes deceased prior to the scheduled date  
19 for the commencement of the payment of retirement benefits, the  
20 surviving spouse and/or children of such Member shall not be  
21 entitled to a refund of contributions nor shall they be entitled to  
22 the payment of survivors benefits otherwise extended to Members who  
23 completed the required number of years of service to become  
24 eligible for minimum time service benefits.

25 (3) Members who are entitled to receive vested retirement benefits  
26 are not eligible to qualify for potential enhancements pursuant to  
27 the minimum monthly pension provisions of section 121.301.

28 (d) Cost of Living Adjustments.

29 (1) A Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) based on each prior annual  
30 benefit amount actually received (exclusive of onetime bonuses or  
31 adjustments) shall be provided for retirees and survivors.

1 Beginning with the first bi-weekly pay period in the first January  
2 after retirement in each subsequent first bi-weekly pay period in  
3 January, the recipient shall be granted a COLA in the amount of  
4 three percent.

5 (2) In addition to the COLA, a minimum adjustment supplement of  
6 five (5) dollars per month for each year of actual credited service  
7 of the participant used to compute the pension benefit shall be  
8 provided for current and future retirees and their survivors, and  
9 it shall be paid beginning with the first full biweekly pay period  
10 after October 1, 2003, and continuously thereafter; provided  
11 however that such supplement shall be no less than twenty-five (25)  
12 dollars nor more than one hundred and fifty (150) dollars per  
13 month. The adjustment supplement described herein shall be based  
14 upon the member's actual years of service rather than imputed years  
15 of service, which is used for purposes of calculating pension  
16 benefits under the disability retirement provisions of section  
17 121.201A (b) and the surviving spouse provision of section  
18 121.204(a) (1), and becomes operative in the event of the disability  
19 or death of a member, respectively. The Mayor shall annually, each  
20 January, evaluate the annual cost of the foregoing adjustment  
21 supplement by comparing it to the City's annual cost to provide  
22 single employee group health insurance. In the event that the  
23 City's cost to provide such health insurance per employee is less  
24 than the amount of such supplement per retiree, then the supplement  
25 shall be reduced to the amount of the insurance cost.

26 (e) Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP). A member eligible  
27 to receive normal retirement benefits as provided in Section  
28 121.201A (a), may remain in the employment of the City until the  
29 elected termination date by electing to participate in the DROP, as  
30 provided in Section 121.209, deferring the receipt of such  
31 retirement benefits for a maximum of 130 full bi-weekly pay periods

1 (60 months) from the date of participation in the Deferred  
2 Retirement Option Program.

3 (f) Limitations on benefits. Notwithstanding any benefit granted  
4 hereunder or under any other provision relating to benefits under  
5 the Police and Fire Pension Plan, benefit payments for any Member  
6 shall not exceed the maximum amount permitted under Section 415 of  
7 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

8 (g) Annual Compensation Limit. Section 401(a)(17) of the Internal  
9 Revenue Code establishes an annual compensation limit for each  
10 employee under a qualified plan. The provisions of Code Section  
11 401(a)(17) are further described pursuant to Treasury Regulations  
12 Section 1.401(a)(17)-1. The Police and Fire Pension Plan  
13 incorporates by reference the annual compensation limit described  
14 under Section 401 (a)(17) and Treasury Regulations Section  
15 1.401(a)(17)-1. Accordingly, the Plan acknowledges that the  
16 compensation taken into account for any Member of the Plan in  
17 determining plan allocations or benefit accruals for the plan is  
18 limited to the annual compensation limit as described in Internal  
19 Revenue Code Section 401(a)(17) and the Treasury Regulations  
20 related thereto. The Plan additionally elects to avail itself of  
21 the transition rule for governmental plans as described in Treasury  
22 Regulation Section 1.401(a)(17)-1(d)(4)(ii) which provides that  
23 'eligible participants', as such term is used in the regulations,  
24 will not be affected by the revised limit per the 1993 OBRA and  
25 accordingly such 'eligible participants' may have their  
26 contributions and benefits computed by using compensation of more  
27 than \$150,000.00 (as adjusted), so long as it does not exceed the  
28 limit in effect on July 1, 1993. All other plan participants ('non-  
29 eligible participants') shall be subject to the revised limits for  
30 plan years beginning after December 31, 1995.

31 (h) Requirements that Actuarial Assumptions be specified. Section

1 401(a)(25) of the Internal Revenue Code provides that whenever the  
2 amount of any benefit is to be determined on the basis of actuarial  
3 assumptions, such assumptions are specified in the plan in a way  
4 which precludes employer discretion. The provisions of Code  
5 Section 401(a)(25) and the linkage between the proper use of  
6 actuarial assumptions and the conclusion that the plan is  
7 established and maintained primarily to provide systematically for  
8 the payment of 'definitely determinable benefits' to employees, is  
9 further described pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.401-  
10 1(b)(1)(i). The Police and Fire Pension Plan incorporates by  
11 reference the requirements that actuarial assumptions be specified  
12 as described under Code Section 401(a)(25) and Treasury Regulations  
13 Section 1.401-1(b)(1)(i).

14 (i) Required distributions. Distributions from the Plan will be  
15 made in accordance with the requirements of the regulations under  
16 Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a)(9) and that any provisions in  
17 the Plan that are contradictory to the distribution requirements  
18 shall be overridden. In accordance therewith, distributions to  
19 participants must commence by the later of April 1 of the calendar  
20 year following the calendar year in which the employee attains the  
21 age of 70  $\frac{1}{2}$ , or April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar  
22 year in which the employee retires. In addition to meeting the  
23 minimum distribution amount, the distribution must also meet the  
24 incidental benefit requirements of Internal Revenue Code Section  
25 401(a)(9)(g) and Proposed Regulations Sections 1.401(a)(9)-1 and  
26 1.401(a)(9)-2 if applicable.

27 **Sec. 121.201B Retirement Benefits for Group II Members**

28 This Section 121.201B sets forth the pension benefits that are  
29 applicable solely to Group II Members, and the term "Member" as  
30 used in this Section means "Group II Member".

31 (a) Time service retirement. Upon reaching 30 years of credited

1 service, Group II Members shall be entitled to a time service  
2 retirement with a benefit equal to 2.5 percent of average salary  
3 multiplied by the number of years of credited service, but not  
4 exceeding a maximum of 75 percent of average salary. The term  
5 "average salary" as used in the foregoing sentence means the  
6 average "salaries" (as defined in Section 121.113(a)(2)) received  
7 by the Group II Member during the 130 bi-weekly pay periods  
8 immediately preceding the date of retirement. Notwithstanding the  
9 foregoing, the annual retirement benefit shall not exceed  
10 \$99,999.99, which amount shall be adjusted January 1 of each year  
11 beginning January 1, 2015, by the most recent cost of living  
12 adjustment applicable to recipients of Social Security retirement  
13 benefits, as determined by the U.S. Social Security Administration  
14 each calendar year, but not exceeding 1.5 percent.

15 (b) Disability retirement.

16 (1) A Group II Member who, prior to reaching the minimum normal  
17 retirement eligibility of 30 years of credited service, becomes  
18 permanently and totally disabled from useful and efficient service  
19 as a police officer or firefighter, as established by competent  
20 medical evidence, shall be entitled to a disability retirement.  
21 The disability retirement benefit shall be equal to 50 percent of  
22 the average "salaries" (as defined in Section 121.113(a)(2))  
23 received by the Group II Member for the 130 pay periods immediately  
24 preceding the time of disability retirement. The Board shall  
25 establish the effective date on which the disability benefit shall  
26 commence. The Board shall, by rule, establish procedures for the  
27 examination of applicants for disability retirement, for the  
28 conduct of disability retirement hearings, for review of said  
29 hearings by a court of competent jurisdiction, and reexamination of  
30 retirees on disability pension. In the event the application for a  
31 disability pension is denied by the Board, then a new application

1 for the same disability cannot be filed by the Group II Member  
2 within six months of the denial.

3 (2) A Group II Member who has been in the service of the City for a  
4 period of time at least equal to the minimum time necessary for  
5 time service retirement and who becomes permanently and totally  
6 disabled from useful and efficient service, shall be entitled to  
7 the same pension calculation as a Group II Member who retires  
8 pursuant to a time service retirement as described in Section  
9 121.201B(a). Any Group II Member who elects to retire under a  
10 disability pension as provided in this Section shall be required to  
11 meet the same requirements for a disability pension as are required  
12 for any other Member of the Fund requesting a disability  
13 retirement.

14 (c) Vested retirement benefits.

15 (1) Group II Members who terminate employment with at least 10 but  
16 less than 25 years of credited service are eligible to receive a  
17 deferred retirement benefit of 2.0 percent of the average  
18 "salaries" (as defined in Section 121.113(a)(2)) received by the  
19 member during the 130 pay periods immediately preceding the date of  
20 vesting, for each year of credited service. If the vested member  
21 has less than 25 years of credited service at the time of  
22 separation, the benefit shall commence at age 62. In the  
23 alternative, and in lieu of any other benefit from the Fund, a  
24 vested member may elect to be paid a refund of 100 percent of  
25 member contributions to the Plan without interest. Within 30 days  
26 of a member leaving the payroll prior to normal service retirement,  
27 the vested member must elect in writing to vest or else the refund  
28 will be issued automatically after the end of such 30-day period.  
29 Acceptance of the refund of employee contributions constitutes an  
30 irrevocable waiver of all rights to benefits from the Plan.

31 (2) In the event that a former Group II Member who separates from

1 service and is entitled to vested retirement benefits dies prior to  
2 the scheduled date for the commencement of the payment of  
3 retirement benefits, the surviving spouse and/or children of such  
4 member shall not be entitled to a refund of contributions nor shall  
5 they be entitled to the payment of survivors benefits otherwise  
6 extended to members who complete the required number of years of  
7 service to become eligible for minimum time service benefits.

8 (3) Former Group II Members who separate from service and are  
9 entitled to receive vested retirement benefits are not eligible to  
10 qualify for potential enhancements pursuant to the minimum monthly  
11 pension provisions of Section 121.301.

12 (4) Group II Members with at least 25 but less than 30 years of  
13 credited service shall be eligible for early retirement, provided  
14 that for each year or partial year prior to reaching 30 years of  
15 credited service, the Group II Member who retires early shall incur  
16 a 2.5% accrual rate penalty for any year or part thereof short of  
17 30 years. Notwithstanding this provision, the minimum pension a  
18 person taking early retirement under this section will not be less  
19 than 52.5% of employee's final average compensation.

20 (d) Cost of Living Adjustments. A Cost of Living Adjustment  
21 (COLA) based on each prior annual benefit amount actually received  
22 (exclusive of one-time bonuses or adjustments) shall be provided  
23 for Group II Retirees and their eligible survivors, on the first  
24 bi-weekly pay period in each January beginning in the third January  
25 following employment termination. Group II Retirees and their  
26 eligible survivors shall be granted a COLA in the amount of COLA  
27 applicable to recipients of Social Security retirement benefits, as  
28 determined by the U.S. Social Security Administration each calendar  
29 year, but not exceeding 1.5 percent.

30 (e) Limitations on benefits. Notwithstanding any benefit granted  
31 hereunder or under any other provision relating to benefits under

1 the Police and Fire Pension Plan, benefit payments for any Member  
2 shall not exceed the maximum amount permitted under Section 415 of  
3 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

4 (f) Annual Compensation Limit. Section 401(a)(17) of the Internal  
5 Revenue Code establishes an annual compensation limit for each  
6 employee under a qualified plan. The provisions of Code Section  
7 401(a)(17) are further described pursuant to Treasury Regulations  
8 Section 1.401(a)(17)-1. The Police and Fire Pension Plan  
9 incorporates by reference the annual compensation limit described  
10 under Section 401 (a)(17) and Treasury Regulations Section  
11 1.401(a)(17)-1. Accordingly, the Plan acknowledges that the  
12 compensation taken into account for any Member of the Plan in  
13 determining plan allocations or benefit accruals for the plan is  
14 limited to the annual compensation limit as described in Internal  
15 Revenue Code Section 401(a)(17) and the Treasury Regulations  
16 related thereto. The Plan additionally elects to avail itself of  
17 the transition rule for governmental plans as described in Treasury  
18 Regulation Section 1.401(a)(17)-1(d)(4)(ii) which provides that  
19 'eligible participants', as such term is used in the regulations,  
20 will not be affected by the revised limit per the 1993 OBRA and  
21 accordingly such 'eligible participants' may have their  
22 contributions and benefits computed by using compensation of more  
23 than \$150,000.00 (as adjusted), so long as it does not exceed the  
24 limit in effect on July 1, 1993. All other plan participants ('non-  
25 eligible participants') shall be subject to the revised limits for  
26 plan years beginning after December 31, 1995.

27 (g) Requirements that Actuarial Assumptions be specified. Section  
28 401(a)(25) of the Internal Revenue Code provides that whenever the  
29 amount of any benefit is to be determined on the basis of actuarial  
30 assumptions, such assumptions are specified in the plan in a way  
31 which precludes employer discretion. The provisions of Code



Section 401(a)(25) and the linkage between the proper use of actuarial assumptions and the conclusion that the plan is established and maintained primarily to provide systematically for the payment of 'definitely determinable benefits' to employees, is further described pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.401-1(b)(1)(i). The Police and Fire Pension Plan incorporates by reference the requirements that actuarial assumptions be specified as described under Code Section 401(a)(25) and Treasury Regulations Section 1.401-1(b)(1)(i).

(h) Required distributions. Distributions from the Plan will be made in accordance with the requirements of the regulations under Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a)(9) and any provisions in the Plan that are contradictory to the distribution requirements shall be overridden. In accordance therewith, distributions to participants must commence by the later of April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the employee attains the age of 70  $\frac{1}{2}$ , or April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the employee retires. In addition to meeting the minimum distribution amount, the distribution must also meet the incidental benefit requirements of Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a)(9)(g) and Proposed Regulations Sections 1.401(a)(9)-1 and 1.401(a)(9)-2.

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#### **Sec. 121.204 Surviving Spouse Benefits.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Laws of Fla. Ch. 18615 (1937), as amended; or Laws of Fla. Ch. 23259 (1945), as amended, and to increase the benefits thereby provided:

(a) Benefits under this section for Group I and Group II members will be as follows:

(1) The following shall apply only to Group I Members' spouse benefits: ~~Any~~ Member of the fund hereafter who shall be killed or

1 die from effects of an injury or of any illness or disease and any  
2 such Mmember so killed or dying shall have a spouse living with  
3 such Mmember at time of death, the Board shall direct the payment  
4 from the fund of the following sum to the surviving spouse, 75  
5 percent of the pension benefit the deceased Mmember would be  
6 entitled to receive, had the Mmember completed 20 years of credited  
7 service ~~(60 percent of the average salary as defined in Section~~  
8 ~~121.113(a) received by the member for the 52 pay periods~~  
9 ~~immediately preceding the time of death)~~ and survived to receive  
10 such pension. If a deceased Mmember served in excess of 20 years,  
11 the 75 percent of the pension benefit shall be based upon the  
12 actual years of service. In applying the provisions of this  
13 Section, the adjustment supplement described in 121.201A(d)(2) that  
14 is calculated for the benefit of the surviving spouse of a Group I  
15 Member shall be based upon the actual years of credited service,  
16 subject to the minimum and maximum provisions, rendered by the  
17 member rather than the assumed completion of 20 years of credited  
18 service otherwise acknowledged in this Section. The pension benefit  
19 as used herein shall be comprised of the base pension benefit as  
20 adjusted for the COLA, but exclusive of the adjustment supplement  
21 described in 121.201A(d)(2) which shall be 100 percent allocable to  
22 the surviving spouse.

23 (2) The following shall apply only to Group II Members' spouse  
24 benefits: A Mmember of the fund hereafter who shall be killed or  
25 die from effects of an injury or of any illness or disease and any  
26 such Mmember so killed or dying shall have a spouse living with  
27 such Mmember at time of death, the Board shall direct the payment  
28 from the fund of the following sum to the surviving spouse, 75  
29 percent of the pension benefit the deceased Mmember would be  
30 entitled to receive, had the Mmember completed 25 years of credited  
31 service, as defined in 121.201B(c)(4), and survived to receive such

1 pension. If a deceased Member served in excess of 25 years, the 75  
2 percent of the pension benefit shall be based upon the actual years  
3 of service.

4  
5 (b) If any such beneficiary of the fund shall hereafter be killed or  
6 die and any such member so killed or dying shall have a spouse living  
7 with such beneficiary at time of death, the Board shall direct the  
8 payment from the fund of the following sum to the surviving spouse, 75  
9 percent of the pension benefit the beneficiary was receiving. The  
10 pension benefit as used herein shall be comprised of the base pension  
11 benefit as adjusted for the COLA's previously credited to the record  
12 of the former member, but exclusive of the adjustment supplement  
13 described in 121.201A(d)(2) which shall be 100 percent allocable to  
14 the surviving spouse.

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16 \* \* \*

17 **Sec. 121.206 Children's Benefits.**

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19 (b) If there is a surviving spouse, each child's benefit shall be  
20 \$200 per month until (i) each child reaches age 18 years, whether  
21 or not the child is a qualified student, or (ii) each child reaches  
22 age 22, provided the child is a qualified student, or (iii) each  
23 child becomes married, whereupon the children's benefits described  
24 herein shall cease, provided that the total of the surviving spouse  
25 and children's benefits do not exceed the total of the deceased  
26 Member's projected benefit. In addition thereto, each child of a  
27 surviving spouse of a Group I Member shall be entitled to the  
28 receipt of the minimum adjustment supplement provided in Section  
29 121.201A(d)(2).

30 (c) If there is no surviving spouse, each child under the age of  
31 18 shall receive the greater of either; (a) \$200 per month plus,

1 for each child of a former Group I Member, the minimum adjustment  
2 supplement provided in Section 121.201A(d)(2), or (b) a  
3 proportionate share of the surviving spouse's benefit (including  
4 the supplement where applicable) until (i) each child reaches age  
5 18 years, whether or not the child is a qualified student, or (ii)  
6 each child becomes married, whereupon the children's benefits  
7 described herein shall cease. If there is no surviving spouse, each  
8 child who is age 18 or over and who is a qualified student shall be  
9 entitled to the payment of a child's benefit of \$200 per month  
10 until (i) each child reaches age 22, or (ii) each child becomes  
11 married, whereupon the child's benefit described herein shall  
12 cease. In the event of multiple children causing the payment of a  
13 prorated benefit as each child no longer becomes eligible for the  
14 payment of children's benefits the remaining eligible children  
15 shall receive the greater of the benefits provided for in this  
16 Section up to the limits provided.

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18 **Sec. 121.209 Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) for Group I**  
19 **Members**

20 This Section 121.209 applies only to Group I Members, and the term  
21 "Member" as used in this Section means "Group I Member". In  
22 general, and subject to the provisions of this Section, the  
23 Deferred Retirement Option Program, hereinafter referred to as the  
24 DROP, is a program under which an eligible Mmember of the plan, may  
25 elect to participate, deferring receipt of normal retirement  
26 benefits while continuing employment with the City without loss of  
27 any other employee benefits. Upon an eligible Mmember's election to  
28 participate in the DROP, the amount of credited service and final  
29 average salary becomes frozen for purposes of determining pension  
30 benefits. Additional service beyond the date of entry into the DROP  
31 shall no longer accrue any additional benefits under the Pension

1 Fund. The deferred monthly retirement benefits under the DROP shall  
2 accrue in the fund on behalf of the participant, plus interest  
3 compounded monthly, as provided in subsection (c)(1) of this  
4 Section, for the specified period of the DROP participation, as  
5 provided in subsection (b)(1) of this Section. Upon termination of  
6 employment, the participant shall receive the total DROP benefits,  
7 as provided in Section 121.209(c) and begin to receive the  
8 previously determined normal retirement benefits.

9  
10 \* \* \*

11  
12 (c) *Benefits payable under the DROP.*

13 (1) Effective with the date of DROP participation, the Member's  
14 initial normal retirement benefit, including creditable service and  
15 average compensation, as provided in Section 121.201(a) and the  
16 effective date of retirement shall be fixed. Such normal retirement  
17 benefits, together with annual cost of living adjustments as  
18 provided in Section 121.201A(d), and interest, shall accrue monthly  
19 in the fund for the benefit of the DROP participant. As of January  
20 6, 2015, sSuch interest shall accrue based on the actual rate of  
21 return; provided however, that the minimum interest shall be 5.0  
22 percent and the maximum interest shall be 10.00 percent.~~produce an~~  
23 ~~annual rate of return of 8.40 percent.~~ Interest calculations shall  
24 be administered in accordance with rules prescribed by the board  
25 and interest distributions shall be credited using the 30-day  
26 month/360-day year method of calculation.

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28 **Sec. 121.211 BACKDROP for Group II Members.**

29 (a) There is hereby created a BACKDROP retirement option (the  
30 "BACKDROP") to the Retirement Plan, which shall allow any Group II  
31 Member who has 30 or more years of credited service, to elect to

1 enter the BACKDROP plan. By electing to participate in the  
2 BACKDROP, that Member's retirement benefits are calculated as if  
3 the member had actually retired at an earlier date, provided  
4 however the BACKDROP period shall not exceed five years.

5 (b) (1) An eligible Group II Member may elect to participate in  
6 the BACKDROP by submitting the following to the Fund:

7 (i) One copy of a signed and submitted letter of resignation dated  
8 effective as of the date of election to participate in the  
9 BACKDROP.

10 (ii) A properly completed BACKDROP application on forms provided by  
11 the Fund, which, once submitted, shall be irrevocable by the  
12 member.

13 (iii) Subject to Section 121.211(d), selection of the dates that  
14 begin and end the period of participation in the BACKDROP (the  
15 "BACKDROP Period"). The BACKDROP period shall not exceed five  
16 years.

17 (iv) An agreement to replace the retirement benefits otherwise  
18 applicable with BACKDROP benefits and a reduced time service  
19 benefit calculated as of the beginning of the BACKDROP Period as if  
20 the BACKDROP Participant had retired as of that date, but payable  
21 starting as of actual retirement at the end of the BACKDROP Period.

22 (v) Any other documents or information as may be reasonably  
23 required by the Fund.

24 (2) For purposes of this Section, each eligible member who elects  
25 to participate in the BACKDROP and satisfies all of the  
26 requirements of this Section shall be referred to as a "BACKDROP  
27 Participant".

28 (c) A BACKDROP Participant must resign and retire from the City as  
29 of the date of election to participate in the BACKDROP. No  
30 benefits shall be paid under this Section unless and until the  
31 BACKDROP Participant has resigned and retired from the City.

(d) (1) Provided the BACKDROP Participant has satisfied all requirements set forth in this Section, the BACKDROP Participant shall be entitled to receive a BACKDROP amount equal to:

(i) The time service retirement benefits pursuant to Section 121.201B the BACKDROP Participant Member would have received had the BACKDROP Participant actually retired at the commencement of the BACKDROP Period, and

(ii) Interest on benefits credited pursuant to Section 121.211(a). The amount of interest to be credited shall be determined pursuant to Section 121.211(e).

(2) Upon retirement, the BACKDROP Participant thereafter shall be eligible to receive a reduced time service benefit determined as of the beginning of the BACKDROP period, as defined in Section 121.211(c)(1)(iii). Should the Member elect to use any year or partial year of service which occurred prior to reaching 30 years of credited service in their BACKDROP period, the retirement benefit otherwise calculated for those years will be reduced by two percent of average salary as defined in Section 121.113(a)(2).

(e) Interest shall be credited starting from the hypothetical date the payment would have been made had the BACKDROP Participant retired as of the beginning of the BACKDROP period to the end of the BACKDROP period at an annual rate of return, compounded annually, equivalent to the actual rate of return on the Fund assets during the BACKDROP period, provided that such rate of return shall not be less than zero nor more than ten percent.

(f) A BACKDROP Participant shall not be entitled to receive any cost-of-living increase during the BACKDROP Period. The waiting period to receive cost-of-living increases, as set forth in Section 121.201B(d), shall commence upon retirement.

(g) Provided the BACKDROP Participant has satisfied all requirements set forth in this Section, within 30 days from the

1 date of expiration of the BACKDROP Period or as soon as practical  
2 thereafter, the Retirement Plan shall disburse the amount of the  
3 BACKDROP Participant's BACKDROP benefits to the BACKDROP  
4 Participant.

5 (h) All disbursements made pursuant to Section 121.211(g) shall be  
6 made subject to and in accordance with all applicable provisions of  
7 the Internal Revenue Code.

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9 **Section 3. Part 5, Chapter 121 Created.** Part 5, Financial  
10 Investment and Advisory Committee, Chapter 121, *Ordinance Code*, is  
11 hereby created to read as follows:

12 **Chapter 121. POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS PENSION PLAN**

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14 **PART 5. FINANCIAL INVESTMENT AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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16 **Section 121.501. Financial Investment and Advisory Committee**  
17 **Created.** There is hereby created a Jacksonville Police and Fire  
18 Pension Fund Board of Trustees Financial Investment and Advisory  
19 Committee of five persons.

20 **Section 121.502. General Responsibilities and Duties of Financial**  
21 **Investment and Advisory Committee.** The Financial Investment and  
22 Advisory Committee shall have the responsibility and duty to  
23 provide advisory oversight and advice to the Jacksonville Police  
24 and Fire Pension Board of Trustees ("Board") on: (1) financial  
25 matters; (2) actuarial practices and assumptions; (3) investment  
26 strategy and policy; (4) the selection of outside financial  
27 services providers, including investment managers and advisors; and  
28 (5) such other matters as requested by the Board.

29 **Section 121.503. Financial Investment and Advisory Committee;**  
30 **Membership, Appointment and Terms.**

31 (a) (1) Financial Investment and Advisory Committee members shall be



1 financially sophisticated professionals with expertise in any or  
2 all of the following competencies: actuarial science, fiscal  
3 operations, or investment practices. Criteria for service will  
4 include knowledge of and experience and familiarity with portfolio  
5 and/or pension fund management, institutional investment and  
6 fiduciary responsibilities.

7 (2) Members of the Financial Investment and Advisory Committee  
8 must be residents of Duval, Nassau, St. Johns, Baker or Clay  
9 County, Florida. Each member will be nominated by the Board and  
10 confirmed by the Council to serve in a voluntary capacity.

11 (3) The term of office shall be three years. No person shall  
12 serve more than three consecutive terms. Of the five persons  
13 selected to serve on the initial Committee two members shall serve  
14 initial terms of two years. In its confirmation of the Committee  
15 Member nominee, the Council shall designate whether the initial  
16 term is for two or for three years.

17 **Section 121.504. Financial Investment and Advisory Committee;**  
18 **Relationship with Police and Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees.**

19 (a) With regard to general strategy matters such as actuarial  
20 practices and assumptions, asset allocation, accounting  
21 determinations, risk management, actuarial assumptions, the  
22 Financial Investment Advisory Committee may at any time provide  
23 advice and recommendations to the Board, which shall receive and  
24 act upon such advice and recommendations as the Board, in its  
25 fiduciary capacity, shall determine.

26 (b) With regard to the selection (or de-selection) of individual  
27 investment managers, the Board of Trustees shall not select any  
28 investment manager without first obtaining the advice and  
29 recommendation of the Financial Investment and Advisory Committee  
30 which, with the assistance of the professional staff of the Board,  
31 shall review any and all potential asset/investment managers. In

1 selecting or de-selecting, the Board will then make its decision(s)  
2 taking into account Financial Investment and Advisory Committee  
3 recommendations as well as other information available to the  
4 Board.

5 (c) With regard to the selection of other professionals or  
6 professional services, including, but not limited to, actuaries,  
7 the Financial Investment and Advisory Committee shall furnish  
8 advice and recommendations to the Board as requested by the Board,  
9 following such processes as may be determined with respect to the  
10 particular selection.

11 **Section 121.505. Financial Investment and Advisory Committee;**  
12 **Fiduciary Responsibilities; Improper Business Relationships.**

13 (a) Financial Investment and Advisory Committee members shall be  
14 deemed to be fiduciaries of the Police and Fire Pension Fund. Each  
15 member individually and the Financial Investment and Advisory  
16 Committee as a whole shall be required to undergo periodically any  
17 and all fiduciary and ethical training required by the Board or by  
18 ordinance.

19 (b) Financial Investment and Advisory Committee members shall  
20 comply with all requirements of state law with regard to annual  
21 public conflict disclosure statements required by members of other  
22 public agencies and boards.

23 (c) (1) No business organization or affiliate thereof that is owned  
24 or controlled by, or employs, a member of the Financial Advisory  
25 and Investment Committee or a spouse, child or sibling of a member  
26 of the Financial Investment and Advisory Committee shall directly  
27 or indirectly contract with or provide services for the investment  
28 of Police and Fire Pension Fund assets during the time of such  
29 member's service on the Financial Investment and Advisory Committee  
30 or for two (2) years thereafter.

31 (2) The Board may waive the prohibition in Subsection(2) if, (a)

1 such potential conflict is fully disclosed to the Board as well as  
2 the Financial Investment and Advisory Committee, and (b) only after  
3 the Financial Investment and Advisory Committee members who have no  
4 apparent conflict in the matter unanimously recommend waiver of the  
5 prohibition upon a finding that (i) the Police and Fire Pension  
6 Fund will not be adversely impacted by such contract or services;  
7 and (ii) that the allowance of such contract or services together  
8 with service by the Financial Investment and Advisory Committee  
9 member is in the best interest of the Police and Fire Pension Fund.  
10 The waiver by the Board must be by unanimous vote and must contain  
11 a finding that (i) the Police and Fire Pension Fund will not be  
12 adversely impacted by such contract or services; and (ii) that the  
13 allowance of such contract or services together with service by the  
14 Financial Investment and Advisory Committee member is in the best  
15 interest of the Police and Fire Pension Fund.

16 **Section 121.506. Financial Investment and Advisory Committee;**  
17 **Miscellaneous Provisions.**

18 (a) The Financial Investment and Advisory Committee shall annually  
19 elect a chair and secretary from its members.

20 (b) The Board shall provide administrative support to the Financial  
21 Investment and Advisory Committee.

22  
23 **Section 4. Part 6, Chapter 121 Created.** Part 6, Ethics, Fiduciary  
24 Responsibilities and Best Practices, Chapter 121, Ordinance Code,  
25 is hereby created to read as follows:

26 **Chapter 121. POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS PENSION PLAN**

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28 **PART 6. ETHICS, FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITIES AND BEST PRACTICES**

29  
30 **Section 121.601. Police and Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees;**  
31 **Fiduciary Responsibilities; Improper Business Relationships.**

1 (a) Police and Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees members shall be  
2 deemed to be fiduciaries of the Police and Fire Pension Fund. Each  
3 member individually and the Board of Trustees as a whole shall be  
4 required to undergo periodically any and all fiduciary and ethical  
5 training required by the Board or by ordinance.

6 (b) Board of Trustee members shall comply with all requirements of  
7 state law with regard to annual public conflict disclosure  
8 statements required by members of other public agencies and boards.

9 (c) (1) No business organization or affiliate thereof that is owned  
10 or controlled by, or employs, a member of the Board of Trustees or  
11 a spouse, child or sibling of a member of the Board of Trustees  
12 shall directly or indirectly contract with or provide services for  
13 the investment of Police and Fire Pension Fund assets during the  
14 time of such member's service on the Financial Investment and  
15 Advisory Committee or for two (2) years thereafter.

16 (2) The Board may waive the prohibition in Subsection(2) if, (a)  
17 such potential conflict is fully disclosed to the Board and (b) the  
18 Board, by unanimous vote, finds that (i) the Police and Fire  
19 Pension Fund will not be adversely impacted by such contract or  
20 services; and (ii) that the allowance of such contract or services  
21 together with service by the Board of Trustees member is in the  
22 best interest of the Police and Fire Pension Fund.

23 **Section 121.602. Actuarial Assumptions.** The assumed annual  
24 actuarial rate of return Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension Fund  
25 at the date of the adoption of this section shall be 7.0%. This  
26 rate shall be modified only as required by law or upon agreement of  
27 by the City and the Police and Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees,  
28 based on sound actuarial practices.

29 **Section 121.603. Actuarial and investment reports.**

30 (a) The Police and Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees shall have  
31 the duty to have an annual actuarial valuation of the Police and

1 Fire Pension Fund performed by the Board of Trustee's actuary.  
2 This valuation shall be performed as of October 1 of each year. The  
3 annual actuarial valuations shall be completed and delivered as  
4 expeditiously as possible to the Board, the Financial Investment  
5 and Advisory Committee, the City's Director of Finance and to the  
6 City Council Auditor promptly upon completion but, in any event,  
7 the Board of Trustees shall have the valuation analyses and reports  
8 completed and delivered no later than 120 days after October 1. The  
9 120-day deadline set forth herein is conditioned upon the City  
10 promptly responding to reasonable requests made by the Board of  
11 Trustees to the City for information necessary for the preparation  
12 of such valuations.

13 (b) In addition to following all professional standards and  
14 requirements for actuarial analysis and reporting, the Board of  
15 Trustees will utilize the following approaches and assumptions:

16 (1) Annual ARC calculations based on most recent  
17 actuarial assumptions;

18 (2) Alternative funding scenarios based on variable  
19 investment performance in addition to the base case, that extend to  
20 future years and incorporate volatility;

21 (3) The latest "experience studies" prepared by the  
22 JPPFF's actuary;

23 (4) Consistency in actuarial methods;

24 (5) Accrual method: Entry Age Normal (EAN);

25 (6) Annual normal cost disclosure, using a separate  
26 annual normal cost disclosure for each pension group as those  
27 groups are defined in Part 2, Chapter 121, Ordinance Code; and

28 (7) Unfunded liabilities will be amortized as separate  
29 annual bases over closed 30-year periods or less, unless otherwise  
30 required by law.

31 (c) The actuarial practices will be consistent from year to year

1 unless changed through an "experience study" or decision of the  
2 Board, with advice from the Financial Investment and Advisory  
3 Committee, or unless necessary for compliance with applicable laws  
4 or regulations.

5 (d) The Board of Trustees must distribute to City's Chief Financial  
6 Officer and City Council Auditor the Police and Fire Pension Fund's  
7 quarterly investment return reports. These reports must, at a  
8 minimum, show gross gain/loss results as well as gain/loss results  
9 net of investment fees. These quarterly reports must also include  
10 comparisons to (1) assumption and benchmarks of the Police and Fire  
11 Pension Fund, and (2) results of comparable pension funds.

12 **Section 121.604. Annual Financial Statements.**

13 (a) On or before January 31 of each year, commencing with January  
14 31, 2015, the Board of Trustees shall prepare annual financial  
15 statements for the fiscal year ending the previous September 30 and  
16 submit such annual financial statements electronically or as  
17 otherwise agreed to the Mayor, City Council President, City  
18 Director of Finance, City Council Auditor, and the Treasurer of the  
19 JPPFF; and, on or before March 15 of each year, to the Florida  
20 Department of Management Services (the "Department") in format(s)  
21 prescribed by the Department.

22 (b) The annual financial statements shall be in compliance with the  
23 requirements of the Government Accounting and Standard Board's  
24 Statement No. 67, Financial Reporting for Pension Plans and  
25 Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions,  
26 using the mortality tables and generational projections by gender  
27 most recently available from qualified actuarial sources. If yet  
28 unaccepted updates also are available that suggest longevity  
29 improvements beyond accepted tables, then such updates shall be  
30 used in lieu of accepted tables so long as such usage remains  
31 acceptable within GASB requirements and is permitted by applicable

1 law.

2 (c) The annual financial statements shall report funding status,  
3 contribution rates and expected normal cost of new benefits earned  
4 using both the current assumed rate of return on investments and  
5 the greater of 5.4% or an assumed discount rate that is 200 basis  
6 points less than the Fund's assumed rate of return.

7 (d) The annual financial statements shall provide information  
8 indicating the projected assets, liabilities and actuarially  
9 required contributions to the Fund over the following 30 years  
10 based on the Fund's latest valuations and actuarial assumptions.

11 **Section 121.605. Public Information.** The Board of Trustees shall  
12 publish on its website on a timely basis:

13 (a) all financial and actuarial studies and reports created  
14 pursuant to this Chapter or other law;

15 (b) minutes of its meetings for the past 3 years on a rolling  
16 basis; and

17 (c) copies of all reports or studies commissioned by the Board of  
18 Trustees, including, but not limited to, experience studies and  
19 investment performance reports.

20 **Section 121.606. Ethics, Certification and Disclosure Requirements**  
21 **for Investment Managers and Advisors.**

22 (a) Any investment manager or advisor of the Police and Fire  
23 Pension Fund who has discretionary authority for any investment of  
24 the fund shall agree to certify, annually, to the Financial  
25 Investment and Advisory Committee and to the Board of Trustees, no  
26 later than the January 31 following the previous calendar year,  
27 that:

28 (1) The investment manager or advisor acknowledges that the  
29 manager or advisor serves as a fiduciary to the Police and Fire  
30 Pension Fund and agrees to be bound by all responsibilities of a  
31 fiduciary;

1       (2) All investment decisions made by the investment manager or  
2 advisor on behalf of the Police and Fire Pension Fund are made in  
3 the best interests of the Fund and not made in a manner to the  
4 advantage of such investment adviser or manager, other persons, or  
5 clients to the detriment of the Fund;

6       (3) Appropriate policies, procedures, or other safeguards  
7 have been adopted and implemented by such manager or advisor to  
8 ensure that relationships with any affiliated persons or entities  
9 do not adversely influence the investment decisions made on behalf  
10 of the Police and Fire Pension Fund;

11       (4) The investment manager or advisor is not the subject of a  
12 claim or litigation brought by a present or former client or by a  
13 regulatory agency asserting that such investment manager or advisor  
14 has breached its fiduciary responsibilities, or, if such be the  
15 case, the investment manager or advisor shall disclose the  
16 particulars of each such claim or litigation;

17       (5) A written code of ethics, conduct, or other set of  
18 standards, as submitted by the investment manager or advisor to the  
19 Financial Investment and Advisory Committee and the Board of  
20 Trustees and accepted by both the Financial Investment and  
21 Advisory Committee and the Board of Trustees, governs the  
22 professional behavior and expectations of owners, general partners,  
23 directors or managers, officers, and employees of the investment  
24 adviser or manager, has been adopted and implemented, and that such  
25 standards are effectively monitored and enforced; and

26       (6) Policies of the JPFPF concerning prohibited business  
27 relationships among family members and other related parties have  
28 been complied with.

29       (b) Any investment manager or advisor of the Police and Fire  
30 Pension Fund who has discretionary authority for any investment of  
31 the Police and Fire Pension Fund shall agree to disclose annually



1 to the Financial Investment and Advisory Committee and to the  
2 Board, no later than the January 31 following the previous calendar  
3 year:

4 (1) Any known circumstances or situations that a prudent  
5 person could expect to create an actual or potential conflict of  
6 interest, including specifically (i) any material interests in or  
7 with financial institutions with which officers and employees  
8 conduct business on behalf of the Police and Fire Pension Fund, and  
9 (ii) any personal financial or investment positions of the  
10 investment manager of advisor that could be related to the  
11 performance of an investment program of the Police and Fire Pension  
12 Fund over which the investment advisor or manager has discretionary  
13 investment authority on behalf of the Police and Fire Pension Fund;  
14 and

15 (2) All direct or indirect pecuniary interests that the  
16 investment manager or advisor has in or with any party to a  
17 transaction with the Police and Fire Pension Fund if the  
18 transaction is related to any discretionary investment authority  
19 that the investment manager or advisor exercises on behalf of the  
20 Police and Fire Pension Fund.

21 **Section 5. Article 22 of the Charter Amended.** As authorized  
22 by Sections 175.061 and 185.05 Florida Statutes and the Charter of  
23 the City of Jacksonville, Section 22.02 of the Charter of the City  
24 of Jacksonville is amended to read as follows:

25 **ARTICLE 22. JACKSONVILLE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION BOARD OF**  
26 **TRUSTEES.**

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28 **Section 22.02. - Membership.**

29 (a) The membership of the Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension  
30 Board of Trustees shall consist of five members, of whom two shall  
31 be legal residents of the City of Jacksonville appointed by the

1 city council; one shall be a police officer elected by a majority  
2 vote of the police officers who are members of the pension fund,  
3 and one shall be a firefighter elected by a majority of the  
4 firefighters who are members of the pension fund, and the last  
5 shall be chosen by a majority of the previous four members. The  
6 fifth member's name shall be submitted to the City Council, which  
7 shall, as a ministerial act, appoint such person as the fifth  
8 member of the board. Effective for all new appointments after July  
9 1, 2005, each resident member shall serve as a trustee for a period  
10 of 4 years, unless sooner replaced by the City Council at whose  
11 pleasure he or she shall serve, and may succeed himself or herself  
12 as a trustee. Effective for all elections after July 1, 2005, the  
13 police officer and firefighter members shall serve as trustees for  
14 a period of 4 years, unless they shall sooner leave the employment  
15 of the city as a police officer or firefighter, whereupon the class  
16 of employees whose elected representative has left office shall  
17 elect a successor to fill the unexpired term of office as provided  
18 for in this section. Each employee member may succeed himself or  
19 herself in office. Members shall continue to serve until their  
20 respective successors are appointed, elected, or selected. Trustees  
21 appointed by the City, as well as any persons selected as the fifth  
22 member of the Trustees by the other four trustees, shall continue  
23 to be persons with professional financial experience and/or public  
24 pension experience, governance experience, institutional investment  
25 experience, community experience and wisdom, or comparable  
26 professional training, knowledge, and expertise.

27 (b) The board shall elect a chairman and a secretary. The  
28 secretary of the board shall keep a complete minute book of the  
29 actions, proceedings, and hearings of the board. Board members  
30 shall not receive any compensation as such, but may receive  
31 expenses and per diem as provided by law. Three members of the

1 board shall constitute a quorum, but at least three members of the  
2 board must approve any action to be taken by the board. Each member  
3 of the board shall have one vote. The board shall meet at such  
4 times and places designated by it, but shall hold regular meetings  
5 at least quarterly. Special meetings may be called by the chairman  
6 or any three members of the board.

7 (c) The treasurer of the city shall be the treasurer of the fund.

8 (d) The provisions of chapters 175 and 185, Florida Statutes, the  
9 provisions of s. 286.012, Florida Statutes, and the provisions of  
10 ss. 112.311-112.3175 and chapter 112, part VII, Florida Statutes,  
11 and as the same may be amended in the future, shall apply to each  
12 member of the board. The board shall have the authority to invest  
13 and reinvest the assets of the plan without regard to any  
14 limitation in chapters 175 and 185, Florida Statutes, and shall be  
15 bound by the provisions of chapter 112, part VII, Florida Statutes,  
16 and the applicable provisions of s. 215.47, Florida Statutes. Prior  
17 to the adoption of any change in asset allocation or the  
18 introduction of a new asset class, the board shall give written  
19 notice of the meeting at which the proposed change shall be  
20 considered to the City Council Finance Committee.

21 **Section 6. Approval of 2014 Retirement Reform Agreement;**  
22 **Authorization to Execute and Implement.**

23 There is hereby approved and the Mayor, or his designee, and the  
24 Corporation Secretary are authorized to execute and deliver, for  
25 and on behalf of the City, the 2014 Retirement Reform Agreement in  
26 the form **attached as Exhibit 1**, and take, or cause to be taken, for  
27 and on behalf of the City, such further action as is necessary to  
28 effectuate the purpose of this Ordinance. The provisions as set  
29 forth herein amend and restate the terms of the existing Police and  
30 Fire Pension Plan (i.e., 2000-1146-E, et seq.). To the extent not  
31 amended or restated, all provisions of the superseded plans shall

1 remain in full force and effect. It is intended that there be no  
2 lapse either in time or effect between this plan and such  
3 superseded plans.

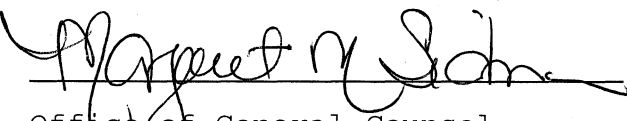
4 **Section 7. Actuarial Impact Statement.** The actuarial impact  
5 statement required by Section 112.63(3), Florida Statutes, as a  
6 condition to any proposed change in retirement benefits, is  
7 attached as Exhibit 2.

8 **Section 8. Interpretation.** Any Ordinance or part of any  
9 Ordinance in conflict with the provisions hereof is repealed to the  
10 extent of the conflict. Should any part of this Ordinance be held  
11 invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this  
12 Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect and it shall be  
13 presumed that this Ordinance was adopted without the invalid  
14 provision.

15 **Section 9. Savings Clause.** The provisions as set forth herein  
16 amend and restate the terms of the existing Police and Fire Pension  
17 Plan. To the extent not amended or restated, all provisions of the  
18 superseded plans shall remain in full force and effect. It is  
19 intended that there be no lapse either in time or effect between  
20 this plan and such superseded plans. Any Special Act or part of  
21 any Special Act in conflict with the provisions hereof is repealed  
22 to the extent of the conflict and should any part of this Special  
23 Act be held invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the  
24 remainder of this Special Act shall continue in full force and  
25 effect and it shall be presumed that this Special Act was adopted  
26 without the invalid provision. To the extent that anything  
27 contained herein may be inconsistent with state or federal law,  
28 such law will control.

29 **Section 10. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become  
30 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
31 without the Mayor's signature.

1 Form Approved:

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4 Office of General Counsel

5 Legislation Prepared By: Cindy A. Laquidara

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**Exhibit A**

**2014 Retirement Reform Agreement**

**By**

**THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE**

**And**

**THE JACKSONVILLE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUND  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Moderated by Rod Smith, Esquire

## **SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Jacksonville is consolidated within the State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, the retirement Plan for Jacksonville law enforcement officers and firefighters is governed by the Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees (hereinafter referred to as the "JPFPF", "Board" or "Pension Plan"), an independent agency of the City of Jacksonville created by special act of the Florida Legislature; and

**WHEREAS**, the Jacksonville Association of Firefighters (Local 122, International Association of Firefighters), which is the collective bargaining agent for all firefighters and their ranked superiors, and Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 5-30, which is the collective bargaining agent for all law enforcement officers and their ranked superiors, hereinafter referred to as the "Unions", are bargaining units certified in accordance with Florida law that presented waivers as to their right to collective bargaining on pension benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, the City and the JPFPF (collectively referred herein as "the Parties") have a shared desire to resolve outstanding retirement issues for the benefit of taxpayers and JPFPF members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parties recognize that the modifications made within this Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "2014 Agreement") will achieve significant financial savings for taxpayers and improved JPFPF solvency for its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parties recognize and agree that it is in the best interest of the members of the JPFPF as well as the citizens of the City of Jacksonville that any outstanding disputes be comprehensively and fully resolved, without the need for further litigation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parties represent that they will in good faith, present and support the terms of the 2014 Agreement to their respective elected and/or appointed officials and use their best efforts to obtain the approval of said officials necessary for the implementation of the 2014 Agreement.

**WHEREAS**, the Parties wish and intend to compromise and resolve the instant dispute without further negotiation, adversarial proceedings or litigation, and each without admitting any wrongdoing or liability to the others;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the premises, mutual covenants and promises set forth herein, and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt, adequacy and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree to the following:

**II. INTRODUCTORY MATTERS:**

- A. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein; and
- B. The Parties have had the opportunity to obtain legal counsel of their choice; and
- C. The Parties acknowledge and agree that this settlement is a compromise of disputed allegations, claims and demands, and that this Agreement shall not be construed as, or deemed to be evidence of, an admission or concession of any fault, liability or damage whatsoever by the Parties; and
- D. Except as otherwise provided herein, the 2014 Agreement shall take effect on October 1, 2014 and expire on September 30, 2024; and
- E. All prior settlement agreements between the Parties and all amendments thereto are amended and modified on the terms and conditions set forth pursuant to the terms of the 2014 Agreement with non-modified provisions remaining; and
- F. Upon the approval of the 2014 Agreement by both the JPPFP and the City (inclusive of City Council and the Mayor), the provisions of the 2014 Agreement shall be incorporated into a consent judgment in the case of Randall Wyse, et al vs. City of Jacksonville, et al., Case No.: 3:13-cv-121-J-34MCR. The Federal court shall retain jurisdiction for the enforcement of the Agreement and the resolution of any disputes arising thereafter. The Parties acknowledge the Court's power to enforce the 2014 Agreement, and move for the Court to provide an annual review of the Parties' compliance with the



Agreement's terms. To the extent that the Court declines the annual review obligation, the parties agree to meet and choose a mutually acceptable judge, attorney or special master to serve in this monitoring role; and

G. The City of Jacksonville shall withdraw the impasse notices before the Florida Public Employees Relations Commission (PERC) related to past pension negotiations with the Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 5-30 (Case SM-2012-078) and the Jacksonville Association of Fire Fighters, Local 122 (Case SM-2012-092).

### **III. REVISIONS TO CITY ORDINANCE CODE/JPPFP POLICIES:**

The City of Jacksonville and the JPPFP agree to the following matters to be incorporated into the City Ordinance Code and any applicable JPPFP policies and/or procedures effective October 1, 2014 upon approval by the Board, City Council, and Mayor:

#### **A. PENSION DESIGN:**

**The Parties hereby agree to the following pension design modifications.**

#### **1. EMPLOYEES HIRED ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2014 ("New Employees"):**

- a. Vesting: The vesting period will be 10 years;
- b. Retirement Age: Employees may retire with 30 years of service;
- c. Accrual Rate: Employees will earn their pension with an accrual rate of 2.5% for each year of service, subject to a cap of 75% of Final Average Compensation;
- d. Early Retirement: An employee may take early retirement only between 25 years and 30 years of service, and incur a 2.5% accrual rate penalty for any year or part thereof short of 30 years;
- i. Notwithstanding this provision, the minimum pension for a person taking early

retirement under this section will not be less than 52.5% of employee's final average compensation;

ii. For any employee who leaves before completing 25 years of service, the benefit accrual rate would be 2%. No benefit would be paid until age 62 for an employee who retires before reaching 25 years of service;

e. **DROP**: The Deferred Retirement Option Program ("DROP") is eliminated;

f. **Back-DROP**: Back-DROP may be employed up to five years, upon reaching 30 years of service:

i. Any employee whose Back- DROP period includes years of service less than 30 will incur a 2% accrual rate penalty for each of those years;

ii. The interest rate for the Back-DROP is the actual rate of return of the Plan; provided however, in no year will the employee earn less than 0%, and in no year will the employee earn more than 10% regardless of the actual rate of return of the Plan;

g. **Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) on Retirement Benefits**: Retirees will receive a COLA that is the lesser of 1.5% or the Social Security COLA, applied each January, beginning on the third January following the retiree's employment separation;

h. **Final Average Compensation**: Final Average Compensation (FAC) is based on the last 60 months (130 pay periods) of employment. Shift and differential pay are included in the wages for pension calculation. However, the shift pay included in the calculation may not exceed 125% of the shift pay earned during the five years prior to the FAC period, adjusted for promotion.

i. **Employee Contribution**: Employees will make a pre-tax contribution of 10% of salary;

j. **Spousal Benefits**: A spouse will be paid 75% of the retiree's pension without cost (following retiree death);

k. **Disability Pensions**: Disability pensions will be provided at 50% of earnings base;

1. **Benefit Cap:** The maximum annual benefit paid will not exceed \$99,999. This cap will be indexed to inflation, with the annual cap increase set at the lesser of 1.5% or the Social Security COLA.

**2. CURRENT EMPLOYEES:**

a. **Employee Contribution:** Upon the effective date of the 2014 Agreement, which is October 1, 2014, current employees will immediately pay an additional 1% contribution, which is 8% in lieu of the present 7%. Thereafter, the employee contribution shall increase to 10% as set forth below:

i. **Fire Employees:** On October 1, 2010, wages for fire members were reduced by 2%. Once the 2% reduction is restored, the member's contribution (collected by payroll deduction) will simultaneously increase to 10%; and

ii. **Police Employees:** On January 1, 2012, wages for police members were reduced by 3%. Once 2% of this 3% reduction is restored, the member's contribution (collected by payroll deduction) will simultaneously increase to 10%; and

b. **Final Average Compensation Period:** For employees with less than 10 years of service as of October 1, 2014, the Final Average Compensation (FAC) amount is based on the last 48 months. However, in no event shall the FAC amount be less than it would have been using the 24 month period ending on October 1, 2014 (the effective date of the 2014 Agreement);

c. **DROP:** As of January 6, 2015, the interest rate for DROP is the actual rate of return, for the preceding year of the Plan, provided that in no year will the employee earn less than 5%, and in no year will the employee earn more than 10% regardless of the actual rate of return of the Plan;

**B. NEGOTIATION OF PENSION BENEFITS**

Following the implementation of these benefit modifications, the JPPPF shall not engage in the determination of pension benefits and shall leave the negotiation and future modification of pension

benefits to elected City officials and certified bargaining agents. Nothing in the 2014 Agreement shall be construed to impair the rights provided under Article 1, Section 6 of the Florida Constitution or Chapter 447, Florida Statutes, provided that during the term of the 2014 Agreement the City shall not take unilateral action on any matter in conflict with this Agreement.

**C. GOVERNANCE OF THE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUND**

Notwithstanding the overall term of the 2014 Agreement (October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2024), the following provisions entitled “Governance of the Police and Fire Pension Fund” shall remain in effect until September 30, 2030.

**1. FINANCIAL AND INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

The City and the PFPF agree that the Jacksonville Municipal Code (the “Ordinance Code”) shall be amended to require the JFPF to appoint a financial and investment advisory committee (the “Financial Advisory and Investment Committee”) of five (5) persons who will be charged with advisory oversight to the JFPF on financial matters, actuarial practices and assumptions, investment strategy and policy, and the selection of outside financial services providers, including investment managers and advisors. Financial Advisory and Investment Committee members will serve in a volunteer capacity and be financially sophisticated professionals who bring expertise to the JFPF’s actuarial needs, fiscal operations and investment practices. Criteria for service will include knowledge of and experience and familiarity with portfolio and/or pension fund management, institutional investment and fiduciary responsibilities. Members of the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee must be residents of Duval, Nassau, St. Johns, Baker or Clay County, Florida. Financial Advisory and Investment Committee members will be nominated for service by the JFPF and confirmed by majority vote of the Jacksonville City Council. The term of office will be three years, with the possibility of two additional consecutive three-year terms. The initial terms will be staggered, with two persons to serve initial terms of two years

and three persons to serve initial terms of three years. The Financial Advisory and Investment Committee shall annually elect a chair and secretary from its members. The JPFPPF shall provide administrative support to the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee.

Financial Advisory and Investment Committee members shall be deemed to be fiduciaries of the JPFPPF and will be required to undergo periodic fiduciary training as required by the JPFPPF and, together with members of the JPFPPF, shall submit to the proper authority the "Form 1" annual public conflict disclosure statements as do members of other public agencies and boards. Any business organization or affiliate thereof that is owned by or employs a member or a spouse, child or sibling of a member of the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee shall not directly or indirectly contract with or provide services for the investment of JPFPPF's assets during the time of such member's service on the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee or for two (2) years thereafter (unless such potential conflict is fully disclosed to all Trustees of the Board of Trustees as well as to all existing members of the Financial Advisory Investment Committee and all such Trustees and committee members who have no apparent conflict in the matter unanimously approve and agree that the JPFPPF will not be adversely impacted by such contract or services and that the allowance of such contract or services together with service by the Committee member or potential Committee member are in the best interest of the JPFPPF).

For general strategy matters (e.g., actuarial practices and assumptions, asset allocation, accounting determinations, risk management, actuarial assumptions, etc.) the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee will provide advice and recommendations to the JPFPPF, which shall receive and act upon such advice and recommendations as the JPFPPF, in its fiduciary capacity, shall determine. For the selection of individual investment managers, the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee will work with the JPFPPF's professional staff to rank all potential asset/investment managers and recommend particular selection(s). Following its review the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee shall

make its recommendations to the JPFPPF. The JPFPPF will then make its decision(s) taking into account such recommendations and other information which is available to the JPFPPF. For the selection of other financial professionals, including actuaries, the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee will furnish advice to the JPFPPF following such processes as may be determined with respect to the particular selection. The Financial Advisory and Investment Committee's work will be subject to Sunshine and Public Records Laws.

**2. ETHICS, CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR INVESTMENT MANAGERS AND ADVISORS:**

The City and the JPFPPF intend to assure that investment managers and advisors employed by the JPFPPF will reflect the highest ethical standards and investment performance, and that they will report regularly to the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee and the JPFPPF on matters within their engagement. Consequently: any investment manager or advisor of the JPFPPF who has discretionary authority for any investment of the JPFPPF shall agree to certify and/or disclose annually to the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee and to the JPFPPF, no later than the January 31 following the previous calendar year, that:

**a. Certifications:**

i. The investment manager or advisor serves as a fiduciary to the JPFPPF, and all investment decisions made by the investment manager or advisor on behalf of the JPFPPF are made in the best interests of the JPFPPF and not made in a manner to the advantage of such investment adviser or manager, other persons, or clients to the detriment of the JPFPPF;

ii. Appropriate policies, procedures, or other safeguards have been adopted and implemented by such manager or advisor to ensure that relationships with any affiliated persons or entities do not adversely influence the investment decisions made on behalf of the JPFPPF;

iii. The investment manager or advisor is not the subject of a claim or litigation brought by a present or former client or by a regulatory agency asserting that such investment manager or advisor has breached its fiduciary responsibilities, or, if such be the case, disclosing the particulars of each such claim or litigation;

iv. A written code of ethics, conduct, or other set of standards, as submitted to the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee and the JPFPPF and acceptable to them, governs the professional behavior and expectations of owners, general partners, directors or managers, officers, and employees of the investment adviser or manager, has been adopted and implemented, and that such standards are effectively monitored and enforced; and

v. Policies of the JPFPPF concerning prohibited business relationships among family members and other related parties have been complied with.

**b. Disclosures:**

i. Any known circumstances or situations that a prudent person could expect to create an actual or potential conflict of interest, including specifically (i) any material interests in or with financial institutions with which officers and employees conduct business on behalf of the JPFPPF, and (ii) any personal financial or investment positions of the investment manager or advisor that could be related to the performance of an investment program of the JPFPPF over which the investment advisor or manager has discretionary investment authority on behalf of the JPFPPF; and

ii. All direct or indirect pecuniary interests that the investment manager or advisor has in or with any party to a transaction with the JPFPPF if the transaction is related to any discretionary investment authority that the investment manager or advisor exercises on behalf of the JPFPPF.

**3. USE OF OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL:**

The parties agree that while the Charter gives the JPFPPF the authority to employ separate legal

counsel, the City's Office of General Counsel (the "OGC") is the proper source for legal representation on routine matters (e.g., open records, public meetings, and other ordinary legal issues). The parties acknowledge and agree that separate counsel is and will be necessary regarding investments, pension and/or retirement related matters. The JPPF and the OGC shall consult on needs for separate counsel for other specific purposes. The parties agree that the current legal counsel structure and fees is reasonable and appropriate. In the event that parties should in the future be unable to agree regarding the selection or use of separate legal counsel nothing contained in this provision is intended to be nor should be construed as a waiver of any rights either party may otherwise have under the Charter or Florida Law.

**4. QUALIFICATIONS FOR COUNCIL-APPOINTED TRUSTEES AND THE FIFTH TRUSTEE:**

Persons appointed to serve as Trustees of the JPPF by the City, as well as any persons selected as the fifth member of the Trustees by the other four trustees, shall continue to be persons with professional financial experience and/or public pension experience, governance experience, institutional investment experience, community experience and wisdom, or comparable professional training, knowledge, and expertise.

**5. ACTUARIAL STANDARDS, TRANSPARENCY AND DISCLOSURE:**

The City and Trust agree that the assumed annual actuarial rate of return should remain at 7.0% through the term of the 2014 Agreement, defined below, unless otherwise agreed by the City and JPPF based on sound actuarial practices, or as otherwise required by applicable law. An actuarial valuation of the JPPF shall be performed by the JPPF actuary annually, as of October 1 of each fiscal year. The annual actuarial valuations shall be completed and delivered as expeditiously as possible to the Board of Trustees, the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee, the City's Director of Finance and to the



City Council Auditor promptly upon completion but in any event the JPFPP shall complete and deliver such analyses and reports no later than 120 days after the end of each fiscal year, provided the City has responded promptly to requests made by the JPFPP for information from the City that is necessary for the preparation of such valuations. Actuarial analysis and reporting by the JPFPP will utilize the following standards in addition to other standards governing its work:

- a. Annual ARC calculations based on most recent actuarial assumptions;
- b. Alternative funding scenarios based on variable investment performance in addition to the base case, that extend to future years and incorporate volatility;
- c. The latest “experience studies” prepared by the JPFPP actuary;
- d. Consistency in actuarial methods;
- e. Accrual method: Entry Age Normal (EAN);
- f. Annual normal cost disclosure for each pension design tier (current employees and future employees);
- g. Actuarial practices will be consistent from year to year unless changed through an “experience study” or decision of the JPFPP, with advice from the Financial Advisory and Investment Committee, or unless necessary for compliance with applicable laws or regulations;
- h. Unfunded liabilities will be amortized as separate annual bases over closed 30-year periods or less, unless otherwise required by law; and
- i. Clear and transparent disclosure of actuarial and financial matters, including distributing to City’s Chief Financial Officer and City Council Auditor, and prompt posting on the JPFPP’s website, the JPFPP’s quarterly investment return reports showing results both gross and net of investment fees and with comparisons to assumption and benchmarks of the JPFPP, and to results of comparable pension funds.

In addition to the foregoing regarding the standards for actuarial and financial studies, on or before 120 days after the end of each fiscal year of the JPFPPF, currently September 30 of each year, commencing with the end of the 2014 fiscal year of the JPFPPF, the JPFPPF shall prepare annual financial statements and submit them electronically or as otherwise agreed to the Mayor, City Council President, City Director of Finance, City Council Auditor, and the Treasurer of the JPFPPF; and, on or before March 15 of each year, to the Florida Department of Management Services (the "Department") in format(s) prescribed by the Department. The financial statements will:

j. Be in compliance with the requirements of the Government Accounting and Standard Board's Statement No. 67, Financial Reporting for Pension Plans and Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, using the mortality tables and generational projections by gender most recently available from qualified actuarial sources. If yet unaccepted updates also are available that suggest longevity improvements beyond accepted tables, then such updates shall be used in lieu of accepted tables so long as such usage remains acceptable within GASB requirements and is permitted by applicable law;

k. Report funding status, contribution rates and expected normal cost of new benefits earned using both the current assumed rate of return on investments and the greater of 5.4% or an assumed discount rate that is 200 basis points less than the JPFPPF's assumed rate of return; and

l. Provide information indicating the projected assets, liabilities and actuarially required contributions to the JPFPPF over the next 30 years based on the JPFPPF's latest valuations and actuarial assumptions.

In addition to the above information, the JPFPPF shall also make available on a timely basis on its website prior actuarial studies and reports in order that accurate comparisons can be made, minutes of its meetings for the past 3 years on a rolling basis, and copies of all reports or studies

commissioned by the JPPPF that are matters of public interest, including experience studies and investment performance reports.

**6. SELECTION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR-ADMINISTRATOR:**

The selection of any future JPPPF's Executive Director-Administrator shall be governed by a professional process subject to Florida law in which the candidate shall be selected by the JPPPF using the City Employee Services Department's search and selection processes, and, if necessary, utilizing the assistance of an executive search firm retained by the JPPPF. A salary and benefits survey should be conducted prior to advertising for the position in order to establish a compensation level comparable to funds of similar size and complexity to the JPPPF. In addition to the requirements of applicable law, candidates will be required to have a minimum of five years of pension administration or institutional investment experience, expertise in the oversight of investment portfolios, and a degree in finance, economics, accounting or a related area of study from an accredited university. Comparable experience administering the activities of a state or local public pension plan will also be considered. Candidates who are CPAs or who have a JD, MBA or CFA degree will be preferred.

**7. FUTURE ADMINISTRATION OF THE JPPPF:**

As part of the selection of the next JPPPF's Executive Director-Administrator, the aggregate compensation of the JPPPF's Executive Director-Administrator shall be determined in accordance with the market analysis of comparably-sized public pension plans provided for in the provision entitled "Selection of Executive Director-Administrator." The City and/or JPPPF shall ensure that any future Executive Director-Administrator and/or senior management employee shall be placed in either the City General Employees' Pension Fund or a defined contribution plan with the JPPPF's employer contribution subject to the limits of federal law. The JPPPF's current Senior Staff Pension Plan will be frozen as of the close of the pay period immediately preceding August 15, 2014, and following that date

no further benefits will accrue under the Senior Staff Pension Plan. Participants in the current Senior Staff Pension Plan will receive the plan benefits which the parties have determined are comparable to those as if they had been enrolled in the FRS Special Risk Plan, unless the Board sets a lesser benefit level.

**8. ENHANCED INVESTMENT AUTHORITY:**

Provided the investment is permitted in the written investment policy adopted by the Board as provided in chapter 112, part VII, Florida Statutes, and is otherwise allowed by state and federal law, the JPPFPF is authorized to invest and reinvest the assets of the Pension Fund in:

a. Any lawful investment as provided in applicable provisions of Sections 112.661, 175.071, 185.06, 215.47, Florida Statutes. In applying this section, the following definitions govern the investments authorized:

i. "Alternative investment" means an investment by the Board in a private equity fund to include all of the private equity sub-strategies, including venture capital, distressed investing, private debt/ mezzanine debt, private real assets/natural resources/energy, venture fund, or distress fund or a direct investment in a portfolio company through an investment manager or general partner .

ii. "Alternative investment vehicle" means the limited partnership, limited liability company, or similar legal structure or investment manager through which the Board invests in a portfolio company.

iii. "Portfolio company" means a corporation or other issuer, any of whose securities are owned or held by an alternative investment vehicle or the Board and any subsidiary of such corporation or other issuer.

iv. "Portfolio positions" means individual investments in portfolio companies which are made by the alternative investment vehicles.

v. "Proprietor" means an alternative investment vehicle, a portfolio company in which the alternative investment vehicle is invested.

b. Investments authorized for the General Employee Pension Fund or the Correctional Offices Pension Fund.

c. Notwithstanding the foregoing, investments in "hedge funds" are prohibited.

d. Prior to considering any investment policy changes in accordance with this Agreement, the JPPFP Board shall give the City Council Finance Committee 10 days written notice of the Board meeting at which the proposed investment policy change shall be considered.

#### **D. ADDITIONAL UNFUNDED LIABILITY PAYMENTS**

1. On the effective date of this plan (October 1, 2014), the JPPFP will transfer the balances in the Enhanced Benefits Account and the City Stabilization Account (approximately \$61 million total at present) to the City for the benefit of the Plan.

2. From October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2021, the JPPFP shall at the City's direction apply the Chapter 175/185 funds received annually, less the annual discretionary bonus payment authorized in Ordinance 2006-508, to the base benefits of the Plan or as additional unfunded liability payments.

3. Subject to appropriations, the City of Jacksonville shall contribute not less than \$40 million annually in additional unfunded liability payments through the term of this 2014 agreement (October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2024), or until the JPPFP has achieved a funding status of 80%, whichever is earlier.

4. If either party fails to fulfill its full annual funding commitment as set forth in paragraphs 2 and 3 above, the other party is relieved of its additional funding commitment on a proportional basis for that fiscal year. However, should the City be the party that fails to fulfill its full

annual funding commitment, the following shall occur:

a. The City shall be obligated in the following fiscal year to contribute its funding commitment for that fiscal year plus the funding that the JPPFF would have provided in the previous year but for the City's failure to fulfill its annual funding commitment.

b. The Board shall have the option to use the funds it would have provided to unfunded liability but for the City's failure to fulfill its annual funding commitment to either pay down the unfunded liability or fund a share plan as otherwise described in this Agreement.

5. To ensure that there is public focus and transparency for the City's efforts to fulfill its annual funding commitment, the City will adopt the following Ordinance Code provision to be effective on October 1, 2014:

*"Upon receipt of the Duval County Property Appraiser's initial ad valorem revenue estimate, which is currently due on June 1, the City of Jacksonville's Chief Financial Officer (CFO) shall convene an 'Additional Unfunded Liability Payment Committee' (the "Committee") subject to the Sunshine requirement of Chapter 286, Florida Statutes, consisting of the following persons in addition to the CFO:*

- 1. The Council Auditor;*
- 2. The Chief Administrative Officer;*
- 3. The treasurer;*
- 4. The budget officer;*
- 5. The JEA Chief Financial Officer; and*
- 6. The chairman of the Jacksonville Retirement Reform Task Force (the "Task Force") or, at his discretion or inability to serve, the chairman of the Task Force Plan Funding Subcommittee. If neither is willing or able to serve, the Mayor shall appoint another member of the Jacksonville*

*Retirement Reform Task Force.*

*“These persons will review available funding sources for the required \$40 million additional unfunded liability payment, including without limitation the sources cited in the Jacksonville Retirement Reform Task Force Final Report; innovative cost savings; incremental growth in available revenues such as ad valorem and state shared revenues; sale of City owned real estate; JEA revenue sharing; and other appropriate sources. No later than June 20, the Committee shall make a funding source(s) recommendation to the Mayor and Council President for their consideration in proposing and adopting the City of Jacksonville budget for the following fiscal year.*

*“Effective with the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year budgeting process and for the term of this Agreement, the Mayor shall include the Committee’s recommendation in his proposed annual budget that is presented to the Jacksonville City Council no later than July 15. If the Mayor does not include the Committee’s recommendation in his proposed budget, he shall propose that the \$40 million annual payment come from another source. The City Council shall review for appropriation the Mayor’s recommendation or any other unencumbered amounts necessary to fund the \$40 million annual payment. If the City Council decides not to appropriate the \$40 million annual payment, it shall certify in writing the reasons for that decision.”*

**E. ESTABLISHMENT OF SHARE PLAN**

Effective January 1, 2015, the JPPF is authorized to create a share plan for active members. The Share Plan will be funded solely from revenues received pursuant to Chapters 175 and Chapter 185, Florida Statutes. The PFPF shall not fund any such share plan unless and until the following

circumstances occur: (1) The City fails to meet its full funding obligation under the 2014 Agreement in a particular fiscal year, and the JPPFP is thus relieved of its unfunded liability payment obligation on a proportional basis, at which time the Board shall have the option to use the funds it would have provided to unfunded liability to either pay down the unfunded liability or fund a share plan; or (2) the JPPFP satisfies its funding obligations under this Agreement, at which time the Board may use the Chapter 175/185 revenues to pay down the unfunded liability, provide the annual discretionary bonus payment authorized in Ordinance 2006-508, or fund a share plan.

### **III. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS.**

- A. **Reliance on Representations.** The City and JPPFP have each relied upon the representations of the other to ascertain the parties' positions established herein. The failure to accurately supply material information which resulted in a misrepresentation that cannot be overcome at the time of discovery shall result in the Agreement being deemed voidable at the discretion of the other party.
- B. **Consultation among Parties:** The City and the JPPFP should consult on an ongoing basis related to their performance under the 2014 Agreement, public records, open government issues and other matters. Senior representatives of each should meet monthly to discuss matters of importance to either, and both parties should proceed in a spirit of good faith and cooperation. In that regard, the parties should make available to each other on a continuing basis, all information that is necessary to assure their mutual understanding and success. The City and the JPPFP should endeavor to work harmoniously to enforce their respective obligations under the 2014 Agreement and applicable Charter, statutory and Ordinance Code provisions, and to avoid obstruction of their respective rights. Meetings will be in



accordance with applicable federal, state, and local laws.

- C. **Expression by Charter and Ordinance.** The City and the JPPFP will support and promulgate the 2014 Agreement through appropriate revisions to the Charter and Ordinance Code.
- D. **Provision of Information.** The City and the JPPFP agree to make available to each other on a continuing basis, all information that is necessary to insure the success of the 2014 Agreement and to work harmoniously to enforce the provisions of the 2014 Agreement and all pension ordinances, the City Charter, and statutes, and to avoid obstruction of all parties' rights under the law or the 2014 Agreement. The Parties further agree to recodify existing municipal ordinance code consistent with the intent of the 2014 Agreement, including but not limited to the benefit, administrative and investment provisions necessary for their mutual benefit.
- E. **Provision Previously Approved by Council, not Altered Herein, Remain..** The provisions as set forth herein amend and restate the terms of the existing Police and Fire Pension Plan (i.e., 2000-1146-E, et seq.). To the extent not amended or restated, all provisions of the superseded plans shall remain in full force and effect. It is intended that there be no lapse either in time or effect between this plan and such superseded plans. Any Ordinance or part of any Ordinance in conflict with the provisions hereof is repealed to the extent of the conflict and should any part of this Ordinance be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect and it shall be presumed that this Ordinance was adopted without the invalid provision.
- F. **Adequate Time to Confer.** The Parties signing below have had adequate time to confer

with counsel or their clients in order to be informed on the matters within the 2014 Agreement.

- G. **Recommendation of Approval.** The City and JPPF each represent that they will urge the approval of the 2014 Agreement, and the implementation of its terms, by each of their governing bodies.

Agreed upon on Tuesday, June 3, 2014 and executed on Wednesday, June 4, 2014, by:

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ALVIN BROWN, MAYOR  
City of Jacksonville

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JOHN KEANE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension Fund

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**Re: Update to Projections Regarding Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension Fund to include proposed 2014 Retirement Reform Agreement**

Dear Joey,

As requested, we have updated our prior actuarial analysis of the Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension Fund to reflect the results of the October 1, 2013 valuation, dated February 11, 2014, and completed by Pension Board Consultants, Inc. This update reflects certain demographic and investment experience during the plan ending September 30, 2013 and an assumption change disclosed in the report. Our prior analysis was based on the October 1, 2012 valuation, dated March 28, 2013 and also completed by Pension Board Consultants, Inc. In addition, this analysis includes cost estimates of the proposed 2014 Retirement Reform Agreement.

The purpose of this letter is to estimate the impact on the City's expected contribution over the next 35 years to fund the City of Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension Fund (Plan) under two possible scenarios. Specifically we have prepared 35 year projections under the following:

1. Baseline projections based on the current plan provisions, methods and assumptions outlined in the October 1, 2013 valuation report prepared by Pension Board Consultants, Inc.

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2. Proposed 2014 Retirement Reform Agreement (RRA) agreed to in public discussions between the City and the Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension Fund culminating on Wednesday May 21, 2014, and June 3, 2014. The terms of the agreement were provided to us by the City. City staff clarified certain terms of the agreement.

These projections are based on Milliman's match of the October 1, 2012 actuarial valuation for the Plan, modified to recognize certain demographic and investment experience during the plan year ending September 30, 2013, and one assumption assumed change disclosed in the October 1, 2013 valuation report prepared by Pension Board Consultants, Inc. (The assumption change was an increase in the assumed annual expense load from \$4.5 million to \$9.0 million. The \$9.0 million represents actual administrative and manager fees in FY 2013, per page 10 of the 2013 valuation report prepared by Pension Board Consultants, Inc.) Our updated baseline results, as of October 1, 2013, were reasonably close to the October 1, 2013 actuarial valuation performed by the Plan's actuary, Pension Board Consultants, Inc. Milliman's determination of the overall actuarial liability is within 0.1% of the liability in the October 1, 2013 actuarial valuation report. Based on this replication, we believe our analysis provides a reasonable estimate of the impact of the proposed plan and assumption changes.

This analysis assumes the effective date of any benefit change or new benefit tier is October 1, 2014. Actual costs will differ based on the actual effective date as well as emerging experience.



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The following details the assumptions and methods used in the baseline and the proposed RRA projections.

	<u>Valuation Baseline</u>	<u>2014 Proposed Retirement Reform Agreement</u>
<b><u>Assumptions</u></b>		
• Discount Rate	7.00%	7.00%
• Salary Scale	4.00%	4.00%
• Mortality Table	1)	1)
• Payroll Growth Rate	3.25%	3.25%
• Expense Load	\$9,025,105	\$9,025,105
<b><u>Methods</u></b>		
• Asset Value Method	Market	Market
• Amortization Method	Level %, Closed	Layered Level %
• Remaining Amortization Period As of October 1, 2013	22	30 <sup>2)</sup>

1) The RP-2000 combined Healthy Mortality Table for Males and Females projected by Scale AA to the valuation date.

2) The October 1, 2012 combined amortization base was re-established as individual bases. Future gains or losses are amortized over 30 years from the valuation date. This is described as a "layered" approach.

It is our understanding that the City's General Counsel is of the opinion that benefits may not be modified for current retirees, current active members who have DROPPed, Police and Fire members who are still working but have become eligible for retirement (i.e. have at least 20 years of service) or other active members with respect to benefits currently accrued.

Based on the 2013 Valuation results prepared by Pension Board Consultants, Inc. the Plan's total actuarial liabilities (funded and unfunded) are estimated to be approximately \$2.88 billion. Slightly in excess of 74% of that liability, about \$2.14 billion, is attributable to Plan retirees, former vested members, and those in DROP. The liability for active employees who are not in DROP is approximately \$738 million or only about 25.6% of the Plan's total actuarial liability. The percentage of the liability attributable to future compensation and service for current active employees who are not in DROP is approximately 6% (or \$175 million) which is consistent with the liabilities based on the 2012 valuations. To completely eliminate the aforementioned estimated \$175 million liability would require a benefit freeze, meaning active members would accrue no additional retirement benefits post - September 30, 2013. Thus the City's ability to generate significant savings by modifying the future service benefits of current active members is fairly limited.

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**2014 Retirement Reform Agreement Provisions – Current Employees**

The RRA provides for three changes to benefit provisions for current employees, which differ from the 2013 Mediation Settlement Agreement in several ways:

- 1) It accelerates the proposed increase in their mandatory contributions.
- 2) For active employees with less than 10 years of service as of September 30, 2014, benefits will be based on Final Average Compensation (FAC) averaged over the last 48 months of service, subject to the FAC not being less than the September 30, 2014, 24 month averaged FAC.
- 3) The guaranteed rate of return on the DROP accounts of 8.40% is removed for those entering DROP on or after January 1, 2015. Instead their DROP accounts will be credited with actual Fund performance returns subject to a floor of 5% and a cap of 10%.

The employee contribution rate for the current active participants will be increased from 7% to 10% of earnings. The increase to 8% of earnings will occur October 1, 2014 regardless of actual salary increases. The increases above 8% of pay will be dependent on the timing of actual salary increases. For fire members, salary levels must first be increased back to previous levels as of September 30, 2010 before the increase in the employee contribution rate will exceed 8%. This requires a 2% salary increase for fire members. For police officers, salary levels must first be increased only partially back to previous levels as of December 31, 2011 before the increase in the employee contribution rate will exceed 8%. This also requires a 2% salary increase for police. Concurrent with the restoration of the aforementioned pay cuts, the employee contribution will be further increased from 8% to 10%.

Solely for purposes of this analysis we assumed that the employee contribution rate would increase to 10% effective October 1, 2014.

**2014 Retirement Reform Agreement Provisions – Future Employees**

The RRA modified the plan provisions for all employees hired on or after October 1, 2014. These changes are:<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> All of the changes for the future employees, other than a minor change to the early retirement provision, are identical to the 2013 Mediation Settlement Agreement.

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- The employee contribution rate will be 10% of earnings each year for the employee's career (i.e. contributions will not cease at any point). Currently, the employee contribution rate is 7%.
- Cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) will equal the increase in Social Security COLA capped at 1.5% commencing the third January 1 following termination of employment.

After subsequent conversations with the City, it has been determined that commencement of benefit should be used versus termination of employment. For example, a member terminated October 1, 2030 and commences a pension on October 1, 2050 at age 62. The first COLA would apply January 1, 2053. For members who decide to Back-DROP the COLA would first apply on the third January 1 following termination, i.e. COLAs would not apply during the Back-DROP period. We recommend the details of the application of the COLA be incorporated into the appropriate plan documents. Currently, the COLA is a fixed 3% and commences as early as 3 months after DROP.

- Final Average Compensation (FAC) will be based on the last 60 months of service. Currently, it is based on the last 24 months. Compensation includes shift and differential pay, except that it may not exceed 125% of the shift pay earned during the five years prior to the FAC period. For this analysis, no adjustment to the FAC was made for the shift pay maximum.
- Upon completion of 25 years of service, the accrual rate is 2.5% per year of service, up to a maximum of 75% which occurs at 30 years of service. Prior to completion of 25 years of service, the accrual rate is 2% per year of service. Currently, the accrual rate is 3% for the first 20 years and 2% for the next 10 years for a maximum benefit of 80%. The accrual rate applies to a member's FAC to determine the benefit amount.
- Normal Retirement Date (NRD) will be upon the completion of 30 years of service. Benefits will commence at NRD. Currently, NRD is upon completion of 20 years of service or when 20 years would have been completed.

- Early Retirement will be available upon the completion of 25 years of service with the total accrual rate reduced by 2.5% for each year short of 30 years. The resulting early retirement accrual rate may not be less than 52.5%. The following table compares the early retirement accrual rates under the RRA with the current system.

Years of Service	Normal Accrual Under Current System	Normal Accrual Under RRA	Early Retirement Under RRA
30	80%	75.0%	75.0%
29	78%	72.5%	70.0%
28	76%	70.0%	65.0%
27	74%	67.5%	60.0%
26	72%	65.0%	55.0%
25	70%	62.5%	52.5%*

\* Would have been 50.0% at 25 years of service, without the 52.5% floor.

Currently, there is no early retirement available since NRD is set at 20 years.

- Members will become vested in an employer-provided benefit upon completion of 10 years of service. Currently, members become vested upon completion of 5 years of service. For those members who serve less than 25 years, benefits will be deferred until age 62 and will be based on an accrual rate of 2.0% per year.
- The current DROP program will be replaced with a Back-DROP. The Back-DROP will be available for up to five years upon reaching 30 years of service. The Back-DROP interest rate will be based on trust fund earnings but, not less than 0%, and not greater than 10%. If Back-DROP includes years of service less than 30 years, the total accrual rate based on total years of service minus Back-Dropped years of service is reduced by 2% for each of service less than 30 (versus the early retirement penalty of 2.5%.) FAC is based on the 60 months ending at the selected prior date (actual termination date less years Back-Dropped.)

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For example, a member retiring at 30 years of service elects the Back-DROP effective at 25 years of service. The total accrual rate of 62.5% (30 years in total less 5 Back-DROP years for 25 years x 2.5%) less a 10% accrual rate penalty (5 years short of 30 years x 2%) results in a final accrual rate of 52.5%. The FAC is based on the 60 months ending at the completion of 25 years of service.

- The benefit amount, as of October 1, 2014, will be limited to \$99,999.99 indexed to Social Security inflation (CPI-U) with a maximum annual increase of 1.50%. We have assumed the cap would apply to the member's benefit at retirement. The benefit is not assumed to increase in the intervening years after retirement and prior to the commencement of the COLA. Furthermore, the 75% survivor percentage is assumed to apply to the capped member's benefit. We recommend the details of the application of the cap be incorporated into the appropriate plan documents.
- A disability benefit will be provided equal to 50% of earnings base. Members becoming disabled after attaining eligibility for early retirement are assumed to elect the larger of the early retirement and disability retirement benefits. Currently, the disability benefit is 60% of earnings base.
- The RRA does not explicitly reference the pre-retirement surviving spouse benefit. The current benefit is determined assuming the member has completed no less than 20 years of service, which are the required years of service for attaining Normal Retirement Age (NRA). Since the RRA changes the definition of NRA we have assumed this change would impact the calculation of the pre-retirement surviving spouse benefit. In this analysis, we have assumed the pre-retirement surviving spouse benefit is determined assuming the member has completed no less than 30 years of service to be consistent with the attainment of NRA. No other elements of the pre-retirement surviving spouse benefit was assumed to be changed, including the spouse's percentage of 75%, child benefit of \$200 per month until age 18 (22 in college) and \$400 per minimum. We recommend the details of this benefit provision be reviewed and incorporated into the appropriate plan documents.

In estimating the impact of the RRA, we modified the assumed rates of retirement for post-September 30, 2014 hires due to changes in the retirement conditions including DROP as follows.

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Rate</u>
25	15%
26	3%
27-29	5%
30	70%
31-34	10%
35	100%

Also, all members are assumed to retire upon attainment of age 65.

**Unfunded Liability Reduction Measures – Proposed Retirement Reform Agreement**

The proposed RRA introduced several new unfunded liability reduction measures. Based on specifications provided by the City we have incorporated the following reduction measures into the cost projections for the proposed RRA.

- 1) October 1, 2014 and/or October 1, 2015 – a one-time total transfer of \$61 million is made from the Enhanced Benefit Account and the City Budget Stabilization Account to the Pension Fund. We have modeled this provision as follows:

\$40 million as additional UAL payment (over and above the ARC) in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015 (FY 2015), and \$21 million as an additional UAAL payment (over and above the ARC) in FY2016.

- 2) For each of the next seven fiscal years (FY 2015 – FY 2021) the City will have access to all the Chapter 175/185 funds, except for the annual holiday bonus which last year amounted to approximately \$2 million. Beginning with FY 2022, the entire amount of the Chapter 175/185 funds reverts to the trust for use as determined by the Board pursuant to the proposed RRA. Thus, beginning with FY 2022 the proposed RRA projections assumed there are no Chapter 175/185 funds available to either fund the base benefits of the Plan or as additional UAL payments. The City has estimated the initial amount of Chapter 175/185 funds to be used by the City is \$8 million. We have assumed this amount will remain constant from year to year producing a total of \$56 million over the seven years. We have modeled the use of

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the funds for the seven years as follows:

\$5 million to fund the base benefits of the Plan for each of the seven years and \$3 million as an additional UAL payment for the next seven years

- 3) Effective October 1, 2014 - additional \$40 million annual transfers (i.e. additional City contributions) will be made to pay down the UAL. We have modeled this transfer as follows:

The additional \$40 million annual transfer would continue through FY 2024 or when the Fund attains an 80% funded status, whichever is earlier, and then cease.

These \$40 million annual transfers include the additional UAAL payments in item (1) but not item (2) above. The item (2) additional UAL payments are in addition to the \$40 million annual City transfer.

We have assumed any transfers made as an additional UAL payment will occur on October 1, the first day of the plan year, and hence earn a full year of investment earnings. Should any actual transfer occur after October 1, the transfer will earn less interest than expected and its impact would be less than projected in this analysis.

Each of these items also reduce the actuarial gain or loss established in each future valuation year. Actuarial gains and losses are amortized over 30 years. Thus these additional funding contributions are amortized over 30 years, which in turn reduce future contribution requirements.

### **Amortization Methodology**

Prior to the 2012 actuarial valuation, the unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAL) amortization consisted of amortizing 18 separate bases generally established as of the historical valuation dates. The initial base, established October 1, 1976, was to be paid off over 40 years with each subsequent base amortized over 30 years. Thus as of October 1, 2011 the remaining amortization periods ranged from one year for the base established October 1, 1982 to 30 years for the base developed as part of the 2011 actuarial valuation. In general, a base may be a charge or a credit and reflects benefits changes, assumption changes, experience gains or losses and/or method changes.

As part of the 2012 actuarial valuation process, the Plan's actuary combined all the remaining bases plus the new base established as of October 1, 2012 into a single base amortized over 23 years. Twenty-three years represented a weighted average of the remaining amortization period of the individual bases. He noted in his cover letter to that report that "This provides simplicity and a more reasonable future UAAL amortization pattern." In the 2013 actuarial valuation, the Plan's actuary continued this combined methodology, meaning that as of October 1, 2013 all of the bases including the September 30, 2013 actuarial gain are combined in one base and amortized over 22 years.

For the baseline projection, we assumed that there would continue to be a single combined base at each valuation date in the future with the amortization period reducing each year until the period is 1 year. This results in a cliff or sizeable drop in required City funding after 22 years from October 1, 2013. Under the proposed RRA, we have reversed the combining of the bases effective October 1, 2012, and established 30 years as of the amortization period for future bases, including the September 30, 2013 actuarial gain. This change would impact the ARC determined for FY 2015 based on the 2013 actuarial valuation. Establishing individual bases on an annual basis is referred to as a layered approach, i.e. each year's layer is paid over a separate 30 year period. We note the Jacksonville Retirement Reform Task Force recommended this layered amortization method, the Florida Retirement System and many other public pension plans use a layered amortization method, and the parties agreed to this method in the new Police and Fire governance provisions.

The unfunded actuarial liability is amortized using a level percentage of payroll method, which means that payments are expected to increase based on total payroll increasing 3.25% per year. This methodology is used in the baseline projections as well as the projections for the proposed RRA. To the extent that actual payroll increases are less than the assumed 3.25% increase, an actuarial loss will occur as fewer contributions would have been received by the Plan. The actuarial loss will result in a higher contribution rate plus the lower payroll base will also result in a higher contribution rate.

### **Valuation Timing**

This analysis assumes the effective date of the proposed RRA is October 1, 2014. Adoption of the proposed RRA is assumed to occur prior to October 1, 2014 such that the proposed RRA would first impact contributions based on the October 1, 2013 actuarial valuation for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015.

### **Projection Assumptions and Methodology**

Our projections assume that the number of active members as of October 1, 2013 remains constant each year in the future. We have also adjusted the assumed October 1, 2012 – September 30, 2013 pay increases such that the projected October 1, 2013 active compensation uses in this analysis matches the amount disclosed in the October 1, 2013 valuation. All other assumptions including: individual pay increases and patterns of termination, disability and mortality are consistent with the most recent valuation assumptions. The retirement assumptions for proposed RRA projections were modified for future hires as noted above. Beginning with the 2013 valuation, the administrative expense load is assumed to be \$9,025,105 and is assumed to increase by 2.50% per annum. We have also assumed that the City always pays the Annual Required Contribution, unless noted above under the proposed RRA projections. Under the proposed RRA analysis we have assumed the City's ARC will be reduced by 0.58% of pay (attributable to expected Court Fines and Penalties) in all years, regardless whether there are Chapter 175/185 funds available to reduce the ARC. Baseline projections assume the City's ARC is reduced by 4.58% of pay attributable to expected Court Fines and Penalties plus half of the Chapter 175/185 funds.

Terminating and retiring members are replaced by new active members with the same age and gender characteristics as members who were hired during the past few years. Future entrants were assumed to join the Plan to maintain a stable active population. New entrant profiles are traditionally based on relevant recent hires into a Plan. Since only a few new participants entered this Plan in 2010-11 and 2011-2012, our modeling is based on members joining the plan on or after October 1, 2009 (there were 91 such members). An average pay raise of 1.5% was assumed between 2009 and 2012 for these members and future new entrant salaries were assumed to increase 4.00% from the prior year, consistent with the individual salary increase assumption used in the 2012 and 2013 valuation reports prepared by Pension Board Consultants, Inc.

It is important to note that the projections were completed assuming a deterministic scenario where the market value of investments was assumed to earn the valuation interest rate of 7.00% each and every year of the projection period starting with the 2013-14 fiscal year. The October 1, 2012 and October 1, 2013 asset values are the actual market value reported in the respective valuation reports. In addition we assumed the calculated actuarial asset values would continue to be reduced by the reserve account balance and the Senior Staff plan assets, if any. Under the proposed RRA projections, \$61 million of these assets are assumed to be transferred by October 1, 2015. Any balance in these accounts is assumed to increase at an annual rate equal to the interest rate. In general, valuation results are completed as of one date but are not reflected in the City's contribution until a year later. This procedure, which is

common practice among public pension plans, in combination with an increasing contribution rate is a source of constant actuarial losses. For purposes of this analysis we have assumed that valuations would be performed annually beginning in 2013. This means the City contribution rate will change from year to year, beginning with the 2014-15 fiscal year.

### **Results**

Attached are six charts showing the Adjusted City Contribution, the Adjusted City Contribution as a percentage of payroll, the amount of the Unfunded Actuarial Liability and the Funded Status (Actuarial Value of Assets divided by the Actuarial Liability), along with the Adjusted City Contribution as a percentage of general revenues assuming revenues increase 1% or 2% per annum. Each chart shows the Baseline, and the proposed RRA. Results are shown for the next 35 years (FYE 2014 to FYE 2048).

Please note that for simplicity and comparability, the total dollars are not discounted to reflect the time value of money. The funding dollars shown for the proposed RRA does not include the additional contributions made to reduce the UAL as they are not Actuarially Required Contributions.

### **Basis for Analysis**

This analysis is based on methods and assumptions used in the October 1, 2012 actuarial valuation, the October 1, 2013 actuarial valuation and the additional assumptions or methods noted above. The data was based on the October 1, 2012 proxy actuarial valuation database. The results of our analysis depend on future experience conforming to those actuarial assumptions. It is certain that actuarial experience will not conform exactly to the assumptions used in this analysis. To the extent future experience deviates from those assumptions, the results of this analysis could vary from the results presented here.

Actual costs will be based on actual experience of the Plan. Please note that the cost impact of the proposed changes may be higher or lower than the study estimates depending upon rates of retirement actually experienced by the Plan. A realistic estimate of retirement rates is critical to determining the actual future impact on plan costs. If the Plan Change scenario is adopted, it is possible that members would postpone retirement until later ages, which will affect the projections shown in this study.

The calculations are based on data and other information provided to us by the City or the Police and Fire Pension Board and/or actuary of for our proxy October 1, 2012 actuarial valuation and supplemented for purposes of this analysis. The supplemental

data included a copy of the October 1, 2013 actuarial valuation. We have not audited or verified this data and other information. If the underlying data or information is inaccurate or incomplete, the results of our analysis may likewise be inaccurate or incomplete.

We performed a limited review of the data used directly in our analysis for reasonableness and consistency and have not found material defects in the data. If there are material defects in the data, it is possible that they would be uncovered by a detailed, systematic review and comparison of the data to search for data values that are questionable or for relationships that are materially inconsistent. Such a review was beyond the scope of our assignment.

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The consultants who worked on this assignment are pension actuaries. We have not explored any legal issues with respect to the proposed plan changes. We are not attorneys and cannot give legal advice on such issues. We suggest that you review this proposal with counsel.


I, Robert Dezube, am a consulting actuary for Milliman, Inc. I am a member of the American Academy of Actuaries, and meet their Qualification Standards to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.



Mr. Joey Greive  
June 4, 2014  
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Please call if you would like to further discuss this project.

Sincerely,

  
Robert S. Dezube, FSA  
Consulting Actuary

Attachments

CC: Derrel Chatmon (w/attachments)  
Chris Hand (w/attachments)

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Actuarial Analysis of Retirement Reform Agreement  
Between  
THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE  
And  
THE JACKSONVILLE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**Financial Charts Showing the Agreement's Impact on:**

- Annual City of Jacksonville (COJ) Annual Required Contribution (ARC)
- Annual COJ ARC as a Percentage of Payroll
- Annual Funded Status of Police and Fire Pension Fund (PFPF)
- Annual Value of Unfunded Actuarial Liability
- Annual ARC as a Percentage of General Fund Revenue
  - Assuming general revenue increases 1.0% per year
  - Assuming general revenue increases 2.0% per year

**Financial Results:**

<u>Scenario</u>	<u>Total dollars (\$billions) over the next 35 years<sup>1)</sup></u>	<u>Increase/(Reduction) from Baseline (\$billions)</u>
1. Baseline	\$6.61	N/A
2. Proposed RRA		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A one-time total transfer of \$61 million is made from the Enhanced Benefit Account and the City Budget Stabilization Account to the Pension Fund; \$40 million as an additional UAL payment in FY2015, and \$21 million as an additional UAAL payment in FY2016.</li> <li>- \$40 million in annual City contributions continue until the earlier of FY2024, or attaining an 80% funded status. These payments are offset by the one-time transfers of \$40 million in FY2015 and \$21 million in FY2016.</li> <li>- For each of the next seven years (FY2015 – FY2021) \$8 million of Chapter 175/185 funds are used by the City; \$5 million to fund the base benefits of the Plan, and \$3 million as an additional UAL payment.</li> </ul>	\$4.78 <sup>2)</sup>	(\$1.83)

<sup>1</sup> Total dollars exclude expected employee contributions, State Chapter Funds allocation (i.e. premium-tax refunds) and expected court fines and penalties. State laws make the City responsible for funding the difference between the actuarially determined contribution and these amounts.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes all additional sources of funds used to accelerate the funding of the Unfunded Actuarial Liability.

**Comparable Results from 2013 (see our letter dated May 28, 2013):**

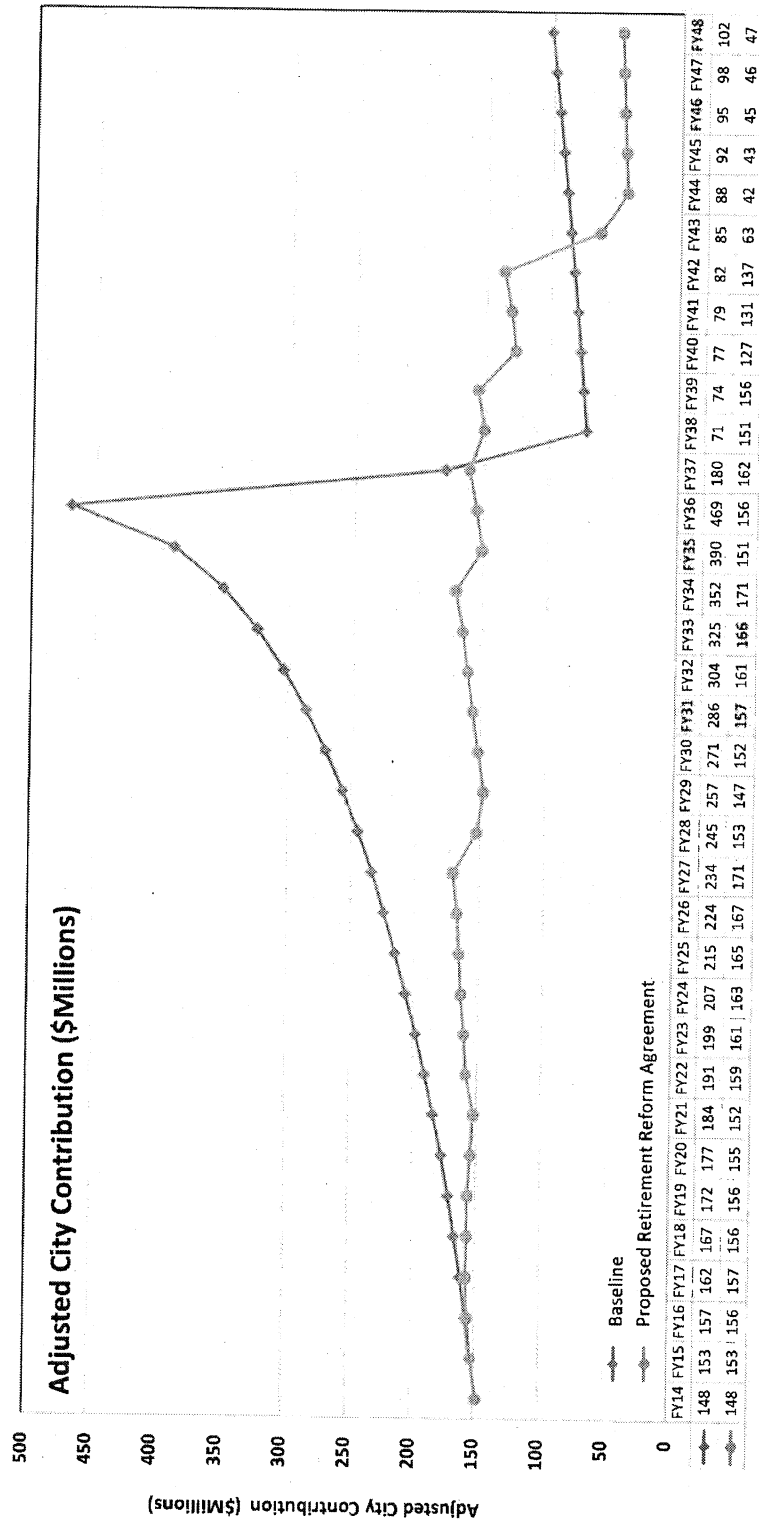
<u>Scenario</u>	<u>Total dollars (\$billions) over the next 30 years<sup>3)</sup></u>	<u>Increase/(Reduction) from Baseline (\$billions)</u>
1. Baseline (Proposed Assumptions/ Methodology)	\$6.02	N/A
2. MSA	\$4.82	(\$1.20) <sup>4)b)</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> Based on the 2011 Actuarial Valuation

<sup>4</sup> Approximately \$0.21 billion of the reduction is attributable to the change in the discount rate mandated by the MSA from the current actuary's recommendation of 7.00% to the graded assumption of 7.75% phasing down to 7.25%.

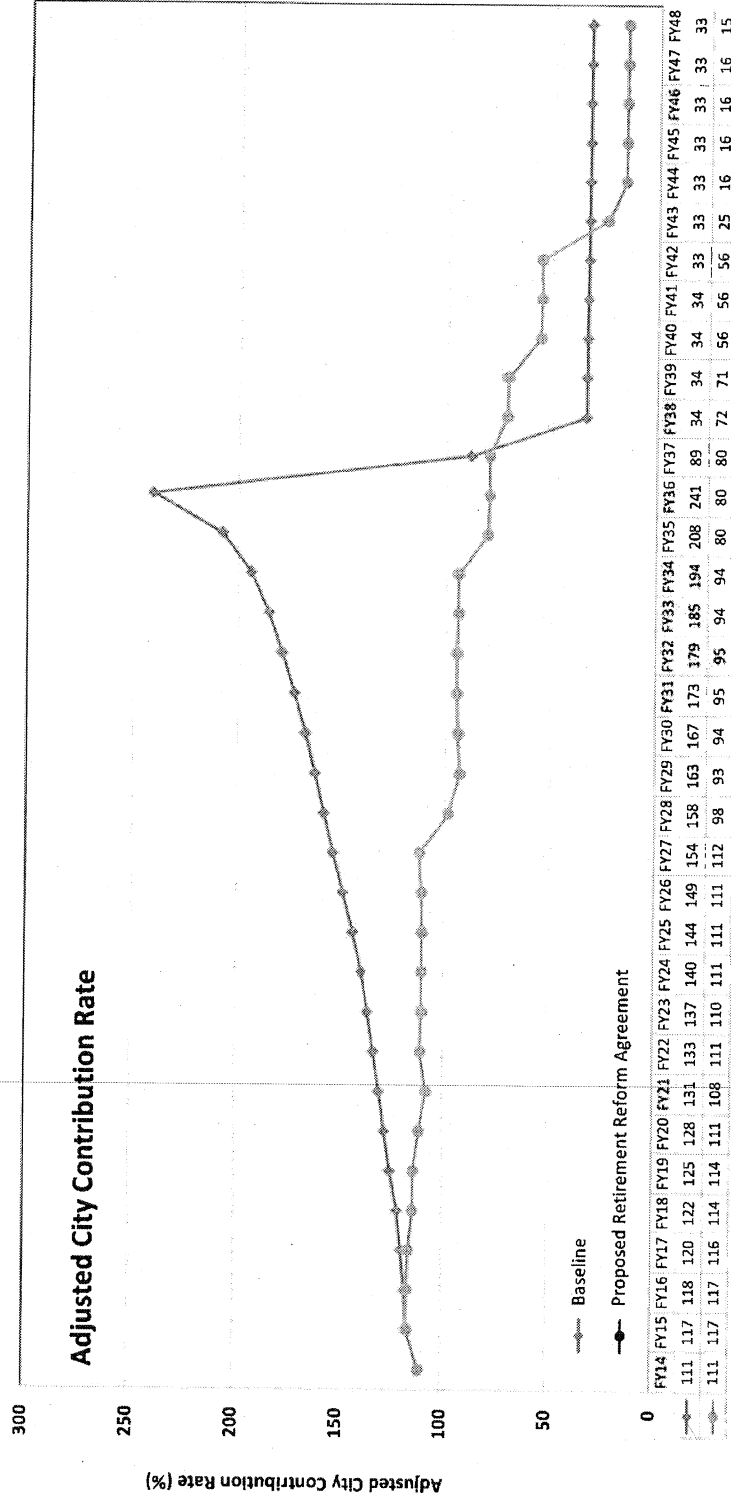
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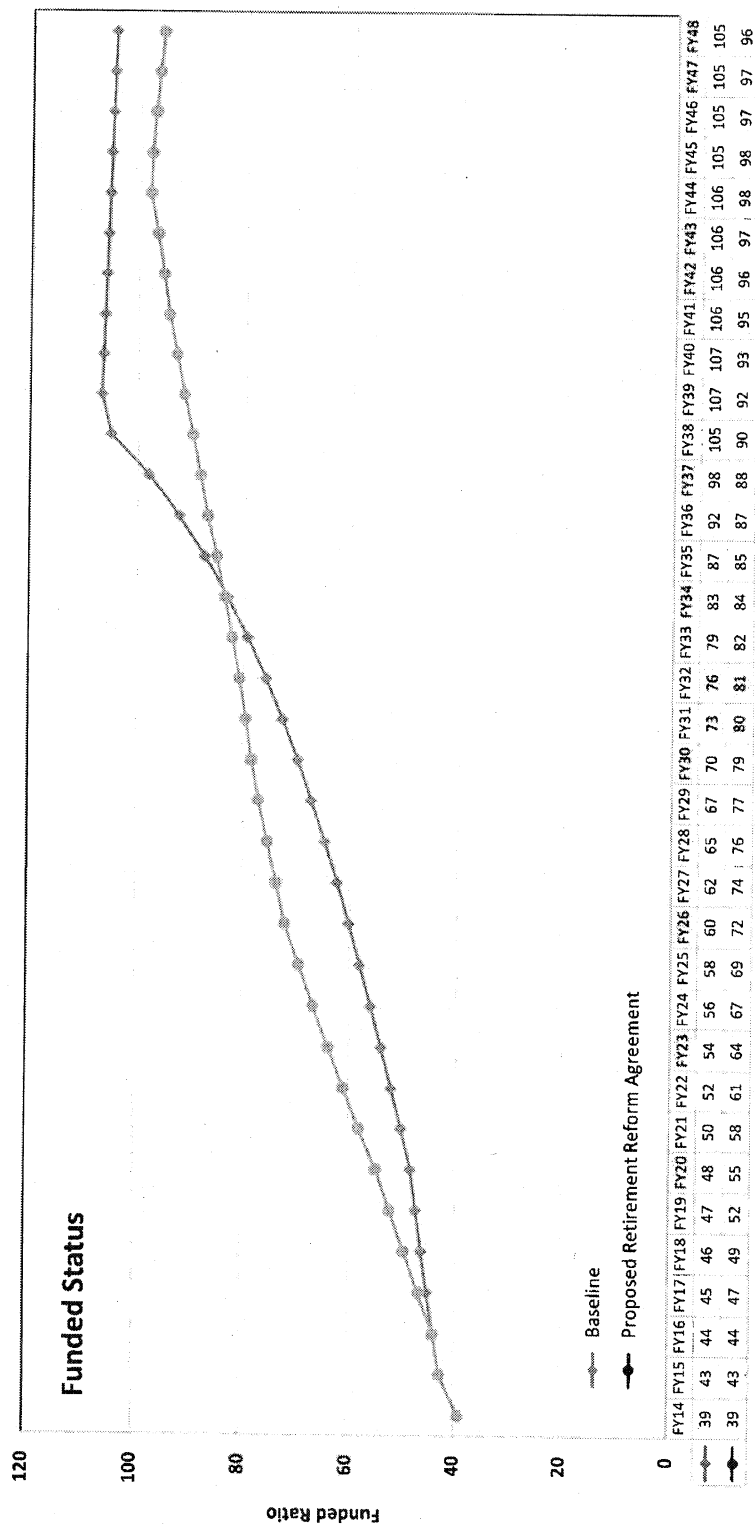


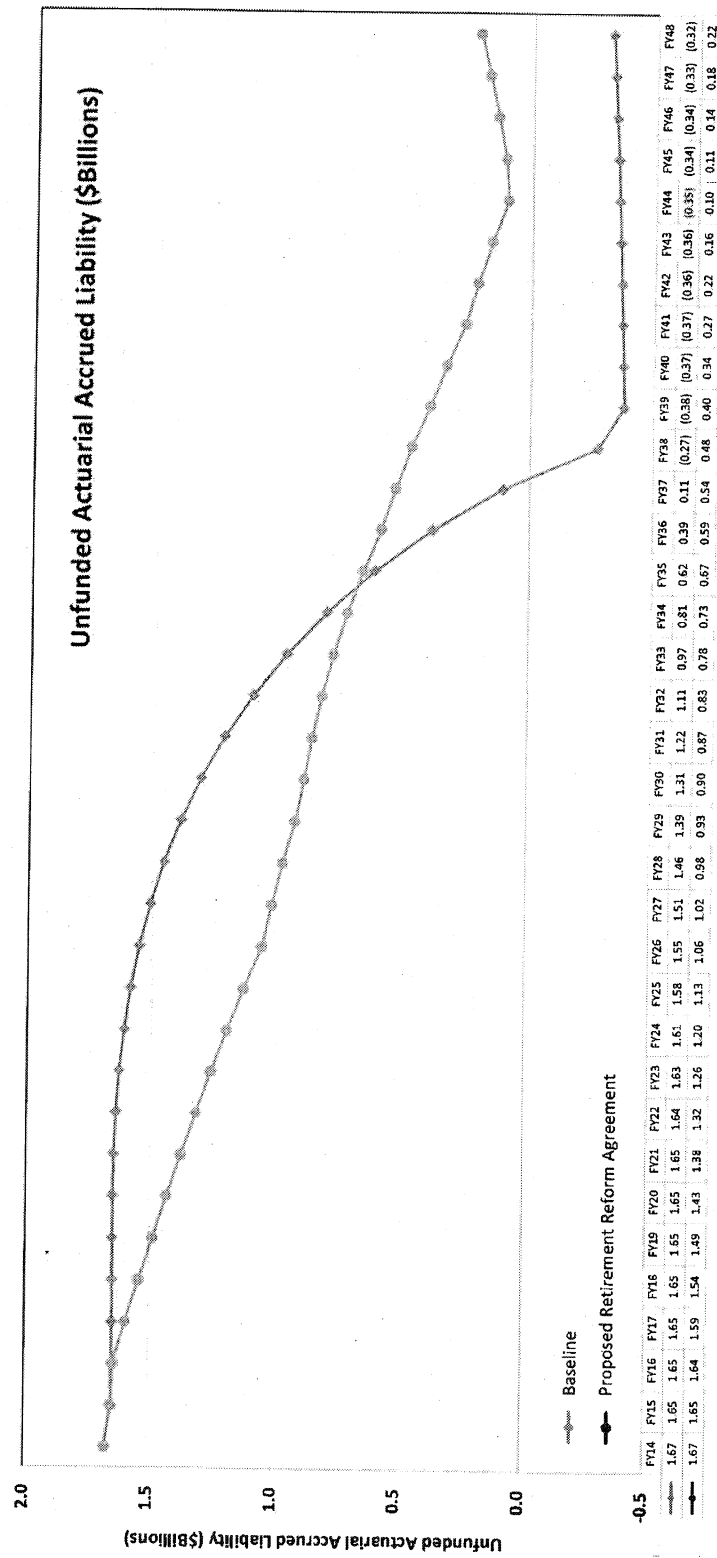
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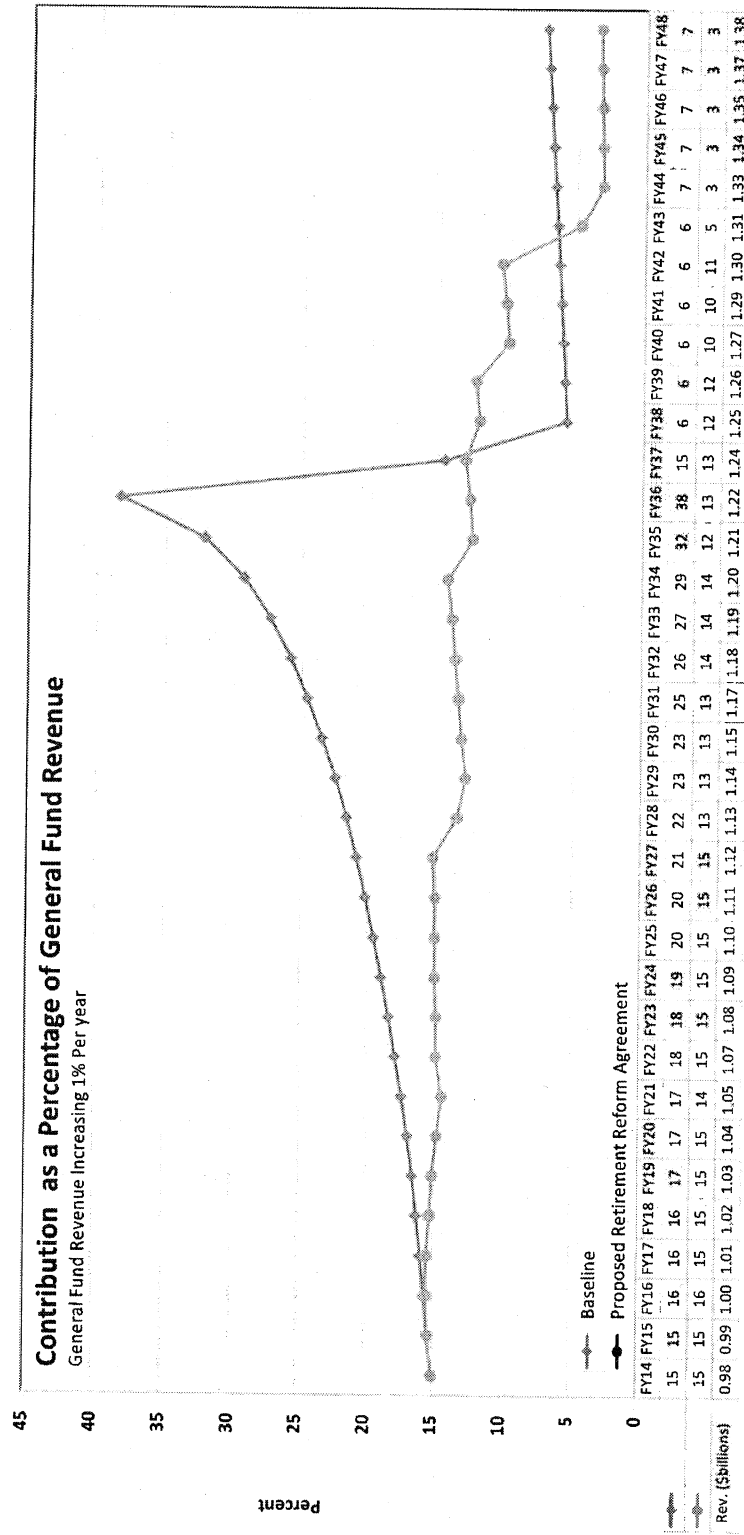
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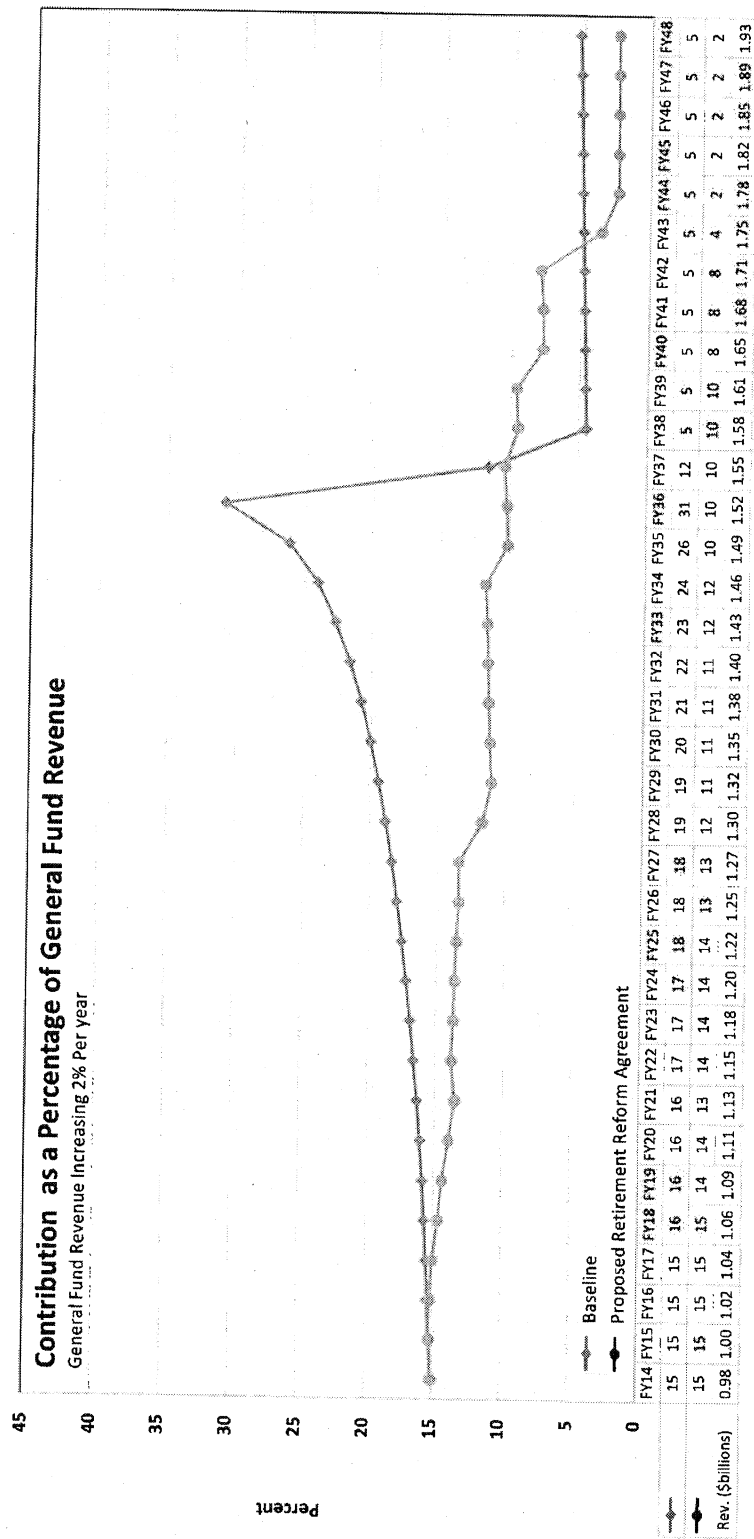




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# LEGISLATIVE FACT SHEET

DATE: 06/04/14

BT OR RC NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Administration Bills)

SPONSOR (Department/Division/Agency/Council Member): Office of the Mayor

## PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

An Ordinance pertaining to Chapter 121 (Police and Firefighters Pension Plan), Ordinance Code;

- Creating Section 121.201(f) to outline the Police and Fire Pension Fund's role in future negotiation and modification of pension benefits;
- Amending Section 121.102(e) (Police and Fire Pension Plans) Creating a new category of member known as a "Group II Member" based upon a date of hire on or after October 1, 2014 and section 121.113(a)(1), 121.112(A)(2), and (b) (Calculation of Pension Contributions for Police and Fire Pension fund) revising the contribution percentages of existing Police and Fire Pension Plan Members;
- Creating Section 121.114 (Unfunded Actuarial Liability) to outline the mutual obligations of the City and the Police and Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees in addressing the unfunded liability;
- Creating Section 121.115 (Supplemental Share Plan); Creating Section 121.116 (Investment Authority) to outline the investment authority of the Police and Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees;
- Creating Section 121.117 (Executive Administrator) to outline the qualifications for future Executive Administrators of the Police and Fire Pension Fund;
- Creating Section 121.118 (Use of General Counsel) to outline the Police and Fire Pension Fund's use of the Office of General Counsel;
- Amending section 121.201 (Retirement Benefits) to create 121.201A for "Group I Members" and to create 121.201B for "Group II Members" to outline the pension benefits extended to each group, Section 121.204 (Surviving Spouse's Benefits), Section 121.206 (Children's Benefits), and Section 121.209 (Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP));
- Creating new Section 121.211 (Group II BACKDROP Program) to establish the BACKDROP program of pension benefits extended to Group II Members; Amending Chapter 121 to Create a new Part 5 (Establishing a Financial Investment and Advisory Committee);
- Amending Chapter 121 to create a new Part 6 (Regarding Ethics, Fiduciary Responsibilities and Best Practices);
- Approving the 2014 Retirement Reform Agreement in the case of Randall Wyse, et al, vs. City of Jacksonville, et al, Case No. 3:13-CV-121-J-34MCR, United States District Court, Middle District of Florida;
- Attaching the required actuarial impact statement and providing an effective date.

APPROPRIATION : Total Amount Appropriated: \$ N/A as follows:

(Name of Fund as it will appear in title of legislation) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Federal Funding Source: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of State Funding Source: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of City of Jax Funding Source: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of In-Kind Contribution Source: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Bond Acct \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number \_\_\_\_\_

### IMPACT - FINANCIAL/OTHER:

\$1.83 Billion of savings over 35 years.

### ACTION ITEMS:

Emergency? Yes \_\_\_\_ No X Justification: \_\_\_\_\_

Federal or State Mandates Yes \_\_\_\_ No X

Fiscal Year Carryover? Yes \_\_\_\_ No X

CIP Amendment? Yes \_\_\_\_ No X (Attach CIP form)

Contract/Agreement (C/A) Approval Yes X No \_\_\_\_ (Attach a copy only)

C/A negotiations on-going? Yes \_\_\_\_ No X

Oversight Department Required? Yes \_\_\_\_ No X Name of Dept. \_\_\_\_\_

Related RC?/BT? Yes \_\_\_\_ No X (Attach a copy)

Waiver of Code? Yes \_\_\_\_ No X (Identify Code Provision \_\_\_\_\_)

Code Exception? Yes \_\_\_\_ No X (Identify Code Provision \_\_\_\_\_)

Continuation Grant? Yes \_\_\_\_ No X

Surplus Property Certification? Yes \_\_\_\_ No X (Attach a copy)

Related Enacted Ordinances? Yes \_\_\_\_ No X Ord. # of Previous Ord. \_\_\_\_\_

Report Required to City Council/Council Auditors

Yes \_\_\_\_ No X Date \_\_\_\_\_ Frequency \_\_\_\_\_

### ADMINISTRATION TRANSMITTAL

To: MBRC, c/o Roselyn Chall, Budget Division, Suite 325

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Legislation from Independent Agencies requires a resolution from the Independent Agency Board approving the legislation.

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**FACT SHEET IS REQUIRED BEFORE LEGISLATION IS INTRODUCED**

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