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# City of Lauderhill

## Firefighters' Retirement System

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Actuarial Valuation as of October 1, 2014



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February 10, 2015

REPORT TO DETERMINE MINIMUM FUNDING REQUIREMENTS  
FOR THE PLAN AND FISCAL YEAR  
ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2015





February 10, 2015

Board of Trustees  
City of Lauderhill Firefighters' Retirement System  
Lauderhill, Florida

**RE: Actuarial Valuation as of October 1, 2014**

Dear Board Members:

We are pleased to present the actuarial valuation as of October 1, 2014 for the City of Lauderhill Firefighters' Retirement System (the Plan). This report provides a review of the current funded status of the Plan, establishes the minimum funding requirements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015 and provides an analysis of experience since the last valuation. In addition to providing the summary and derivation of actuarial findings, this report describes the data, assumptions, and methods used to create these results.

Statement by Enrolled Actuary:

"This actuarial valuation and/or cost determination was prepared and completed by me or under my direct supervision, and I acknowledge responsibility for the results. To the best of my knowledge, the results are complete and accurate, and in my opinion, the techniques and assumptions used are reasonable and meet the requirements and intent of Part VII, Chapter 112, Florida Statutes. There is no benefit or expense to be provided by the plan and/or paid from the plan's assets for which liabilities or current costs have not been established or otherwise taken into account in the valuation. All known events or trends which may require a material increase in plan costs or required contribution rates have been taken into account in the valuation."

We look forward to the presentation of these results to you in person and we are always available to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chad Little'.

Chad M. Little, ASA, EA  
Partner, Consulting Actuary  
Enrollment Number 14-6619

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paula C. Freiman'.

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## Section

## 1

## Board Summary

This report presents the results of the October 1, 2014 actuarial valuation of the City of Lauderhill Firefighters' Retirement System (the Plan).

## Summary of Principal Valuation Results

A summary of the key valuation findings as of October 1, 2014 are compared with the results of the prior valuation below.

## Minimum Funding Requirements

<b>Fiscal Year Ending September 30,</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
<b>Minimum Required Funding As a Dollar Amount</b>		
Estimated Minimum Required City Contribution	\$4,164,581	\$4,064,434
Estimated State Contribution	<u>167,361</u>	<u>167,361</u>
Total Minimum Funding Requirement (City plus State)	\$4,331,942	\$4,231,795
<b>Minimum Required Funding as a % of Payroll</b>		
Estimated Minimum Required City Contribution	56.3%	53.5%
Estimated State Contribution	<u>2.3%</u>	<u>2.2%</u>
Total Minimum Funding Requirement (City plus State)	58.6%	55.7%

## Funded Status

<b>Valuation Date October 1,</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Accrued Liability (AL)	\$72,752,532	\$78,122,204
Actuarial Value of Assets	<u>(49,705,303)</u>	<u>(58,163,473)</u>
Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL)	\$23,047,229	\$19,958,731
Funded Percentage	68.3%	74.5%

## Key Assumptions

<b>Valuation Date October 1,</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Assumed Rate of Investment Return	8.00%	8.00%
Salary Increase Assumption	7.00%	7.00%
Funding Method	Entry Age	Entry Age

## Summary of Significant Events

Determinations of the funded status of the Plan and minimum funding requirements are based on participant data, asset information, Plan provisions, actuarial methods and assumptions, as well as contributions made to the Plan by the State of Florida. Any significant events associated with these items are discussed in the following.

### Participant Data

While the number of active Members increased from 84 to 86, total payroll increased 2.7%. The following provides a summary of the average actual pay increases for continuing active members, by individual, to the expected pay increases for the 12 month periods ending on the date specified.

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Assumed</b>
10/01/2014	3.2 %	7.0 %
10/01/2013	4.4 %	7.0 %
10/01/2012	7.2 %	7.0 %
10/01/2011	4.0 %	7.0 %
10/01/2010	0.5 %	7.0 %
10/01/2009	11.9 %	7.0 %
10/01/2008	9.4 %	7.0 %
10/01/2007	16.1 %	7.0 %
10/01/2006	7.2 %	7.0 %
10/01/2005	6.6 %	7.0 %
10/01/2004	7.7 %	7.0 %
10/01/2003	5.4 %	7.0 %
10/01/2002	4.6 %	7.0 %
10/01/2001	11.2 %	7.0 %
10/01/2000	8.2 %	7.0 %
10/01/1999	8.3 %	7.0 %
10/01/1998	9.0 %	7.0 %
17-Yr Avg	7.3 %	7.0 %
10-Yr Avg	7.0 %	7.0 %
5-Yr Avg	3.8 %	7.0 %

Note that although the average individual salary increases were 3.8% over the last five years, the average was 7.0% over the last ten years and 7.3% over the last 17 years.

Overall, there was a demographic gain primarily due salary increases less than expected and the death of a beneficiary for one retiree who had elected a joint and survivor annuity. These demographic gains were offset by disabilities during the year.

In general, should a pattern of consistent gains or losses develop, assumptions may require revision.



## Assets

While the investment return on the Market Value of Assets was a 9.6% for the year, the investment return associated with the Actuarial Value of Assets was 12.2%. These returns are in comparison to the 8.0% assumed rate of return resulting in investment gains. The following provides a summary of the actual to the expected return on investments for the 12 month periods ending on the date specified.

<b>Year Ending 9/30</b>	<b>Return on Market Value</b>	<b>Return on Actuarial Value</b>	<b>Assumed Actuarial Return</b>
2014	9.6 %	12.2 %	8.0 %
2013	16.7 %	12.4 %	8.0 %
2012	21.4 %	6.7 %	8.0 %
2011	(1.0)%	(1.7)%	8.0 %
2010	10.9 %	2.6 %	8.0 %
2009	(4.3)%	0.7 %	8.0 %
2008	(13.5)%	6.1 %	8.0 %
2007	18.3 %	12.9 %	8.0 %
2006	8.8 %	11.4 %	8.0 %
2005	15.0 %	7.3 %	8.0 %
Average	7.6 %	6.9 %	8.0 %

Investment returns less than the assumed rate of return result in increased annual minimum required contributions.

## Plan Provisions

The Plan was most recently amended effective March 10, 2014 with Ordinance No. 140-02-109. This amendment allows for investments in tax-exempt group trusts and to clarify the trust is for the exclusive benefit of members and their beneficiaries. The liability of the Plan is not anticipated to be materially affected by the changes in Plan provisions.

## Methods and Assumptions

The mortality table continues to be the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table. Scale AA has been applied to reflect mortality improvements to the valuation year.

DROP balances have been included in assets and liabilities effective with this October 1, 2014 actuarial valuation of the Plan as asset information included in the report of the auditor revised the method for reporting asset values.

## State Contributions

The Estimated Minimum Required City Contribution assumes that the premium tax money received from the State will be in the same amount received in the prior year. Should the amount received in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015 be less than \$167,361, the City will need to contribute any potential shortfall to the Plan.

## Section

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## Results Derivation

In this section, the assets and liabilities of the Plan are shown in detail. Assets and liabilities are then compared to determine the funded status and minimum funding requirements. Finally, analysis is performed to explain movement in results from the prior valuation.

While asset information is based on the fair market value of assets, along with any techniques used to smooth out market fluctuations, liabilities are determined through a combination of the benefit provisions, participant census data which contains information for the members who will receive those benefits, and the methods and assumptions used with regard to how benefits will be paid to members. A summary of participant data, an outline of the benefit provisions, and a description of the methods and assumptions used in this valuation are described in Section 4.

## Financial Information

Over the life of the Plan, the majority of assets are typically generated from investment return. In this section, we describe how the assets of the Plan are invested, show how the actuarial value of assets is derived, and review the investment results since the prior valuation.

## Investment Allocation

## Valuation Date October 1,

2013

Equities	\$37,990,896	69 %
Fixed Income	9,506,135	17 %
Real Estate Fund	4,136,457	7 %
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3,742,911	7 %
Receivables	<u>(139,602)</u>	<u>0 %</u>
Fair Market Value of Assets*	<u>\$55,236,797</u>	<u>100 %</u>

Restated

## Valuation Date October 1,

2013

2014

Equities	\$37,990,896	67 %	\$39,289,885	62 %
Fixed Income	9,506,135	17 %	9,874,838	16 %
Real Estate Fund	4,136,457	7 %	9,412,891	15 %
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3,742,911	7 %	3,244,615	5 %
Receivables	<u>958,075</u>	<u>2 %</u>	<u>1,020,743</u>	<u>2 %</u>
Fair Market Value of Assets*	<u>\$56,334,474</u>	<u>100 %</u>	<u>\$62,842,972</u>	<u>100 %</u>

Note: The fair market value of assets reported by the auditor as of October 1, 2013 was net of DROP balances. At September 30, 2014, the fair market value of assets as of October 1, 2013 was restated by the auditor to include DROP balances.

## Reconciliation of Market Value of Assets

Year ending September 30,	(1) Net of DROP Balance 2013	(2) Gross of DROP Balance 2013	(3) Gross of DROP Balance 2014
1. Market value at beginning of year	\$46,265,563	\$47,216,351	\$56,334,474
2. Contributions			
a. City	\$4,202,483	\$4,202,483	\$4,164,581
b. Employee contributions	929,722	929,722	970,011
c. State	<u>472,633</u>	<u>472,633</u>	<u>492,840</u>
d. Total contributions	\$5,604,838	\$5,604,838	\$5,627,432
3. Investment earnings			
a. Realized gains and losses	\$2,814,460	\$2,814,460	\$5,142,157
b. Unrealized gains and losses	4,062,881	4,062,881	(768,723)
c. Interest and dividends	924,284	924,284	1,070,545
d. Investment expense	<u>(357,642)</u>	<u>(357,642)</u>	<u>(407,505)</u>
e. Net investment income	\$7,443,983	\$7,443,983	\$5,036,474
4. Deductions			
a. Benefits paid	\$(3,836,852)	\$(3,739,137)	\$(3,986,091)
b. DROP earnings	(49,174)	0	0
c. Administrative expenses	<u>(191,561)</u>	<u>(191,561)</u>	<u>(169,317)</u>
d. Total deductions	\$(4,077,587)	\$(3,930,698)	\$(4,155,408)
5. Net increase	\$8,971,234	\$9,118,123	\$6,508,498
6. Market value of assets end of year	\$55,236,797	\$56,334,474	\$62,842,972
7. State contribution reserve	\$772,096	\$772,096	\$752,176
8. Net assets (6. - 7.)	\$54,464,701	\$55,562,378	\$62,090,796
9. DROP account balances*	\$1,097,677	\$1,097,677	\$1,253,385

\*The market value of assets reported by the auditor as of October 1, 2013 was net of DROP balances as shown in column (1). At September 30, 2014, the fair market value of assets as of October 1, 2013 was restated by the auditor to include DROP balances as shown in column (2).

## Development of Historical Gain or Loss on Market Value of Assets

Year ending September 30,	2012	2013	2014
1. Market value of assets BOY	\$39,164,200	\$47,216,351	\$56,334,474
2. Expected interest on beginning value	3,133,136	3,777,308	4,506,758
3. Contributions			
a. City	\$3,523,939	\$4,202,483	\$4,164,581
b. Employee contributions	892,096	929,722	970,011
c. State	<u>440,960</u>	<u>472,633</u>	<u>492,840</u>
d. Total Contributions	\$4,856,995	\$5,604,838	\$5,627,432
4. Pension benefits	\$(4,418,516)	\$(3,739,137)	\$(3,986,091)
5. Expenses			
a. Investment expenses	\$(310,278)	\$(357,642)	\$(407,505)
b. Administrative expenses	<u>(174,789)</u>	<u>(191,561)</u>	<u>(169,317)</u>
c. Total expenses	\$(485,067)	\$(549,203)	\$(576,822)
6. Interest on items (3), (4) and (5)	(19,502)	33,755	22,867
7. Expected assets at end of year	\$42,231,246	\$52,343,912	\$61,928,618
8. Market value of assets EOY	\$47,216,351	\$56,334,474	\$62,842,972
9. Gain (Loss) = (8) - (7)	\$4,985,105	\$3,990,562	\$914,354

Note: The market value gain (loss) is determined using assets which are gross of DROP balances.

## Development of Actuarial Value of Assets

1.	Market Value of Assets as of 9/30/2014			\$62,842,972
2.	Phase-In Gains (Losses) Over Four Year Period			
		Original Gain (Loss)	Percent Unrecognized	Unrecognized Gain (Loss)
a.	Year Ending 9/30/2014	\$914,354	75 %	\$685,766
b.	Year Ending 9/30/2013	3,990,562	50 %	1,995,281
c.	Year Ending 9/30/2012	4,985,105	25 %	<u>1,246,276</u>
d.	Total			\$3,927,323
3.	Preliminary Actuarial Value of Assets as of 9/30/2014 = 1. - 2.d.			\$58,915,649
4.	Corridor Around Market Value			
a.	Minimum = 80% of Market Value of Assets			\$50,274,378
b.	Maximum = 120% of Market Value of Assets			\$75,411,566
c.	Corridor Adjustment to Preliminary Actuarial Value			\$0
5.	Cumulative Balance of State Monies Available for Benefit Improvement			\$752,176
6.	DROP Balances			\$1,253,385
7.	Actuarial Value of Assets as of 9/30/2014 = 3. + 4.c. - 5. - 6. Before Method Change - Excludes DROP Balances			\$56,910,088
8.	Actuarial Value of Assets as of 9/30/2014 = 3. + 4.c. - 5. After Method Change - Includes DROP Balances			\$58,163,473

## Historical Asset Values

<b>Ending 9/30</b>	<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Actuarial Value</b>
2014	\$62,842,972	\$58,163,473
2013	55,236,797	49,705,303
2012	46,265,563	43,060,519
2011	37,433,460	39,620,622
2010	37,462,362	39,963,208
2009	33,196,711	38,262,703
2008	33,760,557	37,424,773
2007	37,685,174	34,195,441
2006	30,756,597	29,298,559
2005	27,869,512	25,949,266

Note: For the year ending 9/30/2014 DROP balances have been included in asset values. Prior to that year asset values excluded the DROP balances.

## Historical Rates of Investment Return

<b>Year Ending 9/30</b>	<b>Return on Market Value</b>	<b>Return on Actuarial Value</b>	<b>Assumed Actuarial Return</b>
2014	9.6 %	12.2 %	8.0 %
2013	16.7 %	12.4 %	8.0 %
2012	21.4 %	6.7 %	8.0 %
2011	(1.0)%	(1.7)%	8.0 %
2010	10.9 %	2.6 %	8.0 %
2009	(4.3)%	0.7 %	8.0 %
2008	(13.5)%	6.1 %	8.0 %
2007	18.3 %	12.9 %	8.0 %
2006	8.8 %	11.4 %	8.0 %
2005	15.0 %	7.3 %	8.0 %
Average	7.6 %	6.9 %	8.0 %

## Derivation of State Contribution Funding Reserves

Year Ending September 30	State Contributions			Recognized State Funding	Cumulative Balance Available for Benefit Improvement
	Regular	Supplemental	Total		
2014	\$492,840	\$0	\$492,840	\$512,760	\$752,176
2013	472,633	0	472,633	525,643	772,096
2012	440,960	0	440,960	482,257	825,106
2011	403,937	0	403,937	399,633	866,403
2010	407,979	0	407,979	338,402	862,099
2009	459,295	0	459,295	261,031	792,522
2008	360,239	60,369	420,608	230,889	594,258
2007	378,553	5,537	384,090	202,102	404,539
2006	250,977	0	250,977	167,361	222,551
2005	244,943	0	244,943	167,361	138,935
2004	228,714	0	228,714	167,361	61,353
2003	203,319	0	203,319	203,319	0
2002	134,534	0	134,534	134,534	0
2001	118,403	0	118,403	118,403	0
2000	132,060	0	132,060	132,060	0
1999	137,229	0	137,229	137,229	0
1998	137,869	0	<u>137,869</u>	<u>137,869</u>	0
			\$5,070,390	\$4,318,214	

Year Ending September 30	Recurring Cost Benefit Improvements	One-Time Cost Benefit Improvements	Base Plus Benefit Improvements
	2014	\$0	\$345,399
2013	0	358,282	167,361
2012	0	314,896	167,361
2011	0	232,272	167,361
2010	0	171,041	167,361
2009	0	93,670	167,361
2008	0	63,528	167,361
2007	0	34,741	167,361
2006	0	0	167,361
2005	0	0	167,361
2004	29,492	0	167,361
2003	0	65,450	137,869
2002	0	0	137,869
2001	0	0	137,869
2000	0	0	137,869
1999	0	0	137,869
1998	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	137,869
	\$29,492	\$1,679,279	

## Present Value of Benefits

Valuation as of October 1,	2013	2014
1. Active Members		
a. Service Retirement	\$48,321,361	\$48,927,814
b. Deferred Benefits	1,523,625	1,560,137
c. Survivor Benefits	208,438	212,795
d. Disability Benefits	<u>2,243,858</u>	<u>2,318,026</u>
e. Total	\$52,297,282	\$53,018,772
2. Terminated Members Deferred Benefit	\$0	\$0
3. Members in Payment Status		
a. Retirement (Including DROP)	\$42,127,431	\$45,420,717
b. Disability Retirement	500,242	1,569,935
c. Beneficiaries	<u>1,597,557</u>	<u>2,374,705</u>
d. Total	\$44,225,230	\$49,365,357
4. All Members	\$96,522,512	\$102,384,129

Note: The valuation as of October 1, 2014 includes DROP balances in the liability in item 3.a. The valuation as of October 1, 2013 only included future monthly benefits payable to DROP members in item 3.a.



## Accrued Liability

Valuation as of October 1,	2013	2014
1. Active Members		
a. Service Retirement	\$27,724,733	\$27,973,906
b. Deferred Benefits	126,579	101,092
c. Survivor Benefits	58,677	59,260
d. Disability Benefits	<u>617,313</u>	<u>622,589</u>
e. Total	\$28,527,302	\$28,756,847
2. Terminated Members Deferred Benefit	\$0	\$0
3. Members in Payment Status		
a. Retirement (Including DROP)	\$42,127,431	\$45,420,717
b. Disability Retirement	500,242	1,569,935
c. Beneficiaries	<u>1,597,557</u>	<u>2,374,705</u>
d. Total	\$44,225,230	\$49,365,357
4. All Members	\$72,752,532	\$78,122,204

Note: The valuation as of October 1, 2014 includes DROP balances in the liability in item 3.a. The valuation as of October 1, 2013 only included future monthly benefits payable to DROP members in item 3.a.

## Normal Cost

Valuation as of October 1,	2013	2014
<b>1. Preliminary Normal Cost</b>		
a. Service Retirement	\$2,105,220	\$2,198,076
b. Deferred Benefits	144,329	155,298
c. Survivor Benefits	15,820	16,782
d. Disability Benefits	<u>174,725</u>	<u>188,039</u>
e. Total	\$2,440,094	\$2,558,195
<b>2. Total Normal Cost</b>		
a. Preliminary Normal Cost	\$2,440,094	\$2,558,195
b. Expense Load	<u>517,135</u>	<u>563,013</u>
c. Total Normal Cost	\$2,957,229	\$3,121,208
d. Total Normal Cost as a % of Pay	40.0%	41.1%
<b>3. Estimated Employer Normal Cost</b>		
a. Total Normal Cost	\$2,957,229	\$3,121,208
b. Expected Employee Contributions	<u>(973,202)</u>	<u>(1,024,788)</u>
c. Estimated Employer Normal Cost	\$1,984,027	\$2,096,420
<b>4. Actual Employer Normal Cost</b>		
a. Preliminary Normal Cost	\$2,440,094	
b. Actual Expenses	576,822	
c. Actual Employee Contributions	<u>(970,011)</u>	
d. Actual Employer Normal Cost	\$2,046,905	
<b>5. Payroll</b>		
a. Payroll Expected in Funding Year	\$7,093,309	\$7,469,301
b. Annualized Payroll in Funding Year	\$7,391,545	\$7,590,837

## Unfunded Accrued Liability

### Derivation of Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL)

<b>Unfunded Accrued Liability as of October 1,</b>	<b>2014</b>
1. Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$78,122,204
2. Actuarial Value of Assets	<u>58,163,473</u>
3. Unfunded Accrued Liability	\$19,958,731
<b>Determination of Expected Unfunded Accrued Liability</b>	
1. Unfunded Accrued Liability for Prior Year	\$23,047,229
2. Employer Normal Cost (Including Administrative Expenses)	2,046,905
3. Interest for a full year on (1) and (2)	2,007,531
4. Contributions for this Period	
a. State contributions toward minimum funding	\$167,361
b. State contributions used for supplemental benefits	345,399
c. City	<u>4,164,581</u>
d. Total	\$4,677,341
5. Interest on Contribution for Time on Deposit	166,583
6. Plan change - supplemental benefits	345,399
7. Other changes in plan, methods or assumptions	<u>96,389</u>
8. Expected Unfunded Accrued Liability	\$22,699,529
<b>Calculation of (Gain) or Loss</b>	
1. Actual Unfunded Accrued Liability	\$19,958,731
2. Expected Unfunded Accrued Liability	<u>22,699,529</u>
3. Total (Gain) or Loss	\$(2,740,798)
4. Breakdown of (Gain) or Loss	
a. Portion of (Gain) / Loss Due to Investments	\$(2,188,950)
b. Portion of (Gain) / Loss Due to Demographic Experience	<u>(551,848)</u>
c. Total (Gain) or Loss	\$(2,740,798)
<b>Determination of Actuarial Asset Gain (Loss)</b>	
1. Actuarial value of assets - BOY	\$50,802,980
2. Expected interest on beginning value	4,064,237
3. Contributions	
a. City	\$4,164,581
b. Employee contributions	970,011
c. State	<u>512,760</u>
d. Total contributions	\$5,647,352
4. Pension benefits	(3,986,091)
5. Investment plus administrative expenses	(576,822)
6. Interest on items (3), (4), and (5)	<u>22,867</u>
7. Expected value of assets EOY	\$55,974,523
8. Actuarial value of assets - EOY	\$58,163,473
9. Gain (Loss) = (8) - (7)	\$2,188,950
10. Investment income	\$6,276,054
11. Investment return	12.2 %

## Amortization of Unfunded Liability

The Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability is being amortized in a level dollar amount based on the 8.0% interest assumption. Changes in the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability due to plan changes, assumption changes, method changes, or gains and losses are all amortized over a 30-year period.

## Amortization Bases

			Remaining Balance Adjusted for	Actual	Years Remain	Amortization Payment
10/1	Source	Remaining Balance	Contributions			
1.	1997	Funding Method	\$766,208	\$766,906	8	\$123,568
2.	1998	Plan Amendment	1,708,018	1,709,573	14	192,005
3.	2000	(Gain)/Loss	20,134	20,152	1	20,152
4.	2001	(Gain)/Loss	574,653	575,176	17	58,385
5.	2002	(Gain)/Loss	2,203,202	2,205,208	18	217,871
6.	2003	(Gain)/Loss	306,309	306,588	19	29,560
7.	2003	Plan Amendment	1,703,401	1,704,952	19	164,382
8.	2004	(Gain)/Loss	650,387	650,979	20	61,392
9.	2005	(Gain)/Loss	(45,288)	(45,329)	21	(4,190)
10.	2005	Software Change	(326,031)	(326,328)	21	(30,165)
11.	2006	(Gain)/Loss	(776,316)	(777,023)	22	(70,531)
12.	2006	Plan Amendment	4,747,007	4,751,329	22	431,280
13.	2007	(Gain)/Loss	5,544	5,549	23	495
14.	2008	(Gain)/Loss	1,144,491	1,145,533	24	100,741
15.	2009	(Gain)/Loss	4,115,133	4,118,880	25	357,270
16.	2010	(Gain)/Loss	1,053,152	1,054,111	26	90,290
17.	2010	Method Change	(126,877)	(126,993)	26	(10,878)
18.	2011	Plan Amendment	(110,847)	(110,948)	27	(9,394)
19.	2011	(Gain)/Loss	3,896,354	3,899,902	27	330,221
20.	2012	(Gain)/Loss	1,145,377	1,146,420	28	96,054
21.	2012	Assumption Change	2,085,539	2,087,438	28	174,898
22.	2013	(Gain)/Loss	(2,245,870)	(2,247,915)	29	(186,532)
23.	2013	Assumption Change	88,899	88,980	29	7,384
24.	2014	(Gain)/Loss	(2,740,798)	(2,740,798)	30	(225,424)
25.	2014	Assumption Change	<u>96,389</u>	<u>96,389</u>	30	<u>7,928</u>
			\$19,938,170	\$19,958,731		\$1,926,762

## Projected Unfunded Accrued Liability and Amortization Payments

<b>Year Beginning October 1,</b>	<b>Outstanding Bases</b>	<b>Amortization Payment</b>
2013	\$19,958,731	\$1,926,762
2014	19,474,527	1,906,608
2015	18,973,352	1,906,610
2016	18,432,081	1,906,609
2017	17,847,510	1,906,609
2018	17,216,173	1,906,609
2019	16,534,330	1,906,611
2020	15,797,936	1,906,608
2021	15,002,634	1,783,043
2022	14,277,158	1,783,042
2023	13,493,645	1,783,043
2024	12,647,450	1,783,040
2025	11,733,563	1,783,043
2026	10,746,562	1,783,043
2027	9,680,600	1,591,037
2028	8,736,729	1,591,039
2029	7,717,345	1,591,039
2030	6,616,410	1,532,648
2031	5,490,463	1,314,784
2032	4,509,733	1,120,837
2033	3,660,007	1,059,447
2034	2,808,605	1,093,803
2035	1,851,987	733,052
2036	1,208,450	732,558
2037	513,964	631,814
2038	(127,278)	274,544
2039	(433,968)	195,132
2040	(679,427)	(125,694)
2041	(598,032)	(396,646)
2042	(217,497)	(217,497)
2043	0	0

## Actions Taken to Reduce Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability

The required contributions calculated each year include a payment for the amortization of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability. This payment is designed to reduce the unfunded actuarial accrued liability in an orderly fashion over the next 30 years.

## Minimum Funding Requirements

Year Ending September 30,	2014	2015
1. Total Normal Cost	\$2,957,229	\$3,121,208
2. Amortization of UAL	2,137,434	1,926,762
3. Interest	<u>210,481</u>	<u>208,613</u>
4. Total Minimum Required Contribution	\$5,305,144	\$5,256,583
5. Expected City Minimum Required Funding	\$4,164,581	\$4,064,434
6. Employee Contributions Expected*	973,202	1,024,788
7. State Funding Expected	<u>167,361</u>	<u>167,361</u>
8. Total Minimum Required Contribution	\$5,305,144	\$5,256,583
9. City Funding as a % of Pay	56.3 %	53.5 %
10. Employee Contributions as a % of Pay	13.2 %	13.5 %
11. State Funding Expected as a % of Pay	<u>2.3 %</u>	<u>2.2 %</u>
12. Total Required Funding as a % of Pay	71.8 %	69.2 %
13. City Plus State Funding	\$4,331,942	\$4,231,795
14. City Plus State Funding as a % of Pay	58.6 %	55.7 %
15. Payroll		
a. Payroll Expected in Funding Year	\$7,093,309	\$7,469,301
b. Annualized Payroll in Funding Year	7,391,545	7,590,837

\*Employee contributions expected are those based on payroll expected in the funding year which takes into account the expected decrement of members during the year.

## Reconciliations

### Reconciliation of Funded Status

**As of Prior Valuation** **68.3 %**

Changes in Funded Status due to:

Normal Operation of Plan	2.4 %
Investment Experience	2.8 %
Demographic Experience	0.5 %
Update Mortality	0.0 %
DROP in Assets and Liability	<u>0.5 %</u>
Total Changes	6.2 %

**As of Current Valuation** **74.5 %**

### Reconciliation of City Minimum Funding Requirement

**As of Prior Valuation** **\$4,164,581**

Changes in Required Contribution due to:

Expected Change	\$110,810
Change in Expense Load	47,713
Investment Experience	(187,238)
Demographic Experience	(82,438)
Update Mortality	11,006
DROP in Assets/Liability	<u>0</u>
Total Changes	\$(100,147)

**As of Current Valuation** **\$4,064,434**

# Section 3 Accounting Information

## Information Required by GASB 67

A supplemental report provides information under the Governmental Accounting Standards Board No. 67

## Information Required by GASB 27

### Annual Pension Cost and Net Pension Obligation

<b>Fiscal Year Ending September 30,</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
1. Beginning of year NPO	\$(19,163)	\$(19,523)	\$(19,848)	\$(20,316)
2. Contributions Made	4,164,581	4,202,483	3,523,939	3,003,218
3. Pension Cost	<u>4,165,036</u>	<u>4,202,843</u>	<u>3,524,264</u>	<u>3,003,686</u>
4. End of year NPO (1. - 2. + 3.)	\$(18,708)	\$(19,163)	\$(19,523)	\$(19,848)
1. Annual Required Contribution	\$4,164,581	\$4,202,483	\$3,523,939	\$3,003,218
2. Interest on NPO	(1,533)	(1,562)	(1,588)	(1,625)
3. Amortization of NPO	<u>1,988</u>	<u>1,922</u>	<u>1,913</u>	<u>2,093</u>
4. Pension Cost	\$4,165,036	\$4,202,843	\$3,524,264	\$3,003,686
Percentage Contributed	99.99%	99.99%	99.99%	99.98%

Note: Assumptions used can be found in the "Description of Assumptions and Methods" in Section 4 of this report.



## Statement of Accumulated Plan Benefits (FASB 35)

The following table is based on prior accounting standards and is required by the State. The present value of accrued benefits is an estimate of the liability for all benefits accrued to date.

Year Beginning October 1,	2013	2014
1. Actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits		
a. Participants currently receiving benefits	\$44,225,230	\$49,365,357
b. Other participants	<u>14,815,670</u>	<u>14,721,109</u>
c. Total vested plan benefits	\$59,040,900	\$64,086,466
d. Total non-vested plan benefits	<u>4,161,265</u>	<u>4,460,014</u>
e. Total accumulated plan benefits	\$63,202,165	\$68,546,480
2. Change in present value of accumulated plan benefits		
a. Accumulated plan benefits beginning of year		\$63,202,165
b. Increase (decrease) during year due to:		
i. Plan amendment		\$0
ii. Change in assumptions or methods		1,182,276
iii. Benefits paid		(3,986,091)
iv. Other (including increase for interest due to decrease in the discount period and benefits accumulated)		
		<u>8,148,130</u>
v. Net increase (decrease)		\$5,344,315
c. Accumulated plan benefits end of year		\$68,546,480

## Other Disclosures Required by the State of Florida

Year Beginning October 1,	2013	2014
Present value of active member:		
Future salaries (attained age)	\$70,238,070	\$72,484,860
Future salaries (entry age)	N/A	N/A
Future contributions (attained age)	9,636,663	9,944,923
Future contributions (entry age)	N/A	N/A
Future contributions (other sources)	N/A	N/A
Future expected benefit payments (entry age)	N/A	N/A

## Required Disclosure Under F.S. 112.664(1)

As required under F.S. Section 112.664(1) we have produced the following information:

- (a) Total pension liability calculated assuming mortality under the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table for healthy participants (by gender) with fully generational projection using Scale AA.
- (b) Total pension liability calculated using an assumed interest rate that is 200 basis points lower than that assumed in the valuation of the Plan.
- (c) Determination of the number of months or years for which the current market value of assets is adequate to sustain the payment of expected retirement benefits.
- (d) Recommended contribution to the Plan using the most recent valuation and the contributions necessary prepared pursuant to (a) and (b) stated as a dollar amount and % of payroll.

	RP-2000 Fully Generational Using Scale AA			Actual Valuation Results - 8.0% and RP-2000 Projected to 2014 Using Scale AA
	2% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	2% Increase	
	(6.0%)	(8.0%)	(10.0%)	
Total pension liability	\$102,190,717	\$79,719,782	\$64,354,424	\$78,122,204
Plan fiduciary net position	<u>(62,842,972)</u>	<u>(62,842,972)</u>	<u>(62,842,972)</u>	<u>(62,842,972)</u>
Net pension liability	<u>\$39,347,745</u>	<u>\$16,876,810</u>	<u>\$1,511,452</u>	<u>\$15,279,232</u>
 Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	 61.5%	 78.8%	 97.7%	 80.4%
 Years of benefit payments:				
Expected for current members:	97	97	97	N/A
Paid for with current assets:	14	16	21	N/A
 City Plus State Contribution Requirement				
Dollar Amount	\$7,147,799	\$4,439,254	\$2,333,659	\$4,231,795
Percent of Payroll	94.2%	58.5%	30.7%	55.7%

## Required Disclosure Under F.S. 112.664(2)(b)2.

F.S. Section 112.664(2)(b)2. - For the previous five years, beginning with 2013, a side-by-side comparison of the plan's assumed rate of return compared to the actual rate of return, as well as the percentages of cash, equity, bond and alternative investments in the plan portfolio.

Year Ending September 30,	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Assumed rate of return	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%
Actual rate of return	9.6%	16.7%	21.4%	(1.0%)	10.9%	(4.3%)
Percentages of assets in:						
Cash	5%	7%	4%	5%	6%	4%
Equity	62%	67%	66%	64%	61%	60%
Bond	16%	17%	21%	27%	29%	34%
Alternative	17%	9%	9%	4%	4%	2%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

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## Summary of Participant Data

## Member Statistics

Year Beginning October 1,	2013	2014
<u>Active Participants</u>		
Number	84	86
Average Age	36.6	36.4
Average Credited Service	9.2	8.8
Percent Male	92.9	91.9
Average Valuation Salary	\$82,238	\$82,491
Total Valuation Salary (Prior to Impute)	\$6,907,986	\$7,094,240
Total Valuation Salary (Imputed to Next Year)	\$7,391,545	\$7,590,837
Payroll Expected in Funding Year	\$7,093,309	\$7,469,301
<u>Terminated With Rights to Deferred Benefits</u>		
Number	0	0
Average Age	0.0	0.0
Percent Male	0.0	0.0
Average Monthly Benefit	\$0	\$0
<u>DROP</u>		
Number	8	7
Average Age	52.5	51.5
Percent Male	100.0	100.0
Average Monthly Benefit	\$5,545	\$5,848
DROP Balances	\$1,097,677	\$1,253,385

## Member Statistics (Continued)

<b>Year Beginning October 1,</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
<u>Service Retirements</u>		
Number	54	57
Average Age	57.9	58.9
Percent Male	96.3	96.5
Average Monthly Benefit	\$4,280	\$4,433
<u>Beneficiaries</u>		
Number	3	4
Average Age	62.7	58.8
Percent Male	0.0	0.0
Average Monthly Benefit	\$3,866	\$4,126
<u>Disability Retirements</u>		
Number	3	5
Average Age	70.4	58.0
Percent Male	100.0	80.0
Average Monthly Benefit	\$1,604	\$2,258
<u>Total In Payment Status</u>		
Number	60	66
Average Age	58.7	58.8
Percent Male	91.7	89.4
Average Monthly Benefit	\$4,125	\$4,249

## Number of Active Members by Age and Service as of October 1, 2014

Age	Service							Total	
	<1	<5	<10	<15	<20	<25	<30		<35
<25	2	2							4
<30	3	7	8						18
<35	1	5	7	4					17
<40	1	2	10	7	3				23
<45			2	4	5				11
<50	1		1	1	2				5
<55			2	2	2	1		1	8
<60									
<65									
Total	8	16	30	18	12	1		1	86

## Active Valuation Pay by Age and Service as of October 1, 2014

Age	Service							Total	
	<1	<5	<10	<15	<20	<25	<30		<35
<25	53,691	60,638							57,164
<30	52,503	64,627	79,763						69,334
<35	56,372	65,073	88,960	93,352					81,051
<40	51,976	65,271	86,077	90,926	113,449				87,831
<45			88,179	95,315	98,991				95,689
<50	53,691		81,526	99,211	94,425				84,656
<55			86,142	90,597	88,735	99,211		113,585	92,968
<60									
<65									
Total	53,366	64,348	85,059	92,864	100,135	99,211		113,585	82,491

## Reconciliation of Plan Participants

	Active	Deferred	DROP	Retiree	Survivor	Disabled	Totals
<b>As of October 1, 2009</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>134</b>
Active							
To DROP Participant	(5)		5				0
DROP Participant							
To Retiree			(9)	9			0
New Hires	5						5
<b>As of October 1, 2010</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>139</b>
Active							
To DROP Participant	(3)		3				0
DROP Participant							
To Retiree			(4)	4			0
Retiree							
To Survivor				(1)	1		0
New Hires	4						4
<b>As of October 1, 2011</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>143</b>
Active							
To DROP Participant	(3)		3				0
To Deceased	(1)						(1)
DROP Participant							
To Retiree			(6)	6			0
New Hires	5						5
<b>As of October 1, 2012</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>147</b>
Active							
To DROP Participant	(1)		1				0
To Nonvested Term	(1)						(1)
DROP Participant							
To Retiree			(1)	1			0
New Hires	6						6
<b>As of October 1, 2013</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>152</b>
Active							
To Retiree	(1)			1			0
To DROP Participant	(1)		1				0
To Disabled Retiree	(2)					2	0
To Death With Survivor	(1)				1		0
To Nonvested Term	(1)						(1)
DROP Participant							
To Retiree			(2)	2			0
New Hires	8						8
<b>As of October 1, 2014</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>159</b>

## Outline of Plan Provisions

Plan Type: Single-employer Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Legal Authority: The Plan was established and is amended by local ordinance.

Effective Date: July 1, 1977. The Plan was most recently amended effective March 10, 2014 with Ordinance No. 140-02-109.

Plan Administrator: The Board of Trustees

Board Composition: Two members are elected from among the fire employees of the City, who are members of the plan, two city residents appointed by the Commission and one person is chosen by a majority of the previous four members.

Funding Requirements: Employer contributions are actuarially determined and subject to State statute. Employee contributions are as described below and may be amended by ordinance.

Plan Year: The 12-month period from October 1<sup>st</sup> to the following September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Member: Firefighters become Members immediately upon hire (after medical examination and the firefighter acceptance of the terms and conditions which may include a declaration of ineligibility for disability benefits, designation of a Beneficiary and authorization for Employee Contribution deductions). Employees hired prior to October 1, 2009 are part of Tier One. Employees hired on or after October 1, 2009 are part of Tier Two.

Actuarial Equivalence: Actuarial Equivalence is determined using an interest rate of 7.0% and the 1971 Group Annuity Mortality Table for males.

Credited Service: Years and completed months of service (omitting intervening years and fractional parts of years when not employed as a full-time firefighter by the City) for which Employee Contributions are not withdrawn. Credited Service may be granted for an authorized leave of absence (not more than 6 months) and military leave (not more than 5 years).

Vesting: 100% upon earning ten years of Credited Service.

Earnings: Fixed monthly remuneration paid by the City to a firefighter, excluding overtime, bonuses and any other non-regular payment.

Employee Contributions: Effective October 1, 1997, 13.72% of Earnings.

Accumulated Contributions means a member's own contributions and contributions picked up on behalf of a Member, plus interest compounded annually. All benefits payable under this system are in lieu of a refund of Accumulated Contributions. In any event, each Member is guaranteed the payment of benefits at least equal to Accumulated Contributions with interest.

A Member who terminates non-vested is entitled to refund of accumulated Employee Contributions with interest.

Vested Members who terminate employment prior to being eligible to receive an annuity may leave their Accumulated Contributions in the fund, and begin commencement of the Accrued Benefit as early as age 50 as defined under the Early Retirement Benefit.



Contributions may be repaid with interest upon reentry into the Plan due to rehire in order to maintain prior Credited Service.

Average Monthly Earnings: Effective October 1, 2003, for Tier One Members, 1/12 of the average of annual Earnings for the three highest consecutive years of the last ten full years immediately preceding the actual retirement or termination date. The Average Monthly Earnings for Tier Two Members who retire with 25 or more years of Credited Service is computed in the same manner. The Average Monthly Earnings for Tier Two Members who retire with less than 25 years of Credited service is 1/12 of the average annual Earnings for the four highest consecutive years of the last ten full years immediately preceding the actual retirement or termination date.

Normal Retirement Date: Effective October 1, 1998, the first day of the month coincident with or next following the earliest of (i) age 55 and completion of 10 years of Credited Service, or (ii) 20 years Credited Service, regardless of age.

Normal Retirement Benefit: The Accrued Benefit.

Accrued Benefit: Effective for Members retiring on or after October 1, 2003 who are part of Tier One:

3.0% x Average Monthly Earnings x Credited Service Prior to 10/1/2003

Plus

4.0% x Average Monthly Earnings x Credited Service on or After 10/1/2003

The Tier Two Accrued Benefit is 3.0% x Average Monthly Earnings x Credited Service, limited to not more than 75% of Average Monthly Earnings. Tier Two members may increase their pension multiplier to 3.5% provided all costs associated with such an increase (or its actuarially equivalent cost) are borne solely by the Tier Two Member as determined by the Plan actuary. Tier Two members who increase their pension multiplier to 3.5% are not subject to the 75% cap. In no circumstance should a Tier Two Member's total benefit exceed 100% of Average Monthly Earnings.

This benefit is payable as a 10 year certain and continuous annuity.

Early Retirement Date: The first day of the month coincident with or next following the attainment of age 50 and the completion of 10 years of Credited Service.

Early Retirement Benefit: The Accrued Benefit reduced by 3% per year by which the commencement of benefits precedes the Normal Retirement Date.

Delayed Retirement Date: A date following the Normal Retirement Date upon which a Member actually retires.

Delayed Retirement Benefit: On the first day of any month coincident with or next following the Delayed Retirement Date, the benefit payable is computed as described under the Normal Retirement Benefit based on Average Monthly Earnings and Credited Service as of the Delayed Retirement Date.

Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA): Effective October 1, 2006, for Tier One Members, a 1.5% annual COLA is payable after three years of retirement (for both then current and future retirees).

Tier Two Members' monthly retirement benefits are increased annually after three years of retirement by the net investment return of the Plan. However, the Tier Two COLA is not less than 0% and not more than 1.5% annually.

Following the death of the retiree, the COLA is paid to each beneficiary.

Variable Benefit: For all firefighters employed on or after October 1, 1997, a Variable Benefit will be paid, effective October 1, 1999. Effective each October 1, a benefit increase of no more than 3% may be granted which is funded solely based on a total experience gains as compared to actuarial assumptions. Members who retired during the prior fiscal year are provided a prorata increase reflecting the number of payments they received divided by 12.

Supplemental Benefit: This type of benefit and the payment of such benefit shall be determined by negotiations between the City and the union.

The Supplemental Benefit will be paid only to eligible persons who retired on or after October 1, 2000. The first Supplemental Benefit is paid effective October 1, 2003, if funding is available.

Each year, a "Supplemental Retirement Benefit Account" is funded with 75% of the prior year's actuarial gain remaining after the application of payment of the Variable Benefit and any increase in State contributions over that received for fiscal 1997 in the amount of \$167,361 after all minimum benefits are paid, hereafter referred to as the "adjusted base amount."

The Supplemental Benefit is re-determined each October 1 in an amount equal to the Supplemental Retirement Benefit Account divided by the total number of retirees and vested participants. Payments are made on a monthly basis. In no event will the Supplemental Benefits paid to a retiree exceed one year's payment of individual retiree health insurance provided by the City for the previous year ending September 30.

All funds not distributed to retirees remain in the Supplemental Retirement Benefit Account to be used for additional future benefits to retirees and their designated beneficiaries.

Disability Retirement: Members become eligible for service incurred disability benefits immediately upon Plan entry. Members become eligible for non-service incurred disability benefits upon earning 2 years of Credited Service.

The benefit payable to any Member who is wholly prevented either mentally or physically from rendering useful and efficient service as a firefighter is the greater of (i) 50% of the rate of monthly Earnings in effect on the date of disability and (ii) the Accrued Benefit. Total benefits paid (including workers compensation for example) shall not exceed 100% of the employee's salary.

This benefit is payable as a 10 year certain and continuous annuity.

In the event of recovery from disability, the period of time while disabled is included as Credited Service in future retirement benefits for (i) those who are immediately reemployed as a firefighter upon recovery, and (ii) those who are not immediately reemployed as a firefighter because they were not offered a position. Members who are offered reemployment and do not accept are treated as if they terminated employment on the date of disability.

At age fifty-five (55), the firefighter shall have the option of converting the disability to a normal retirement benefit, provided eligibility requirements are met.

Death Benefits: In the event of service incurred death, the benefit payable is the greater of a monthly benefit equal to 20% of the rate of monthly Earnings at the time of death and a refund of contributions with interest. The monthly benefit is payable to the Spouse until the death of the Spouse. If there is no Spouse or upon the death of the Spouse, the monthly benefit is divided equally among the Member's surviving children under the age of 18 until the youngest child reaches the age of 18. If there is no Spouse and a refund of contributions with interest is greater than the monthly benefit, the amount is divided equally amongst surviving children under the age of 18. The Member may choose one or more persons other than their spouse and children under the age of 18 to receive the refund of contributions with interest. If there is no designated beneficiary, no Spouse and no children under the age of 18, the refund of contributions with interest is payable to the Member's estate.

In the event of service incurred death of a firefighter who had earned at least 10 years of Credited Service at the time of their death, the beneficiary may instead elect to receive the Accrued Benefit payable as a 10-year certain only annuity commencing when the Member would have reached their Normal Retirement Date, or with reduction for early commencement as defined for an early retirement benefit payable at the Early Retirement Date.

In the event of non-service incurred death of an active Member who has attained their Normal Retirement Date or the Early Retirement Date, a death benefit is payable to the Member's Spouse as if the Member retired from employment on the date of death, elected to receive a benefit in the form of a 50% joint and survivor annuity, and died the next day. Upon the death of the surviving Spouse, this monthly benefit is divided equally among the Member's surviving children under the age of 18 until the youngest child reaches the age of 18. If at the time of death there is no Spouse, the monthly benefit is payable in the form of a 10 year certain and continuous annuity where the monthly benefit is divided equally among the Member's surviving children under the age of 18 until the youngest child reaches the age of 18. However, at the election of the Spouse or children (for a Member who did not designate a beneficiary other than their Spouse or children), a firefighter who has continued employment beyond his Normal Retirement Date and has made an election as to the form of benefit desired upon retirement prior to death, the monthly benefit will be paid in the form of benefit chosen by the Member as if the Member retired on the day of death. For Members who designated a beneficiary other than their Spouse or children, the designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the Accrued Benefit payable as a 10-year certain only annuity commencing when the Member would have reached their Normal Retirement Date, or with reduction for early commencement as defined for an early retirement benefit payable at the Early Retirement Date.

In the event of non-service incurred death of an active Member who is not eligible for Normal Retirement or Early Retirement, and the Member earned less than 10 years of Credited Service at the time of death, a refund of employee contributions with interest is payable. For Members who had earned at least 10 years of Credited Service at the time of their death, the designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the Accrued Benefit payable as a 10-year certain only annuity commencing when the Member would have reached their Normal Retirement Date, or with reduction for early commencement as defined for an early retirement benefit payable at the Early Retirement Date.

Optional Forms of Benefit: The Accrued Benefit described above is payable in the form of a 10 year certain and continuous annuity (except as noted to be a 10-year certain only annuity under certain death benefits). Members may optionally choose an actuarially equivalent single life annuity, joint and survivor annuity (based on a fraction designated by the Member), a joint and last survivor annuity (with 50%, 66 2/3%, 75%, or 100% continuance), or joint and survivor annuity with an optional "pop-up" to the single life annuity form in the event the beneficiary predeceases the Member. Members may also choose benefits to be paid in any form approved by the board so long as actuarial equivalence with the benefit otherwise payable is maintained. The value of optional benefits shall be actuarially equivalent to the value of benefits otherwise payable, and the present value of payments to the retiring Member must be at least equal to 50% of the total present value of payments to the retiring Member and his beneficiary.

Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP): Effective October 1, 2003, Tier One Members are eligible to enter the DROP on the first day of the month following the Member's completion of 20 years of Credited Service or upon earning a pension benefit equal to 80%. The maximum participation in the DROP is 60 months. For Tier One Members who enter the DROP more than 90 days after attaining the 80% Accrued Benefit, the amount of time after the accrual of the 80% benefit until the entry into the DROP will result in a commensurate reduction in the maximum time allowed for DROP participation. Members who were in the DROP on the effective date of the adoption of this section may extend their DROP participation so that their maximum participation in the DROP is 60 months. Members with 20 years of Credited Service as of October 1, 2000 were eligible to elect within a 90 day period after the enactment of this section to enter the DROP retroactively to October 1, 2000. The maximum participation in the DROP was 36 months as of October 1, 2000.

Tier Two Members may enter the DROP on the first day of the month following completion of 25 years of Credited Service for a maximum period of 60 months. However, the DROP term for Tier Two Members is reduced one month for each month of eligibility following the completion of 25 years of Credited Service during which the Member did not participate in the DROP.

DROP participants are not eligible for death or disability benefits.

The Accrued Benefit is frozen and no further Employee Contributions are payable at DROP entry. No payment shall be made for accrued unused leave upon entering the DROP, nor shall the amount of accrued unpaid leave be used in the calculation of the amount of pension benefits.

The monthly retirement benefits, including any variable benefits that would have been payable had the Member elected to cease employment and not join the DROP, are deposited in the participant's DROP account. These payments accumulate with interest, credited quarterly, at a rate equal to the actual rate of return achieved by the trust fund net of administrative expenses. However, DROP account earnings for Tier Two Members is never less than 0% per month. At the option of the Tier One Member, the DROP account will be paid a fixed amount as determined by the board of trustees (currently 65.625% of the Plan's actuarially assumed investment return), but no higher than the actuarially assumed investment earnings. Following resignation and prior to distribution, a rate of interest, as determined by the board of trustees, shall be credited to the participant's DROP account.

Within 30 days following the end of any calendar quarter after the termination of the Member's employment as a firefighter, the balance credited to the DROP account is distributed in a single lump sum, either directly to the Member (subject to applicable tax withholding) or as a direct rollover.

## Description of Assumptions and Methods

Assumed Rate of Investment Return: 8.0% per year, gross of investment expenses

Salary Increase – Individual: 7.0% per year.

Inflation: 3.0%

Administrative Expenses: Average actual expenses paid during the previous two years.

Percentage Married at Retirement: 80% of active Members are assumed to be married at retirement.

Spouse Ages: Where spousal information was supplied, that information was used. Otherwise, wives are assumed to be three years younger than their husbands.

Mortality: For the current valuation, mortality is assumed using the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected to the valuation year using Scale AA.

Retirement: For the current valuation retirement is assumed at 50% of those eligible to retire or DROP with 20 through 24 years of service with 100% choosing to retire or DROP at 25 years of service or upon reaching age 55 with 10 years of service.

Termination: For the current valuation, unisex rates, as follows:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Rate</u>
0-1	3.8%	6	3.0%	11	2.4%	16	1.3%
2	3.7%	7	2.8%	12	2.1%	17	1.1%
3	3.5%	8	2.8%	13	1.8%	18	0.9%
4	3.3%	9	2.7%	14	1.6%	19	0.9%
5	3.2%	10	2.6%	15	1.4%	20+	0.0%

Disability: Unisex rates, as follows:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Rate</u>
15-21	0.14%	36	0.24%	46	0.59%	56	1.68%
22-25	0.15%	37	0.25%	47	0.70%	57	1.81%
26-27	0.16%	38	0.26%	48	0.79%	58	1.95%
28-29	0.17%	39	0.28%	49	0.90%	59	2.09%
30	0.18%	40	0.30%	50	1.00%	>=60	0.00%
31	0.19%	41	0.32%	51	1.10%		
32	0.20%	42	0.35%	52	1.20%		
33	0.21%	43	0.39%	53	1.31%		
34	0.22%	44	0.44%	54	1.43%		
35	0.23%	45	0.51%	55	1.55%		

On and Off Duty Disability and Death: 75% of disabilities are assumed to be in the line of duty.

Funding Method: Entry Age Normal (level percent of salary).

Actuarial Value of Assets: The market value of assets is adjusted to recognize gains and losses over a four-year period. The Actuarial Value of Assets shall not be more than 120% or less than 80% of the market value of assets.

## Glossary of Actuarial Terms

Present Value of Benefits (PVB): The present value, as of the valuation date, of all benefits that will become payable by the Plan for the current group of members in the census.

Normal Cost (NC): The value of the portion of the total benefit for active members which accrues in the year following the valuation date. Under the Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Salary) funding method, the NC is a constant fraction of salary from the member's date of entry into the Plan to the member's assumed date of termination, retirement, disability or death.

Accrued Liability (AL): This is the portion of the PVB attributable to the past at the valuation date. For active members, AL is the annual NC accumulated from date of entry to the valuation date for each member. For retired and terminated members, the PVB and the AL are equal. The AL is the estimated liability owed by the pension fund at the valuation date.

Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL): Any excess of the Accrued Liability over the fund assets. A negative UAL indicates fund assets are greater than the Accrued Liability, otherwise known as a surplus.

Actuarial Value of Assets: The value of assets used in the actuarial valuation of the Plan which is compared to the AL to determine the UAL and minimum funding requirements. A method may be used to smooth out short term volatility in the fair market value of assets.