

## **MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON FIREFIGHTERS' RELIEF AND RETIREMENT FUND**

A special meeting of the Houston Firefighters' Relief and Retirement Fund (HFRRF) Board of Trustees convened at the Fund offices at 4225 Interwood North Parkway on Thursday, June 10, 2010, at 10:52 a.m.

Trustees present were Todd E. Clark (Chair), Harold W. McDonald (Vice Chair), Ted Downing (Secretary), Kevin Brolan, Gary M. Vincent, Francis "Frank" X. Maher, Dr. Robert Stobaugh, Craig T. Mason and Albertino Mays. Trustee absent was Helen Huey. Others present were staff members Christopher Gonzales (Executive Director/Chief Investment Officer), Jonathan W. Needle (Chief Legal Officer) and Glenna Hicks (Deputy Director of Member Services).

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:52 a.m.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance and observed a moment of silence.

The Chair invited comments from the public.

The Chair discussed the substance of a meeting held on Tuesday, May 25, 2010 between representatives of the pension Fund and the Houston Professional Fire Fighters Association - Local 341. The meeting concerned statements from local 341 officials about the scope of its collective bargaining, in particular about pension-related matters being eligible for negotiation under collective bargaining with the City. The Chair also affirmed that Houston firefighter pension and union matters remain separate. The Chair then stated that some Union Executive Board members appear to believe that provisions of Texas Local Government Code 174 permit the Union to negotiate pension benefits.

The Chief Legal Officer discussed the nature of the Fund's statute in connection with a review of various sections of the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 174.

The Chair announced that the Board was going into closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071 to receive confidential advice of legal counsel.

The Board went into closed session at 11:20 a.m.

The Board resumed open session at 12:05 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m. on a motion by Harold W. McDonald, seconded by Ted Downing. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Downing  
Secretary