

ORDINANCE NO. 03-244

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS  
AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN  
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS AND THE  
BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES'  
RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The City Council of the City of Los Altos does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1.

That an amendment to the contract between the City Council of the City of Los Altos and the Board of Administration, California Public Employees' Retirement System, is hereby authorized, a copy of said amendment being attached hereto, marked Exhibit "A", and by such reference made a part hereof as though herein set out in full.

Section 2.

The Mayor is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to execute said amendment for and on behalf of the City of Los Altos.

Section 3.

This ordinance shall take effect 31 days after the date of its adoption, and prior to the expiration of 15 days from the passage thereof, shall be published at least once in the Los Altos Town Crier, a newspaper of general circulation, published and circulated in the City of Los Altos and henceforth and thereafter the same shall be in full force and effect.

The above and foregoing ordinance was duly and properly introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Los Altos held on Tuesday, April 22, 2003, and was thereafter, at a regular meeting of the Los Altos City Council held on Tuesday, May 13, 2003, duly passed and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Casto, Mayor Pro Tem Becker, Councilmembers La Poll, Lear, and Moss

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

  
KRIS CASTO, MAYOR

Attest:

  
CAROL SCHARZ, CITY CLERK



California  
Public Employees' Retirement System

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- A. Paragraphs 1 through 15 are hereby stricken from said contract as executed effective July 22, 2001, and hereby replaced by the following paragraphs numbered 1 through 16 inclusive:
1. All words and terms used herein which are defined in the Public Employees' Retirement Law shall have the meaning as defined therein unless otherwise specifically provided. "Normal retirement age" shall mean age 55 for local miscellaneous members and age 50 for local safety members.
  2. Public Agency shall participate in the Public Employees' Retirement System from and after July 1, 1960 making its employees as hereinafter provided, members of said System subject to all provisions of the Public Employees' Retirement Law except such as apply only on election of a contracting agency and are not provided for herein and to all amendments to said Law hereafter enacted except those, which by express provisions thereof, apply only on the election of a contracting agency.

3. Employees of Public Agency in the following classes shall become members of said Retirement System except such in each such class as are excluded by law or this agreement:
  - a. Local Fire Fighters (herein referred to as local safety members);
  - b. Local Police Officers (herein referred to as local safety members);
  - c. Employees other than local safety members (herein referred to as local miscellaneous members).
4. In addition to the classes of employees excluded from membership by said Retirement Law, the following classes of employees shall not become members of said Retirement System:
  - a. **SLEEPER FIRE FIGHTERS AND SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS HIRED ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 24, 1974.**
5. Prior to January 1, 1975, those members who were hired by Public Agency on a temporary and/or seasonal basis not to exceed 6 months were excluded from PERS membership by contract. Government Code Section 20336 superseded this contract provision by providing that any such temporary and/or seasonal employees are excluded from PERS membership subsequent to January 1, 1975. Legislation repealed and replaced said Section with Government Code Section 20305 effective July 1, 1994.
6. Public Agency and the Los Altos County Fire Protection District have agreed to a merger of their contracts, and this contract shall be a continuation of the benefits of the contract of the Los Altos County Fire Protection District, pursuant to Section 20567.5 of the Government Code. Such merger is effective as of July 1, 1960. Legislation repealed said Section effective January 1, 1988.
7. The percentage of final compensation to be provided for each year of credited prior and current service as a local miscellaneous member in employment before and not on or after the effective date of this amendment to contract shall be determined in accordance with Section 21354 of said Retirement Law (2% at age 55 Full).
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9. The percentage of final compensation to be provided for each year of credited prior and current service as a local fire member shall be determined in accordance with Section 21362 of said Retirement Law (2% at age 50 Full).

10. The percentage of final compensation to be provided for each year of credited prior and current service as a local police member shall be determined in accordance with Section 21362.2 of said Retirement Law (3% at age 50 Full).
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12. Public Agency, in accordance with Government Code Section 20790, ceased to be an "employer" for purposes of Section 20834 effective on October 1, 1977. Accumulated contributions of Public Agency shall be fixed and determined as provided in Government Code Section 20834, and accumulated contributions thereafter shall be held by the Board as provided in Government Code Section 20834.
13. Public Agency shall contribute to said Retirement System the contributions determined by actuarial valuations of prior and future service liability with respect to local miscellaneous members and local safety members of said Retirement System.
14. Public Agency shall also contribute to said Retirement System as follows:
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b. A reasonable amount, as fixed by the Board, payable in one installment within 60 days of date of contract to cover the costs of administering said System as it affects the employees of Public Agency, not including the costs of special valuations or of the periodic investigation and valuations required by law.

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B. This amendment shall be effective on the 13th day of June, 2003.

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION  
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

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CITY OF LOS ALTOS

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
KENNETH W. MARZION, CHIEF  
ACTUARIAL & EMPLOYER SERVICES DIVISION  
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

BY Kris Cash  
PRESIDING OFFICER

5-14-03  
Witness Date

Attest:

Carol Schary  
Clerk



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