



City of Cooper City Firefighters' Pension Fund

December 22, 2025

Via Email: TAllen@CooperCity.gov

City of Cooper City
Tedra Allen, MMC, City Clerk
9090 SW 50th Place
Cooper City, FL 33328

Re: *City of Cooper City Firefighters' Retirement Plan - Trustee Terms and Appointments*

Dear Ms. Allen:

At the most recent meeting of the Board of Trustees for the City of Cooper City Firefighters' Retirement Plan ("Retirement Plan"), the Board reviewed the status of trustee terms. It was noted that all trustee terms had expired.

The provisions of Florida Statutes, Chapter 175.061(a) provide that, "The membership of the board of trustees for a chapter plan consists of five members, two of whom, unless otherwise prohibited by law, must be legal residents of the municipality or special fire control district and must be appointed by the governing body of the municipality or special fire control district..."

As you are aware, the Retirement Plan is a closed plan with only a handful of active members remaining and consequently has had difficulty maintaining its Board. Each of the respective City appointees have served the participants and beneficiaries exceptionally well and their institutional knowledge is invaluable at this point. It would pose serious hardships and unnecessary expenses should new unexperienced trustees be appointed at a time when the Retirement Plan is effectively winding down.

At this time, the Board is requesting that the City take action at a future Council meeting to reappoint **Samuel Saad** and **Greg Butler** to continue serving in their respective trustee positions.

Thank you for your consideration and prompt attention to this matter ensuring compliance with state statute and continued receipt of the Retirement Plan's premium tax monies.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. Bufalo", written in a cursive style.

Michael Bufalo, Chairman