

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-127

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE CALPERS INDUSTRIAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT FOR POLICE OFFICER OMAR MONDRAGON

WHEREAS, the City of Escondido (the "City") is a contracting agency of the California Public Employees' Retirement System ("CalPERS"); and

WHEREAS, the California Public Employees' Retirement Law (Government Code Section § 20000 et seq.) ("California law") requires that the City determine whether an employee classified as a local safety member is disabled for purpose of the California law and whether such disability is "industrial" within the meaning of such law; and

WHEREAS, Omar Mondragon ("Employee") filed an application with CalPERS on July 13, 2023, for an Industrial Disability Retirement due to an orthopedic injury of the right shoulder/bicep/pectoralis; and

WHEREAS, the Employee, is employed by the City in the position of Police Officer; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Escondido has reviewed the medical and other evidence relevant to this industrial disability.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Escondido, California, as follows:

1. That the above recitations are true.

2. That the City Council does hereby find and determine that Employee is incapacitated within the meaning of the California Public Employees' Retirement Law for performance of his duties in the position of Police Officer.

3. That the City Council certifies Resolution No. 2023-127 in accordance with Government Code Section § 21156, that this determination was made on the basis of competent medical opinion, and was not used as a substitute for the disciplinary process.

4. That the Employee had filed a Workers' Compensation claim for his disabling condition. The City accepted the Employee's Workers' Compensation claim.

5. That neither Employee nor the City of Escondido has applied to the Worker's Compensation Appeals Board for a determination pursuant to Government Code Section § 21166 whether such disability is industrial.

6. That the Employee's retirement date will be effective September 14, 2023, and his last day on paid status is September 13, 2023.

7. That there is not a possibility of third-party liability.

8. That the City will make monthly Advanced Disability Pension Payments of \$5,210.75, beginning October 1, 2023, until CalPERS begins making retirement payments. The City will also make a one-time advance disability payment of \$2,952.76, for the remaining seventeen days of September 2023. CalPERS will send the reimbursement check to: City of Escondido Workers' Compensation Department 201 N. Broadway Escondido, CA 92025.

9. That the primary disabling condition is an orthopedic injury to his right shoulder/bicep/pectoralis, and such injury arose out of and in the course of employment.

10. That there is competent medical opinion certifying the disabling condition to be permanent.

11. That based on information and belief, and on the information provided by City staff, the

City Council certifies under penalty of perjury that all statements in this Resolution are true and correct.