



BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Meeting Minutes - Final

Police and Fire Disability Committee

Tuesday, September 7, 2021

10:00 AM

MEETING TO BE HELD BY ZOOM CONFERENCE IN LIEU OF PHYSICAL LOCATION

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DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ADVISORY PANEL

*Richard Santos, Chair
Andrew Lanza, Trustee*

*Russell Richeda, Counsel
Vacant, Board Medical Advisor
Sandra Castellano, Benefits Div Manager*

ALTERNATES

*Vacant, Trustee
Vacant, Trustee*

2nd ALTERNATES

*Vacant, Trustee
Howard Lee, Trustee*

The Police & Fire Disability Committee met on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 by Zoom meeting. Trustee Santos called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Staff Present by Zoom: Roberto Peña, Barbara Hayman, Sandra Castellano, Linda Alexander, Michelle San Miguel, Stacey Fischer and Marti Zarate.

Others Present by Zoom: Disability Counsel Russ Richeda, Lisa Perez, Sandra Dennis, Ray Storms, LeAnn Alfonso, Angel Fontanilla, Michael Burger, Attorney Tom Boyle and Paul Soto.

Call to Order

Orders of the Day

1. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Approval of the Minutes from the June 7, 2021 Police and Fire Disability Committee meeting.

A motion was made to approve the Minutes from the June 7, 2021 Police and Fire Disability Committee meeting.

Approved. (M.S.C. Lanza/Santos 2-0-0)

2. Application for a Service Connected Disability Retirement

- a. **LeeAnn Alfonzo**, Police Officer, Police Department, Request for a Service-Connected Disability Retirement, effective October 7, 2021; 23.01* years of service.

Stacey Fischer, Benefits Analyst, read the case information into the record. The applicant was present via Zoom and represented by attorney Tom Boyle. Disability Counsel Russ Richeda spoke to the case and reported that the doctors concluded the applicant's incapacity is work related. He recommended approval to the Board. Attorney Boyle agreed. Ms. Alfonzo thanked the Committee for their time.

A motion was made to recommend approval to the Board for a Service-Connected Disability Retirement. This item will be placed on the Consent Calendar of the October 7, 2021 Police and Fire Board agenda.

Approved. (M.S.C. Lanza/Santos 2-0-0)

- b. **Angel John Fontanilla**, Police Officer, Police Department, Request for a Service-Connected Disability Retirement, effective October 7, 2021; 23.35* years of service. *(With Reciprocity 22.28 CSJ YOS + 1.08 CALPERS YOS)*

Ms. Fischer read the case information into the record. The applicant was present via Zoom. Counsel Richeda reported the applicant has significant permanent work restrictions and service connection is clear. Mr. Fontanilla thanked the Committee for their consideration and recommendation for approval.

A motion was made to recommend approval to the Board for a Service-Connected Disability Retirement. This item will be placed on the Consent Calendar of the October 7, 2021 Police and Fire Board agenda.

Approved. (M.S.C. Lanza/Santos 2-0-0)

Next Police and Fire Board Meeting: October 7, 2021

Next Police and Fire Disability Committee Meeting: (TUESDAY) October 12, 2021

Counsel Richeda noted he has a conflict with the 10:00am start time for the next meeting.

Paul Soto, Public Member had questions regarding the appeal process and the number of outgoing/incoming Police Officers. CEO Pena explained the appeal process and directed Mr. Soto to the Police Department for data.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared and Respectfully submitted by,

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Roberto L. Peña, CEO, Office of Retirement Services