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TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM

ORDINANCE 2019-09

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND ALLOWING, UNDER THE ACT GOVERNING THE TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, "UPDATED SERVICE CREDITS" IN SAID SYSTEM ON AN ANNUAL BASIS FOR SERVICE PERFORMED BY QUALIFYING MEMBERS OF SUCH SYSTEM WHO AT THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ALLOWANCE ARE MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF LA FERIA ; PROVIDING FOR INCREASED PRIOR AND CURRENT SERVICE ANNUITIES FOR RETIREES AND BENEFICIARIES OF DECEASED RETIREES OF THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE IN THE MUNICIPAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CURRENT SERVICE ANNUITY RESERVE AT RETIREMENT OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA FERIA, TEXAS:

Section 1. Authorization of Updated Service Credits.

- (a) On the terms and conditions set out in Sections 853.401 through 853.404 of Subtitle G of Title 8, Government Code, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "TMRS ACT"), each member of the Texas Municipal Retirement System (hereinafter referred to as the "System") who has current service credit or prior service credit in the System in force and effect on the 1st day of January of the calendar year preceding such allowance, by reason of service in the employment of the City, and on such date had at least 36 months of credited service with the System, shall be and is hereby allowed "Updated Service Credit" (as that term is defined in subsection (d) of Section 853.402 of the TMRS Act).
- (b) On the terms and conditions set out in Section 853.601 of the TMRS Act, any member of the System who is eligible for Updated Service Credits on the basis of service with this City, who has unforfeited credit for prior service and/or current service with another participating municipality or municipalities by reason of previous service, and was a contributing member on the 1st day of January of the calendar year preceding such allowance, shall be credited with Updated Service Credits pursuant to, calculated in accordance with, and subject to adjustment as set forth in said Section 853.601, both as to the initial grant hereunder and all future grants under this ordinance.
- (c) The Updated Service Credit hereby allowed and provided for shall be **100%** of the "base Updated Service Credit" of the member (calculated as provided in subsection (c) of Section 853.402 of the TMRS Act).
- (d) Each Updated Service Credit allowed hereunder shall replace any Updated Service Credit, prior service credit, special prior service credit, or antecedent service credit previously authorized for part of the same service.
- (e) In accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of Section 853.401 of the TMRS Act, the deposits required to be made to the System by employees of the several participating departments on account of current service shall be calculated from and after the effective date of this ordinance on the full amount of such person's compensation as an employee of the City.

Section 2. Increase in Retirement Annuities.

(a) On terms and conditions set out in Section 854.203 of the TMRS Act, the City hereby elects to allow and to provide for payment of the increases below stated in monthly benefits payable by the System to retired employees and to beneficiaries of deceased employees of the City under current service annuities and prior service annuities arising from service by such employees to the City. An annuity increased under this Section replaces any annuity or increased annuity previously granted to the same person.

(b) The amount of the annuity increase under this Section is computed as the sum of the prior service and current service annuities on the effective date of retirement of the person on whose service the annuities are based, multiplied by 70% of the percentage change in Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, from December of the year immediately preceding the effective date of the person's retirement to the December that is 13 months before the effective date of this Section.

(c) An increase in an annuity that was reduced because of an option selection is reducible in the same proportion and in the same manner that the original annuity was reduced.

(d) If a computation hereunder does not result in an increase in the amount of an annuity, the amount of the annuity will not be changed hereunder.

(e) The amount by which an increase under this Section exceeds all previously granted increases to an annuitant is an obligation of the City and of its account in the Benefit Accumulation Fund of the System.

Section 3. Dates of Allowances and Increases. The initial allowance of Updated Service Credit and increase in retirement annuities hereunder shall be effective on **January 1, 2020**, subject to approval by the Board of Trustees of the System. An allowance of Updated Service Credits and an increase in retirement annuities shall be made hereunder on January 1 of each subsequent year until this ordinance ceases to be in effect under subsection (e) of Section 853.404 of the TMRS Act, provided that, as to such subsequent year, the actuary for the System has made the determination set forth in subsection (d) of Section 853.404 of the TMRS Act.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED:

Increased Municipal Contributions: That effective **January 1, 2020**, for each month of current service thereafter rendered by each of its employees who are members of the Texas Municipal Retirement System, the City elects to provide for each such member at the time of his or her retirement, a sum that is **150%** of such member's accumulated deposits for such month of employment; and said sum shall be a liability of the City's account in the Benefit Accumulation Fund.

Subject to approval by the Board of Trustees of the System, this ordinance shall be and become effective on the **1st day of January 2020**.

Passed and approved this the 15th day of October 2019.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:


Amanda Morales, City Secretary


Olga H. Maldonado, Mayor