







DISABILITY PLAN REVIEW

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- Prior to 1998 there was no separate General Employees' Disability Plan Trust Fund
- Disability Plan liability was funded on a "pay as you go basis"
 - Monies required to pay the projected disability expense were annually appropriated as part of the budget process









- Beginning in 1998 the administrative structure of the Disability
 Plan was revised to model a traditional pension fund
 - Separate trust fund established
 - Periodic actuarial valuations were performed
 - Contributions were determined based on the results of the valuations and deposited to the Trust









- Equitable benefit levels
- Third party medical determination required
- Aggressive pursuit of Social Security offsets that are provided for in Plan

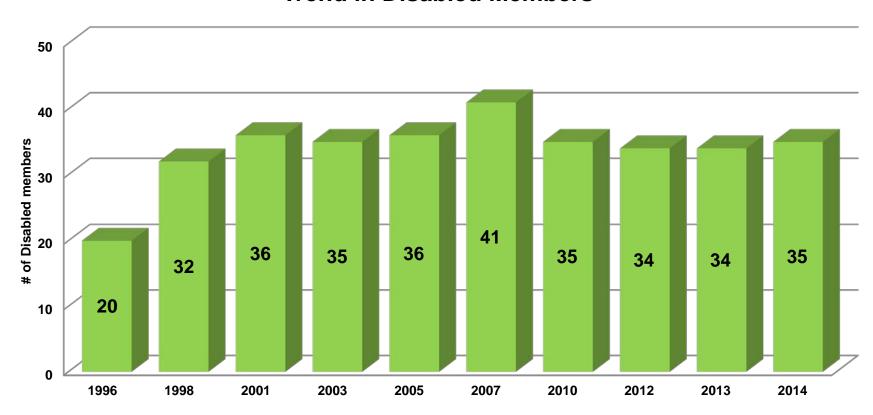








Disability Plan Trend in Disabled Members



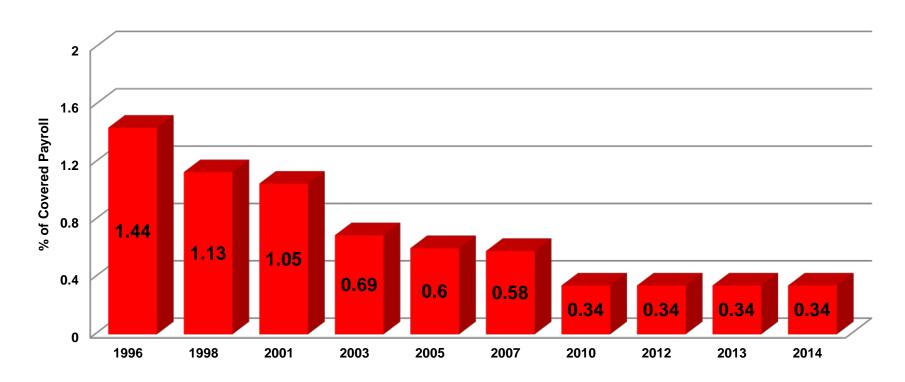








Disability Plan Trend in City Contribution



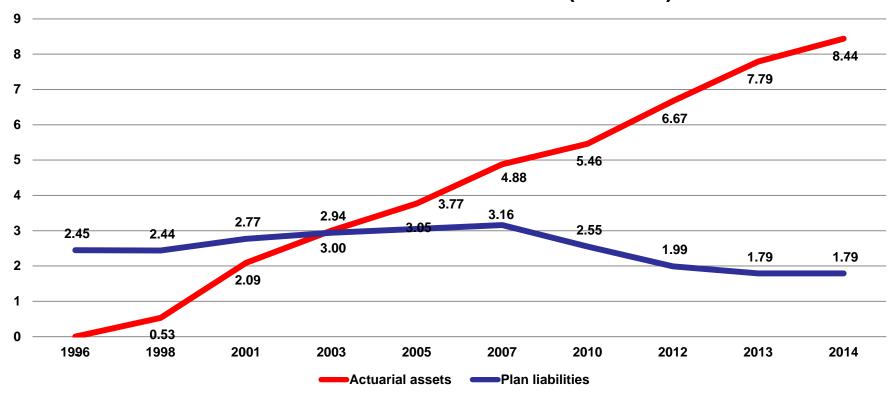








Disability Plan Trend in Assets vs Liabilities (millions)



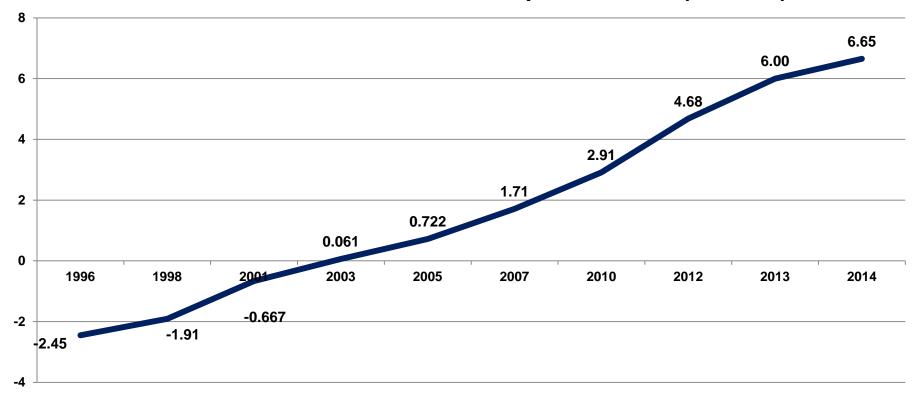








Disability Plan Excess of Actual Assets Over Required Assets (millions)



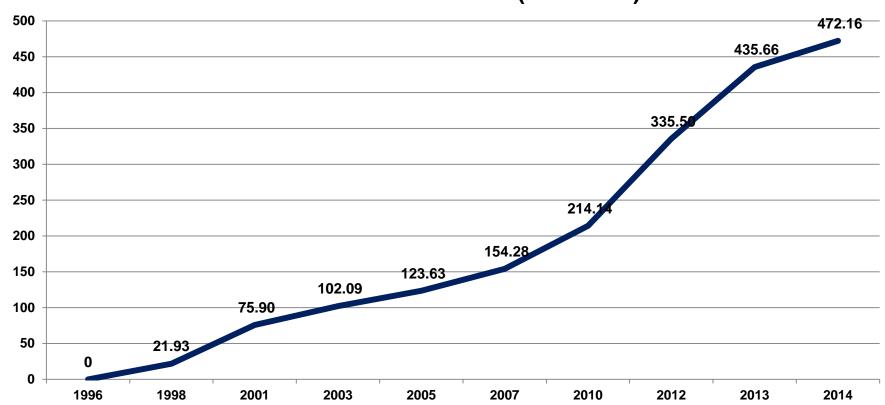








Disability Plan Trend in Funded Ratio (% funded)











- Source of the Disability Plan assets is all City contributions and earnings on these contributions
 - No employee money in this trust
 - Plan has never required an employee contribution
- As long as the Trust exists, assets in the Trust can be used only to pay Plan liabilities and associated costs
- \$6.65 million in assets tied up that will likely never be put into use









- Conduct a Termination Actuarial Study to value the assets and liabilities as of a specified plan termination date
- Transfer the liabilities and a requisite level of assets (150% of liabilities) to the General Employees' Pension Plan, with the remaining assets to revert to the City
- Amend the General Employees' Pension Plan to add the current disability benefits set forth in the Disability Plan
 - Benefits will not be changed for current or future members
- Terminate the Disability Plan









- Recommendation:
 - City Commission authorize the City Attorney to draft and the Clerk to advertise an ordinance to effectuate staff's proposal