

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Carol Henrikson

**Date Submitted:** 05/17/2023 06:46 PM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** I am asking that you approve the discretionary COLA. These last few years have been very difficult given the impact of run away inflation that is rampant in this country

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Shanna

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 11:31 AM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** I am urging the City Council to adopt the 2.6 % discretionary cola because I am experiencing financial hardships since I've retired.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Cheryl Chase  
**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 11:31 AM  
**Council File No:** 23-0418  
**Comments for Public Posting:** Retired city employees are critically affected by runaway inflation costs, we need this approved. They were loyal to the city, we need to be loyal to them

## Communication from Public

**Name:** M lara

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 11:54 AM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** I am writing to request that the Board consider and approve the discretionary COLA of 2.6% for LACERS. Committed 36.5 years of service to LAPD. Thank you.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Yvette Binns  
**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 01:37 PM  
**Council File No:** 23-0418  
**Comments for Public Posting:** I would like for the discretionary 2.6% COLA to be adopted.  
Thank you.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Lee Moore  
**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 02:09 PM  
**Council File No:** 23-0418  
**Comments for Public Posting:** I would like to encourage the Council to adopt the recommended COLA increase.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** De'borah

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 09:35 AM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** I support the discretionary 2.6% COLA increase.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Naomi Jackson

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 09:53 AM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** The COLA is needed to compete with the rising costs of maintaining a livelihood. The economy is rising. The costs to eat, maintain a healthy lifestyle, drive, prescription costs, utilities, stamps, everything is going up. Retirement pay should be reflective of these rising costs. Show us how much you appreciate our service to the City by your positive response to this life changing decision. Support this cause.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Beth Hicks

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 09:54 AM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** I am in support of the Discretionary COLA and urge it's passing.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 09:57 AM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** I would like to see the 2.6 COLA adopted. Thank you

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Deborah A. Todd-Bacon

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 10:30 AM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** I WOULD LIKE TO APPROVE THE DISCRETIONARY  
RAISE DUE TO THE EXTREMELY HIGH RATE OF  
INFLATION IN THIS CITY.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Diane Boose

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 10:45 AM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** I support the the discretionary COLA. I would like to see the city council adopt the 2.6 COLA. Thank you!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Alma Moore

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 11:08 AM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** I am urging the City Council to adopt the discretionary COLA.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Margaret Stargell

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 11:10 AM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** I would like the Council to adopt the 2.6% discretionary COLA for retirees. Please consider that as a retiree we have completed our dedicated years of service to the city and should not be tossed aside or forgotten. Thank you

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Sandra Johnson

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 11:21 AM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** This is written to support the request for discretionary COLA, which is an additional 2.6 percent increase for retirees. This past year has been especially tough financially with higher prices overall, but especially related to increases in rent, gasoline, and utilities (my gas bill doubled to \$200 and then almost \$400! Thank you for your consideration.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Yvette Bentley

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 07:41 PM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** Greetings Council members. Before you will be a recommendation by LACERS to enact a discretionary 2.6% COLA for retirees. Please vote YES for this discretionary COLA. Retirees are facing financial crisis with inflation at an all time high. Gas, food and utility prices have doubled and tripled at an astounding rate. PLEASE a YES vote is a vote for retirees who have worked tirelessly for the City and deserve to be taken care of in the golden years. PLEASE VOTE YES! Thank you for you attention to this matter.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 08:14 PM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** I'm in full support of providing an extra COLA increase to LACERS retirees. Inflation has been extremely high, and our hard work for the City of LA should at least provide a "living pension pay" for its members. If the Council supports the Living Wage Ordinance, then they should support this action to provide a living wage to its retirees who have worked tirelessly to meet the goals and directives of the City Council while employed.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Valerie Covington

**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 10:41 PM

**Council File No:** 23-0418

**Comments for Public Posting:** I writing to ask for the Board to adopt staff's recommendations regarding the discretionary COLA of 2.6%. Inflation has impacted me horrifically over the last couple of years. My retirement allowance has not kept pace and inflation it is unlikely our maximum 3.0% COLAs will help us catch up to inflation anytime soon. I am urging you to approve this for myself and the thousands of struggling retirees that are trying to keep up during these difficult times.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Irene McFadden  
**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 03:22 PM  
**Council File No:** 23-0418  
**Comments for Public Posting:** I like to see the council adopt the discretionary 2.6% COLA.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Marlene M. Brown  
**Date Submitted:** 05/18/2023 03:59 PM  
**Council File No:** 23-0418  
**Comments for Public Posting:** I am in favor of the 2.6 discretionary COLA.