CITY OF LAKE WALES CITY COMMISSION JOINT WORKSHOP MEETING

WITH THE

General Employees' Retirement Board Fire Fighters' Retirement Board Police Officers' Retirement Board Official Agenda

February 28, 2012 5:30 p.m.

James P. Austin Community Center 315 N Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Lake Wales, Florida 33853

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Lake Wales Pension Board Discussion

(The full staff memo will be incorporated into the official record)

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JOINT MEETING OF LAKE WALES CITY COMMISSION FIREFIGHTERS PENSION BOARD GENERAL EMPLOYEES PENSION BOARD POLICE PENSION BOARD February 28, 2012

Austin Center, Lake Wales Florida
5:30PM

On December 6, 2011 the City Commission held a workshop meeting concerning the employee pension plans. An outside consultant, Mr. James Linn, was invited to attend to discuss possible alternatives for the City. The City is facing a shortfall of nearly \$8 million to fully fund the 3 pension plans. In this fiscal year alone, the City is required to contribute over \$1.2 million. If this trend continues, it will be unsustainable. It is well known that all cities, especially in Florida, are facing serious revenue problems and many are looking for alternatives in their pension plans.

Our Actuary, Mr. Brad Heinrichs of Foster and Foster, is here tonight to address these issues and to give us an understanding of where we are and where we are going. Mr. Heinrichs has agreed to this initial dialogue between the Boards, City Commission and Unions that looks at actuarial assumptions and methods, before we look to make changes to the plan.

We could ask the pension board to perform projections of future funding requirements for the next 5, 10, 15 years which would establish a baseline. We could then negotiate from that point. The main goal is to make the plans sustainable in the future.

The agenda for this meeting is straightforward and with the help of Mr. Heindrichs and the Pension Boards, we hope to come away with a better road map for the future.

AGENDA

- 1. Presentation by Mr. Brad Heindrichs, Actuary with Foster and Foster
- 2. Questions and Answers.
- 3. Adjourn