

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I can recall when I was younger, hearing older people making the statement, "I am on a fixed income". Many years later, and now that I am retired, I can truly understand that statement. We are in unprecedented times. As costs for everyday living surge through the roof, and as a retiree that retired early, due to illness and can not go back into the workforce, I am struggling to maintain my financial status quo. Not only do we NEED the 3% COLA, but we also NEED the discretionary 2.6% that is under your purview. This would greatly assist in tiding us over until the economy begins to recover. I am urging you to act on our behalf. One day you will be in our position (retired), hoping and praying that someone in your current job position is truly listening and hears you. I am asking for your support in the much needed discretionary 2.6% COLA increase. Even during this difficult financial time, the CAO's office received an 11% increase. We are aware that there are reserves banked from the prior years that can be used to assist us. We are not asking for much. Please support us in the proposed 2.6% discretionary COLA increase.