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ISHPEMING, CITY OF (5204)



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Ishpeming, City of

In care of:
Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan
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This report presents the results of the Annual Actuarial Valuation, prepared as of December 31, 2017. The report includes the determination of liabilities and contribution rates resulting from the participation of Ishpeming, City of (5204) in the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan ("MERS"). MERS is an independent, professional retirement services company that was created to administer retirement plans for Michigan municipalities on a not-for-profit basis. This report contains the minimum actuarially determined contribution requirement, in alignment with the MERS Plan Documents, funding policy and Michigan Constitution. Ishpeming, City of is responsible for the employer contributions needed to provide MERS benefits for its employees and former employees under the Michigan Constitution and the MERS Plan Document.

The purpose of the December 31, 2017 annual actuarial valuation is to:

- Measure funding progress
- Establish contribution requirements for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019
- Provide actuarial information in connection with applicable Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) statements

This valuation report should not be relied upon for any other purpose. Reliance on information contained in this report by anyone for anything other than the intended purpose could be misleading.

The valuation uses financial data, plan provision data, and participant data as of December 31, 2017 furnished by MERS. In accordance with Actuarial Standards of Practice No. 23, the data was checked for internal and year to year consistency as well as general reasonableness, but was not otherwise audited. CBIZ Retirement Plan Services does not assume responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of the data used in this valuation.

The actuarial assumptions and methods are adopted by the MERS Retirement Board, and are reviewed every five years in an Experience Study. The most recent study was completed in 2015. Please refer to the division-specific assumptions described in table(s) in this report, and to the Appendix on the MERS website at:

www.mersofmich.com/Portals/0/Assets/Resources/AAV-Appendix/MERS-2017AnnualActuarialValuation-Appendix.pdf.



The actuarial assumptions used for this valuation produce results that we believe are reasonable.

To the best of our knowledge, this report is complete and accurate, was prepared in conformity with generally recognized actuarial principles and practices, with the Actuarial Standards of Practice issued by the Actuarial Standards Board, and is in compliance with Act No. 220 of the Public Acts of 1996, as amended, and the MERS Plan Document as revised. All of the undersigned are members of the American Academy of Actuaries (MAAA), and meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion contained herein. The Retirement Board of the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan confirms that the System provides for payment of the required employer contribution as described in Section 20m of Act No. 314 of 1965 (MCL 38.1140m).

This information is purely actuarial in nature. It is not intended to serve as a substitute for legal, accounting or investment advice.

This report was prepared at the request of the Retirement Board and may be provided only in its entirety by the municipality to other interested parties (MERS customarily provides the full report on request to associated third parties such as the auditor for the municipality). CBIZ Retirement Plan Services is not responsible for the consequences of any unauthorized use.

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Sincerely,

Cathy Nagy, MAAA, FSA
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Executive Summary

Funded Ratio and Required Employer Contributions

The MERS Defined Benefit Plan is an agent multiple-employer plan, meaning that assets are pooled for investment purposes but separate accounts are maintained for each individual employer. Each municipality is responsible for their own plan liabilities; MERS does not borrow from one municipality's account to pay for another.

The funded ratio of a plan is the percentage of the dollar value of the accrued benefits that is covered by the actuarial value of assets.

Your Funded Ratio:

	12/31/2017 *	12/31/2016
Funded Ratio	51%	52%

* Reflects assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

Michigan Law requires that pension plans be pre-funded, meaning money is set aside now to pay for future benefits. Pension plans are usually funded by employer and employee contributions, and investment income.

How quickly a plan attains the 100% funding goal depends on many factors such as:

- The current funded ratio
- The future experience of the plan
- The amortization period

It is more important to look at the trend in the funded ratio over a period of time than at a particular point in time.

Your Required Employer Contributions:

Your computed employer contributions are shown in the following table. Employee contributions, if any, are in addition to the computed employer contributions. Changes to the assumptions and methods based on the 2015 Experience Study were first reflected in the December 31, 2015 valuations. The impact of these changes is being phased-in over a 5 year period. The phase-in allows the employer to spread the impact of the new assumptions over 5 fiscal years. This valuation reflects the third year of the phase-in.

Your minimum required contribution is the amount in the "Phase-in" columns. By default, MERS will invoice you the phased-in contribution amount, but strongly encourages you to contribute more than the minimum required contribution. If for 2018 your municipality is making employer contributions based on rates without the phase-in applied, contact MERS to ensure the No Phase-in rate is used again for 2019 and not the defaulted phase-in rates.

	Percentage of Payroll				Monthly \$ Based on Projected Payroll			
	Phase-in	No Phase-in	Phase-in	No Phase-in	Phase-in	No Phase-in	Phase-in	No Phase-in
Valuation Date:	12/31/2017	12/31/2017	12/31/2016	12/31/2016	12/31/2017	12/31/2017	12/31/2016	12/31/2016
Fiscal Year Beginning:	January 1, 2019	January 1, 2019	January 1, 2018	January 1, 2018	January 1, 2019	January 1, 2019	January 1, 2018	January 1, 2018
Division								
01 - CI & Pub Wks	41.06%	43.15%	37.94%	41.08%	\$ 37,536	\$ 39,450	\$ 34,735	\$ 37,606
10 - Supervisory	53.95%	56.30%	51.41%	55.09%	7,376	7,698	6,748	7,231
11 - Union/Supervisor	97.15%	101.08%	95.83%	102.25%	12,272	12,768	11,112	11,856
Municipality Total					\$ 57,184	\$ 59,916	\$ 52,595	\$ 56,693

Employee contribution rates reflected in the valuations are shown below:

Valuation Date:	Employee Contribution Rate	
	12/31/2017	12/31/2016
Division		
01 - CI & Pub Wks	5.41%	5.39%
10 - Supervisory	7.51%	7.51%
11 - Union/Supervisor	9.70%	9.70%

The employer may contribute more than the minimum required contributions, as these additional contributions will earn investment income and may result in lower future contribution requirements. Employers making contributions in excess of the minimum requirements may elect to apply the excess contribution immediately to a particular division, or segregate the excess into one or more of what MERS calls "Surplus" divisions. An election in the first case would immediately reduce any unfunded accrued liability and lower the amortization payments throughout the remaining amortization period. An election to set up Surplus divisions would not immediately lower future contributions, however the

assets from the Surplus divisions could be transferred to an unfunded division in the future to reduce the unfunded liability in future years, or to be used to pay all or a portion of the minimum required contribution in a future year. For purposes of this report, the assets in any Surplus division have been included in the municipality's total assets, unfunded accrued liability and funded status, however, these assets are not used in calculating the minimum required contribution.

MERS strongly encourages employers to contribute more than the minimum contribution shown above.

Assuming that experience of the plan meets actuarial assumptions:

- To accelerate to a 100% funding ratio in 10 years, estimated monthly employer contributions for the fiscal year beginning in 2019 for the entire employer would be \$95,864, instead of \$59,916.

If you are interested in making additional contributions, please contact MERS and they can assist you with evaluating your options.

How and Why Do These Numbers Change?

In a defined benefit plan, contributions vary from one annual actuarial valuation to the next as a result of the following:

- Changes in benefit provisions (see Table 2)
- Changes in actuarial assumptions and methods (see the [Appendix](#))
- Experience of the plan (investment experience and demographic experience); this is the difference between actual experience of the plan and the actuarial assumptions. For example:
 - o Lower actual investment returns would result in higher required employer contributions, and vice-versa.
 - o Smaller than assumed pay increases would lower required employer contributions.
 - o Reductions in the number of active employees would lower required contribution dollars, but would usually increase the contribution rate expressed as a percentage of (the now lower) payroll.
 - o Retirements at earlier ages than assumed would usually increase required employer contributions.
 - o More non-vested terminations of employment than assumed would decrease required contributions.
 - o More disabilities or survivor (death) benefits than assumed would increase required contributions.
 - o Longer lifetimes after retirement than assumed would increase required employer contributions.

Actuarial valuations do not affect the ultimate cost of the plan; the benefit payments (current and future) determine the cost of the plan. Actuarial valuations only affect the timing of the contributions into the plan. Because assumptions are for the long term, plan experience will not match the actuarial

assumptions in any given year (except by coincidence). Each annual actuarial valuation will adjust the required employer contributions up or down based on the prior year's actual experience.

Comments on Investment Return Assumption and Asset Smoothing

A defined benefit plan is funded by employer contributions, participant contributions, and investment earnings. Investment earnings have historically provided **more than half** of the funding. The larger the share of benefits being provided from investment returns, the smaller the required contributions, and vice versa. Determining the contributions required to prefund the promised retirement benefits requires an assumption of what investment earnings are expected to add to the fund over a long period of time. This is called the **Investment Return Assumption**.

The MERS Investment Return Assumption is **7.75%** per year. This, along with all of our other actuarial assumptions, is reviewed every five years in an Experience Study that compares the assumptions used against actual experience and recommends adjustments if necessary. If your municipality would like to explore contributions at lower investment return assumptions, please review the budget projection scenarios later in this report.

To avoid dramatic spikes and dips in annual contribution requirements due to short term fluctuations in asset markets, MERS applies a technique called **asset smoothing**. This spreads out each year's investment gains or losses over the prior year and the following four years. This smoothing method is used to determine your actuarial value of assets (valuation assets), which is then used to determine both your funded ratio and your required contributions. The (smoothed) **actuarial rate of return for 2017 was 6.08%, while the actual market rate of return was 13.07%**. To see historical details of the market rate of return, compared to the smoothed actuarial rate of return, refer to this report's [Appendix](#), or visit our [Defined Benefit resource page](#) on the MERS website.

As of December 31, 2017 the actuarial value of assets is 101% of market value due to asset smoothing. This means that meeting the actuarial assumption in the next few years will require average annual market returns that exceed the 7.75% investment return assumption, or contribution requirements will continue to increase.

If the December 31, 2017 valuation results were based on market value instead of the actuarial value:

- The funded percent of your entire municipality would be 51% (instead of 51%); and
- Your total employer contribution requirement for the fiscal year starting January 1, 2019 would be \$726,264 (instead of \$718,992).

Risk Characteristics of Defined Benefit Plans

It is important to understand that Defined Benefit retirement plans, the plan sponsor, and the plan participants are exposed to certain risks. While risks cannot be eliminated entirely, they can be managed through various strategies. Below are a few examples of risk (this is not an all-inclusive list):

- Economic - investment return, wage inflation, etc.
- Demographic - longevity, disability, retirement, etc.
- Plan Sponsor and Employees - contribution volatility, attract/retain employees, etc.

The MERS Retirement Board adopts certain assumptions and methods to manage the economic and demographic risks, and the contribution volatility risks. For example, the investment risk is the largest economic risk and is managed by having a balanced portfolio and a clearly defined investment strategy. Demographic risks are managed by preparing special studies called experience studies on a regular basis to determine if the assumptions used are reasonable compared to the experience. An Experience Study is completed every five years to review the assumptions and methods. The next Experience Study will be completed in 2020.

Risk can also be managed through a plan design that provides benefits that are sustainable in the long run.

The Actuarial Standards Board has issued Actuarial Standards of Practice (ASOP) No. 51. This standard will be effective for any actuarial work with a measurement date on or after November 1, 2018. This means, the December 31, 2018 and later annual actuarial valuation reports for MERS will have to comply with this standard. This standard will require the actuary to identify risks that, in the actuary's professional judgment may significantly impact the plan's future financial condition. The actuary will have to assess the potential effects of the identified risks on the plan's future financial condition. The assessment may or may not be based on numerical calculations. However, the assessment should reflect the specifics of the plan (i.e. funded status, plan demographics, funding policy, etc.). If the actuary concludes that numerical calculations are necessary to assess the risk, the actuary can use various methods to quantify the risk such as scenario tests, sensitivity tests, stress tests, etc.

Some of these risk assessment measures have already been incorporated in the MERS annual valuation reports. For example, the projections of funded percentage and employer contributions shown on the following pages could be used to gauge the risk associated with long term investment rates of return different than the assumed 7.75% annual rate. A history of the municipality's funded percentage as shown in Table 7, could indicate the trend in funded status over time.

Alternate Scenarios to Estimate the Potential Volatility of Results ("What If Scenarios")

The calculations in this report are based on assumptions about long-term economic and demographic behavior. These assumptions will never materialize in a given year, except by coincidence. Therefore

the results will vary from one year to the next. The volatility of the results depends upon the characteristics of the plan. For example:

- Open divisions that have substantial assets compared to their active employee payroll will have more volatile employer contribution rates due to investment return fluctuations.
- Open divisions that have substantial accrued liability compared to their active employee payroll will have more volatile employer contribution rates due to demographic experience fluctuations.
- Small divisions will have more volatile contribution patterns than larger divisions because statistical fluctuations are relatively larger among small populations.
- Shorter amortization periods result in more volatile contribution patterns.

The analysis in this section is intended to review the potential volatility of the actuarial valuation results. It is important to note that calculations in this report are mathematical estimates based upon assumptions regarding future events, which may or may not materialize. Actuarial calculations can and do vary from one valuation to the next, sometimes significantly depending on the group's size.

Many assumptions are important in determining the required employer contributions. In the table below, we show the impact of varying the Investment Return Assumption. Lower investment returns would result in higher required employer contributions, and vice-versa.

The relative impact of each investment return scenario below will vary from year to year, as the participant demographics change. The impact of each scenario should be analyzed for a given year, not from year to year. The results in the table are based on the December 31, 2017 valuation, and are for the municipality in total, not by division. These results do not reflect a 5-year phase in of the impact of the new actuarial assumptions.

	Assumed Future Annual Smoothed Investment Return Assumption			
	Lower Future Annual Returns		Valuation Assumption	Higher Returns
	5.75%	6.75%	7.75%	8.75%
12/31/2017 Valuation Results				
Accrued Liability	\$ 21,028,279	\$ 18,716,529	\$ 16,797,445	\$ 15,188,919
Valuation Assets ¹	\$ 8,578,370	\$ 8,578,370	\$ 8,578,370	\$ 8,578,370
Unfunded Accrued Liability	\$ 12,449,909	\$ 10,138,159	\$ 8,219,075	\$ 6,610,549
Funded Ratio	41%	46%	51%	57%
Monthly Normal Cost	\$ 22,732	\$ 16,214	\$ 11,358	\$ 7,685
Monthly Amortization Payment	\$ 61,077	\$ 54,452	\$ 48,558	\$ 42,057
Total Employer Contribution²	\$ 83,809	\$ 70,666	\$ 59,916	\$ 49,742

¹ The Valuation Assets include assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

² If assets exceed accrued liabilities for a division, the division's amortization payment is negative and is used to reduce the division's employer contribution requirement. If the overfunding credit is larger than the normal cost, the division's full credit is included in the municipality's amortization payment above but the division's total contribution requirement is zero. This can cause the displayed normal cost and amortization payment to not add up to the displayed total employer contribution.

Projection Scenarios

The next two pages show projections of the plan's funded ratio and computed employer contributions under the actuarial assumptions used in the valuation and alternate assumed long-term investment return assumption scenarios. All four projections take into account the past investment losses that will continue to affect the actuarial rate of return in the short term. Under the 7.75% scenarios in the table on the next page, two sets of projections are shown:

- Based on the phase-in over 5 fiscal years (beginning in 2017) of the increased contribution requirements associated with the new actuarial assumptions. This projects your minimum required contribution.
- Based on no phase-in of the increased contribution requirements.

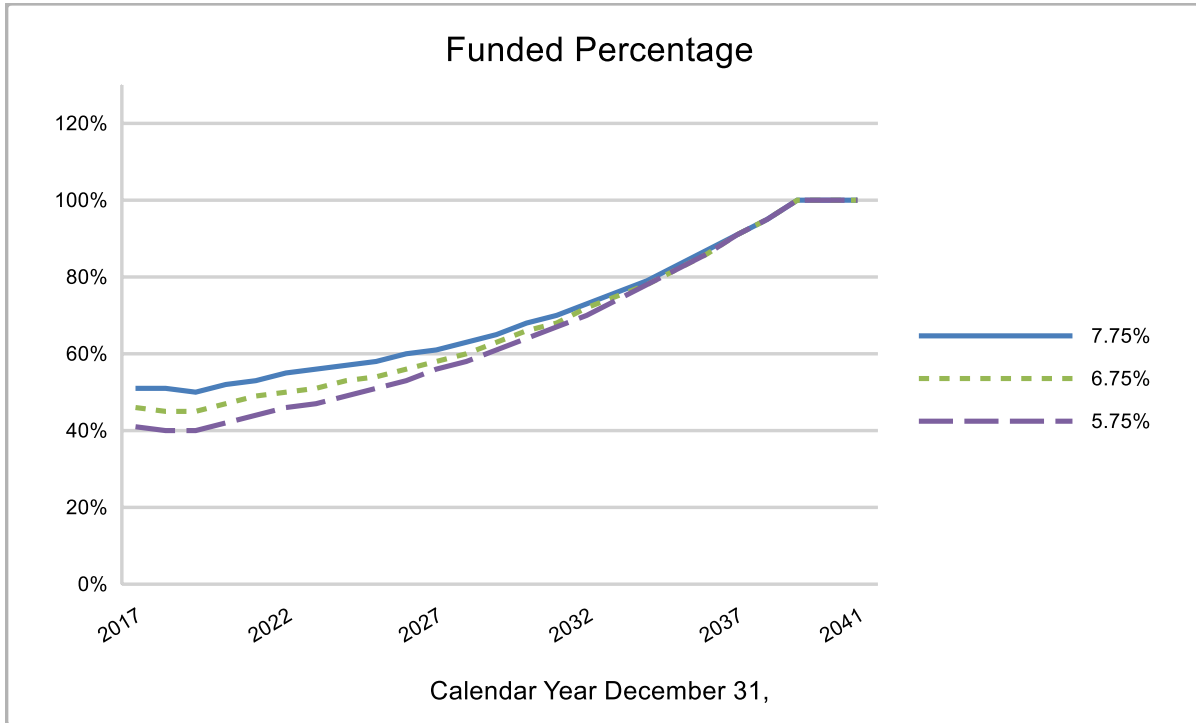
The 7.75% scenarios provide an estimate of computed employer contributions based on current actuarial assumptions, and a projected 7.75% market return. The other two scenarios may be useful if the municipality chooses to budget more conservatively, and make contributions in addition to the minimum requirements. The 6.75% and 5.75% projections provide an indication of the potential required employer contribution if MERS were to realize annual investment returns of 6.75% and 5.75% over the long-term.

The projections are shown both in tabular and graphical form in total for the employer. The tables show projections for six years. The graphs show projections for twenty five years.

Valuation Year Ending 12/31	Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1	Actuarial Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets ²	Funded Percentage	Computed Annual Employer Contribution
7.75%¹					
WITH 5-YEAR PHASE-IN					
2017	2019	\$ 16,797,445	\$ 8,578,370	51%	\$ 686,208
2018	2020	17,100,000	8,660,000	51%	744,000
2019	2021	17,500,000	8,790,000	50%	804,000
2020	2022	17,900,000	9,220,000	52%	825,000
2021	2023	18,200,000	9,690,000	53%	848,000
2022	2024	18,600,000	10,100,000	54%	880,000
NO 5-YEAR PHASE-IN					
2017	2019	\$ 16,797,445	\$ 8,578,370	51%	\$ 718,992
2018	2020	17,100,000	8,660,000	51%	758,000
2019	2021	17,500,000	8,830,000	50%	800,000
2020	2022	17,900,000	9,280,000	52%	821,000
2021	2023	18,200,000	9,740,000	53%	844,000
2022	2024	18,600,000	10,100,000	55%	875,000
6.75%¹					
NO 5-YEAR PHASE-IN					
2017	2019	\$ 18,716,529	\$ 8,578,370	46%	\$ 847,992
2018	2020	19,100,000	8,580,000	45%	904,000
2019	2021	19,500,000	8,790,000	45%	951,000
2020	2022	19,900,000	9,290,000	47%	978,000
2021	2023	20,300,000	9,820,000	49%	1,010,000
2022	2024	20,600,000	10,300,000	50%	1,050,000
5.75%¹					
NO 5-YEAR PHASE-IN					
2017	2019	\$ 21,028,279	\$ 8,578,370	41%	\$ 1,005,708
2018	2020	21,400,000	8,500,000	40%	1,070,000
2019	2021	21,800,000	8,770,000	40%	1,120,000
2020	2022	22,300,000	9,370,000	42%	1,160,000
2021	2023	22,700,000	9,990,000	44%	1,200,000
2022	2024	23,100,000	10,600,000	46%	1,240,000

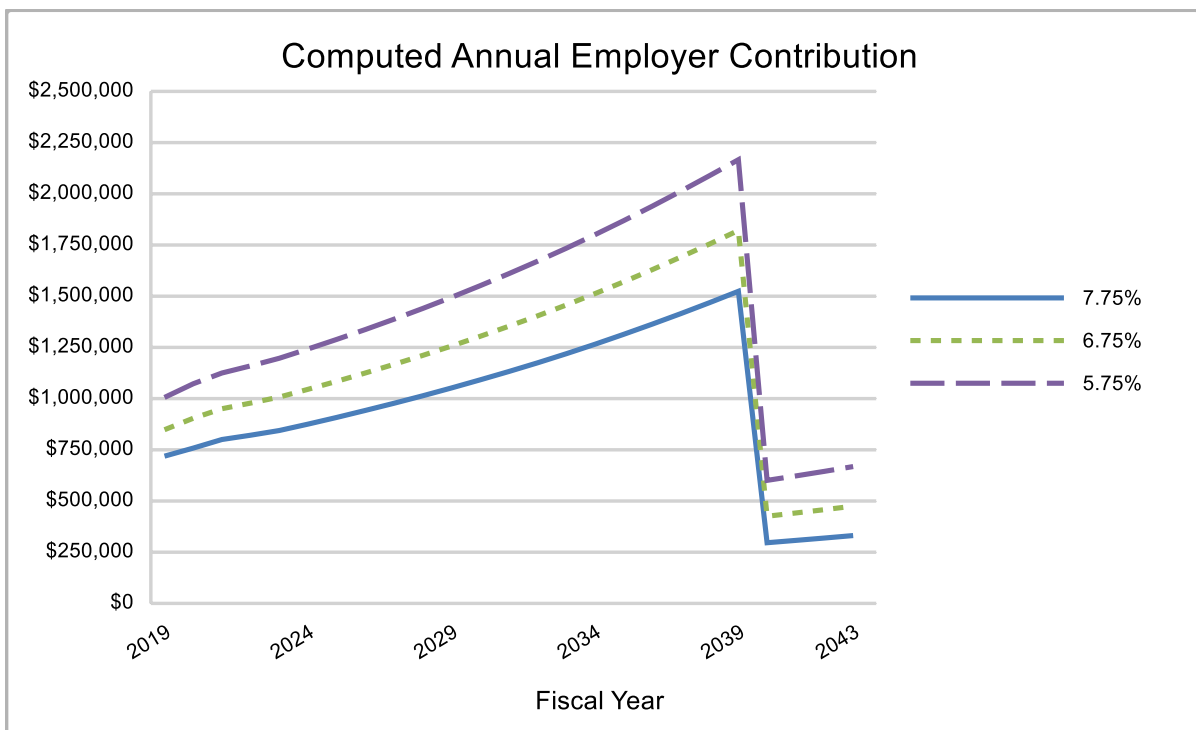
¹ Represents both the interest rate for discounting liabilities and the future investment return assumption on the Market Value of assets.

² Valuation Assets do not include assets from Surplus divisions, if any.



Notes:

All projected funded percentages are shown with no phase-in.



Notes:

All projected contributions are shown with no phase-in.

Employer Contribution Details For the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2019

Table 1

Division	Total Normal Cost	Employee Contribut. Rate	Employer Contributions ¹			Computed Employer Contribut. With Phase-In	Blended ER Rate No Phase-In ⁵	Blended ER Rate With Phase-In ⁵	Employee Contribut. Conversion Factor ²
			Employer Normal Cost	Payment of the Unfunded Accrued Liability ⁴	Computed Employer Contribut. No Phase-In				
Percentage of Payroll									
01 - CI & Pub Wks	15.52%	5.41%	10.11%	33.04%	43.15%	41.06%			0.82%
10 - Supervisory	17.36%	7.51%	9.85%	46.45%	56.30%	53.95%			0.86%
11 - Union/Supervisor	15.78%	9.70%	6.08%	95.00%	101.08%	97.15%			0.86%
Estimated Monthly Contribution³									
01 - CI & Pub Wks			\$ 9,243	\$ 30,207	\$ 39,450	\$ 37,536			
10 - Supervisory			1,347	6,351	7,698	7,376			
11 - Union/Supervisor			768	12,000	12,768	12,272			
Total Municipality			\$ 11,358	\$ 48,558	\$ 59,916	\$ 57,184			
Estimated Annual Contribution³			\$ 136,296	\$ 582,696	\$ 718,992	\$ 686,208			

¹ The above employer contribution requirements are in addition to the employee contributions, if any.

² If employee contributions are increased/decreased by 1.00% of pay, the employer contribution requirement will decrease/increase by the Employee Contribution Conversion Factor. The conversion factor is usually under 1%, because employee contributions may be refunded at termination of employment, and not used to fund retirement pensions. Employer contributions will all be used to fund pensions.

³ For divisions that are open to new hires, estimated contributions are based on projected fiscal year payroll. Actual contributions will be based on actual reported monthly pays, and will be different from the above amounts. For divisions that will have no new hires (i.e. closed divisions), invoices will be based on the above dollar amounts which are based on projected fiscal year payroll. See description of Open Divisions and Closed Divisions in the [Appendix](#).

⁴ If projected assets exceed projected liabilities as of the beginning of the January 1, 2019 fiscal year, the negative unfunded accrued liability is treated as overfunding credit and is used to reduce the contribution. This amortization is used to reduce the employer contribution rate. Note that if the overfunding credit is larger than the normal cost, the full credit is shown above but the total contribution requirement is zero. This will cause the displayed normal cost and unfunded accrued liability contributions to not add across.

⁵ For linked divisions, the employer will be invoiced the Computed Employer Contribution with Phase-in rate shown above for each linked division (a contribution rate for the open division; a contribution dollar for the closed-but-linked division), unless the employer elects to contribute the Blended Employer Contribution rate shown above, by contacting MERS at 800-767-MERS (6377).

Please see the Comments on Asset Smoothing in the Executive Summary of this report.

Benefit Provisions

Table 2

01 - CI & Pub Wks: Open Division

	2017 Valuation	2016 Valuation
Benefit Multiplier:	2.50% Multiplier (80% max)	2.50% Multiplier (80% max)
Normal Retirement Age:	60	60
Vesting:	10 years	10 years
Early Retirement (Unreduced):	50/25	50/25
Early Retirement (Reduced):	55/15	55/15
Final Average Compensation:	3 years	3 years
COLA for Future Retirees:	2.50% (Non-Compound)	2.50% (Non-Compound)
Employee Contributions:	5.41%	5.39%
Act 88:	Yes (Adopted 2/3/1965)	Yes (Adopted 2/3/1965)

10 - Supervisory: Open Division

	2017 Valuation	2016 Valuation
Benefit Multiplier:	2.50% Multiplier (80% max)	2.50% Multiplier (80% max)
Normal Retirement Age:	60	60
Vesting:	10 years	10 years
Early Retirement (Unreduced):	50/25	50/25
Early Retirement (Reduced):	55/15	55/15
Final Average Compensation:	3 years	3 years
COLA for Future Retirees:	2.50% (Non-Compound)	2.50% (Non-Compound)
Employee Contributions:	7.51%	7.51%
Act 88:	Yes (Adopted 2/3/1965)	Yes (Adopted 2/3/1965)

11 - Union/Supervisor: Open Division

	2017 Valuation	2016 Valuation
Benefit Multiplier:	2.50% Multiplier (80% max)	2.50% Multiplier (80% max)
Normal Retirement Age:	60	60
Vesting:	10 years	10 years
Early Retirement (Unreduced):	50/25	50/25
Early Retirement (Reduced):	55/15	55/15
Final Average Compensation:	3 years	3 years
COLA for Future Retirees:	2.50% (Non-Compound)	2.50% (Non-Compound)
Employee Contributions:	9.70%	9.70%
Act 88:	Yes (Adopted 2/3/1965)	Yes (Adopted 2/3/1965)

Participant Summary

Table 3

Division	2017 Valuation		2016 Valuation		2017 Valuation		
	Number	Annual Payroll ¹	Number	Annual Payroll ¹	Average Age	Average Benefit Service ²	Average Eligibility Service ²
01 - CI & Pub Wks							
Active Employees	22	\$ 1,019,173	22	\$ 1,020,466	42.7	10.4	10.5
Vested Former Employees	3	29,937	3	29,937	53.4	13.4	13.4
Retirees and Beneficiaries	31	673,019	29	614,861	66.9		
10 - Supervisory							
Active Employees	3	\$ 152,427	3	\$ 146,324	40.0	5.8	14.4
Vested Former Employees	1	15,278	1	15,278	53.0	12.8	12.8
Retirees and Beneficiaries	5	142,341	5	139,468	67.1		
11 - Union/Supervisor							
Active Employees	2	\$ 140,820	2	\$ 129,267	38.1	7.8	7.8
Vested Former Employees	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Retirees and Beneficiaries	5	234,471	5	229,869	69.9		
Total Municipality							
Active Employees	27	\$ 1,312,420	27	\$ 1,296,057	42.1	9.7	10.7
Vested Former Employees	4	45,215	4	45,215	53.3	13.3	13.3
Retirees and Beneficiaries	41	1,049,831	39	984,198	67.3		
Total Participants	72		70				

¹ Annual payroll for active employees; annual deferred benefits payable for vested former employees; annual benefits being paid for retirees and beneficiaries.

² Description can be found under Miscellaneous and Technical Assumptions in the [Appendix](#).

Reported Assets (Market Value)

Table 4

Division	2017 Valuation		2016 Valuation	
	Employer and Retiree ¹	Employee ²	Employer and Retiree ¹	Employee ²
01 - CI & Pub Wks	\$ 5,927,624	\$ 643,921	\$ 5,328,847	\$ 694,372
10 - Supervisory	866,323	147,597	807,630	133,998
11 - Union/Supervisor	782,671	114,205	781,685	99,268
Municipality Total	\$ 7,576,618	\$ 905,723	\$ 6,918,162	\$ 927,638
Combined Assets	\$8,482,341		\$7,845,800	

¹ Reserve for Employer Contributions and Benefit Payments

² Reserve for Employee Contributions

The December 31, 2017 valuation assets (actuarial value of assets) are equal to 1.011321 times the reported market value of assets (compared to 1.077095 as of December 31, 2016). The derivation of valuation assets is described, and detailed calculations of valuation assets are shown, in the [Appendix](#).

Flow of Valuation Assets

Table 5

Year Ended 12/31	Employer Contributions		Employee Contributions	Investment Income (Valuation Assets)	Benefit Payments	Employee Contribution Refunds	Net Transfers	Valuation Asset Balance
	Required	Additional						
2007	\$ 233,195		\$ 74,896	\$ 598,858	\$ (524,893)	\$ (15,482)	\$ 56,240	\$ 7,839,665
2008	249,052		77,246	338,431	(528,909)	(45,133)	0	7,930,352
2009	263,784		80,260	321,748	(600,181)	(2,631)	0	7,993,332
2010	259,506		75,200	371,287	(693,308)	(11,267)	0	7,994,750
2011	299,347	\$ 0	74,740	374,965	(703,888)	(1,668)	0	8,038,246
2012	324,447	0	73,165	335,569	(737,677)	0	0	8,033,750
2013	348,394	0	72,379	466,153	(850,915)	(2,807)	146,117	8,213,071
2014	436,888	0	72,136	453,634	(871,432)	(27,711)	0	8,276,586
2015	474,038	437	73,403	393,655	(896,652)	0	0	8,321,467
2016	537,664	0	78,625	419,385	(969,634)	(159)	63,324	8,450,672
2017	565,838	0	81,313	494,952	(1,014,200)	(205)	0	8,578,370

Notes:

Transfers in and out are usually related to the transfer of participants between municipalities, and to employer and employee payments for service credit purchases (if any) that the governing body has approved.

Additional employer contributions, if any, are shown separately starting in 2011. Prior to 2011, additional contributions are combined with the required employer contributions.

The investment income column reflects the recognized investment income based on Valuation Assets. It does not reflect the market value investment return in any given year.

The Valuation Assets include assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

Actuarial Accrued Liabilities and Valuation Assets As of December 31, 2017

Table 6

Division	Actuarial Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets ¹	Percent Funded	Unfunded (Overfunded) Accrued Liabilities
01 - CI & Pub Wks				
Active Employees	\$ 3,331,683	\$ 516,423	15.5%	\$ 2,815,260
Vested Former Employees	233,525	77,840	33.3%	155,685
Retirees And Beneficiaries	8,144,815	6,002,019	73.7%	2,142,796
Pending Refunds	<u>49,659</u>	<u>49,659</u>	100.0%	<u>0</u>
Total	\$ 11,759,682	\$ 6,645,941	56.5%	\$ 5,113,741
10 - Supervisory				
Active Employees	\$ 231,179	\$ 107,134	46.3%	\$ 124,045
Vested Former Employees	115,614	40,221	34.8%	75,393
Retirees And Beneficiaries	1,753,442	877,803	50.1%	875,639
Pending Refunds	<u>241</u>	<u>241</u>	100.0%	<u>0</u>
Total	\$ 2,100,476	\$ 1,025,399	48.8%	\$ 1,075,077
11 - Union/Supervisor				
Active Employees	\$ 243,193	\$ 84,251	34.6%	\$ 158,942
Vested Former Employees	0	0	0.0%	0
Retirees And Beneficiaries	2,664,140	792,825	29.8%	1,871,315
Pending Refunds	<u>29,954</u>	<u>29,954</u>	100.0%	<u>0</u>
Total	\$ 2,937,287	\$ 907,030	30.9%	\$ 2,030,257
Total Municipality				
Active Employees	\$ 3,806,055	\$ 707,808	18.6%	\$ 3,098,247
Vested Former Employees	349,139	118,061	33.8%	231,078
Retirees and Beneficiaries	12,562,397	7,672,647	61.1%	4,889,750
Pending Refunds	<u>79,854</u>	<u>79,854</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	\$ 16,797,445	\$ 8,578,370	51.1%	\$ 8,219,075

¹ Includes both employer and employee assets.

Please see the Comments on Asset Smoothing in the Executive Summary of this report.

Actuarial Accrued Liabilities - Comparative Schedule

Table 7

Valuation Date December 31	Actuarial Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets	Percent Funded	Unfunded (Overfunded) Accrued Liabilities
2003	\$ 8,348,589	\$ 6,506,065	78%	\$ 1,842,524
2004	9,167,819	6,885,453	75%	2,282,366
2005	9,752,385	7,115,352	73%	2,637,033
2006	10,228,720	7,416,851	73%	2,811,869
2007	10,703,233	7,839,665	73%	2,863,568
2008	10,962,099	7,930,352	72%	3,031,747
2009	11,662,905	7,993,332	69%	3,669,573
2010	12,141,837	7,994,750	66%	4,147,087
2011	12,502,771	8,038,246	64%	4,464,525
2012	13,181,663	8,033,750	61%	5,147,913
2013	14,130,225	8,213,071	58%	5,917,154
2014	14,620,546	8,276,586	57%	6,343,960
2015	15,611,063	8,321,467	53%	7,289,596
2016	16,336,081	8,450,672	52%	7,885,409
2017	16,797,445	8,578,370	51%	8,219,075

Notes: Actuarial assumptions were revised for the 2004, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2015 actuarial valuations.
The Valuation Assets include assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

Division 01 - CI & Pub Wks

Table 8-01: Actuarial Accrued Liabilities - Comparative Schedule

Valuation Date December 31	Actuarial Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets	Percent Funded	Unfunded (Overfunded) Accrued Liabilities
2007	\$ 7,183,985	\$ 5,571,679	78%	\$ 1,612,306
2008	7,342,178	5,626,940	77%	1,715,238
2009	7,662,800	5,715,386	75%	1,947,414
2010	8,056,702	5,769,152	72%	2,287,550
2011	8,327,239	5,834,749	70%	2,492,490
2012	8,940,944	5,864,361	66%	3,076,583
2013	9,699,172	6,089,521	63%	3,609,651
2014	10,153,064	6,239,508	62%	3,913,556
2015	10,843,248	6,372,460	59%	4,470,788
2016	11,400,368	6,487,579	57%	4,912,789
2017	11,759,682	6,645,941	57%	5,113,741

Notes: Actuarial assumptions were revised for the 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2015 actuarial valuations.

Table 9-01: Computed Employer Contributions - Comparative Schedule

Valuation Date December 31	Active Employees		Computed Employer Contribution ¹	Employee Contribution Rate ²
	Number	Annual Payroll		
2007	25	\$ 920,089	17.36%	5.35%
2008	27	986,633	17.96%	5.35%
2009	27	1,030,435	19.15%	5.35%
2010	26	974,435	21.93%	5.35%
2011	25	962,946	23.41%	5.35%
2012	21	814,207	32.27%	5.35%
2013	21	908,584	33.34%	5.35%
2014	21	954,341	34.15%	5.35%
2015	23	981,416	38.82%	5.35%
2016	22	1,020,466	41.08%	5.39%
2017	22	1,019,173	43.15%	5.41%

¹ For open divisions, a percent of pay contribution is shown. For closed divisions, a monthly dollar contribution is shown.

² For each valuation year, the computed employer contribution is based on the employee rate. If the employee rate changes during the applicable fiscal year, the computed employer contribution will be adjusted.

Note: The contributions shown in Table 9 for the 12/31/2015 through 12/31/2019 valuations do **not** reflect the phase-in of the increased contribution requirements associated with the new actuarial assumptions. The full contribution without phase-in is shown in Table 9 above. The contribution requirements including the 5-year phase-in are shown on page 6.

See the Benefit Provision History on page 29 for past benefit provision changes.

Division 10 - Supervisory

Table 8-10: Actuarial Accrued Liabilities - Comparative Schedule

Valuation Date December 31	Actuarial Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets	Percent Funded	Unfunded (Overfunded) Accrued Liabilities
2007	\$ 1,431,838	\$ 971,160	68%	\$ 460,678
2008	1,488,456	971,115	65%	517,341
2009	1,530,898	965,001	63%	565,897
2010	1,580,372	972,897	62%	607,475
2011	1,624,630	978,690	60%	645,940
2012	1,663,787	983,287	59%	680,500
2013	1,785,010	982,442	55%	802,568
2014	1,779,448	965,556	54%	813,892
2015	1,911,981	945,159	49%	966,822
2016	2,045,814	1,014,223	50%	1,031,591
2017	2,100,476	1,025,399	49%	1,075,077

Notes: Actuarial assumptions were revised for the 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2015 actuarial valuations.

Table 9-10: Computed Employer Contributions - Comparative Schedule

Valuation Date December 31	Active Employees		Computed Employer Contribution ¹	Employee Contribution Rate ²
	Number	Annual Payroll		
2007	3	\$ 82,311	35.99%	7.51%
2008	3	87,836	38.10%	7.51%
2009	3	91,569	39.82%	7.51%
2010	2	93,178	41.89%	7.51%
2011	2	94,216	44.42%	7.51%
2012	2	96,402	49.10%	7.51%
2013	3	133,010	42.23%	7.51%
2014	3	126,587	48.33%	7.51%
2015	3	125,208	58.63%	7.51%
2016	3	146,324	55.09%	7.51%
2017	3	152,427	56.30%	7.51%

¹ For open divisions, a percent of pay contribution is shown. For closed divisions, a monthly dollar contribution is shown.

² For each valuation year, the computed employer contribution is based on the employee rate. If the employee rate changes during the applicable fiscal year, the computed employer contribution will be adjusted.

Note: The contributions shown in Table 9 for the 12/31/2015 through 12/31/2019 valuations do **not** reflect the phase-in of the increased contribution requirements associated with the new actuarial assumptions. The full contribution without phase-in is shown in Table 9 above. The contribution requirements including the 5-year phase-in are shown on page 6.

See the Benefit Provision History on page 29 for past benefit provision changes.

Division 11 - Union/Supervisor

Table 8-11: Actuarial Accrued Liabilities - Comparative Schedule

Valuation Date December 31	Actuarial Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets	Percent Funded	Unfunded (Overfunded) Accrued Liabilities
2007	\$ 2,087,410	\$ 1,296,826	62%	\$ 790,584
2008	2,131,465	1,332,297	63%	799,168
2009	2,469,207	1,312,945	53%	1,156,262
2010	2,504,763	1,252,701	50%	1,252,062
2011	2,550,902	1,224,807	48%	1,326,095
2012	2,576,932	1,186,102	46%	1,390,830
2013	2,646,043	1,141,108	43%	1,504,935
2014	2,688,034	1,071,522	40%	1,616,512
2015	2,855,834	1,003,848	35%	1,851,986
2016	2,889,899	948,870	33%	1,941,029
2017	2,937,287	907,030	31%	2,030,257

Notes: Actuarial assumptions were revised for the 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2015 actuarial valuations.

Table 9-11: Computed Employer Contributions - Comparative Schedule

Valuation Date December 31	Active Employees		Computed Employer Contribution ¹	Employee Contribution Rate ²
	Number	Annual Payroll		
2007	3	\$ 164,013	28.72%	9.70%
2008	3	175,297	29.45%	9.70%
2009	3	150,930	46.79%	9.70%
2010	3	153,586	48.75%	9.70%
2011	3	139,595	57.12%	9.70%
2012	3	157,567	57.60%	9.70%
2013	2	123,399	79.18%	9.70%
2014	2	114,846	90.21%	9.70%
2015	2	123,266	100.22%	9.70%
2016	2	129,267	102.25%	9.70%
2017	2	140,820	101.08%	9.70%

¹ For open divisions, a percent of pay contribution is shown. For closed divisions, a monthly dollar contribution is shown.

² For each valuation year, the computed employer contribution is based on the employee rate. If the employee rate changes during the applicable fiscal year, the computed employer contribution will be adjusted.

Note: The contributions shown in Table 9 for the 12/31/2015 through 12/31/2019 valuations do **not** reflect the phase-in of the increased contribution requirements associated with the new actuarial assumptions. The full contribution without phase-in is shown in Table 9 above. The contribution requirements including the 5-year phase-in are shown on page 6.

See the Benefit Provision History on page 29 for past benefit provision changes.

Division 01 - CI & Pub Wks

Table 10-01: Layered Amortization Schedule

Type of UAL	Date Established	Original Balance ¹	Original Amortization Period ²	Amounts for Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2019		
				Outstanding UAL Balance ³	Remaining Amortization Period ²	Annual Amortization Payment
Initial	12/31/2015	\$ 4,470,788	23	\$ 4,634,128	21	\$ 325,692
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2016	349,127	22	378,700	21	26,616
Plan Amendments	12/31/2016	(222)	22	(245)	21	(12)
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2017	134,615	21	145,048	21	10,200
Plan Amendments	12/31/2017	(123)	21	(133)	21	(12)
Total				\$ 5,157,498		\$ 362,484

¹ For each type of UAL (layer), this is the original balance as of the date the layer was established.

² According to the MERS amortization policy, each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over a specific period (see [Appendix](#) on MERS website).

³ This is the remaining balance as of the valuation date, projected to the beginning of the fiscal year shown above.

The unfunded accrued liability (UAL) as of December 31, 2017 (see Table 6) is projected to the beginning of the fiscal year for which the contributions are being calculated. This allows the 2017 valuation to take into account the expected future contributions that are based on past valuations. Each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over the appropriate period. Please see the [Appendix](#) on the MERS website for a detailed description of the amortization policy.

Division 10 - Supervisory

Table 10-10: Layered Amortization Schedule

Type of UAL	Date Established	Original Balance ¹	Original Amortization Period ²	Amounts for Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2019		
				Outstanding UAL Balance ³	Remaining Amortization Period ²	Annual Amortization Payment
Initial	12/31/2015	\$ 966,822	23	\$ 1,005,193	21	\$ 70,644
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2016	41,627	22	45,152	21	3,168
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2017	31,722	21	34,180	21	2,400
Total				\$ 1,084,525		\$ 76,212

¹ For each type of UAL (layer), this is the original balance as of the date the layer was established.

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³ This is the remaining balance as of the valuation date, projected to the beginning of the fiscal year shown above.

The unfunded accrued liability (UAL) as of December 31, 2017 (see Table 6) is projected to the beginning of the fiscal year for which the contributions are being calculated. This allows the 2017 valuation to take into account the expected future contributions that are based on past valuations. Each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over the appropriate period. Please see the [Appendix](#) on the MERS website for a detailed description of the amortization policy.

Division 11 - Union/Supervisor

Table 10-11: Layered Amortization Schedule

Type of UAL	Date Established	Original Balance ¹	Original Amortization Period ²	Amounts for Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2019		
				Outstanding UAL Balance ³	Remaining Amortization Period ²	Annual Amortization Payment
Initial	12/31/2015	\$ 1,851,986	23	\$ 1,912,804	21	\$ 134,436
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2016	57,207	22	62,057	21	4,368
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2017	68,535	21	73,846	21	5,196
Total				\$ 2,048,707		\$ 144,000

¹ For each type of UAL (layer), this is the original balance as of the date the layer was established.

² According to the MERS amortization policy, each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over a specific period (see [Appendix](#) on MERS website).

³ This is the remaining balance as of the valuation date, projected to the beginning of the fiscal year shown above.

The unfunded accrued liability (UAL) as of December 31, 2017 (see Table 6) is projected to the beginning of the fiscal year for which the contributions are being calculated. This allows the 2017 valuation to take into account the expected future contributions that are based on past valuations. Each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over the appropriate period. Please see the [Appendix](#) on the MERS website for a detailed description of the amortization policy.

GASB 68 Information

The following information has been prepared to provide some of the information necessary to complete GASB Statement No. 68 disclosures. Statement 68 is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2014. Additional resources, including an Implementation Guide, are available at www.mersofmich.com.

Actuarial Valuation Date:	12/31/2017
Measurement Date of Total Pension Liability (TPL):	12/31/2017

At 12/31/2017, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits:	41
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits:	4
Active employees:	<u>27</u>
	72

Covered employee payroll: (Needed for Required Supplementary Information)	\$	1,312,420
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Average expected remaining service lives of all employees (active and inactive):		4
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Total Pension Liability as of 12/31/2016 measurement date:	\$	15,914,380
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Total Pension Liability as of 12/31/2017 measurement date:	\$	16,368,910
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Service Cost for the year ending on the 12/31/2017 measurement date:	\$	195,981
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Change in the Total Pension Liability due to:

- Benefit changes ¹ :	\$	(125)
- Differences between expected and actual experience ² :	\$	32,666
- Changes in assumptions ² :	\$	0

¹ A change in liability due to benefit changes is immediately recognized when calculating pension expense for the year.

² Changes in liability due to differences between actual and expected experience, and changes in assumptions, are recognized in pension expense over the average remaining service lives of all employees.

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to changes in the discount rate:

	1% Decrease (7.00%)	Current Discount Rate (8.00%)	1% Increase (9.00%)
Change in Net Pension Liability as of 12/31/2017:	\$ 1,834,578	-	\$ (1,541,275)

Note: The current discount rate shown for GASB 68 purposes is higher than the MERS assumed rate of return. This is because for GASB 68 purposes, the discount rate must be gross of administrative expenses, whereas for funding purposes it is net of administrative expenses.

GASB 68 Information

This page is for those municipalities who need to “roll-forward” their total pension liability due to the timing of completion of the actuarial valuation in relation to their fiscal year-end.

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Actuarial Valuation Date:	12/31/2017
Measurement Date of Total Pension Liability (TPL):	12/31/2018

At 12/31/2017, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits:	41
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits:	4
Active employees:	<u>27</u>
	<u>72</u>

Covered employee payroll: (Needed for Required Supplementary Information)	\$	1,312,420
Average expected remaining service lives of all employees (active and inactive):		4

Total Pension Liability as of 12/31/2017 measurement date:	\$	16,329,953
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Total Pension Liability as of 12/31/2018 measurement date:	\$	16,763,018
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Service Cost for the year ending on the 12/31/2018 measurement date:	\$	202,632
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Change in the Total Pension Liability due to:

- Benefit changes ¹ :	\$	(24)
- Differences between expected and actual experience ² :	\$	42,208
- Changes in assumptions ² :	\$	0

¹ A change in liability due to benefit changes is immediately recognized when calculating pension expense for the year.

² Changes in liability due to differences between actual and expected experience, and changes in assumptions, are recognized in pension expense over the average remaining service lives of all employees.

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to changes in the discount rate:

	1% Decrease <u>(7.00%)</u>	Current Discount Rate <u>(8.00%)</u>	1% Increase <u>(9.00%)</u>
Change in Net Pension Liability as of 12/31/2018:	\$ 1,858,087	-	\$ (1,562,022)

Note: The current discount rate shown for GASB 68 purposes is higher than the MERS assumed rate of return. This is because for GASB 68 purposes, the discount rate must be gross of administrative expenses, whereas for funding purposes it is net of administrative expenses.

Benefit Provision History

The following benefit provision history is provided by MERS. Any corrections to this history or discrepancies between this information and information displayed elsewhere in the valuation report should be reported to MERS. All provisions are listed by date of adoption.

01 - CI & Pub Wks

1/1/2018	Participant Contribution Rate 5.41%
1/1/2017	Participant Contribution Rate 5.39%
12/1/2016	Service Credit Purchase Estimates - Yes
1/1/2008	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2008)
1/1/2006	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2006)
1/1/2005	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2005)
1/1/2003	Benefit FAC-3 (3 Year Final Average Compensation)
1/1/2003	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2003)
1/1/2002	Benefit B-4 (80% max)
1/1/2002	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2002)
1/1/2001	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2001)
1/1/2001	E2 2.5% COLA for future retirees (01/01/1996)
1/1/2000	Benefit B-3 (80% max)
1/1/2000	Member Contribution Rate 5.35%
1/1/2000	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2000)
1/1/2000	E2 2% COLA for future retirees (01/01/1996)
1/1/1999	Flexible E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1999)
1/1/1999	E2 2.3% COLA for future retirees (01/01/1996)
1/1/1998	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1998)
1/1/1996	E2 2.5% COLA for future retirees (01/01/1996)
1/1/1996	Benefit F50 (With 25 Years of Service)
1/1/1995	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1995)
12/1/1994	Temporary Benefit F55 (With 20 Years of Service) (12/01/1994 - 02/01/1995)
1/1/1993	Benefit C-2/Base B-1
7/1/1992	Temporary Benefit C-2/Base B-1 (07/01/1992 - 10/03/1992)
2/20/1985	Exclude Temporary Employees
1/1/1985	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1985)
1/1/1983	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1983)
1/1/1982	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1982)
1/1/1981	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1981)
1/1/1975	Benefit F55 (With 25 Years of Service)
1/1/1970	Fiscal Month - January
1/1/1970	10 Year Vesting
1/1/1970	Benefit C-1 (Old)
2/3/1965	Covered by Act 88
1/1/1958	Benefit FAC-5 (5 Year Final Average Compensation)
1/1/1958	Member Contribution Rate 3.00% Under \$4,200.00 - Then 5.00%
	Defined Benefit Normal Retirement Age - 60
	Early Reduced (.5%) at Age 50 with 25 Years or Age 55 with 15 Years

10 - Supervisory

12/1/2016 Service Credit Purchase Estimates - Yes
 1/1/2006 E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2006)
 1/1/2003 E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2003)
 1/1/2003 Benefit FAC-3 (3 Year Final Average Compensation)
 1/1/2002 E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2002)
 1/1/2001 E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2001)
 1/1/2001 E2 2.5% COLA for future retirees (01/01/1996)
 5/1/2000 Member Contribution Rate 7.51%
 5/1/2000 Benefit B-4 (80% max)
 1/1/2000 E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2000)
 1/1/2000 E2 2% COLA for future retirees (01/01/1996)
 1/1/1999 Flexible E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1999)
 1/1/1999 E2 2.3% COLA for future retirees (01/01/1996)
 1/1/1998 E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1998)
 1/1/1996 E2 2.5% COLA for future retirees (01/01/1996)
 1/1/1996 Benefit F50 (With 25 Years of Service)
 1/1/1995 E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1995)
 1/1/1993 Benefit F55 (With 25 Years of Service)
 1/1/1993 Benefit B-2
 10/3/1992 Benefit C-1 (Old)
 10/1/1992 Member Contribution Rate 3.00% Under \$4,200.00 - Then 5.00%
 10/1/1992 Benefit FAC-5 (5 Year Final Average Compensation)
 2/20/1985 Exclude Temporary Employees
 12/1/1970 10 Year Vesting
 1/1/1970 Fiscal Month - January
 2/3/1965 Covered by Act 88
 Early Reduced (.5%) at Age 50 with 25 Years or Age 55 with 15 Years
 Defined Benefit Normal Retirement Age - 60

11 - Union/Supervisor

12/1/2016 Service Credit Purchase Estimates - Yes
 1/1/2006 E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2006)
 1/1/2003 Benefit FAC-3 (3 Year Final Average Compensation)
 1/1/2003 E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2003)
 3/1/2002 Temporary Benefit FAC-3 (3 Year Final Average Compensation) (03/01/2002 - 09/03/2002)
 5/1/2000 Benefit FAC-5 (5 Year Final Average Compensation)
 5/1/2000 10 Year Vesting
 5/1/2000 Benefit B-4 (80% max)
 5/1/2000 Benefit F50 (With 25 Years of Service)
 5/1/2000 Member Contribution Rate 9.70%
 1/1/1996 E2 2.5% COLA for future retirees (01/01/1996)
 1/1/1970 Fiscal Month - January
 2/3/1965 Covered by Act 88
 Defined Benefit Normal Retirement Age - 60
 Early Reduced (.5%) at Age 50 with 25 Years or Age 55 with 15 Years

Plan Provisions, Actuarial Assumptions, and Actuarial Funding Method

Details on MERS plan provisions, actuarial assumptions, and actuarial methodology can be found in the [Appendix](#). Some actuarial assumptions are specific to this municipality and its divisions. These are listed below.

Increase in Final Average Compensation

Division	FAC Increase Assumption
All Divisions	4.00%

Withdrawal Rate Scaling Factor

Division	Withdrawal Rate Scaling Factor
All Divisions	100%

Miscellaneous and Technical Assumptions

Loads – None.