



BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Action Minutes

Federated City Employees' Retirement System and Federated City Employees' Health Care Trust

Thursday, March 19, 2026

8:30 AM

City Hall, Wing Rooms 118-120
200 E. Santa Clara St., San Jose, CA 95113

HYBRID MEETING

PHYSICAL LOCATION:

City Hall, Wing Rooms 118-120, 200 E. Santa Clara St. San Jose, Ca 95113

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Deborah Abbott, Trustee (Term Expires 11/30/26)

Anurag Chandra, Trustee (Term Expires 11/30/26)

Brian Chi, Trustee (Term Expires 11/30/29)

Mark Linder, Trustee (Term Expires 11/30/28) -- 2 Westwood Road Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Nathan Nakagawa, Trustee (Term Expires 11/30/27)

Pam Foley, City Council Liaison to the Board

Maytak Chin, General and Fiduciary Counsel

John Flynn, CEO, Office of Retirement Services

The Board of Administration of the Federated City Employees Retirement System and Health Care Trust met on Thursday, March 19, 2026, at City Hall, Wing Rooms 118-120, 200 E. Santa Clara St., San Jose, CA 95113 and via Zoom at 8:30 a.m. Chair Horowitz called the meeting to order at 8:29 a.m. followed by roll call.

Board Members Present: Spencer Horowitz, Matthew Faulkner, Deborah Abbott, Anurag Chandra, Brian Chi, and Nathan Nakagawa.

Trustee Mark Linder arrived at 8:30 a.m.

Board Members Present via Zoom utilizing the Traditional Brown Act teleconferencing rules: Mark Linder. Counsel Maldonado questioned Trustee Linder on whether he met the qualifications to teleconference under the Brown Act, and Trustee Linder responded in the affirmative.

Retirement Staff Present: John Flynn, Prabhu Palani, Barbara Hayman, Amanda Hiew, Gabriela Romero, Edith Orosco, Sherrell Aledo, Ryan Reynado, Jay Kwon, Dhinesh Ganapathiappan, Christina Wang, Jennifer You, David Aung, Harrison Pierce, Ron Kumar, and Cynthia Ayala.

Retirement Staff Present via Zoom: Veronica Solorio, Benjie Chua-Foy, Shilpi Dwivedi, Ellen Lee, Nam Cao, and Arun Nallasivan.

Also Present: Pam Foley, Vice Mayor and City Council Liaison; Chris Maldonado, General and Fiduciary Counsel; and Colin Kowalski, Meketa Investment Group.

Also Present via Zoom: Cyril Espanol, With Intelligence-Journalist; Julie Becker, Aon; Tyler Czinege, Neuberger Berman; Roberto L. Pena, Public Member; Faith Dagneau, Public Member; and Nate Weinstein, Public Member.

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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

SB 707 REMOTE APPEARANCE(S)

- i. Take action on request(s) for remote appearance.

CEREMONIAL ITEM

- a. Discussion and action on the Resolution Recognizing Prabhu Palani for His Service as Chief Investment Officer to the San José Federated Employees' Retirement System and approval of Resolution No. 9130.

This item was heard after item 5d.

Chair Horowitz presented the commendation to CIO Palani and thanked him for his service. Chair Horowitz, Vice-Chair Faulkner, and Trustee Abbott added comments and thanked CIO Palani for his excellent work and for his service as Chief Investment Officer to the San José Federated Employees' Retirement System.

A motion was made to adopt the commendation for CIO Palani and the approval of Resolution No. 9130.

Approved. (M.S.C. Chandra/Abbott 7-0-0). The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Roberto L. Pena, a member of the public, made public comments.

- **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

Orders of the Day was heard immediately after roll call attendance.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

- For Consent Calendar Item 1.3c: Yvonne D. Garcia has rescinded her Deferred Vested application.

WAIVE SUNSHINE:

- None.

- **PUBLIC/RETIREE/GENERAL COMMENTS – Subject to Government Code Section 54954.3**

Public/Retiree/General Comments was heard after the Consent Calendar.

There was no public comments.

- **Members of the public may comment on items not included on the agenda, provided that the matter is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board.**

CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE HEARD AT 8:30 A.M.

- I. **CLOSED SESSION NEW BUSINESS**

Closed session was heard after the Public/Retiree/General Comments.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 8:33 a.m.

- A. **CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6(a).**

There was no reportable action for this item from Closed Session.

The Board came out of Closed Session at 8:45 a.m.

OPEN SESSION - will reconvene following Closed Session, estimated to be 8:50 a.m.

Open Session re-convened at 8:45 a.m.

1. CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar was heard after the Orders of the Day.

A motion was made to approve the Consent Calendar.

Approved. (M.S.C. Chandra/Nakagawa 7-0-0). The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

1.1 Approval for a Service-Connected Disability

- a. **Tuan Nguyen**, Electrician II, Department of Transportation, Request for a Service-Connected Disability Retirement, effective November 20, 2025; 5.45* years of service. (*Disability Committee Recommendation: Approval*)

1.2 Approval of Service Retirements

- a. **Ronald D. Black**, Senior Construction Inspector, Public Works Department, effective April 11, 2026; 19.39* years of service.
- b. **Robert G. Canario**, Communications Installer, Public Works Department, effective March 28, 2026; 18.82* years of service.
- c. **May W. Cheung**, Information Systems Analyst, Office of Retirement Services, effective March 28, 2026; 20.76* years of service.
- d. **Sarabjit K. Dhaliwal**, Senior Office Specialist, Information Technology Department, effective March 28, 2026; 24.82* years of service.
- e. **Ana Maria Fabela**, Library Clerk, Library Department, effective March 28, 2026; 19.19* years of service.
- f. **Lucia L. Farnham-Hudson**, Librarian II, Library Department, effective March 28, 2026; 24.71* years of service.
- g. **Lilybeth L. Gonzales**, Senior Permit Specialist, Fire Department, effective March 28, 2026; 26.54* years of service.
- h. **Malgorzata Laskowska**, Senior Deputy City Attorney, City Attorney's Office,

effective March 28, 2026; 27.59* years of service.

- i. **Mike Monterosso**, Maintenance Worker II, Department of Transportation, effective March 28, 2026; 26.82* years of service.
- j. **Margaret L. Morrow**, Staff Specialist, Department of Transportation, effective March 31, 2026; 21.32* years of service.
- k. **Nadia N. Naum-Stoian**, Associate Engineer, Fire Department, effective March 28, 2026; 26.22* years of service.
- l. **Valerie M. Osmond**, Deputy Director, Environmental Services Department, effective April 11, 2026; 30.21* years of service.
- m. **Ramo Pinjic**, Analyst II, Housing Department, effective March 28, 2026; 25.69* years of service.
- n. **Joseph E. Selkregg**, Instrument Control Technician IV, Environmental Services Department, effective March 28, 2026; 26.82* years of service.

1.3 Deferred Vested

- a. **Rebecca M. Dishotsky**, Mayor Executive Officer, City Clerk's Office (Mayor's Office), effective March 12, 2026; 8.04* years of service.
- b. **Denelle Fedor**, Council Policy & Legal Advisor City Clerk Office, effective March 5, 2026; 13.17* years of service.
- c. **Yvonne D. Garcia**, Office Specialist II, Environmental Services Department, effective March 28, 2026; 9.20* years of service.
- d. **Robert D. Merkamp**, Planner I, Planning, Building and Code Enforcement, effective April 11, 2026; 27.01* years of service. *(With Reciprocity - 2.19 CSJ + 24.81 PERS = 27.01 YOS)*
- e. **Melinda J. Montgomery**, Airport Operations Supervisor, Airport Department, effective March 29, 2026; 5.05* years of service.
- f. **Anthony Porta**, Background Investigator, Police Department, effective March 31, 2026; 8.22* years of service.

1.4 Approval of Board Minutes

- a. Approval of the Board Minutes of February 19, 2026.

1.5 Approval of Return of Contributions

- a. Voluntary | Involuntary

1.6 Communications and Information Reports

- a. Report of the Monthly Board Expenses for January 2026. Receive and file.
- b. Approval of the Q4 2025 travel and attendance report for the Federated City Employee's Retirement System.

1.7 Approval of Travel and Reimbursements

- a. Anurag Chandra, Trustee
- 2026 Public Funds Roundtable, Los Angeles, CA, April 27 - 29, 2026.
- b. John Flynn, CEO
- CALAPRS Virtual Human Resources Round Table, February 27, 2026.
 - PRISM 2026 Conference, San Diego, CA, May 17 - 20, 2026.

2. DEATH AND SURVIVORSHIP NOTIFICATIONS (Moment of Silence)

This item was heard after Closed Session.

Chair Horowitz asked for a moment of silence for those who served and passed away.

- a. Notification of the death of **Lucille F. Friedland**, Community Coordinator, retired August 27, 2017, died December 17, 2025. No survivorship benefits.
- b. Notification of the death of **Myra R. Gerardo**, Office Specialist, retired February 28, 2015, died January 16, 2026. No survivorship benefits.
- c. Notification of the death of **Gloria Gill**, Staff Technician, retired January 26, 2008, died December 17, 2025. Survivorship benefits to Daljit Gill, spouse.
- d. Notification of the death of **Margit Lappin**, Analyst II, retired May 1, 1999, died January 23, 2026. No survivorship benefits.
- e. Notification of the death of **Patrick Magill**, Senior Construction Inspector, retired January 14, 2005, died December 30, 2025. Survivorship benefits to Mala Magill, spouse.

- f. Notification of the death of **Thomas Nanson**, Assistant Master Fire Mechanic, retired August 11, 2007, died January 29, 2026. Survivorship benefits to Lauretta Nanson, spouse.
- g. Notification of the death of **Artemio B. Roxas**, Plant Mechanics, retired September 24, 2005, died January 20, 2026. Survivorship benefits to Aida Roxas, spouse.
- h. Notification of the death of **Ramona Sierras-Hodge**, Senior Office Specialist, retired March 22, 2008, died February 7, 2026. No survivorship benefits.
- i. Notification of the death of **James Tackitt**, Painter, retired March 15, 2003, died February 19, 2026. Survivorship benefits to Cheryl Tackitt, spouse.
- j. Notification of the death of **Stella Tice**, Senior Records Clerk, retired July 7, 1990, died February 6, 2026. No survivorship benefits.
- k. Notification of the death of **Kruti Vyas**, Associate Engineer, active, died January 4, 2026. No survivorship benefits.

3. INVESTMENTS

- a. Oral update from the CIO of Retirement Services, Prabhu Palani.

This item was heard after item 5b.

CIO Palani thanked beneficiaries, trustees (past and present), city liaisons Foley and Casey, the investment and administrative teams, Roberto L. Peña, CEO Flynn, former Mayor Liccardo, Mayor Mahan, the ORS leadership and staff, and partners Verus, Meketa Investment Group, and Cheiron for their support during his tenure as Chief Investment Officer of ORS.

The Board took a break from 10:10 a.m. to 10:20 a.m.

- b. Presentation of Calendar 3rd Quarter 2025 Private Equity report by Neuberger Berman.

This item was heard after the break.

This item was presented.

No action was taken for this item.

- c. Presentation of Calendar 3rd Quarter 2025 Private Markets report by Meketa Investment Group.

This item was presented.

No action was taken for this item.

- d. Presentation of Calendar 4th Quarter 2025 Performance report for Pension Plan by Meketa Investment Group.

This item was presented.

No action was taken for this item.

- e. Presentation of Calendar 4th Quarter 2025 Performance report for Health Care Trust by Meketa Investment Group.

This item was presented.

No action was taken for this item.

- f. Discussion and action regarding the prefunding of the City's retirement contribution.

This item was presented.

A motion was made to approve the prefunding of the City's retirement contribution.

Approved. (M.S.C. Faulkner/Abbott 6-0-0). The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Trustee Chi recused himself from this item.

4. OLD BUSINESS-DEFERRED/CONTINUED ITEMS-NONE

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Oral update from the CEO of Retirement Services, John Flynn.

CEO Flynn updated the Board.

- b. Oral update from the City Council Liaison to the Board.

This item was heard after the Ceremonial Item.

Vice Mayor and Councilmember Foley updated the Board on pending matters before the City Council that were relevant to the Board. She also thanked CIO Palani for his service and wished him well in his retirement.

- c. Discussion and action to approve and for the Chair to execute the employment contract negotiated by designated labor negotiators for the new Chief Investment Officer.

This item was heard after item 5a.

This item was presented.

A motion was made to approve for the Chair to execute the employment contract negotiated by designated labor negotiators for the new Chief Investment Officer.

Approved. (M.S.C. Chandra/Abbott 7-0-0). The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- d.** Discussion and action on approval of the Strategic Plan - Workshop and Presentation by Aon.

This item was presented.

A motion was made to accept the three statements as presented in the Federated Retirement Plan Mission Statement on slide 10 of the Strategic Plan - Workshop presentation by Aon.

Approved. (M.S.C. Linder/Chandra 7-0-0). The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

A second motion was made to approve the Strategic Planning Themes on slide 16 of the Strategic Plan - Workshop presentation by Aon.

Approved. (M.S.C. Linder/Nakagawa 7-0-0). The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- e.** Discussion and action on adoption of updated City Policy Manual #1.8.1 - Use of City and Personal Vehicles Policy with Revised Date of February 27, 2026, for ORS Operations, approved by City on February 27, 2026.

This item was heard after item 3f.

This item was presented together with items 5f, 5g, and 5h, but voted separately.

A motion was made to adopt the updated City Policy Manual #1.8.1 - Use of City and Personal Vehicles Policy with Revised Date of February 27, 2026, for ORS Operations, approved by City on February 27, 2026.

Approved. (M.S.C. Chandra/Abbott 7-0-0). The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- f.** Discussion and action on adoption of updated City Policy Manual #4.2.2 - Military Leave Policy with Revised Date of February 27, 2026, for ORS Operations, approved by City on February 27, 2026.

This item was heard together with items 5e, 5g, and 5h, but voted separately.

This item was presented.

A motion was made to adopt the updated City Policy Manual #4.2.2 - Military

Leave Policy with Revised Date of February 27, 2026, for ORS Operations, approved by City on February 27, 2026.

Approved. (M.S.C. Chandra/Abbott 7-0-0). The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- g.** Discussion and action on adoption of updated City Policy Manual #5.1.5 - Food and Beverage Expenditure (Non-Travel) Policy with Revised Date of March 3, 2026, for ORS Operations, approved by City on March 3, 2026.

This item was heard together with items 5e, 5f, and 5h, but voted separately.

This item was presented.

A motion was made to adopt the of updated City Policy Manual #5.1.5 - Food and Beverage Expenditure (Non-Travel) Policy with Revised Date of March 3, 2026, for ORS Operations, approved by City on March 3, 2026.

Approved. (M.S.C. Chandra/Abbott 7-0-0). The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- h.** Discussion and action on adoption of updated City Policy Manual #5.1.2 - Procurement Card (P-Card) Policy with Revised Date of February 18, 2026, for ORS Operations, approved by City on February 18, 2026.

This item was heard together with items 5e, 5f, and 5g, but voted separately.

This item was presented.

A motion was made to adopt the updated City Policy Manual #5.1.2 - Procurement Card (P-Card) Policy with Revised Date of February 18, 2026, for ORS Operations, approved by City on February 18, 2026.

Approved. (M.S.C. Faulkner/Abbott 7-0-0). The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

6. COMMITTEE MINUTES, REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 Investment Committee (Chandra, Faulkner, Abbott)

Last Meeting: March 12, 2026 Next Meeting: April 28, 2026

- a.** Oral update from the Chair of the Investment Committee.

Chair Chandra updated the Board on matters discussed at the previous meeting.

- b.** Minutes of the Federated Investment Committee meeting from December 16, 2025. Receive and file.

The Minutes were received and filed.

6.2 Audit/Risk Committee (Linder, Horowitz, Chi)

Last Meeting: February 19, 2026 Next Meeting: May 21, 2026

- a. Oral update from the Chair of the Audit/Risk Committee.
- Approval of the Q4 2025 travel and attendance report for the Federated City Employee's Retirement System.
 - Nomination and Election of Audit Committee Vice Chairs.
 - Introduction of Audit Consultant - Baker Tilly.
 - Discussion and action on the Risk Assessment Overview and Timeline by Baker Tilly.
 - Discussion of MGO's FY2025 Observation #1 - Completeness and Accuracy of Participant Census Data.
 - Discussion and action on the status of the outstanding Internal Audit recommendations.
 - Discussion on status of outstanding Penetration testing recommendations.
- Chair Linder updated the Board on matters discussed at the previous meeting.**
- b. Minutes of the Joint Audit Committee meeting from October 30, 2025. Receive and file.
- The Minutes were received and filed.**
- c. Discussion and action to accept 7 internal audit recommendations as "Complete" in the absence of an internal auditor.
- This item was presented.**
- A motion was made to accept 7 internal audit recommendations as "Complete" in the absence of an internal auditor.**
- Approved. (M.S.C. Chandra/Nakagawa 7-0-0). The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.**

6.3 Governance Committee (Abbott, Nakagawa, Chi)

Last Meeting: March 18, 2026 Next Meeting: June 17, 2026

- a. Oral update from the Chair of the Governance Committee.

Chair Abbott updated the Board on matters discussed at the previous meeting.

6.4 FCERS Disability Committee (Faulkner, Linder, Nakagawa - Alt:Abbott)

Last Meeting: February 10, 2026 Next Meeting: April 14, 2026

- a. Oral update from the Chair of the Disability Committee.

Chair Faulkner advised the Board that the committee's scheduled meeting on April 14, 2026 has been cancelled. He also thanked Sandra Castellano, Benefits Division Manager, and her team for their great work.

6.5 Joint Personnel Committee (Chandra, Horowitz, Linder)

Last Meeting: January 27, 2026 Next Meeting: April 1, 2026

- a. Oral update from the Chair of the Joint Personnel Committee.

Chair Chandra advised the Board that the committee's next meeting is on April 1, 2026.

7. EDUCATION & TRAINING

The Education & Training was received and filed.

- a. Quarterly Trustee Education Opportunities Report.
- b. CALAPRS 2026 Program Calendar.
- c. CALAPRS Virtual Compliance Round Table, March 27, 2026.
- d. The 20th Edition of With Intelligence The Annual, Los Angeles, CA, April 20 - 22, 2026.
- e. SACRS Spring Conference 2026, Olympic Valley, CA, May 12 - 15, 2026.
- f. NCPERS Trustee Educational Seminars (TEDS), Las Vegas, NV, May 16 - 17, 2026.
- g. NCPERS The Annual Conference & Exhibition (ACE), Las Vegas, NV, May 17 - 20, 2026.

• PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

None.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

- **Next FCERS Board Meeting: April 16, 2026**

*Estimated

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Minutes Recorded, Prepared and Respectfully Submitted by,

SPENCER HOROWITZ, CHAIR
BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

ATTEST:

JOHN FLYNN, CEO
OFFICE OF RETIREMENT SERVICES

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