

MINUTES
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
FIRE AND POLICE PENSION FUND, SAN ANTONIO
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2018
PENSION OFFICE –UPON ADJOURNMENT OF THE PERSONNEL/AUDIT
COMMITTEE MEETING BUT NOT BEFORE 10:00 A.M.

**COMMITTEE
MEMBERS**

PRESENT: Jim Smith, Active Police Representative; Larry Reed, Retired Fire Representative; Jimmy Foster, Active Police Representative.

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ABSENT: None.

OTHERS

PRESENT: Warren Schott, Executive Director; Mark Gremmer, Deputy Director; Beatrice Ahrens; Gail Jensen; J. T. Trevino, Active Fire Representative; Harry Griffin, Retired Police Representative; Clayton Perry, Councilman; Frank Burney and Jon Lowe, Martin, Drought.

At 11:15 a.m., Mr. Smith called the meeting to order. Roll was called, and a quorum was declared present.

The Committee adjourned into Executive Session at 11:17 a.m. and reconvened at 11:48 a.m.

**APPROVAL
OF MINUTES:**

Mr. Reed moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 29, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.

**REVIEW &
DISCUSSION**

INCLUSION OF ADMIN LEAVE LANGUAGE AND OTHER REVISIONS TO THE LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE

Staff provided the Committee language it had requested regarding the provision of administrative leave to be included in Section 3.01(l) of the Pension Law. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Reed moved to recommend the Board add the language in Section 3.01(l) to the 2019 Legislative Package. The motion carried unanimously.

The Committee also discussed Section 6.03(b) of the current Pension Law. This section requires the Board to consider the finding of a Municipality whether a firefighter or police officer was killed in the line of duty. Staff informed the Committee that the City does not issue any “finding”, and therefore, that language should be removed from Section 6.03(b). The Committee concurred. Mr. Reed motioned to recommend the Board remove

this sentence from Section 6.03(b). The motion carried unanimously.

ENGAGEMENT OF LOBBYISTS

The Committee was provided information regarding potential lobbyists to assist the Pension Fund in the passage of its legislative package during the 86th legislative session. After briefly discussing each firm, the Committee decided to postpone any decision regarding whether to retain a lobbyist and any selection of a lobbyist until the next Committee meeting.

G3 PUBLIC RELATIONS CONTRACT

The Committee discussed the possibility of increasing the retainer for G3 Public Relations during the legislative session. Because the Pension Fund intends to file a Legislative Bill, the Fund is likely to need additional services in the areas of communications and media relations during that time. After discussing the issue with G3, the committee decided to take no action at this time and to wait until such time as a Bill is actually filed.

TEXAS 86TH (2019) LEGISLATIVE SESSION (INLCUDING LEGISLATIVE AGENDA, TIMEINE, PROCESS, OUTLOOK, UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST, MEETINGS ATTENDED AND RELATED ACTIVITIES)

The Committee reiterated its intent to file a bill in mid-November.

ADJOURNMENT: The committee adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Jim Smith, Chairman