

Communication from Public

Name: Brenda Smith
Date Submitted: 05/25/2023 09:48 PM
Council File No: 23-0418
Comments for Public Posting: This is a request for a favorable response to the 2.6% discretionary COLA for July 1, 2023.

Communication from Public

Name: Mei-Chi Lin Yang

Date Submitted: 05/25/2023 11:19 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: In 2022 Social Security cost of living is 5.9 percent and 2023 Social Security cost of living is 8.7, LA city retirement system cost of living is 3.8 percent but retiree only get 3% which is 2.9% less than the social security, this year although LA city retirement board approve 7.4 percent, but if we only get 3% increase then will be behind another 4.4% than social security, so total will be 8.6% behind than Social Security in both two years together, In past two years cost of living is much higher then those number, House, Rental, Car insurance....., Gas, Utilities, even food, everything is 20, 30% more than two years ago, just past winter the whether is so cold but we can't afford to open heater since everything went up the price but our city retiree only get 3% percent increase can't cover all the expense which is much more than 20, 30% increase daily expense.

Communication from Public

Name: Claudia Hawkins

Date Submitted: 05/25/2023 11:41 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support the City Council to approve the discretionary COLA for retired members. The inflation levels are eating away at our pension. this increase for the City of Los Angeles will be appreciated.

Communication from Public

Name: Danita Morrow

Date Submitted: 05/25/2023 05:06 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: As a member of LACERS who served the City of Los Angeles for over 37 years I am urging the City Council to to approve the 2.6 discretionary COLA. As inflation effects us all, California continues to have a very high cost of living. Therefore we are respectfully asking that you consider raising the COLA to help LA City Retirees maintain a decent way of living. Thank you in advance for your approval.

Communication from Public

Name: Prestonia Dotch
Date Submitted: 05/25/2023 05:10 PM
Council File No: 23-0418
Comments for Public Posting: I request that the Council approve an additional 2.6 percent discretionary cost of living increase for retirees as recommended by LACERS. Inflation has had a significant impact on the economic well-being of retirees. The proposed increase will allow members a greater level of economic stability.

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Name: Chandra Flemister

Date Submitted: 05/25/2023 05:15 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I request the Council approve an additional 2.6 percent cost of living increase for retirees as recommended by LACERS. As a former City employee serving 32 years, inflation has had a significant impact on the economic well-being of retirees. The proposed increase will allow members a greater level of economic stability. Thank you for your consideration.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 05/25/2023 05:17 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I encourage the City Council to approve the discretionary COLA for retired members. The inflation levels we are experiencing is putting tremendous pressure on all of us and anything that can be done to take care of retirees whom have dedicated their careers to civil service should be supported. Thank you.

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Name: Steve

Date Submitted: 05/25/2023 05:23 PM

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Name: Greg Adams

Date Submitted: 05/25/2023 05:26 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I encourage the City Council to approve the 2.6 discretionary COLA for retired members. I worked for the City of Los Angeles for 34 years, and the inflation levels we are experiencing is putting tremendous pressure on all of us. Anything that can be done to take care of retirees whom have dedicated their careers to civil service should be supported.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 05/25/2023 05:42 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: It requested that the Council approve an additional 2.6 percent discretionary cost of living increase for retirees as recommended by LACERS. Prior to Covid, the standard COLA was sufficient. However with the increased inflation, it is difficult to retain the standard of living we had prior to Covid. I worked for the City of Los Angeles for 35 years, and now is not the time to short-change the retirees, all while providing excessive increase to the existing workforce. It should balance on some levels. This increase will help the economic stability we need going forward.