MercedCERA ADMINISTRATIVE RETIREMENT BOARD AGENDA THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2020 MERCED COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION TELEPHONE NUMBER: 1-310-372-7549, CONFERENCE CODE: 975839

Important Notice Regarding SARS-COV-2

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CALL TO ORDER: 8:15 A.M.

- ROLL CALL.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES August 27, 2020.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent matters are expected to be routine and may be acted upon, without discussion, as one unit. If an item is taken off the Consent Calendar for discussion, it will be heard as the last item(s) of the Board Action/Discussion as appropriate.

RETIREMENTS: Pursuant to Govt. Code § 31663.25 or § 31672

All items of earnable compensation for service or disability retirements listed below are in compliance with the pay code schedule approved by the Board of Retirement. The retirement is authorized; however, administrative adjustments may be necessary to alter the amount due to: audit, late arrival of data, court order, etc.

a.	Sabin Raymond	Juvenile Hall	10 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 08/17/2020
b.	Betancourt, Alicia	H.S.A.	22 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 08/15/2020
c.	Alvey, David	Sheriff	5 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 08/15/2020
d.	Yang, Koua	H.S.A.	30 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 08/29/2020
e.	Flores, Richard	Cty Counsel	4 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 08/31/2020
f.	Xiong, Phia	Sheriff	30 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 08/29/2020
g.	Cuen, Amelia	H.S.A.	25 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 08/29/2020

h. Herrera, Constantino
 i. Jew, Kenneth
 H.S.A
 Sheriff
 Yrs. Svc. Eff. 08/29/2020
 22 Yrs. Svc. Eff. 08/31/2020

YTD fiscal year 2020/2021 retirees: 15 YTD fiscal year 2019/2020 retirees: 103 YTD fiscal year 2018/2019 retirees: 103

REFUND OF SERVICE PURCHASE: None

DEATH BENEFIT: None

QUARTERLY & MONTHLY BUDGET REPORTS: Submitted.

BOARD ACTION¹/DISCUSSION

- 1. Discussion and possible action to approve 15% carve out of the 2013 Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL) base and amortize the carve out over 14 years as a level percentage of pay, extend the amortization period for the remainder of the 2013 UAL base over an additional four year phase-out period, and approve the new employer contribution rates for FY 2020-2021 for MercedCERA employers. Staff and Cheiron.
- 2. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution 2020-2 recognizing Trustee Ingersoll for her service and dedication to the MercedCERA Board of Retirement. Chair.
- 3. Discussion and possible action to allow the Plan Administrator to work with Registrar of Voters to hold an election for Seat 2 General Member. Staff.
- 4. Legislative Review. Staff.
- 5. Review calendar of any training sessions and authorize expenditures for Trustees and Plan Administrator. Pursuant to Govt. Code § 31522.8 and MercedCERA's Trustees Education and Training Policy requirements. Examples of upcoming training and educational sessions:
 - a. Nossaman Fiduciary Forum September 30 October 2, 2020 (virtual conference).

INFORMATION ONLY

There is an Investment Subcommittee Meeting immediately following this meeting on the same conference line.

MercedCERA UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

Please note: The MercedCERA Board Meeting and/or Education Day times and dates may be changed in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act by the MercedCERA Board as required.

- September 24, 2020
- October 8, 2020

ADJOURNMENT

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MercedCERA INVESTMENT RETIREMENT BOARD AGENDA THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2020 MERCED COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION TELEPHONE NUMBER: 1-310-372-7549, CONFERENCE CODE: 975839

ROLL CALL: 8:15 A.M

Board Members Present: Ryan Paskin, Scott Johnston (Arrived at 8:17 A.M), Al Peterson, David Ness, Darlene Ingersoll, Jason Goins, Scott Silveira, Michael Rhodes and Janey Cabral. **Counsel:** Jeff Grant. **Staff:** Kristen Santos, Martha Sanchez, Mark Harman, Ninebra Maryoonani and Alexis Curry. **Absent:** Kalisa Rochester.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 13, 2020. Motion to approve the August 13, 2020 meeting minutes. Ingersoll/Cabral U/A (9-0)

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One member of the public requested to comment.

REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

1. Discussion and possible action to adopt the recommendation of one Fund/Manager – Cliffwater.

The MercedCERA board voted unanimously via roll call vote to adopt the recommendation from Cliffwater to commit \$5 million to ISQ Global Infrastructure Fund III subject to legal negotiation. Ingersoll/ Rhodes U/A (9-0)

BOARD ACTION¹/DISCUSSION

Pursuant to Govt. Code § 31594 and MercedCERA's Investment Objectives & Policy Statement due diligence analysis requirement:

- 1. Discussion and possible action on performance update for July of 2020 with possible action on any funds or managers Meketa Group.
 - No action was taken.
- 2. Discussion and possible action to amend current contract with Segal Consulting for special project work regarding the Alameda Decision Staff.
 - The MercedCERA board voted unanimously via roll call vote to amend MercedCERA's current contract with Segal Consulting to include special project work not to exceed \$60,000 due to the Alameda Decision.
 - Adams/Silveira U/A (9-0)
- 3. Review calendar of any training sessions and authorize expenditures for Trustees and Plan Administrator. Pursuant to Govt. Code § 31522.8 and MercedCERA's Trustees Education and Training Policy requirements. Examples of upcoming training and educational sessions:

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a. Nossaman Fiduciary Forum September 30 – October 2, 2020 (virtual conference).

INFORMATION ONLY

- There will be a MercedCERA Investment Subcommittee Meeting immediately following this meeting on the same conference line.
- Trustee Darlene Ingersoll submitted her formal resignation as a board trustee effective September 10, 2020. She has accepted the position as Registrar of Voters. Trustee Ingersoll has been on the MercedCERA board since April 19, 2013.

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The meeting adjourned at 0:15 A M	
The meeting adjourned at 9:15 A.M	
	Respectfully submitted,
	Ryan Paskin, Chair
	Al Peterson, Secretary
	Date

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Non-Administrative Expenses	Original Projection	Current Projection	Expended 06/2020	Expended YTD	Bal Remaining	% Exp YTD
21800 · Investment Expenses	3,400,000.00	3,400,000.00	670,096.84	2,801,604.93	598,395.07	82%
06/04/2020 Cliffwater - 2020-05 PE & HF Consulting			33,333.33			
06/04/2020 Nossaman - 2020-04 - Cerberus Real Estate Debt Fund			13,226.40			
06/04/2020 Nossaman - 2020-04 - MW Global Opp Fund			5,548.50			
06/04/2020 Nossaman - 2020-04 - Summit Partners Venture Cap Fund V			7,364.25			
06/10/2020 GSO EOF - 2020-Q1 Mgt Fee			13,031.00			
06/10/2020 GSO EOF - Operating Fund Exps			6,410.00			
06/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-05 - Lot for New Building			288.90			
06/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-05 - Accel-KKR Capital Partners VI			124.20			
06/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-05 - Cerberus Real Estate Debt Fund			5,329.35			
06/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-05 - Silver Point Specialty Credit II			15,692.85			
06/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-05 - Summit Partners Venture Capital Fund V			8,917.20			
06/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-05 - Marlin Heritage Europe II			20,927.70			
06/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-05 - Thoma Brava Discover Fund III			8,512.20			
06/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-05 - Sculptor Credit Opp. Domestic Partners			6,959.25			
06/29/2020 Yard Masters - 2020-06 - New Building Weed Abatement			300.00			
06/29/2020 Golden Valley Engineering - 2020-03-21 Thru 2020-06-21 Due Dil	igence - New Building		523.13			
06/29/2020 PanAgora - 2020-Q2 Mgt Fee			30,348.35			
06/29/2020 DFA - 2020-Q2 Mgt Fee			19,381.08			
06/29/2020 Mellon LC SIF - 2020-Q2 Mgt Fee			9,697.25			
06/29/2020 Mellon Dynamic - 2020-Q2 Mgt Fee			82,995.30			
06/29/2020 Driehaus - 2020-Q2 Mgt Fee			20,025.00			
06/29/2020 SSgA RAS - 2020-Q1 Mgt Fee			11,639.97			
06/29/2020 SSgA RAS - 2020 Q2 Mgt Fee			11,328.00			
06/29/2020 UBS TPF - 2020-Q2 Mgt Fee			78,920.85			
06/29/2020 KKR GII II - 2020-Q2 Mgt Fee			18,306.00			
06/29/2020 KKR GII III - 2018-Q3 through 2020-Q2 Mgt Fee			88,606.00			
06/29/2020 Meketa - 2020-Q2 Consulting Service			54,500.00			
06/29/2020 Cliffwater - 2020-06 PE & HF Consulting			33,333.33			
06/29/2020 Nossaman - 2020-01 - GQG Partners Series			1,184.40			
06/29/2020 Nossaman - 2020-01 - RWC Emerging Markets Equity Fund Limite	ed		68.40			
06/29/2020 Nossaman - 2020-01 - Potential Real Estate Purchase by MCERA			987.45			
06/29/2020 Nossaman - 2020-06 - Thoma Brava Discover Fund III			41.40			
06/29/2020 Nossaman - 2020-06 - Accel-KKR Capital Partners VI			219.60			
06/29/2020 Nossaman - 2020-06 - Cerberus REDF			7,850.70			
06/29/2020 Nossaman - 2020-06 - Sculptor Credit Opp. Domestic Partners			17,394.75			
06/29/2020 Nossaman - 2020-06 - Taconic MDF III			14,082.30			
06/29/2020 Nossaman - 2020-06 - Marlin Heritage Europe II			10,746.90			
06/29/2020 Nossaman - 2020-06 - Summit Partners Capital Fund V			4,077.90			
06/29/2020 Nossaman - 2020-06 - Silver Point SC II			7,873.65			
Total 21800 · Investment Expenses			670,096.84			

Non-Administrative Expenses	Original Projection	Current Projection	Expended 06/2020	Expended YTD	Bal Remaining	% Exp YTD
21802 · Actuarial Services	250,000.00	250,000.00	18,392.75	211,784.00	38,216.00	85%
06/29/2020 Cheiron - 2020-Q2 Actuarial & Consulting Svcs			18,392.75			
Total 21802 · Actuarial Services			18,392.75			
21812 · Data Processing	120,000.00	109,800.00	9,966.29	52,240.01	57,559.99	48%
06/19/2020 2020-05 IS Billing	1=3,200100	,	3,736.78	,		
06/22/2020 Data Charges for Cradlepoints Loaned from Elections - N	larch Thru May 2020		1,875.00			
06/29/2020 2020-06 IS Billing	, , , , ,		4,153.85			
06/29/2020 Comcast - 2020-06 Wifi Chgs			200.66			
Total 21812 · Data Processing			9,966.29			
21834 · Legal Services	300,000.00	310,200.00	49,854.85	310,180.54	19.46	100%
06/03/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-05 Admin			1,276.50			
06/03/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-05 Disab Legal Svcs			42.07			
06/03/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-05 Disab Legal Svcs			547.00			
06/03/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-05 Disab Legal Svcs			3,996.00			
06/03/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-05 Disab Legal Svcs			1,994.50			
06/03/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-05 Disab Legal Svcs			780.00			
06/03/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-05 Disab Legal Svcs			180.00			
06/03/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-05 Disab Legal Svcs			185.00			
06/03/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-05 Disab Legal Svcs			77.00			
06/03/2020 PPC - 2020-05 Legal Svcs			265.00			
06/05/2020 2020-06 Cost Allocation - Co Counsel			11,240.33			
06/16/2020 Nossaman - 2020-05 - Litigation re AB 197			1,857.00			
06/16/2020 Nossaman - 2020-05 - Gen Adv & Couns			1,311.00			
06/16/2020 Nossaman - 2020-05 - Member Request			6,207.26			
06/29/2020 RLI - Abatement - Reimb for Nossaman AB 197 Related L	egal		(5,759.60)			
06/29/2020 Hanson Bridgett - 2020-05 Tax Compliance / Determination			83.70			
06/29/2020 Hanson Bridgett - 2020-06 Tax Compliance / Determination	on letter		970.20			
06/29/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-06 Admin			2,201.50			
06/29/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-06 Disab Legal Svcs			5,112.00			
06/29/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-06 Disab Legal Svcs			4,270.39			
06/29/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-06 Disab Legal Svcs			37.00			
06/29/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-06 Disab Legal Svcs			3,686.50			
06/29/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-06 Disab Legal Svcs			270.00			
06/29/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-06 Disab Legal Svcs			2,849.00			
06/29/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-06 Disab Legal Svcs			486.00			
06/29/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-06 Disab Legal Svcs			5,424.50			
06/29/2020 PPC - 2020-06 Legal Svcs			265.00			
Total 21834 · Legal Services			49,854.85			

Non-Administrative Expenses	Original Projection	Current Projection	Expended 06/2020	Expended YTD	Bal Remaining	% Exp YTD
21840 · Custodial Banking Services	125,000.00	125,000.00	27,391.59	122,710.76	2,289.24	98%
06/03/2020 2020-05 NT STIF Income - Custodial Fee			936.77			
06/12/2020 2020-05 Wire Fees			100.00			
06/29/2020 2020-06 Wire Fees			100.00			
06/29/2020 Northern Trust - 2020-Q2 Custody Fees			25,125.00			
06/29/2020 2020-06 NT STIF Income - Custodial Fee			1,129.82			
Total 21840 · Custodial Banking Services			27,391.59			
22350 · Software and Technology	305,000.00	305,000.00	16,062.49	292,674.91	12,325.09	96%
06/09/2020 CPAS - May and June 2020 Hosting			12,214.00			
06/12/2020 QPCS - 6 Cradlepoint Units			3,131.40			
06/24/2020 Spriggs - Bizhub Lease			170.01			
06/29/2020 Dataflow - 2020-Q1 Taskalfa Usage			1.03			
06/29/2020 Dataflow - 2020-Q2 Taskalfa Usage			0.65			
06/29/2020 LexisNexis - 2020-05 Chgs			272.70			
06/29/2020 LexisNexis - 2020-06 Chgs			272.70			
Total 22350 · Software and Technology			16,062.49			
Depreciation Expense	242,777.87	242,777.87	242,777.87	242,777.87	<u>-</u>	100%
Total Non-Administrative Items	4,742,777.87	4,742,777.87	1,034,542.68	4,033,973.02	708,804.85	85%

Merced County Employees' Retirement Association Non-Administrative Expenses Prev Year Comparison (Preliminary) 6/30/2020

	June 20	June 19	\$ Change	% Change
Expense				
62025 · Non-Administrative Expenses				
21800 · Investment Expenses	\$ 670,096.84	\$ 630,781.43	\$ 39,315.41	6.23%
21802 · Actuarial Services	18,392.75	3,720.00	14,672.75	394.43%
21812 · Data Processing	9,966.29	7,321.65	2,644.64	36.12%
21834 · Legal Services	49,854.85	26,795.80	23,059.05	86.06%
21840 · Custodial Banking Services	27,391.59	28,510.40	(1,118.81)	-3.92%
22350 · Software and Technology	16,062.49	17,291.00	(1,228.51)	-7.11%
Total 62025 · Non-Administrative Expenses	\$ 791,764.81	\$ 714,420.28	\$ 77,344.53	10.83%

4,000.00	1,240,572.00	110,584.65 40,796.47 40,656.86 7.71 29,123.61 110,584.65	1,032,718.97	207,853.03	83%
4,000.00		40,656.86 7.71 29,123.61			
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4,000.00		·			
4,000.00		110,584.65			
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	4,410.68	767.25	4,410.68		100%
		137.01			
		245.88			
		246.67			
		137.69			
	•	767.25			
11,500.00	11,500.00	818.99	8,679.87	2,820.13	75%
		40.00			
		86.99			
		40.00			
		502.00			
		150.00			
	•	818.99			
85,500.00	85,500.00	-	79,688.00	5,812.00	93%
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19,100.00	19,100.00	1,191.49	6,212.43	12,887.57	33%
		325.00			
		408.70			
		132.79			
		325.00			
	•	1,191.49			
7,200.00	7,200.00	-	5,570.00	1,630.00	77%
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	Administrative Budget	Adopted	Current Budget	Expended 06/2020	Expended YTD	Bal Remaining	% Exp YTD
21700 · Office	e Expense - General	11,000.00	11,000.00	2,899.60	9,743.56	1,256.44	89%
06/01/2020	ULINE - Cleaning Supplies			250.50			
06/02/2020	ULINE - Cleaning Supplies			248.61			
06/03/2020	ULINE - Cleaning Supplies			35.23			
06/04/2020	First Choice - 2020-05 Cooler Rental			7.00			
06/12/2020	First Choice - 2020-06 Water Svc			15.93			
06/22/2020	2020-05 Office Depot Charges			346.59			
06/29/2020	Healthy House Within a MATCH Coalition - Hmong/Lao Certi-	ficate Review		40.00			
06/29/2020	2020-06 - Stores Billing			1,948.74			
06/29/2020	First Choice - 2020-06 Cooler Rental			7.00			
Total 21700 ·	Office Expense - General		•	2,899.60			
21710 · Office	e Expense - Postage	15,750.00	17,010.21	2,272.79	17,010.21	-	100%
06/19/2020	2020-05 Mailroom Chgs			153.05			
06/19/2020	2020-05 IS Postage			981.96			
06/29/2020	2020-06 IS Postage			1,003.13			
06/29/2020	2020-06 Mailroom Chgs			134.65			
Total 21710 ·	Office Expense - Postage		-	2,272.79			
21805 · Audit		60,000.00	60,000.00	1,675.93	49,299.69	10,700.31	82%
06/29/2020	Brown Armstrong - FY 19-20 Audit Progress Through 2020-0			1,225.93			
06/29/2020	Brown Armstrong - FY 19-20 Audit Progress Through 2020-0	06		450.00			
Total 21805 ·	Audits		-	1,675.93			
21808 · Board	d Membership	12,000.00	12,000.00	2,100.00	11,400.00	600.00	95%
06/22/2020	2020-05 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
06/22/2020	2020-05 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
06/22/2020	2020-05 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
06/22/2020	2020-05 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
06/22/2020	2020-05 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
06/29/2020	2020-06 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
06/29/2020	2020-06 Bd Mtgs			300.00			
06/29/2020	2020-06 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
06/29/2020	2020-06 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
06/29/2020	2020-06 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
Total 21808 ·	Board Membership		•	2,100.00			

Administrative Budget	Adopted	Current Budget	Expended 06/2020	Expended YTD	Bal Remaining	% Exp YTD
21811 · Court Reporters	2,000.00	2,000.00	-	-	2,000.00	0%
Total 21811 · Court Reporters						
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21816 · Medical Services	80,000.00	80,000.00	67.85	22,589.85	57,410.15	28%
06/29/2020 Mileage Reimb for 06/24/2020			67.85			
Total 21816 · Medical Services			67.85			
Total 21010 Modical Colvidos			01.00			
21872 · Investigations	1,000.00	1,000.00	•	-	1,000.00	0%
Total 21872 · Investigations		•				
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21900 · Publications & Legal Notices	4,500.00	4,500.00	-	2,846.00	1,654.00	63%
Total 21900 · Publications & Legal Notices		•	-			
22300 · Spec Dept Exp - Other	500.00	500.00	-	52.00	448.00	10%
Total 22300 · Spec Dept Exp - Other		•	-			
22310 · Election Expense	13,150.00	13,150.00	•	6,921.73	6,228.27	53%
Total 22310 · Election Expense						
22327 · Spec Dept Exp - Cost Allocation	175,568.00	173,152.95	3,382.90	40,617.04	132,535.91	23%
06/05/2020 2020-06 Cost Allocation			3,382.90			
Total 22327 · Spec Dept Exp - Cost Allocation		•	3,382.90			
20500 Towns at the 9 Towns	400.00	507.45	366.29	507.45		100%
22500 · Transportation & Travel 06/11/2020 2020-05 - Mail Runs	400.00	507.45	6.15	507.45	-	100%
06/29/2020 2019-07 Thru 2019-12 - Travel			19.72			
06/29/2020 2019-07 Thru 2019-12 - Travel 06/29/2020 2020-01 Thru 2020-06 - Travel			191.99			
06/29/2020 July Thru Nov 2019 Travel			43.09			
06/29/2020 Feb Thru June 2020 Travel			105.34			
Total 22500 · Transportation & Travel		•	366.29			

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22505 · Trans & Travel - Staff Development	10,000.00	10,000.00	-	6,284.97	3,715.03	63%
Total 22505 · Trans & Travel - Staff Development		-	-			
22515 · Trans & Travel - In State	55,000.00	55,000.00	(9,200.00)	17,022.12	37,977.88	31%
06/03/2020 CALAPRS - Returned Check for Adv Principles of F	Pension Mgmt for Trustees		(6,200.00)			
06/29/2020 CALAPRS - Mgmt Academy Refund			(3,000.00)			
Total 22515 · Trans & Travel - In State		-	(9,200.00)			
22516 · Trans & Travel - Out of State	15,000.00	15,000.00	-	5,496.86	9,503.14	37%
Total 22516 · Trans & Travel - Out of State		-	-			
22600 · Utilities	15,000.00	15,000.00	2,349.28	13,128.12	1,871.88	88%
06/12/2020 PG&E - 2020-05 Svcs			598.30			
06/18/2020 City of Merced - 2020-05 WS&G			273.59			
06/29/2020 PG&E - 2020-06 Svcs			1,085.71			
06/29/2020 City of Merced - 2020-06 WS&G			391.68			
Total 22600 · Utilities		-	2,349.28			
Depreciation Expense	14,403.15	15,039.86	15,039.86	15,039.86	-	100%
Total Administrative Budget	1,853,143.15	1,853,143.15	119,277.02	1,355,239.41	497,903.74	73%

Non-Administrative Expenses	Original Projection	Current Projection	Expended 08/2020	Expended YTD	Bal Remaining	% Exp YTD
21800 · Investment Expenses	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00	165,008.27	212,006.27	3,287,993.73	6%
08/03/2020 Cliffwater - 2020-07 PE & HF Consulting			33,333.33			
08/14/2020 Taconic CRE II - 2019-Q3 through 2020-Q2 Mgt Fee			56,379.97			
08/14/2020 KKR GII III - Mgt Fees - 2020-Q3 - Org Exps			3,571.00			
08/21/2020 Golden Valley Engineering - Thru 2020-07-25 Due Diligence	e - New Building		174.37			
08/24/2020 GSO EOF - Operating Fund Exps			2,393.00			
08/24/2020 GSO EOF - 2020-Q2 Mgmt Fee			13,110.00			
08/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-07 - Summit Partners VCF V			180.90			
08/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-07 - Taurus MFF			41.40			
08/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-07 - Silver Point SC II			273.60			
08/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-07 - Taconic MDF III			18,059.40			
08/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-07 - TCV XI			16,623.00			
08/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-07 - Starwood DOF XII			20,679.30			
08/26/2020 Nossaman - 2020-07 - Marlin Heritage Europe II			189.00			
Total 21800 · Investment Expenses		-	165,008.27			
21802 · Actuarial Services	150,000.00	150,000.00	(367.50)	(367.50)	150,367.50	0%
08/20/2020 Member Prepayment of Option 4 Calc to Cheiron	,	,	(367.50)	(2.2.2.7)	,	
Total 21802 · Actuarial Services		-	(367.50)			
Total 2 1002 Actualial Oct vices			(307.30)			
21812 · Data Processing	90,000.00	90,000.00	6,577.63	6,577.63	83,422.37	7%
08/10/2020 Comcast - 2020-07 Wifi Chgs			200.66			
08/25/2020 2020-07 Cradlepoint Data Chgs			264.00			
08/25/2020 2020-07 IS Billing			5,912.31			
08/25/2020 Comcast - 2020-08 Wifi Chgs			200.66			
Total 21812 · Data Processing		-	6,577.63			
21834 · Legal Services	325,000.00	325,000.00	27,444.41	27,444.41	297,555.59	8%
08/10/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-07 Disab Legal Svcs			312.00			
08/10/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-07 Disab Legal Svcs			37.00			
08/10/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-07 Disab Legal Svcs			1,766.50			
08/10/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-07 Disab Legal Svcs			5,864.55			
08/10/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-07 Disab Legal Svcs			388.50			
08/10/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-07 Disab Legal Svcs			277.50			
08/10/2020 Ted Cabral - 2020-07 Disab Legal Svcs			920.00			
08/10/2020 PPC - 2020-07 Legal Svcs			265.00			
08/25/2020 2020-07 Cost Allocation - Co Counsel			7,703.25			
08/25/2020 2020-08 Cost Allocation - Co Counsel			7,703.25			
08/25/2020 Nossaman - 2020-07 - Litigation re AB 197			2,206.86			
Total 21834 · Legal Services		-	27,444.41			

Merced County Employees' Retirement Association Non-Administrative Expenditures Report (Preliminary) For the Month Ended August 31, 2020

Non-Administrative Expenses	Original Projection	Current Projection	Expended 08/2020	Expended YTD	Bal Remaining	% Exp YTD
21840 · Custodial Banking Services	135,000.00	135,000.00	1,398.90	1,398.90	133,601.10	1%
08/05/2020 2020-07 NT STIF Income - Custodial Fee			1,298.90			
08/10/2020 2020-07 Wire Fees			100.00			
Total 21840 · Custodial Banking Services		-	1,398.90			
22350 · Software and Technology	505,000.00	505,000.00	43,373.95	181,582.65	323,417.35	36%
08/07/2020 LexisNexis - 2020-07 Chgs			272.70			
08/21/2020 LifeStatus 360 - FY 2020-2021 Death Audit Reporting			620.00			
08/25/2020 CPAS - Prof Svcs & Training - 1st 50% of Total Payment			42,481.25			
Total 22350 · Software and Technology		-	43,373.95			
Depreciation Expense	250,000.00	250,000.00	-	4,719.42	245,280.58	
Total Non-Administrative Items	4,955,000.00	4,955,000.00	243,435.66	433,361.78	4,521,638.22	9%

Merced County Employees' Retirement Association Non-Administrative Expenses Prev Year Comparison (Preliminary) 8/31/2020

	August 20	August 19	\$ Change	% Change
Expense				
62025 · Non-Administrative Expenses				
21800 · Investment Expenses	\$ 165,008.27	\$ 78,576.37	\$ 86,431.90	110.00%
21802 · Actuarial Services	(367.50)	-	(367.50)	-100.00%
21812 · Data Processing	6,577.63	3,886.70	2,690.93	69.23%
21834 · Legal Services	27,444.41	12,374.23	15,070.18	121.79%
21840 · Custodial Banking Services	1,398.90	1,633.95	(235.05)	-14.39%
22350 · Software and Technology	43,373.95	29,828.01	13,545.94	45.41%
Total 62025 · Non-Administrative Expenses	\$ 243,435.66	\$ 126,299.26	\$ 117,136.40	92.75%

Merced County Employees' Retirement Association Capital Asset Expenditures Report (Preliminary) For the Month Ended August 31, 2020

Capital Assets Expenditures	Adopted	Current Budget	Expended 08/2020	Expended YTD	Bal Remaining	% Exp YTD
86261 - Copier/Printer Lease Buyout	7,500.00	7,500.00		6,537.11	962.89	87%
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Total 86261 - Copier/Printer Lease Buyout		_	-			
No Acct# - HVAC Repair and Maintenance	50,000.00	50,000.00	-	-	50,000.00	0%
Total No Acct# · HVAC Repair and Maintenance		-	-			
Total Capital Assets Expenditures	57,500.00	57,500.00	-	6,537.11	50,962.89	11%

Administrative Budget	Adopted	Current Budget	Expended 08/2020	Expended YTD	Bal Remaining	% Exp YTD
10110 · Salaries & Wages	1,305,000.00	1,305,000.00	84,879.46	139,688.61	1,165,311.39	11%
08/07/2020 Office Payroll PP 16			42,308.95			
08/21/2020 Office Payroll PP 17			42,570.51			
Total 10110 · Salaries & Wages		•	84,879.46			
20600 · Communications	4,500.00	4,500.00	380.34	380.34	4,119.66	8%
08/20/2020 AT&T - 2020-07 Comm Chgs			137.94			
08/25/2020 2020-07 Communications Chg			242.40			
Total 20600 · Communications		•	380.34			
20900 · Household Expense	12,500.00	12,500.00	1,324.83	2,136.82	10,363.18	17%
08/14/2020 Geil - Terminal Cleaning			472.84			
08/19/2020 ADT - 2020-08 Security Svcs			86.99			
08/20/2020 Bob's Pest Control - 2020-07 Svcs			40.00			
08/21/2020 Geil - 2020-08 Janitorial			725.00			
Total 20900 · Household Expense		•	1,324.83			
21000 · Insurance - Other	85,000.00	85,000.00	-	80,339.00	4,661.00	95%
Total 21000 · Insurance - Other		•	<u> </u>			
21301 · Maintenance Structure Improvement	20,900.00	20,900.00	650.00	650.00	20,250.00	3%
08/10/2020 Yard Masters - 2020-07 Landscape Maint			325.00			
08/25/2020 Yard Masters - 2020-08 Landscape Maint			325.00			
Total 21301 · Maintenance Structure Improvement		•	650.00			
21500 · Membership	7,500.00	7,500.00	-	4,000.00	3,500.00	53%
Total 21500 · Membership			-			
21700 · Office Expense - General	18,000.00	18,000.00	569.36	569.36	17,430.64	3%
08/03/2020 First Choice - 2020-07 Cooler Rental	-,	,	7.00		.,	2,70
08/10/2020 First Choice - 2020-07 Water Svc			15.93			
08/13/2020 Vast Conference - One Year Subscription			441.37			
08/25/2020 2020-07 Office Depot Charges			105.06			
Total 21700 · Office Expense - General			569.36			

	Administrative Budget	Adopted	Current Budget	Expended 08/2020	Expended YTD	Bal Remaining	% Exp YTD
21710 · Office	Expense - Postage	15,750.00	15,750.00	1,029.28	1,029.28	14,720.72	7%
08/25/2020	2020-07 IS Postage			983.23			
08/25/2020	2020-07 Mailroom Chgs			46.05			
Total 21710 · 0	Office Expense - Postage		•	1,029.28			
21805 · Audit	8	60,000.00	60,000.00	5,299.70	5,299.70	54,700.30	9%
08/11/2020	Brown Armstrong - FY 19-20 Audit Progre			5,299.70	-,		
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Total 21805 · /	Audits			5,299.70			
21808 · Board	Membership	18,000.00	18,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	18,000.00	0%
08/19/2020	2020-07 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
08/19/2020	2020-07 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
08/19/2020	2020-07 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
08/19/2020	2020-07 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
08/19/2020	2020-07 Bd Mtgs			200.00			
Total 21808 · I	Board Membership		•	1,000.00			
21811 · Court	Reporters	2,000.00	2,000.00	-	-	2,000.00	0%
Total 21811 · (Court Reporters		-	-			
21816 · Medic	eal Sarvinas	80,000.00	80,000.00	15.00	15.00	79,985.00	0%
08/28/2020	Golden Valley Health Centers - Patient Re		00,000.00	15.00	13.00	79,903.00	0 70
00/20/2020	Colden valley rically conters in attent to	oord oopying roo		10.00			
Total 21816 · I	Medical Services		•	15.00			
21872 · Inves	igations	1,000.00	1,000.00	-	-	1,000.00	0%
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Total 21872 · I	nvestigations		·	-			
21900 · Public	cations & Legal Notices	4,500.00	4,500.00	-	3,321.25	1,178.75	74%
Total 21900 · F	Publications & Legal Notices		-	-			
22300 · Spec	Dept Exp - Other	500.00	500.00	-	-	500.00	0%
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Total 22300 · S	Spec Dept Exp - Other		•	-			

Administrative Budget	Adopted	Current Budget	Expended 08/2020	Expended YTD	Bal Remaining	% Exp YTD
22310 · Election Expense	10,000.00	10,000.00	-	-	10,000.00	0%
Total 22310 · Election Expense		•	-			
22327 · Spec Dept Exp - Cost Allocation	43,005.00	43,005.00	6,086.34	6,086.34	36,918.66	14%
08/25/2020 2020-07 Cost Allocation 08/25/2020 2020-08 Cost Allocation			3,043.17 3,043.17			
Total 22327 · Spec Dept Exp - Cost Allocation		•	6,086.34			
22500 · Transportation & Travel	400.00	400.00	-	-	400.00	0%
Total 22500 · Transportation & Travel		•	-			
22505 · Trans & Travel - Staff Development	7,500.00	7,500.00	-	-	7,500.00	0%
Total 22505 · Trans & Travel - Staff Development		•	-			
22515 · Trans & Travel - In State	50,000.00	50,000.00	550.00	550.00	49,450.00	1%
08/20/2020 CALAPRS - Mgmt/Ldrshp Forums 2020 08/24/2020 CALAPRS - Accountants Virtual Round Table			500.00 50.00			
Total 22515 · Trans & Travel - In State		•	550.00			
22516 · Trans & Travel - Out of State	10,000.00	10,000.00	-	-	10,000.00	0%
Total 22516 · Trans & Travel - Out of State		•	-			
22600 · Utilities	15,000.00	15,000.00	1,654.46	1,654.46	13,345.54	11%
08/21/2020 PG&E - 2020-07 Svcs 08/21/2020 City of Merced - 2020-07 WS&G			1,245.25 409.21			
Total 22600 · Utilities		•	1,654.46			
Depreciation Expense	23,000.00	23,000.00	<u>-</u>	<u> </u>	23,000.00	
Total Administrative Budget	1,794,055.00	1,794,055.00	103,438.77	246,720.16	1,547,334.84	14%

Consent Agenda Quarterly Budget Report

Non-Administrative Projection												
•	Current										Remaining	
	Projection	Q1 Expended	Q1 %	Q2 Expended	Q2 %	Q3 Expended	Q3 %	Q4 Expended	Q4 %	Total Expended	Projected	% Exp
21800 Investment Expenses	\$ 3,400,000.00	\$ 169,424.90	5% \$	\$ 727,160.47	21%	\$ 683,175.75	20% \$	1,221,843.81	36% \$	2,801,604.93	\$ 598,395.07	82%
21802 Actuarial Services	250,000.00	-	0%	22,363.75	9%	63,700.00	25%	125,720.25	50%	211,784.00	38,216.00	85%
21812 Data Processing	109,800.00	9,989.95	9%	11,221.52	10%	11,855.48	11%	19,173.06	17%	52,240.01	57,559.99	48%
21834 Legal Services	310,200.00	53,002.36	17%	72,381.91	23%	81,668.84	26%	103,127.43	33%	310,180.54	19.46	100%
21840 Custodial Banking Services	125,000.00	3,209.76	3%	29,410.91	24%	58,568.29	47%	31,521.80	25%	122,710.76	2,289.24	98%
22350 Software & Technology	305,000.00	62,220.61	20%	56,159.45	18%	139,079.39	46%	35,215.46	12%	292,674.91	12,325.09	96%
Depreciation Expense	242,777.87	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	242,777.87	100%	242,777.87	-	100%
Total Non-Administrative Items	\$ 4,742,777.87	\$ 297,847.58	6%	\$ 918,698.01	19%	\$ 1,038,047.75	22% \$	1,779,379.68	38% \$	4,033,973.02	\$ 708,804.85	85%
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Administrative Budget												
	Current										Remaining	
	Appropriation	Q1 Expended	Q1 %	Q2 Expended	Q2 %	Q3 Expended	Q3 %	Q4 Expended	Q4 %	Total Expended	Appropriation	% Exp
10110 Salaries & Wages	\$ 1,240,572.00	\$ 189,350.56	15%		23%	,	20% \$. ,	25% \$,,	\$ 207,853.03	83%
20600 Communications	4,410.68	721.72	16%	1,086.50	25%	1,084.43	25%	1,518.03	34%	4,410.68	-	100%
20900 Household Expense	11,500.00	1,704.97	15%	1,894.97	16%	3,919.97	34%	1,159.96	10%	8,679.87	2,820.13	75%
21000 Insurance-Other	85,500.00	79,660.00	93%	-	0%	28.00	0%	-	0%	79,688.00	5,812.00	93%
21301 Maintenance Structure Improvement	19,100.00	898.80	5%	1,236.32	6%	2,398.97	13%	1,678.34	9%	6,212.43	12,887.57	33%
21500 Membership	7,200.00	4,000.00	56%	570.00	8%	1,000.00	14%	-	0%	5,570.00	1,630.00	77%
21700 Office Expense-General	11,000.00	2,988.23	27%	671.34	6%	1,438.27	13%	4,645.72	42%	9,743.56	1,256.44	89%
21710 Office Expense-Postage	17,010.21	2,293.29	13%	3,540.58	21%	4,333.46	25%	6,842.88	40%	17,010.21	-	100%
21805 Audits	60,000.00	12,366.57	21%	16,765.17	28%	18,492.02	31%	1,675.93	3%	49,299.69	10,700.31	82%
21808 Board Membership	12,000.00	2,000.00	17%	2,800.00	23%	2,600.00	22%	4,000.00	33%	11,400.00	600.00	95%
21811 Court Reporters	2,000.00	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	2,000.00	0%
21816 Medical Services	80,000.00	-	0%	10,450.00	13%	5,092.00	6%	7,047.85	9%	22,589.85	57,410.15	28%
21872 Investigations	1,000.00	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	1,000.00	0%
21900 Publications & Legal Notices	4,500.00	2,846.00	63%	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	2,846.00	1,654.00	63%
22300 Spec Dept Expense-Other	500.00	20.00	4%	32.00	6%	-	0%	-	0%	52.00	448.00	10%
22310 Election Expense	13,150.00	-	0%	6,921.73	53%	-	0%	-	0%	6,921.73	6,228.27	53%
22327 Spec Dept Exp-Cost Allocation	173,152.95	10,171.02	6%	10,148.67	6%	10,148.67	6%	10,148.68	6%	40,617.04	132,535.91	23%
22500 Transportation & Travel	507.45	-	0%	80.91	16%	-	0%	426.54	84%	507.45	-	100%
22505 Trans & Travel-Staff Development	10,000.00	300.00	3%	5,984.97	60%	-	0%	-	0%	6,284.97	3,715.03	63%
22515 Trans & Travel-In State	55,000.00	8,391.30	15%	8,583.24	16%	8,837.60	16%	(8,790.02)	-16%	17,022.12	37,977.88	31%
22516 Trans & Travel-Out Of State	15,000.00	-	0%	4,679.18	31%	817.68	5%	-	0%	5,496.86	9,503.14	37%
22600 Utilities	15,000.00	2,934.29	20%	3,543.62	24%	2,864.89	19%	3,785.32	25%	13,128.12	1,871.88	88%
Depreciation Expense	15,039.86	-	0%_	-	0%_		0%	15,039.86	100%	15,039.86	-	100%
Total Administrative Budget	\$ 1,853,143.15	\$ 320,646.75	17%	, , , , , , , ,	20%	,,	17% \$,	20% \$,,	\$ 497,903.74	73%
Total MCERA	\$ 6,636,921.02	\$ 618,494.33	9%	1,321,874.40	20%	\$ 1,343,819.74	20% \$	2,143,226.55	32% \$	5,389,212.43	\$ 1,209,506.00	81%

Merced County Employees' Retirement Association Non-Admin Expenses Prev Year Comparison (Preliminary) For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2020

	Apr - Jun 20	Apr - Jun 19	\$ Change	% Change
Expense				
62025 · Non-Administrative Expenses				
21800 · Investment Expenses				
IED0001 · PanAgora Asset Management	\$ 55,798.30	\$ 71,547.10	\$ (15,748.80)	-22.01%
IED0002 · Dimensional Fund Advisors	29,742.72	30,732.65	(989.93)	-3.22%
IED0003 · Mellon LC SIF	29,028.66	20,564.81	8,463.85	41.16%
IED0004 · Mellon Dynamic	224,533.24	127,936.99	96,596.25	75.50%
IEE0003 · Wells Capital	-	286,343.83	(286,343.83)	-100.00%
IEE0004 · Copper Rock Intl SC	-	32,409.40	(32,409.40)	-100.00%
IEE0005 · Mellon Int SIF	8,595.01	19,425.20	(10,830.19)	-55.75%
IEE0006 · Acadian Ex US SCF	19,532.00	45,273.24	(25,741.24)	-56.86%
IEE0007 · Driehaus ISCG	41,256.00	31,616.04	9,639.96	30.49%
IEF0001 · Barrow Hanley	45,736.00	34,492.00	11,244.00	32.60%
IEP0001 · SSgA RAS	35,662.16	32,639.93	3,022.23	9.26%
IER0001 · UBS Realty Investors	159,453.62	178,706.23	(19,252.61)	-10.77%
IEX0015 · KKR Global Infrastructure II	44,778.00	40,555.00	4,223.00	10.41%
IEX0018 · GSO EOF	19,441.00	36,617.00	(17,176.00)	-46.91%
IEX0026 · KKR Global Infrastructure III	88,606.00	-	88,606.00	100.00%
IEZ0004 · Graham ARTL	-	33,204.18	(33,204.18)	-100.00%
ISC001 · Meketa Investment Group	108,000.00	106,000.00	2,000.00	1.89%
ISC002 · Cliffwater LLC	133,333.32	99,999.99	33,333.33	33.33%
ISL001 · Nossaman - Investments	175,392.15	161,767.68	13,624.47	8.42%
21800 · Investment Expenses - Other	2,955.63		2,955.63	100.00%
Total 21800 · Investment Expenses	1,221,843.81	1,389,831.27	(167,987.46)	-12.09%
21802 · Actuarial Services	125,720.25	41,882.65	83,837.60	200.17%
21812 · Data Processing	19,173.06	16,835.49	2,337.57	13.89%
21834 · Legal Services	103,127.43	64,673.48	38,453.95	59.46%
21840 · Custodial Banking Services	31,521.80	57,467.50	(25,945.70)	-45.15%
22350 · Software and Technology	35,215.46	46,329.00	(11,113.54)	-23.99%
Total 62025 · Non-Administrative Expenses	\$ 1,536,601.81	\$ 1,617,019.39	\$ (80,417.58)	-4.97%

DATE: September 10, 2020

TO: MercedCERA Board of Retirement

FROM: Kristie Santos, Plan Administrator

SUBJECT: 15% carve out of the 2013 Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL) base and amortize the carve out over 14 years as a level percentage of pay, extend the amortization period for the remainder of the 2013 UAL base over an additional four year phase-out period, and approve the new employer contribution rates for FY 2020-2021 for MercedCERA employers.

ITEM NUMBER: 1

ITEM TYPE: Action

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

 To approve a 15% carve out of the 2013 UAL base and amortize the carve out base over 14 years as a level percentage of pay, to extend the amortization period for the remainder of the 2013 UAL base over an additional four year phase-out period, and to approve the new employer contribution rates for FY 2020-2021 for MercedCERA employers.

DISCUSSION:

The Merced County Employees' Retirement Association ("MercedCERA") has actuarial funding policies in place to pay for any unfunded liabilities, as well as the normal cost for active employees. Each year, gains and losses stemming from demographic and investment losses and assumption changes cause the actuary to review funding targets and calculate employer and employee contribution rates, to keep the plan sound and viable. Currently, the MercedCERA plan is 63.2% funded and with these policies in place, the actuarial process will bring the plan to 100% funded over time, if assumptions are met and the sponsors continue to pay the actuarially determined contributions.

The MercedCERA Board in conjunction with its employers has made a concerted effort to pay off large unfunded liabilities over a short amortization period, in particular to pay off MercedCERA's largest unfunded actuarial liabilities ("UAL") base (the 2013 layer) over a period which has fallen to 10 years as of the most recent actuarial valuation. MercedCERA's largest unfunded UAL base of 2013 is \$432,441,279 (as of June 30, 2019).

The County of Merced ("County") has requested that MercedCERA carve out 15% of the 2013 UAL base and create a new base in the amount of \$64,866,192 and amortize the new base over 14 years as a level percentage of pay. The County also is requesting a phase out on the remaining amount of the 2013 UAL base of \$367,575,087 (\$432,441,279 - \$64,866,192 = \$367,575,087) which will extend the current amortization

period (10 years as of June 30, 2019) for an additional four years of declining payments.

MercedCERA Actuary, Graham Schmidt of Cheiron advises that these changes are actuarially prudent and would not jeopardize the ability of MercedCERA to timely pay its members and beneficiaries. The projected contributions will continue to pay principal on the total UAL and the funded ratio is projected to increase in the future, if all assumptions are met and the actuarially determined contributions are made. The Actuary also advises that adding the phase out to the remaining 2013 UAL base amount will prevent a steep drop off of employer contributions made to MercedCERA in the future and thereby minimize employer contribution rate volatility.

As a result of the proposed carve out and phase-out of the original amortization base, the new amortization schedule for the 2013 UAL base will be as follows:

	Amortization of 2013 UAL							
	Origina	I Paco	Revised 85% of Original I		Revised		Total Revis	and Rases
	Outstanding	Dase	Outstanding	base - Exteriueu	Outstanding	or Original Base	Outstanding	eu bases
July 1,	Balance	Payment	Balance	Payment	Balance	Payment	Balance	Payment
2019	432,441,279	53,319,866	367,575,087	39,315,705	64,866,192	6,154,801	432,441,279	45,470,506
2020	407,557,670	54,786,162	352,636,862	40,396,887	63,040,250	6,324,058	415,677,112	46,720,945
2021	379,415,461	56,292,782	335,534,578	41,507,801	60,911,411	6,497,970	396,445,988	48,005,771
2022	347,744,836	57,840,833	316,085,995	42,649,266	58,453,657	6,676,664	374,539,652	49,325,930
2023	312,255,952	59,431,456	294,095,271	43,822,121	55,639,018	6,860,272	349,734,289	50,682,393
2024	272,637,493	61,065,822	269,351,986	45,027,229	52,437,429	7,048,930	321,789,415	52,076,159
2025	228,555,140	62,745,132	241,630,097	46,265,478	48,816,579	7,242,776	290,446,676	53,508,254
2026	179,649,930	64,470,623	210,686,822	47,537,778	44,741,754	7,441,952	255,428,575	54,979,730
2027	125,536,494	66,243,565	176,261,439	48,845,067	40,175,661	7,646,605	216,437,101	56,491,672
2028	65,801,173	68,065,262	138,074,010	50,188,307	35,078,248	7,856,887	173,152,257	58,045,194
2029	0	0	95,824,002	41,254,788	29,406,498	8,072,952	125,230,500	49,327,740
2030	0	0	59,857,398	31,791,971	23,114,227	8,294,958	82,971,625	40,086,929
2031	0	0	31,161,545	21,777,500	16,151,851	8,523,069	47,313,396	30,300,569
2032	0	0	10,816,032	11,188,191	8,466,150	8,757,453	19,282,182	19,945,644

As a result of the proposed carve out and amortization, the new employer contribution rates, effective with the next payroll cycle are as follows:

FYE 2021 Net Employer Contribution Rate by Group											
	Tier 1	Tier 2	General Tier 3	Tier 4	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Safety Tier 3	Tier 4	Total	All Total
County											
Total Normal Cost Rate	27.50%	19.98%	15.24%	13.47%	17.50%	34.38%	23.61%	22.29%	20.75%	23.24%	18.46%
Member Contribution Rate ¹	12.65%	9.27%	6.45%	6.73%	8.28%	12.07%	8.96%	8.69%	10.38%	8.91%	8.39%
Employer Normal Cost Rate (1-2)	14.85%	10.71%	8.79%	6.74%	9.22%	22.31%	14.65%	13.60%	10.37%	14.33%	10.07%
UAL Amortization Rate	32.40%	32.40%	32.40%	32.40%	32.40%	43.43%	43.43%	43.43%	43.43%	43.43%	34.25%
Administrative Expense Rate	<u>1.49%</u>	1.36%	1.30%	1.24%	1.32%	2.08%	1.84%	1.80%	1.70%	1.83%	<u>1.40%</u>
6. Net Employer Contribution Rate (3+4+5)	48.74%	44.47%	42.49%	40.38%	42.94%	67.82%	59.92%	58.83%	55.50%	59.59%	45.72%
		Courts	County								
		Tier 2R	Tier 3R					Tier 3R			
Total Normal Cost Rate		19.77%	17.62%					24.81%			
Member Contribution Rate ¹		9.13%	6.69%					10.86%			
Employer Normal Cost Rate (1-2)		10.64%	10.93%					13.95%			
UAL Amortization Rate		32.40%	32.40%					43.43%			
Administrative Expense Rate		1.36%	1.37%					1.81%			
6. Net Employer Contribution Rate (3+4+5)		44.40%	44.70%					59.19%			

MercedCERA Trustees and Staff are fiduciaries who owe a duty of prudence and loyalty to the members and beneficiaries of MercedCERA. As Plan Administrator, I have concluded that this proposal is both prudent and in the best interest of our members and beneficiaries. To the extent the changes provide the sponsors necessary short-term relief 57648217.v2

that enhances their ability to pay the actuarially determined contributions both now and in the future, the sustainability of the plan should be enhanced.

Staff recommends approving a 15% carve out of the 2013 Unfunded Actuarial Liability base and amortize the carve out base over 14 years as a level percentage of pay, to extend the amortization period for the remainder of the 2013 UAL base over an additional four year phase-out period, and to approve the new employer contribution rates for FY 2020-2021 for MercedCERA employers.

MERCED COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-02

Trustee Service Appreciation Ms. Darlene Ingersoll

WHEREAS, Ms. Darlene Ingersoll served as a Trustee of the Merced County Employees' Retirement Association from April 19, 2013 through September 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Darlene Ingersoll contributed to the success of MercedCERA by lending her visionary leadership skills and fiduciary responsibilities to the issues before MercedCERA; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Darlene Ingersoll displayed commitment and worked for the interests of all members of MercedCERA throughout her tenure on the Board of Retirement by acting as the elected Chair for many years and actively participating in Board of Retirement business; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Retirement Board and Staff expresses their sincere appreciation for Ms. Ingersoll's dedicated service to the members of Merced County Employee's Retirement Association and to the citizens of Merced County.

Ayes:		
Noes:		
Abstain:		
Absent:		
	Ryan Paskin, Chair	
	Alfonse Peterson, Secretary	

I hereby certify that on the 10th day of September 2020, the Retirement Board of the Merced County Employees' Retirement Association made and adopted this Resolution.

DATE: September 10, 2020

TO: MercedCERA Board of Retirement

FROM: Kristie Santos, Plan Administrator

SUBJECT: MercedCERA Trustee Election for Seat 2 (General Member), per the

Registrar of Voters availability.

ITEM NUMBER: 3

ITEM TYPE: Action

DISCUSSION:

It is being requested to allow the Plan Administrator to work with the Registrar of Voters to have an election for Seat 2 (General Member) according to the Registrar's availability.

The incumbent in Seat 2 (General Member) will be resigning effective today, September 10, 2020 due to a conflict of interest with the Merced County Employees' Board of Retirement. Therefore, it is requested to work with the Registrar of Voters on possible election dates in the future.

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Legislative Review of Proposed Legislation for 1937 Act Systems

2019-2020 Session

August 25, 2020

State Legislation

AB 992, Mullin. Relating to local government.

Re: Repeals and adds section 54952.2 of the Government Code.

Status: Amended July 31, 2020. In Assembly concurrence in Senate amendments pending.

The Ralph M. Brown Act generally requires that the meetings of legislative bodies of local agencies be conducted openly. That act defines "meeting" for purposes of the act and Prohibits a majority of members of a legislative body, outside a meeting authorized by the act, from using a series of communications of any kind to discuss, or take action on any item of business that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body.

This bill would provide that, until January 1, 2026, the prohibition described above does not prevent a member from engaging in separate conversations or communications outside of a meeting authorized by this act with any other person using an internet-based social media platform, as defined,-to answer questions, provide information to the public, or to solicit information from the public regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body, provided that a majority of the members do not use the internet-based social media platform to discuss among themselves, as defined, business of a specific nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body, and that a member shall not respond directly to any communication on an internet-based social media platform regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body that is made, posted, or shared by any other member of the legislative body.

Existing constitutional provisions require that a statute that limits the right of access to the meetings of public bodies or the writings of public officials and agencies be adopted with findings demonstrating the interest protected by the limitation and the need for protecting that interest. This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.

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AB 1945, Salas. Emergency services: first responders.

Re: Adds section 8562 to the Government Code.

Status: In Senate. Read second time. Ordered to third reading on August 10, 2020.

Under existing law, the *California Emergency Services Act*, the Governor is authorized to proclaim a state of emergency, as defined, under specified circumstances. The California Emergency Services Act also authorizes the governing body of a city, county, city and county, or an official designated by ordinance adopted by that governing body, to proclaim a local emergency, as defined.

This bill would, for purposes of the *California Emergency Services Act*, define "first responder" as an employee of the state or a local public agency who provides emergency response services, including a peace officer, firefighter, paramedic, emergency medical technician, public safety dispatcher, or public safety telecommunicator. The bill would provide that the definition of first responder described above does not confer a right to, or entitlement upon, an employee or prospective employee to obtain a retirement benefit formula for an employment classification that is not included in, or is expressly excluded from, that formula, as specified. The bill would prohibit an employer from offering, or indicating an ability to offer to an employee or prospective employee a retirement benefit formula for an employment classification that is not included in, or is expressly excluded from, that formula because of the definition of "first responder."

AB 2226, Voepel and Brough. Personal income taxes: exclusion: retirement pay.

Re: Ads and repeal section 17132.9 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

Status: In Com. on REV. & Tax. Hearing postponed by Committee on March 16, 2020.

The Personal Income Tax Law imposes a tax on individual taxpayers measured by the taxpayer's taxable income for the taxable year, but excludes certain items of income from the computation of tax, including an exclusion for combat-related special compensation.

This bill, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2021, and before January 1, 2031, would exclude from gross income specified amounts of retirement pay received by a taxpayer from the federal government for service performed in the uniformed services, as defined, during the taxable year.

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SB 749, Durazo. California Public Records Act.

Re: Adds section 6254.34 to the Government Code.

Status: In Assembly, notice of intent to remove from inactive file by Assembly Member Gonzalez.

The California Public Records Act requires state and local agencies to make their records available for public inspection, unless an exemption from disclosure applies. Existing law provides that nothing in the act requires the disclosure of corporate proprietary information including trade secrets, among other things.

This bill would provide specified records of private industry employer that are prepared, owned, used, or retained by a public agency are not trade secrets and are public records, including certain records relating to employment terms and conditions of employees working for a private industry employer pursuant to a contract with a public agency, records of compliance with local, state, or federal domestic content requirements, and records of a private industry employer's compliance with job creation, job quality, or job retention obligations contained in a contract or agreement with a state or local agency.

SB 783, Committee on Labor. County Employees' Retirement Law of 1937.

Re: Amends section 31465, 31627.1, 31627.2, and 31631.5 of the Government Code.

Status: In Assembly. Referred to Com. on P.E. & R. on May 16, 2019.

This is a SACRS sponsored bill that would correct several erroneous or obsolete cross-references within the CERL.

SB 931, Wieckowski. Local government meetings: agenda and documents.

Re: Amends section 54954.1 of the Government Code.

Status: Amended March 2, 2020. Re-referred to Com. on GOV. & F.

The California Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires meetings of the legislative body of a local agency to be open and public and also requires regular and special meetings of the legislative body to be held within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction, with specified exceptions. Existing law authorizes a person to request that a copy of an agenda, or a copy of all the documents constituting the agenda packet, of any meeting of a legislative body be mailed to that person.

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This bill would require, if the local agency has an internet website, a legislative body or its designee to email a copy of, or website link to, the agenda or a copy of all the documents constituting the agenda packet if the person requests that the items be delivered by email. The bill would require, where the local agency determines it is technologically infeasible to send a copy of all documents constituting the agenda packet or a website link containing the documents by electronic mail or by other electronic means, the legislative body or its designee to send by electronic mail a copy of the agenda or a website link to the agenda and mail a copy of all other documents constituting the agenda packet in accordance with the mailing requirements. By requiring local agencies to comply with these provisions, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR:

2020:	
Jan. 1	Statutes take effect
Jan. 6	Legislature reconvenes
Jan. 10	Budget must be submitted by Governor
Jan. 24	Last day to submit bill requests to the Office of Legislative Counsel
Feb.21	Last day for bills to be introduced
Apr. 2	Spring Recess begins upon adjournment Apr. 1
Anr 24	Legislature reconvenes from Spring Recess
Apr. 24	Last day for policy committees to hear and report to fiscal committees fiscal bills introduced in their house
May 1	Last day for policy committees to hear and report to the Floor non-fiscal bills introduced
	in their house
May 8	Last day for policy committees to meet prior to June 1
May 15	Last day for fiscal committees to hear and report to the Floor bills introduced in their house. Last day for fiscal committees to meet prior to June 3
May 26 – Ma	
	Floor session only. No committee may meet for any purpose except for Rules Committee and Conference Committees
May 29	Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house
Jun. 15	Budget Bill must be passed by midnight
Jun. 26	Last day for policy committees to hear and report fiscal bills to fiscal committees
Jul. 2	Last day for policy committees to meet and report hills Summer Recess begins on adjournment, provided Budget Bill has been passed
Aug. 3	Legislature reconvenes from Summer Recess
Aug. 14	Last day for fiscal committees to meet and report bills
Aug. 17- 31	Floor session only. No committee may meet for any purpose except Rules Committee, and Conference Committees
Aug. 21	Last day to amend bills on the Floor
Aug. 31	Last day for each house to pass bills Final Recess begins on adjournment
Sep. 30	Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature before Sept.1 and in the Governor's possession on or after Sept. 1 noon
2021:	

Statutes take effect

Jan. 1

Donald B. Gilbert Michael R. Robson Trent E. Smith Jason D. Ikerd Associate

September 3, 2020

TO: State Association of County Retirement Systems

FROM: Mike Robson, Trent Smith, and Bridget McGowan, Edelstein Gilbert

Robson & Smith, LLC

RE: Legislative Update – September 2020

On Monday August 31, the Legislature adjourned for final recess, marking the end of the 2019-2020 legislative session. The 2020 legislative year has been the strangest in modern times. The COVID-19 pandemic has forced legislators out of the Capitol twice this year, once between March and mid-May and once for two weeks at the end of July when two Assemblymembers contracted the virus.

Last Wednesday, Republican Senator Brian Jones tested positive for COVID-19, throwing yet another curveball as the Legislature approached the end of session. While Democrats have been caucusing via zoom, most Republicans have continued meeting in person. They also recently met for an in-person dinner. Consequently, Senate Leadership chose to prevent members who attended those meetings with Senator Jones from attending floor session in person. Instead, members of the Republican caucus, with the exemption of one Senator who did not attend the gatherings, were forced to remain home and vote remotely from there.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, both houses have set procedures for remote voting in anticipation for a scenario like this one. While it has been used in select circumstances, the legality of remote voting has been questioned. It remains to be seen if there will be legal challenges regarding this decision.

Given the decision to quarantine nearly the entire Senate Republican caucus, tensions in the final days of session were high. The last hours of floor session were characterized by unprecedented conflict between Senate Republicans and Democrats, centered primarily around the fact that Republicans, being quarantined as they were, felt restricted in their ability to participate in the proceedings on the Senate floor.

As leadership worked to settle these disagreements, business on the Senate floor was delayed, leaving the house in a time crunch to take up the remaining bills on their agenda before midnight. The impacts of this time delay were also felt in the Assembly, whose members must wait for many bills to be sent over from the Senate for final passage. At the same time, both houses were holding bills hostage and Senate Republicans were accused of stalling to run out the clock.

In the end, due to the conflict in the Senate and bill hostage-taking, the clock struck midnight before several bills were heard on the floor on both houses. The bills that did pass out of both houses will be sent to the Governor who will have 30 days to consider the bills for his signature.

SACRS Sponsored Bill – AB 2101 (Committee on Public Employment and Retirement)

As previously reported, the provisions of the SACRS sponsored bill, SB 783 (Committee on Labor, Public Employment and Retirement), were amended into AB 2101. The bill passed out of the Legislature on August 31 and was sent to the Governor. He is expected to sign the bill.