## **City of Gainesville**

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



### Minutes - Final

November 18, 2021

9:00 AM

Room 016, City Hall, 200 East University Avenue

## Pension Review Committee

Jonathan Visscher (Chairperson) Harvey Lewis (Member) David Rader (Member) Matthew Barker (Member) Patrick Keogh (Member)

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#### **MEETING INFORMATION**

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:09 a.m.

#### ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Harvey Lewis, David Rader, Patrick Keogh, Matthew Barker ABSENT: Jonathan Vissher

STAFF PRESENT: William Johnston, Investment Officer; Gregory Williams, Senior Analyst; Diane Wilson, Assistant Director of Finance; Mark Benton, GRU Rates & Investment Director

OTHERS PRESENT: John Thinnes, AndCo Consulting; Matt Buxton, Loomis Sayles; Jonathan Kimbro, Loomis Sayles; Don Sheppard, Citizen

#### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Adopted

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#### **<u>210577.</u>** Regular Meeting Minutes of September 23, 2021 (B)

 Attachments:
 210577
 Pension Review Comm Minutes 2021 Sept 23 20211118

 RECOMMENDATION
 The Pension Review Committee review the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 23, 2021, and take any action deemed appropriate.

 Approved as Recommended

#### PRESENTATIONS

**<u>210578.</u>** Presentation by Loomis Sayles (B)

Attachments: 210578\_Loomis Sayles General Pension Plan Presentation\_20211118

Matt Buxton and Jonathan Kimbro of Loomis Sayles discussed the fixed income portfolio managed for the Plan. Mr. Buxton gave an update on the opening of a new office in the Netherlands, AUM growth and community investment by the firm.

Mr. Kimbro reviewed changes to the Plan's portfolio investment team,

and discussed the performance of the Plan's fixed income portfolio. It was pointed out that the portfolio was managed to earn alpha through selection of securities and allocation of assets, while mitigating interest rate risk.

PRC members asked about Loomis Salyes' outlook on inflation and Federal Reserve actions. Loomis Sayles' believed that inflation was becoming more "sticky" than transitory, and indicated that the Plan's portfolio was managed to be duration neutral, so rising rates would have less impact on the portfolio.

**RECOMMENDATION** The Pension Review Committee hear a presentation by Loomis Sayles regarding the fixed income portfolio managed on behalf of the Plan, and take any action deemed appropriate.

Discussed

#### **<u>210580.</u>** Presentation by AndCo (B)

 Attachments:
 210580 AndCo Monthly Market Update October 2021 20211118

 210580 AndCo SP500 Growth & Drawdown Chart October 31\_20211118

 210580 AndCo Gainesville Quarterly Report 093021 20211118

 210580 AndCo Brown Advisory Review 20211118

John Thinnes of AndCo consulting discussed the returns of the Plan's investment manager performance, and reviewed market conditions including inflation concerns, interest rates, and the Plan's fixed income allocation

Mr. Thinnes discussed the Plan's low allocation to fixed income, and how it had benefited the Plan's long term investment performance. Mr. Johnston also discussed how the Plan's cash flow was managed over the fiscal year, and how annual investment account withdrawals were determined and timed to cover Plan benefits and operating expenses.

The PRC discussed whether any fixed income allocation made sense now given current market conditions and interest rate expectations. The PRC also discussed International markets and concerns over developing markets like China, where regulatory issues had created volatility. The Plan had an above average allocation to international equities, though it was noted, that was largely due to asset growth from investment returns over the years. No allocation actions were taken.

**RECOMMENDATION** 

The Pension Review Committee hear a presentation by AndCo investment consultant Brendon Vavrica covering market conditions, and Plan investment performance and asset allocations, and take any action deemed appropriate.

Discussed

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### NEW BUSINESS

# **210658.** Election of a Vice-Chairperson for the Gainesville Pension Review Committee

The PRC discussed the election of a Vice Chairperson, but decided to postpone a vote until PRC member Jon Visscher was present.

**<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>** The Committee discuss electing a Vice Chairperson, and take any action deemed appropriate.

Postponed

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

#### MEMBER COMMENT

#### NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the PRC was scheduled for 9:00 a.m. Thursday, December 16, 2021 in City Hall room 016.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

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