## **COSA Brown Bag**



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### **Agenda**

- Healthcare Plans
- TMRS COLA

### 2024 Healthcare Benefits- Pre 65



- No plan design changes
- No rate increases
- Humana and VSP will continue to be the Dental and Vision Plan provider, respectively



### 2024 Healthcare Benefit- Post 65 (Aetna)



- No medical plan design changes
- No monthly medical premium increases



### TMRS Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)



- 4.5% proposed for FY 2024
- Second highest proposed adjustment in the last 30 years



### **Determining COLA**



- Under State Law, if electing a COLA, the City can choose 30%, 50%, or 70% of the change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI)
- Proposed Budget includes a COLA of 70% of CPI to be effective January 1, 2024



### Who is eligible for COLA?



• Individuals who retired through TMRS prior to December 31, 2022 (defined by statute)



### **Calculating COLA**



- CPI-Measure of the change in prices consumers pay for goods and services
- COLA is calculated at 70% of the increase in CPI for the prior calendar year
- Dec 2021 CPI= 278.802
- Dec 2022 CPI = 296.797
- 70% of increase = 4.52%



### **CALCULATION**

- 17.995 is a 6.5% increase in CPI
  - (296.797 278.802) / 278.802
- Seventy percent of a 6.5% increase is 4.52%

### Applying COLA-2020 Retiree



- Joe's monthly benefit when he retired in 2020 was \$100 Currently it is **\$105.95** (FY 2023)
- CPI at the time of his retirement was 256.94 (CY 2019)
- Current CPI is 296.797 (CY 2022)
- CPI has increased 15.51% since his retirement
- 70% of 15.51% is 10.86% meaning his CALCULATION FY 2024 benefit will be **\$110.86**
- This is a 4.6% increase over his current monthly benefit

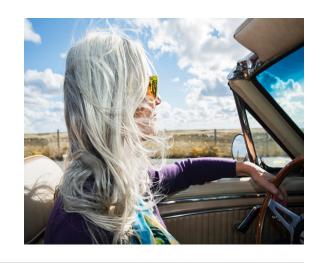


- (296.797-256.94) / 256.94 = 15.51%
- 15.51% x 70% = 10.86%
- \$100+ 10.86%= 110.86
- (110.86 105.95) / 105.95 = 4.6%

### Applying COLA-2008 Retiree



- Sally's monthly benefit when she retired in 2008 was \$100.
  Currently it is \$122.92 (FY 2023)
- CPI at the time of her retirement was 210.036 (CY 2007)
- Current CPI is 296.797(CY 2022)
- CPI has increased 41.3% since her retirement
- 70% of 41.3% is 28.92% meaning her
  FY 2024 benefit will be \$128.92
- This is a 4.88% increase over her current monthly benefit



### **CALCULATION**

- (296.797-210.036) / 210.036 = 41.3%
- 41.3% x 70% = 28.92%
- \$100+ 28.92%= \$128.92
- (128.92 122.92) / 122.92 = 4.88%



# Got Questions?

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