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Meeting of the Legal & Personnel Subcommittee of the State Employees Retirement Commission

DATE: November 13, 2024

PRESENT:

Chairman Peter Adomeit
Trustee Michael Carey
Trustee Brian Hill
Trustee Sal Luciano
Commission Counsel Michael J. Rose (Rose Kallor, LLP)
Commission Counsel Cindy Cieslak (Rose Kallor, LLP)
Commission Tax Counsel Virginia McGarrity (Robinson & Cole LLP)
John Herrington, Retirement Services Division Director
Robert Helfand, Retirement Services Division Assistant Director
Benjamin Sedrowski, Retirement Services Division
Yamuna Menon, General Counsel and Assistant Comptroller

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. Those present were identified by Ms. Cieslak.

At 8:35 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Hill to remove Item 1 regarding Roderick Porter's petition for declaratory ruling from the agenda. All voted in favor.

At 8:35 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Hill to approve the agenda as amended. All voted in favor.

Executive Session – discussion and possible recommendation

- 1. Roderick Porter petition for declaratory ruling written legal opinion.
- 2. Joseph Treusch request for reconsideration written legal opinion.
- 3. Town of Redding CMERS participation written legal opinion.
- 4. Patrick Butler v. SERC pending litigation.
- 5. SERC v. Town of Ellington pending litigation.

At 8:35 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Hill to suspend the regular meeting and go into executive session for the purposes of discussing Items 2-5. Cindy Cieslak, Robert Helfand, Virginia McGarrity, Yam Menon, Michael Rose, and Benjamin Sedrowski were invited by the Subcommittee to enter executive session for Items 2-5 because they may give opinions or factual background with respect to the topics at issue. All voted in favor.

At 8:50 a.m., Mr. Herrington entered the meeting and was invited into executive session.

At 8:52 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Hill to exit executive session. All voted in favor.

Public Session

At 8:52 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Hill that the Subcommittee recommend that the Commission direct the Subcommittee on Overpayments and Regulations to review Mr. Treusch's request for reconsideration because he has new information. There was discussion that the Division would continue with the repayment plan while the matter was pending. There was further discussion clarifying that the Overpayments Subcommittee would be the appropriate subcommittee to determine if reconsideration is warranted, and if so, review the request. All voted in favor.

At 8:54 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Hill that the Subcommittee recommend that the Commission approve the Agreement with the Town of Redding. All voted in favor.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before the Subcommittee, at 8:54 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Hill to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Carey