



**THE CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT TRUST FUND
OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD - WPCA**

GASB 67 and 68 DISCLOSURE

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

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Certification

Actuarial computations presented in this report under Statements No. 67 and 68 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board are for purposes of assisting the City in fulfilling its financial accounting requirements. No attempt is being made to offer any accounting opinion or advice. This report is for fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. The reporting date for determining plan assets and obligations is June 30, 2022. The calculations enclosed in this report have been made on a basis consistent with our understanding of the plan provisions. Determinations for purposes other than meeting financial reporting requirements may be significantly different than the results contained in this report. Accordingly, additional determinations may be needed for other purposes, such as judging benefit security or meeting employer funding requirements.

In preparing this report, we relied, without audit, on information as of July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022 furnished by the City. This information includes, but is not limited to, statutory provisions, member census data, and financial information. Please see Milliman's funding valuation report dated March 29, 2022 for more information on the plan's participant group as of July 1, 2021 as well as a summary of the plan provisions and a summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used for funding purposes.

We performed a limited review of the census and financial information used directly in our analysis and have found them to be reasonably consistent and comparable with information used for other purposes. The valuation results depend on the integrity of this information. If any of this information is inaccurate or incomplete our results may be different and our calculations may need to be revised.

We hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge, this report, including all costs and liabilities based on actuarial assumptions and methods, is complete and accurate and determined in conformance with generally recognized and accepted actuarial principles and practices, which are consistent with the Actuarial Standards of Practice promulgated by the Actuarial Standards Board and the applicable Guides to Professional Conduct, amplifying Opinions and supporting Recommendations of the American Academy of Actuaries.

Each of the assumptions used in this valuation with the exception of those set by law was set based on industry standard published tables and data, the particular characteristics of the plan, relevant information from the plan sponsor or other sources about future expectations, and our professional judgment regarding future plan experience. We believe the assumptions are reasonable for the contingencies they are measuring, and are not anticipated to produce significant cumulative actuarial gains or losses over the measurement period.

This valuation report is only an estimate of the Plan's financial condition as of a single date. It can neither predict the Plan's future condition nor guarantee future financial soundness. Actuarial valuations do not affect the ultimate cost of Plan benefits, only the timing of Plan contributions. While the valuation is based on an array of individually reasonable assumptions, other assumption sets may also be reasonable and valuation results based on those assumptions would be different. No one set of assumptions is uniquely correct. Determining results using alternative assumptions is outside the scope of our engagement.

Certification

Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to factors such as, but not limited to, the following: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period or additional cost or contribution requirements based on the plan's funded status); and changes in plan provisions or applicable law. Due to the limited scope of the actuarial assignment, we did not perform an analysis of the potential range of such future measurements.

The valuation results were developed using models intended for valuations that use standard actuarial techniques. In addition, Milliman has developed certain models to develop the expected long term rate of return on assets used in this analysis. We have reviewed the models, including their inputs, calculations, and outputs for consistency, reasonableness, and appropriateness to the intended purpose and in compliance with generally accepted actuarial practice and relevant actuarial standards of practice. The models, including all input, calculations, and output may not be appropriate for any other purpose.

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The consultants who worked on this assignment are pension actuaries. Milliman's advice is not intended to be a substitute for qualified legal or accounting counsel.

The signing actuaries are independent of the plan sponsor. We are not aware of any relationship that would impair the objectivity of our work.

On the basis of the foregoing, we hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this report is complete and has been prepared in accordance with generally recognized accepted actuarial principles and practices. We are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Qualification Standards to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.



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Executive Summary

Relationship Between Valuation Date, Measurement Date, and Reporting Date

The Valuation Date is July 1, 2021. This is the date as of which the actuarial valuation is performed. The Measurement Date is June 30, 2022. This is the date as of which the net pension liability is determined. The Reporting Date is June 30, 2022. This is the plan's and/or employer's fiscal year ending date.

Significant Changes

Given the substantial uncertainty regarding the impact of COVID-19 on plan costs, including whether the pandemic will increase or decrease costs during the term of our projections, we have chosen not to make an adjustment in the expected plan costs. It is possible that the COVID-19 pandemic could have a material impact on the projected costs.

Participant Data as of July 1, 2021

Actives	26
Terminated vested & other inactives	4
Retirees and beneficiaries	<u>27</u>
Total	57

Schedule of Employer Contributions

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Actuarially Determined Contribution	Actual Employer Contribution	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Covered Payroll	Contribution as a % of Covered Payroll
2022	\$364,000	\$364,000	\$0	\$2,248,952	16.19%
2021	331,000	331,000	0	2,061,466	16.06%
2020	268,000	268,000	0	2,248,952	11.92%
2019	416,000	416,000	0	2,290,105	18.17%
2018	358,000	358,000	0	2,572,331	13.92%
2017	317,000	317,000	0	2,541,480	12.47%
2016	304,000	304,000	0	2,333,159	13.03%
2015	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2014	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2013	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Net Pension Liability

Net Pension Liability	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Total pension liability	\$15,937,339	\$15,455,965
Fiduciary net position	13,505,489	15,959,456
Net pension liability	2,431,850	(503,491)
Fiduciary net position as a % of total pension liability	84.74%	103.26%
Covered payroll	2,248,952	2,061,466
Net pension liability as a % of covered payroll	108.13%	-24.42%

The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of the valuation date, calculated based on the discount rate and actuarial assumptions below, and was then projected forward to the measurement date. Any significant changes during this period have been reflected as prescribed by GASB 67 and 68.

Discount Rate

Discount rate	6.70%	6.95%
Long-term expected rate of return, net of investment expense	6.70%	6.95%
Municipal bond rate	N/A	N/A

The plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the long-term expected rate of return.

Other Key Actuarial Assumptions

The plan has not had a formal actuarial experience study performed.

Valuation date	July 1, 2021	July 1, 2020
Measurement date	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal	Entry Age Normal
Inflation	2.60%	2.60%
Salary increases including inflation	Graded by age	Graded by age
Mortality	Pub-2010 Mortality Table with generational projection per the MP-2019 ultimate scale	Pub-2010 Mortality Table with generational projection per the MP-2019 ultimate scale

Please see Milliman's funding valuation report dated March 29, 2022 for more detail.

Changes in Net Pension Liability

Changes in Net Pension Liability	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total Pension Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (a) - (b)
Balances as of June 30, 2021	\$15,455,965	\$15,959,456	(\$503,491)
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	177,062		177,062
Interest on total pension liability	1,055,076		1,055,076
Effect of plan changes	5		5
Effect of economic/demographic gains or losses	(182,717)		(182,717)
Effect of assumptions changes or inputs	351,562		351,562
Benefit payments	(919,614)	(919,614)	0
Employer contributions		364,000	(364,000)
Member contributions		85,955	(85,955)
Net investment income		(1,977,790)	1,977,790
Administrative expenses		(6,518)	6,518
Balances as of June 30, 2022	15,937,339	13,505,489	2,431,850

Sensitivity Analysis

The following presents the net pension liability of the City, calculated using the discount rate of 6.70%, as well as what the City's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (5.70%) or 1 percentage point higher (7.70%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease 5.70%	Current Discount Rate 6.70%	1% Increase 7.70%
Total pension liability	\$17,493,854	\$15,937,339	\$14,609,687
Fiduciary net position	13,505,489	13,505,489	13,505,489
Net pension liability	3,988,365	2,431,850	1,104,198

Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30									
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Total Pension Liability										
Service cost	\$177,062	\$203,398	\$188,878	\$225,781	\$285,518	\$317,378	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Interest on total pension liability	1,055,076	1,048,595	987,316	1,078,349	1,029,172	1,020,081	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Effect of plan changes	5	0	363	(589,689)	981	(215,835)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Effect of economic/demographic gains or losses	(182,717)	(171,674)	282,225	(984,086)	370,193	(233,718)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Effect of assumption changes or inputs	351,562	137,161	361,397	114,838	388,504	121,491	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Benefit payments	(919,614)	(849,111)	(883,973)	(875,001)	(648,152)	(618,943)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Net change in total pension liability	481,374	368,369	936,206	(1,029,808)	1,426,216	390,454	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total pension liability, beginning	15,455,965	15,087,596	14,151,390	15,181,198	13,754,982	13,364,528	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total pension liability, ending (a)	15,937,339	15,455,965	15,087,596	14,151,390	15,181,198	13,754,982	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fiduciary Net Position										
Employer contributions	\$364,000	\$331,000	\$268,000	\$416,000	\$358,000	\$317,000	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member contributions	85,955	109,633	106,373	101,344	128,388	127,074	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Net investment income	(1,977,790)	3,864,506	724,050	513,001	1,105,767	1,462,803	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Benefit payments	(919,614)	(849,111)	(883,973)	(875,001)	(648,152)	(618,943)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Administrative expenses	(6,518)	(4,799)	(5,423)	(9,243)	(6,501)	(5,321)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	(2,453,967)	3,451,229	209,027	146,101	937,502	1,282,613	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fiduciary net position, beginning	15,959,456	12,508,227	12,299,200	12,153,099	11,215,597	9,932,984	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fiduciary net position, ending (b)	13,505,489	15,959,456	12,508,227	12,299,200	12,153,099	11,215,597	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Net pension liability, ending = (a) - (b)	\$2,431,850	(\$503,491)	\$2,579,369	\$1,852,190	\$3,028,099	\$2,539,385	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fiduciary net position as a % of total pension liability	84.74%	103.26%	82.90%	86.91%	80.05%	81.54%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Covered payroll	\$2,248,952	\$2,061,466	\$2,248,952	\$2,290,105	\$2,572,331	\$2,541,480	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Net pension liability as a % of covered payroll	108.13%	-24.42%	114.69%	80.88%	117.72%	99.92%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, recalculations of prior years are not required, and if prior years are not reported in accordance with the current GASB standards, they should not be reported.

Pension Expense

Pension Expense	July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022	July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021
Service cost	\$177,062	\$203,398
Interest on total pension liability	1,055,076	1,048,595
Effect of plan changes	5	0
Administrative expenses	6,518	4,799
Member contributions	(85,955)	(109,633)
Expected investment return net of investment expenses	(1,092,658)	(867,510)
Recognition of Deferred Inflows/Outflows of Resources		
Recognition of economic/demographic gains or losses	(66,362)	(217,626)
Recognition of assumption changes or inputs	284,385	273,712
Recognition of investment gains or losses	56,588	(699,936)
Pension Expense	334,659	(364,201)

As of June 30, 2022, the deferred inflows and outflows of resources are as follows:

Deferred Inflows / Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Deferred Outflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	(\$172,989)	\$0
Changes of assumptions	0	272,901
Net difference between projected and actual earnings	0	780,455
Contributions made subsequent to measurement date	0	0
Total	(172,989)	1,053,356

Amounts currently reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2023	\$158,254
2024	93,335
2025	14,690
2026	614,088
2027	0
Thereafter*	0

* Note that additional future deferred inflows and outflows of resources may impact these numbers.

Schedule of Deferred Inflows and Outflows of Resources

	Original Amount	Date Established	Original Rec. Period*	Amount Recognized in Pension Expense for FYE 06/30/2022	Amount Recognized in Pension Expense through 06/30/2022	Balance of Deferred Inflows as of 06/30/2022	Balance of Deferred Outflows as of 06/30/2022
Economic/ demographic gains or losses	(\$182,717)	6/30/2022	2.9	(\$63,006)	(\$63,006)	(\$119,711)	\$0
	(171,674)	6/30/2021	2.9	(59,198)	(118,396)	(53,278)	0
	282,225	6/30/2020	2.9	87,587	282,225	0	0
	(984,086)	6/30/2019	3.1	(31,745)	(984,086)	0	0
		Total		(66,362)	(883,263)	(172,989)	0
Assumption changes or inputs	351,562	6/30/2022	2.9	121,228	121,228	0	230,334
	137,161	6/30/2021	2.9	47,297	94,594	0	42,567
	361,397	6/30/2020	2.9	112,157	361,397	0	0
	114,838	6/30/2019	3.1	3,703	114,838	0	0
		Total		284,385	692,057	0	272,901
Investment gains or losses	3,070,448	6/30/2022	5.0	614,090	614,090	0	2,456,358
	(2,996,996)	6/30/2021	5.0	(599,399)	(1,198,798)	(1,798,198)	0
	131,223	6/30/2020	5.0	26,245	78,735	0	52,488
	349,043	6/30/2019	5.0	69,809	279,236	0	69,807
	(270,793)	6/30/2018	5.0	(54,157)	(270,793)	0	0
		Total		56,588	(497,530)	(1,798,198)	2,578,653
Total for economic/demographic gains or losses and assumption changes or inputs						(172,989)	272,901
Net deferred (inflows)/outflows for investment gains or losses						0	780,455
Total deferred (inflows)/outflows						(172,989)	1,053,356
Total net deferrals							880,367

* Investment (gains)/losses are recognized in pension expense over a period of five years; economic/demographic (gains)/losses and assumption changes or inputs are recognized over the average remaining service life for all active and inactive members.

Milliman Financial Reporting Valuation

	Total Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Net Pension Liability	Deferred (Inflows)	Deferred Outflows	Net Investment (Inflows)/ Outflows	Net Deferrals	Net Pension Liability plus Net Deferrals	Annual Expense
Balances as of June 30, 2021	(\$15,455,965)	\$15,959,456	\$503,491	(\$144,221)	\$293,311	(\$2,233,405)	(\$2,084,315)	(\$1,580,824)	
Service cost	(177,062)		(177,062)						177,062
Interest on total pension liability	(1,055,076)		(1,055,076)						1,055,076
Effect of plan changes	(5)		(5)						5
Effect of liability gains or losses	182,717		182,717	(182,717)			(182,717)		
Effect of assumption changes or inputs	(351,562)		(351,562)		351,562		351,562		
Benefit payments	919,614	(919,614)	0						
Administrative expenses		(6,518)	(6,518)						6,518
Member contributions		85,955	85,955						(85,955)
Expected net investment income		1,092,658	1,092,658						(1,092,658)
Investment gains or losses		(3,070,448)	(3,070,448)			3,070,448	3,070,448		
Employer contributions		364,000	364,000					364,000	
Recognition of liability gains or losses				153,949	(87,587)		66,362		(66,362)
Recognition of assumption changes or inputs					(284,385)		(284,385)		284,385
Recognition of investment gains or losses						(56,588)	(56,588)		56,588
Annual expense								(334,659)	334,659
Balances as of June 30, 2022	(\$15,937,339)	13,505,489	(2,431,850)	(172,989)	272,901	780,455	880,367	(1,551,483)	