## John

I agree – I think that it would be beneficial for Council and staff. If you would like to discuss it at the next Council meeting- we can amend the proposed budget to add funds to the Council travel and conference line in the fiscal 2017 budget to support a Council member attending

From: John Holic

Sent: Thursday, July 28, 2016 6:41 AM

To: Edward Lavallee < ELavallee@Venicegov.com>

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Subject: Fwd: 46th Annual Police Officers' and Firefighters' Pension Conference

## Ed,

I don't know if you are aware of this conference in Orlando. I think it would be advisable for at least one council person to attend (I will volunteer) and someone from finance may find it beneficial as well.

We are a long way from a final resolution on our pension plans and having an understanding of the trustee responsibility is integral to understanding the total working of the plan.

John

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From: "<u>DivisionOfRetirement@rol.frs.state.fl.us</u>" < <u>DivisionOfRetirement@rol.frs.state.fl.us</u>>

Date: Wed, Jul 27, 2016 at 10:17 AM -0400

Subject: 46th Annual Police Officers' and Firefighters' Pension Conference

To: "John Holic" < JHolic@Venicegov.com>

TO: Board of Trustee Members and Other Interested Parties

FROM: Florida Division of Retirement

Municipal Police Officers' and Firefighters' Pension Office

SUBJECT: 46th Annual Police Officers' & Firefighters' Pension Conference

November 2-4, 2016 - Orlando, Florida

Save the Date! Our 46th Annual Police Officers' & Firefighters' Pension Conference is scheduled for November 2-4, 2016, sponsored by the Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement. This program is uniquely designed for pension plans established under Chapters 175 & 185, Florida Statutes.

Wednesday's program, on November 2, is designed specifically for new trustees, for those interested in becoming trustees, or for those who want a basic understanding of the operation of the pension plan. The program will offer a no-nonsense explanation of how the pension plan works and will include lectures from a plan attorney, actuary, and the Division of Retirement on the trustees' responsibilities. Participants will be encouraged to ask questions and participate in group discussions focusing on the fundamentals of pension fund management. If you are a new trustee, we encourage you to participate in this special program.

Thursday and Friday's programs, on November 3 and 4, are designed for both the new and seasoned trustee and will feature presentations on legal, actuarial, investment, administrative, and government in the sunshine issues,

as well as an update on any Legislative changes. We will also be discussing new changes to the annual report, so make sure you attend! There will be an opportunity for questions and answers after each speaker to provide you with a chance to address concerns specific to your plan.

Special Announcement: Attendees will be given an opportunity to view the new active online annual report submission process, which will be in effect starting with the upcoming 2016 Annual Reports. This will be an exclusive preview of the online submission reporting process prior to submitting your next annual report.

There is no registration fee to attend! The program will be held at the Radisson Resort, Orlando Celebration, Florida. The Hotel is located at 2900 Parkway Blvd, Kissimmee, Florida 34747. To book your room please click <u>here</u>. It is important to use this link or state that you are attending the Police Officers' and Firefighters' Pension Conference when booking. This helps us to continue getting facilities to host our Fall conference.

Conference materials will be available for free by download on our website prior to the conference. If a participant prefers to have a hard copy of the materials printed, we are making arrangements for conference books to be available for purchase directly from the printer. Contact information for the printer and the cost for book purchase will be posted to our website and emailed soon. The books will be transported to the hotel and distributed to participants that pre-purchased the materials. Conference materials must be pre-purchased and will not be available to purchase on-site.

All police officer and firefighter plan participants, board of trustee members, plan sponsors, administrators, accountants, actuaries, investment advisors, legal counselors, other advisors, and anyone interested in the administration and operation of the Chapters 175 and 185 Pension Plans should take advantage of this unique, insightful, and informative program.

Please remember, we are only able to continue providing these low cost / no cost conferences for our plans based on satisfactory attendance. We know that plan participants and board members fulfill a vital role in our communities, and although you may not be able to attend every program, Florida Statutes require that the plan investment policy provide for continuing education of board members. This program will help to satisfy that requirement and educate the attendees on how the plans may be most effectively administered to ensure theircontinued health. Please consider our program when making your training plans so that we can continue to offer them to you.

In the upcoming months, you will be able to access information and updates about the Fall Conference, including a copy of the program when completed, and links to register at the Radisson Resort, Orlando Celebration, on our website. If you have any questions, you may contact our office toll free at (877) 738-6737, or locally at (850) 922-0667.

I look forward to meeting with you in November, in Kissimmee!

Sincerely,

Sarah Carr Benefits Administrator Municipal Police Officers' and Firefighters' Pension Office Department of Management Services Division of Retirement

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