



**CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION
Joan L. Flynn, City Clerk
Office of the City Clerk**

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers
FROM: Joan L. Flynn, City Clerk 
DATE: 4/7/2014
SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE APRIL 7, 2014, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL/PFA MEETING

Attached are the Supplemental Communications to the City Council (received after distribution of the Agenda Packet):

Study Session #1

PowerPoint communication submitted by Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Finance, dated April 7, 2014, entitled *City of Huntington Beach Miscellaneous and Safety Plans, CalPERS Actuarial Issues – 6/30/12 Valuation Preliminary Results*.

COUNCILMEMBER ITEMS

- #17.** Additional supporting information for street name change to "Golden West Street."
- #18.** Communication received from Richardson Gray, dated April 3, 2014 supporting a letter be sent to The National Trust for Historic Preservation for the Wintersburg site.
- #18.** Communication received from Mary Urashima, Chair of the Historic Wintersburg Preservation Task Force, dated April 3, 2014, supporting a letter be sent to The National Trust for Historic Preservation for the Wintersburg site.



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**CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
MISCELLANEOUS AND SAFETY PLANS**

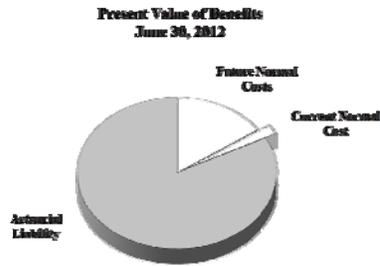
**CalPERS Actuarial Issues – 6/30/12 Valuation
Preliminary Results**

Presented by **John E. Bartel**
Prepared by Bianca Lin
Tina Haugbro
Bartel Associates, LLC
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DEFINITIONS



- **PVB - Present Value of all Projected Benefits:**
 - Discounted value (at valuation date - 6/30/12), of all future expected benefit payments based on various (actuarial) assumptions
- **Actuarial Liability:**
 - Discounted value (at valuation date) of benefits earned through valuation date [value of past service benefit]
 - Portion of PVB “earned” at measurement
- **Current Normal Cost:**
 - Portion of PVB allocated to (or “earned” during) current year
 - Value of employee and employer current service benefit

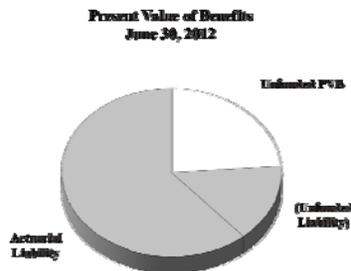


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DEFINITIONS



- **Target-** Have money in the bank to cover Actuarial Liability (past service)
- **Unfunded Liability** - Money short of target at valuation date
- **Excess Assets / Surplus:**
 - Money over and above target at that point in time.
 - Doesn't mean you're done contributing.
- **Super Funded:**
 - Assets cover whole pie (PVB)
 - If everything goes exactly like PERS calculated, you'll never have to put another (employer or employee) dime in.



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CALPERS UPCOMING ISSUES

- CalPERS actuarial staff recommended & CalPERS Board adopted changes to contribution policy. Four reasons why:
 - Asset corridor generates volatility with extreme events
 - Slow funded status progress
 - Current method needs improved transparency
 - GASB 68 encourages faster funding by requiring a lower discount rate for slower funding
- Changes – Direct rate smoothing based on:
 - 5-year ramp up
 - No asset smoothing
 - Future Gains/losses 25 year amortization period
 - With 5 year ramp up means paid over 30 years
 - Method & Assumption changes 15 year amortization period
 - With 5 year ramp up means paid over 20 years
 - No cap on rate increases each year



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CALPERS UPCOMING ISSUES

- CalPERS actuarial staff recommended & CalPERS Board adopted assumption changes:
 - No changes on economic assumptions
 - Future mortality improvement with 20 years projection
 - Earlier retirements for Police Safety and
 - Higher future pay increases for Safety
- Impact on assumption changes using newly adopted contribution policy – 20 years amortization with 5 years ramp up and 5 years ramp down
- Timing:
 - Direct Rate Smoothing:
 - Included in 6/30/13 valuation (first impact 2015/16 rates)
 - Full impact in 2019/20 rates.
 - Assumption changes:
 - Included in 6/30/14 valuation (first impact 2016/17 rates)
 - Full impact in 2020/21 rates.



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SUMMARY OF DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION - MISCELLANEOUS

	1994	2003	2011	2012
Actives				
■ Counts	709	663	586	574
■ Average				
• Age	44	46	46	47
• City Service	12	13	12	12
• PERSable Wages	\$47,300	\$55,700	\$71,800	\$75,300
■ Total PERSable Wages (millions)	36.6	40.6	46.0	47.2
Receiving Payments				
■ Counts				
• Service		362	650	649
• Disability		81	93	93
• Beneficiaries		64	94	93
• Total	301	507	837	835
■ Average Annual City Provided Benefit ¹				
• Service		\$18,000	\$26,700	\$27,400
• Disability		9,400	9,600	9,800
• Service Retirements in last 5 years		23,700	34,200	35,600

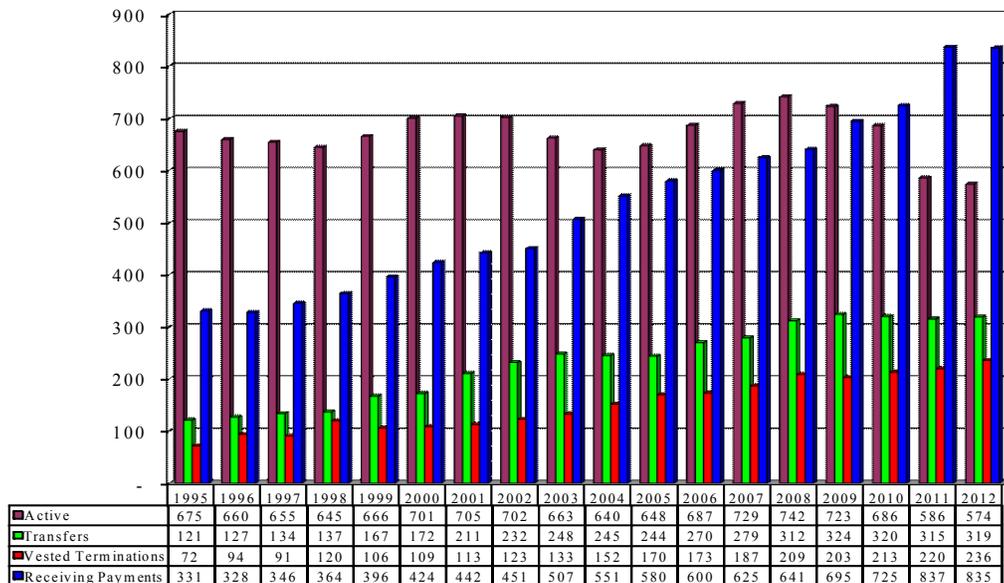
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PLAN FUNDED STATUS - MISCELLANEOUS

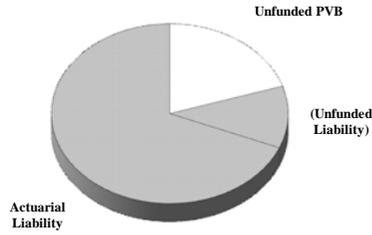


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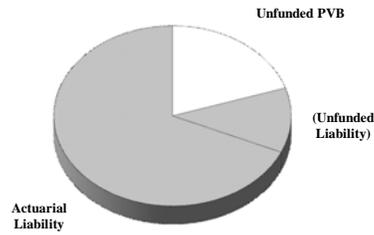


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**Present Value of Benefits
June 30, 2011**



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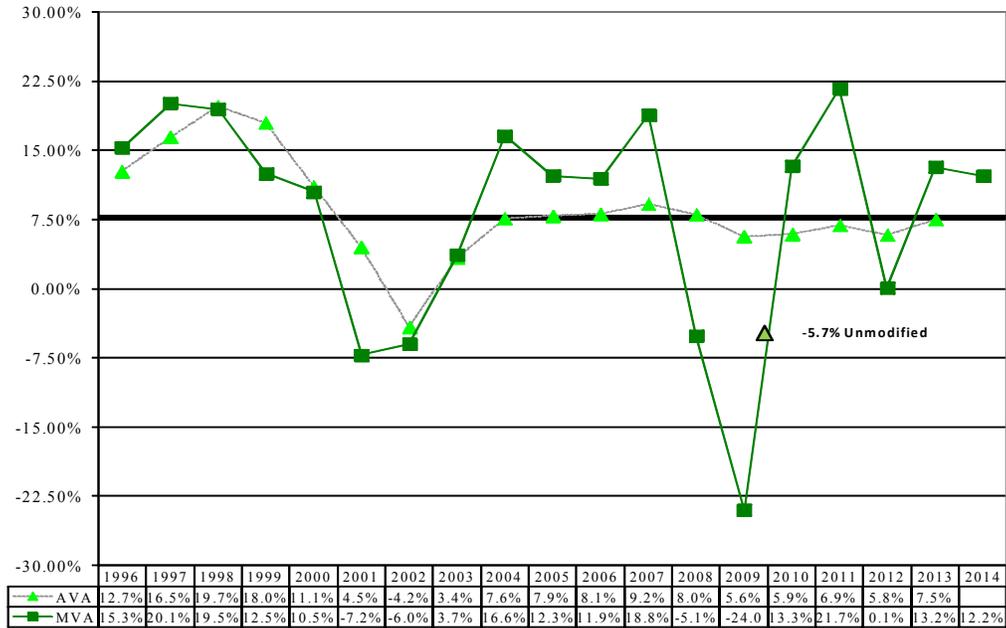
June 30, 2011			June 30, 2012	
\$	415,200,000	Actuarial Liability	\$	431,200,000
	<u>347,800,000</u>	Actuarial Asset Value		<u>357,900,000</u>
	(67,400,000)	(Unfunded Liability)		(73,300,000)
June 30, 2011			June 30, 2012	
\$	415,200,000	Actuarial Liability	\$	431,200,000
	<u>309,600,000</u>	Market Asset Value		<u>298,600,000</u>
	(105,600,000)	(Unfunded Liability)		(132,600,000)



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FUNDED RATIO - MISCELLANEOUS



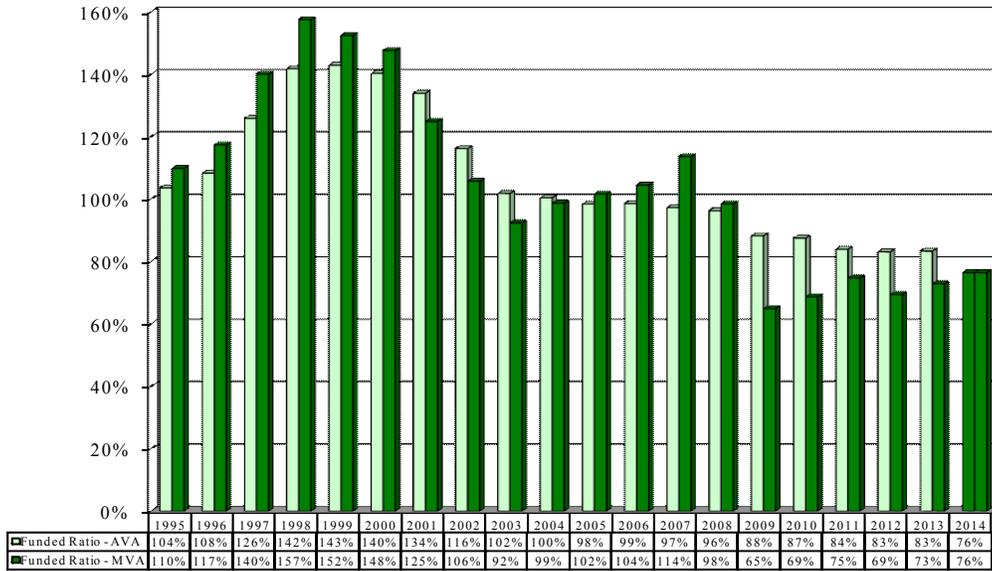
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June 30, 2013 return of 13.2% from CalPERS 6/30/13 CAFR.



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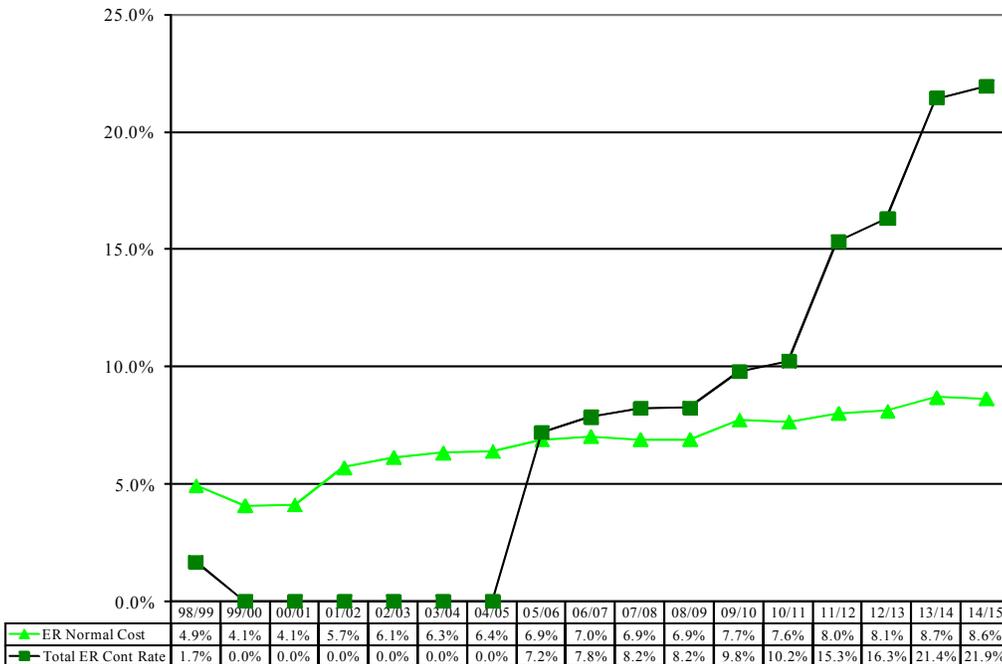
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CONTRIBUTION RATES - MISCELLANEOUS



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CONTRIBUTION PROJECTIONS - MISCELLANEOUS

- Market Value Investment Return:
 - June 30, 2012 0.1%²
 - June 30, 2013 13.2%³

- | | <u>Poor</u> | <u>Expected</u> | <u>Good</u> |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------------|---------------|
| ● June 30, 2014 - 2019 | 0.2% - 4.3% | 7.5% ⁴ | 10.6% - 15.1% |
- No Other: Gains/Losses, Method/Assumption Changes, Benefit Improvements
- Excludes Employer Paid Member Contributions (EPMC)
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 - Resulted in approximately \$470 thousand in savings
- New hire assumptions:
 - Assumes 80% of 2013 new hires will be Classic Tier 2 Members (lateral) and 20% will be New Members with PEPRAs benefits.
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Employer Contribution Rate if Market Value of Assets were used

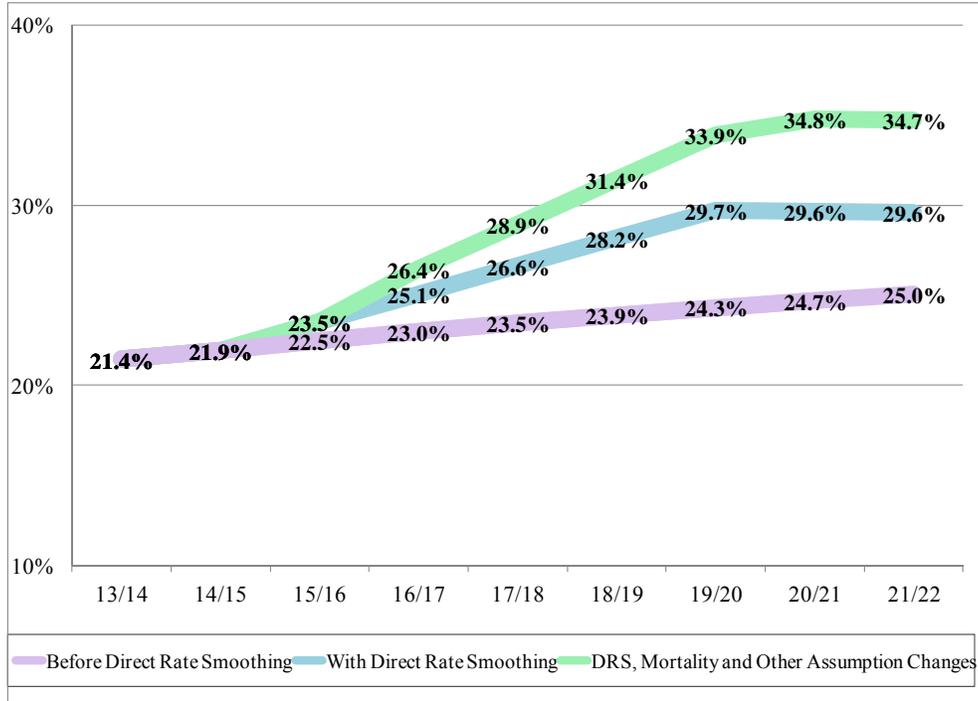
	Actuarial 2014/15	Market 2014/15
	AVA	MVA
■ Plan Assets		
■ ER Normal cost	8.6%	8.6%
■ Amortization bases:	<u>13.3%</u>	<u>25.5%</u>
■ Total Contribution Rate	21.9%	34.1%
■ Amortization period	≈ 17 years	17 years



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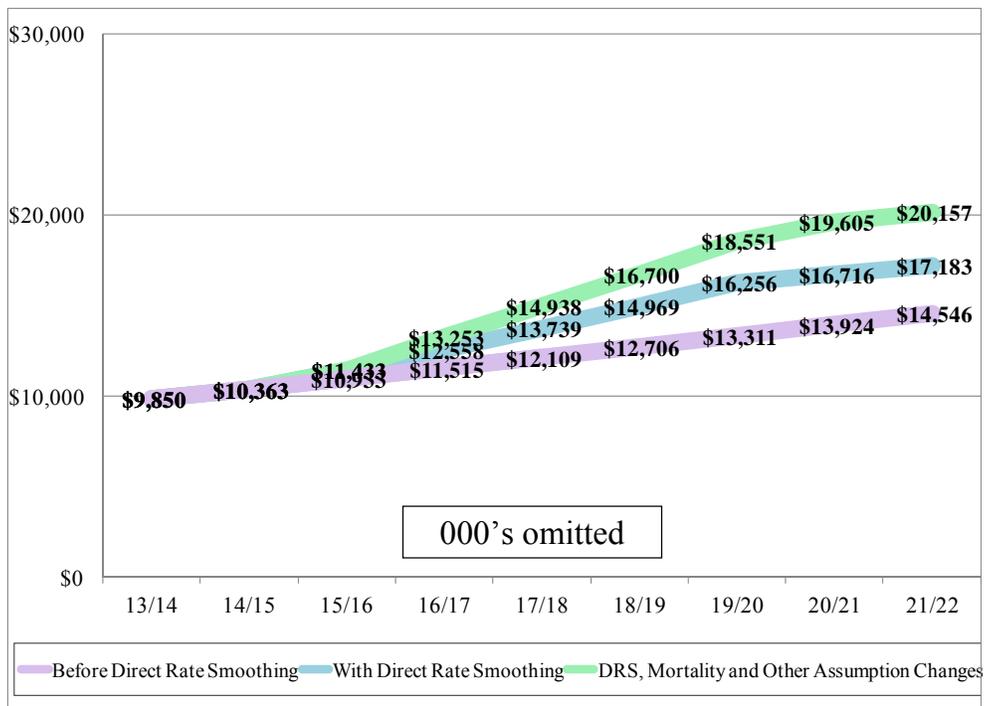
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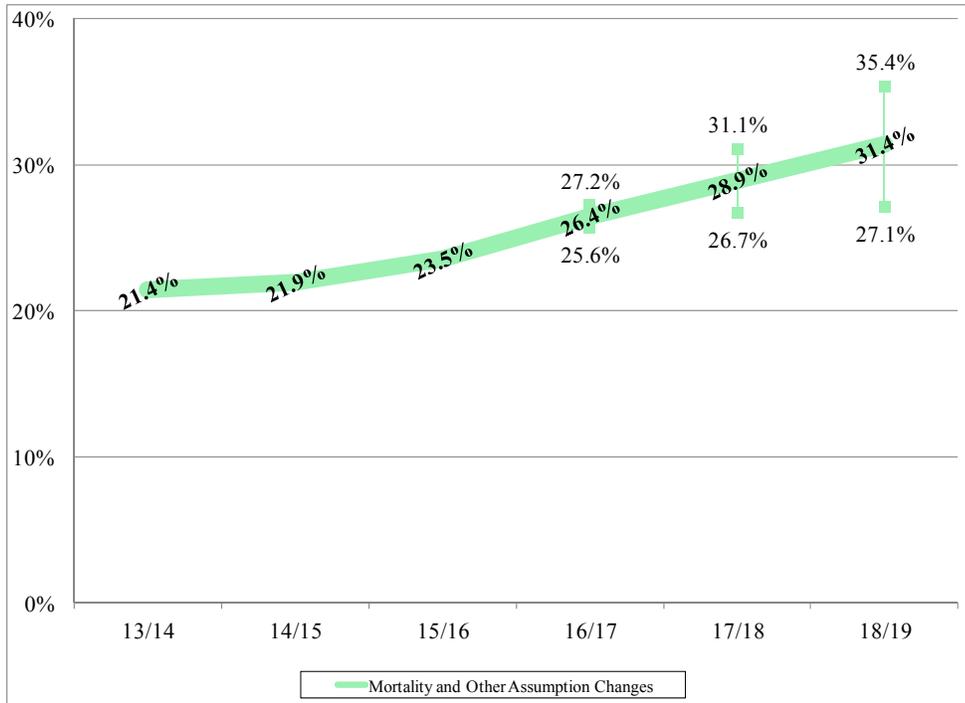
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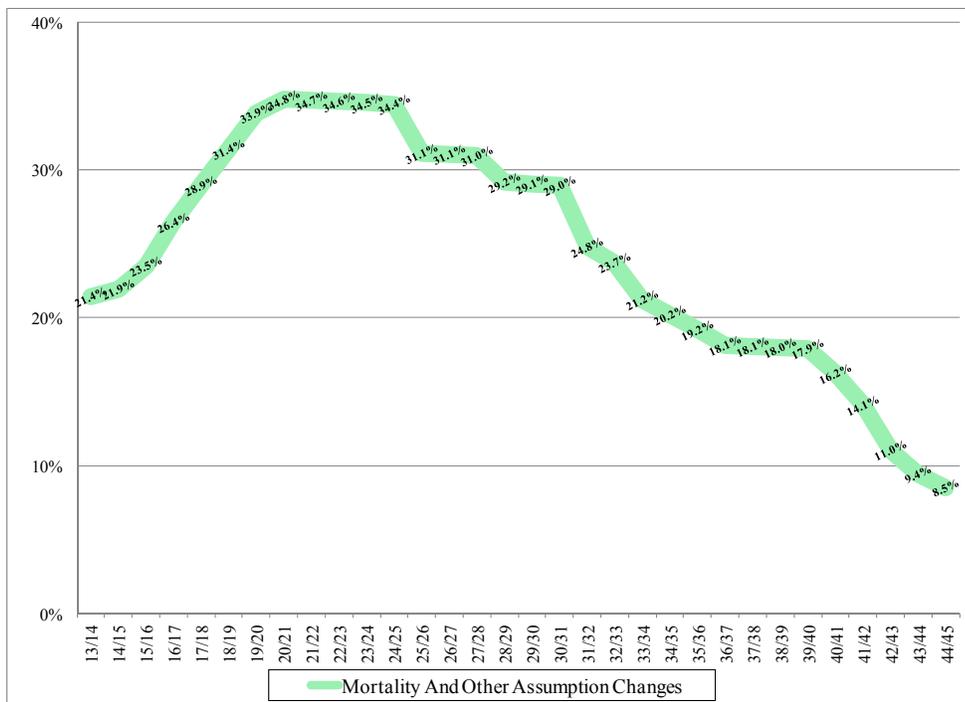
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SUMMARY OF DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION - SAFETY

	1994	2003	2011	2012
Actives				
■ Counts	388	371	358	352
■ Average				
• Age	40	40	42	43
• City Service	15	12	13	14
• PERSable Wages	\$56,600	\$78,000	\$109,900	\$111,500
■ Total PERSable Wages (millions)	24.0	31.8	43.0	42.9
Receiving Payments				
■ Counts				
• Service		171	224	247
• Disability		183	206	207
• Beneficiaries		20	61	43
• Total	197	374	491	497
■ Average Annual City Provided Benefit ⁵				
• Service		\$43,100	\$58,400	\$60,100
• Disability		31,600	43,000	44,500
• Service Retirements in last 5 years		46,800	71,900	81,200

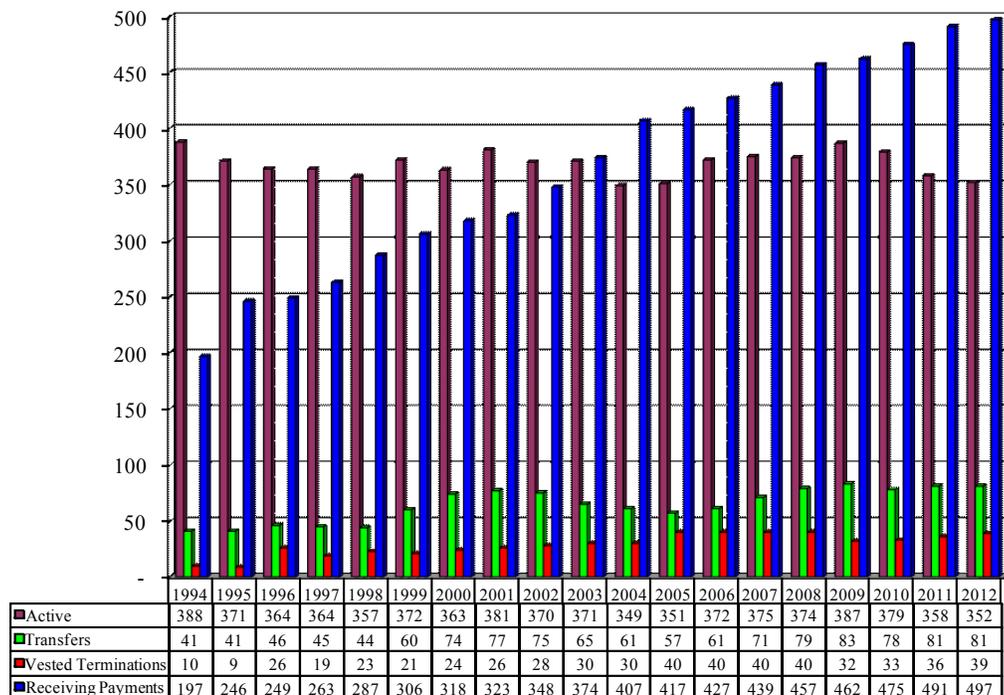
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MEMBERS INCLUDED IN VALUATION - SAFETY

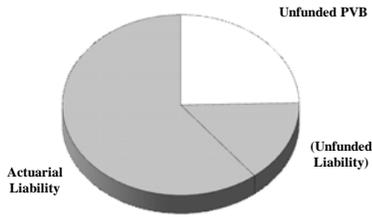


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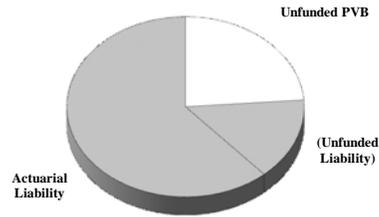


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\$	531,800,000	Actuarial Liability	\$	552,500,000
	402,900,000	Actuarial Asset Value		420,500,000
	(128,900,000)	(Unfunded Liability)		(132,000,000)
<u>June 30, 2011</u>			<u>June 30, 2012</u>	
\$	531,800,000	Actuarial Liability	\$	552,500,000
	358,700,000	Market Asset Value		350,600,000
	(173,100,000)	(Unfunded Liability)		(201,900,000)

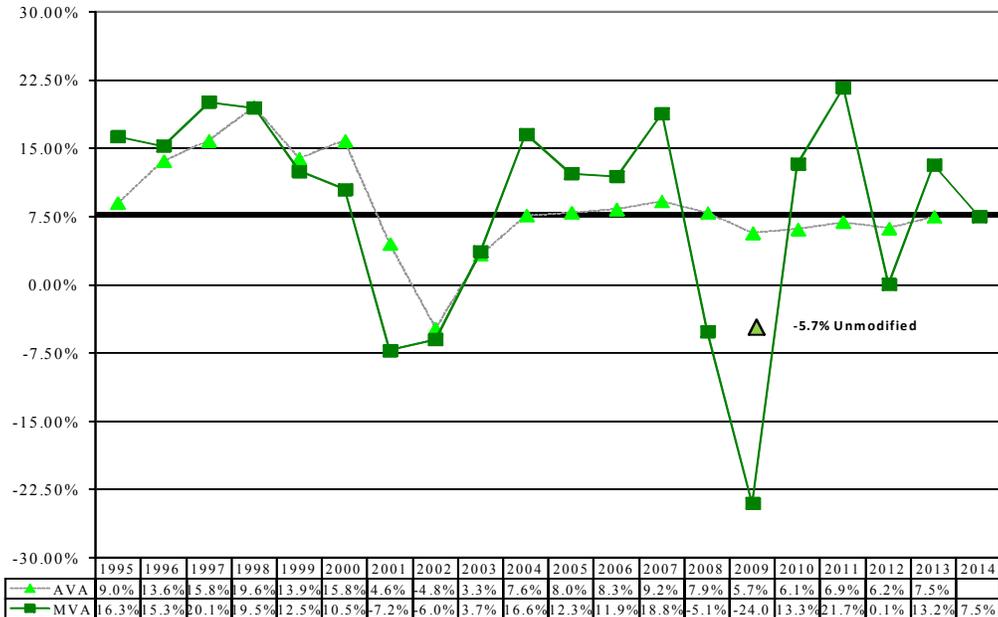


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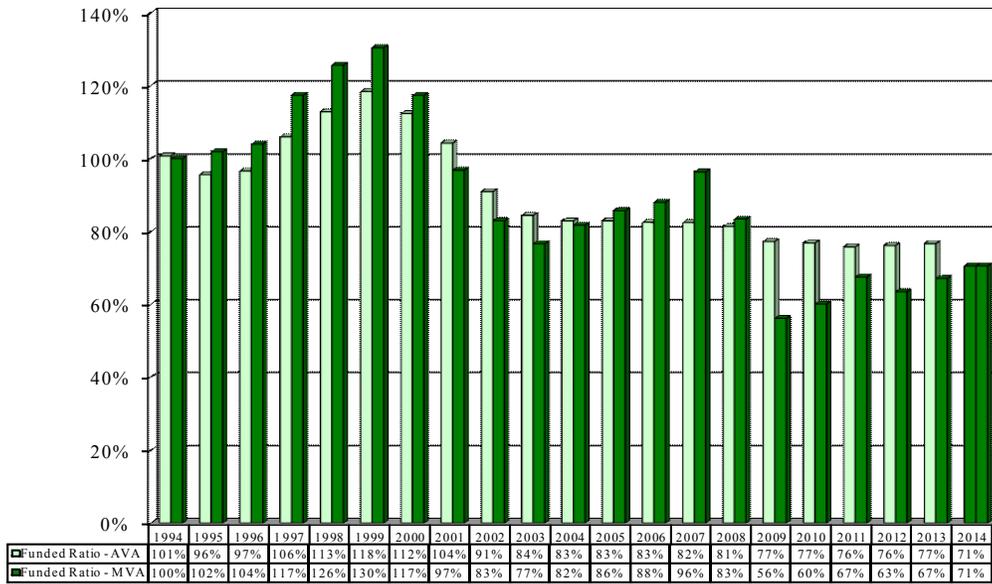


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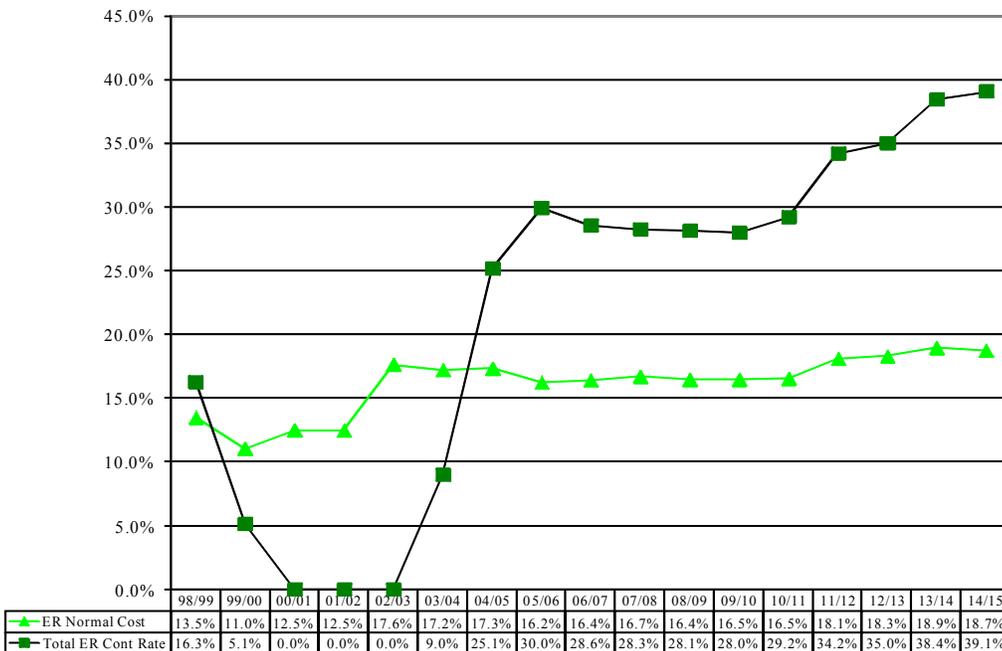
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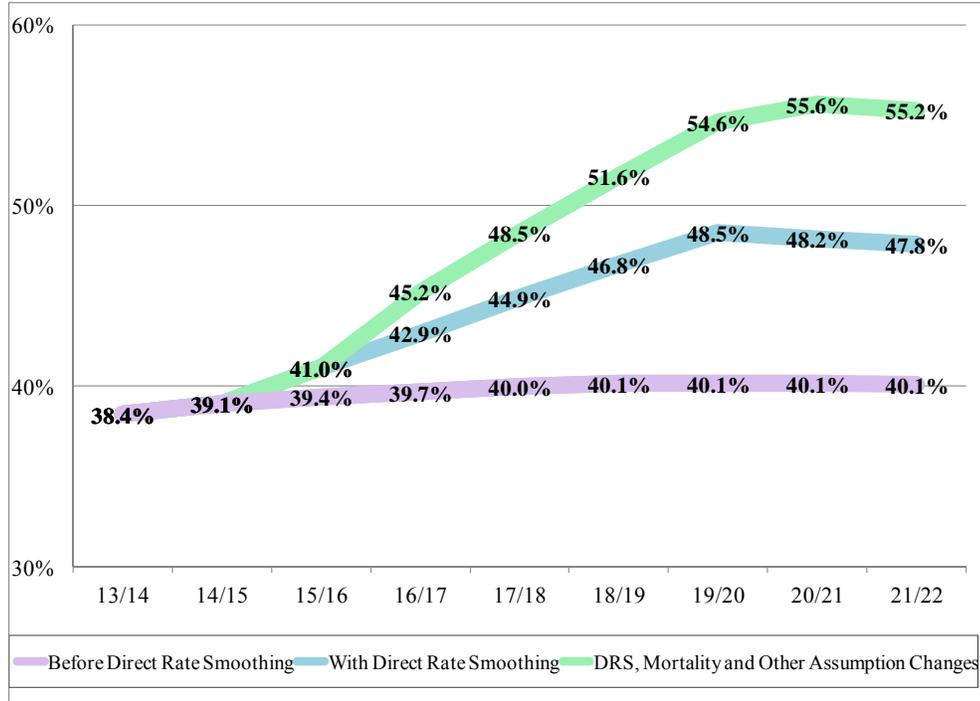
	Actuarial <u>2014/15</u> AVA	Market <u>2014/15</u> MVA
■ Plan Assets		
■ ER Normal cost	18.7%	18.7%
■ Amortization bases:	<u>20.3%</u>	<u>32.1%</u>
■ Total Contribution Rate	39.1%	50.8%
■ Amortization period	≈ 27 years	27 years



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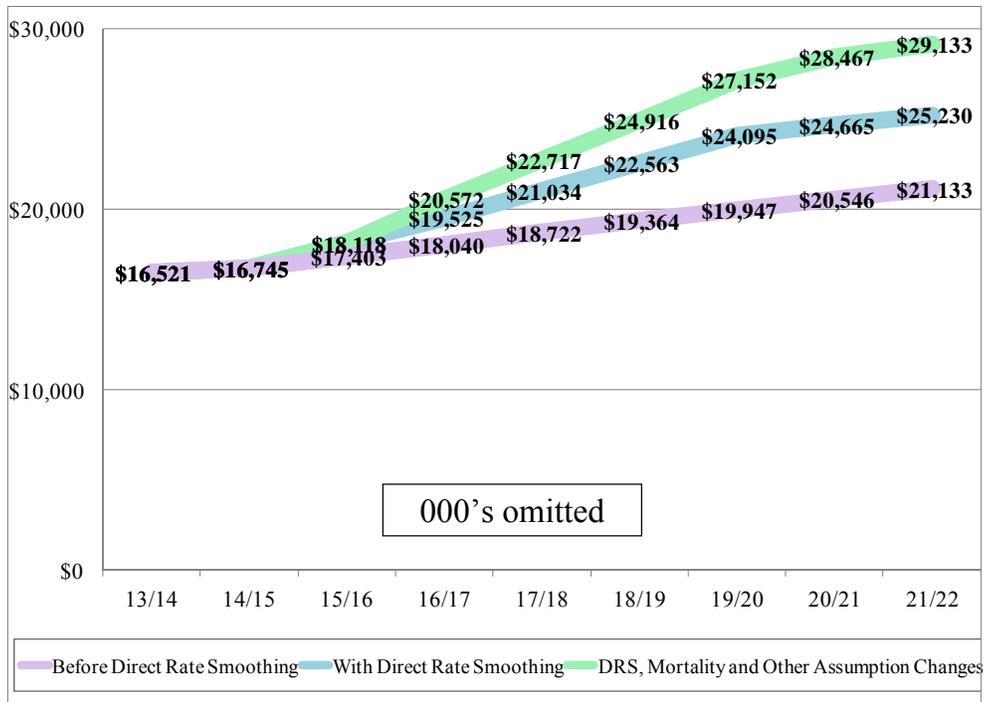
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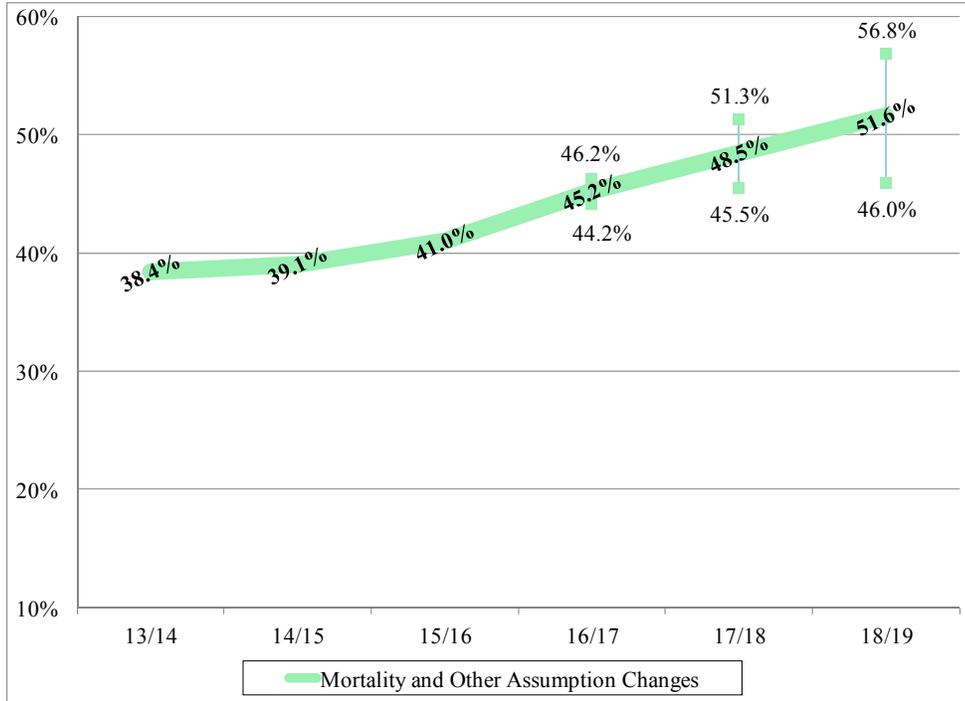
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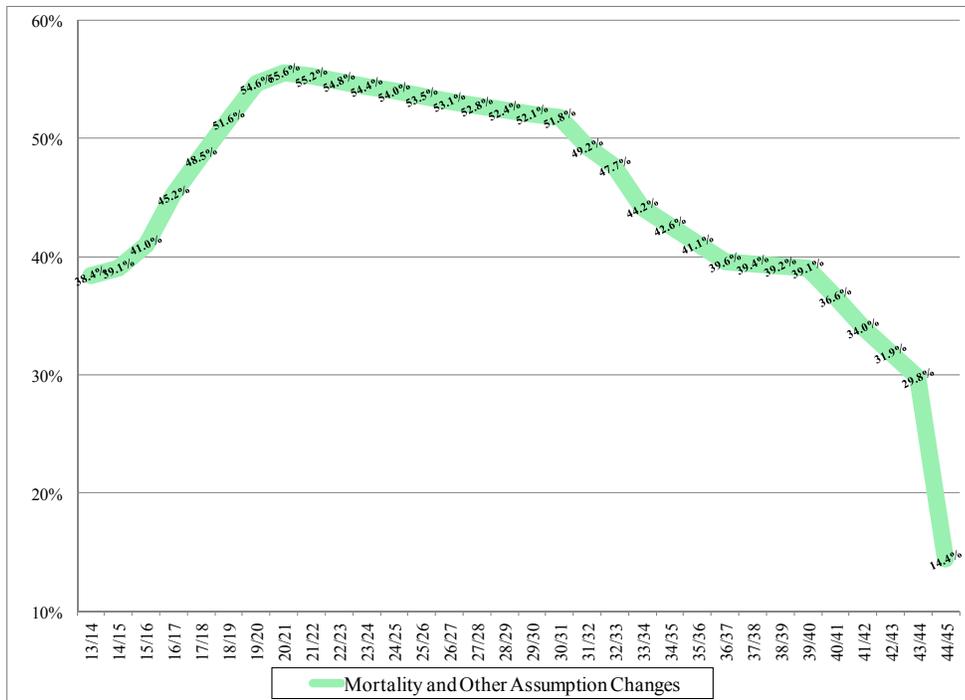
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GASB 68

■ **Pension Accounting:**

- GASB 68, Accounting for Employers, approved June 25, 2012
- Replaces GASB 27, effective 2014/15

■ **Major Issues:**

- Unfunded liability on balance sheet
- Expense calculation disconnected from contribution calculation
- Discount rate is
 - Expected return on plan assets when assets sufficient to pay benefits
 - Municipal bond rate when assets not sufficient to pay benefits

Likely caused CalPERS to modify assets smoothing and/or amortization policy to avoid using discount rate lower than expected return (7.5%).

■ **June 30, 2012 Unfunded Actuarial Liability (in Millions)**

Plan	Total Pension Liability (AAL)	Fiduciary Net Position (MVA)	Net Pension Liability (UAL)
Safety	\$552.5	\$350.6	\$201.9
Miscellaneous	431.2	298.6	132.6
Supplemental	57.6	33.5	24.1
Total Net Pension Liability			\$358.6



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GASB 68



City of Huntington Beach Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended September 30, 2013

Below is a summary schedule of the City's net position at September 30, 2013 (in thousands):

	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	Amount Increase (Decrease)	Percent Increase (Decrease)
Governmental Activities				
Current and Other Assets	\$ 170,030	\$ 154,811	\$ 15,219	9.8%
Capital Assets	661,597	651,369	1,447	0.2%
Total Assets	831,627	806,180	25,447	3.1%
Current and Other Liabilities	21,242	19,167	2,075	10.8%
Long-Term Obligations	67,085	69,621	(2,536)	-3.6%
Total Liabilities	88,327	88,788	(461)	-0.5%
Net Position:				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	617,267	613,065	4,202	0.7%
Restricted	21,867	44,220	(22,353)	-50.5%
Unrestricted	34,076	59,088	(25,012)	-42.3%
Total Net Position	\$ 723,210	\$ 710,363	\$ 12,847	1.8%
Business-Type Activities				
Current and Other Assets	\$ 100,130	\$ 98,982	\$ 1,148	1.2%
Capital Assets	145,880	141,931	3,949	2.8%
Total Assets	246,010	240,913	5,097	2.1%
Current and Other Liabilities	5,935	5,447	(488)	-8.9%
Long-Term Obligations	1,112	1,055	57	5.4%
Total Liabilities	7,047	6,502	(545)	-8.4%
Net Position:				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	145,880	141,931	3,949	2.8%
Restricted	27,488	27,804	(316)	-1.1%
Unrestricted	65,595	69,666	(4,071)	-5.8%
Total Net Position	\$ 228,963	\$ 229,401	\$ (438)	-0.2%



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PEPRA COST SHARING

- Target of 50% of total normal cost for everyone
- *New members* must pay greater of 50% of total normal cost or bargained amount if higher
- Employer cannot pay any part of *new member* required employee contributions
- Employer may impose current employees pay 50% of total normal cost (limited to certain amounts) if not agreed through collective bargaining by 1/1/18
- Miscellaneous Plan:

	<u>Current Members</u>	<u>New Members</u>
	<u>2.5% @ 55</u>	<u>2.5% @ 67⁹</u>
● Employer Normal Cost	8.6%	6.25%
● Member Normal Cost	<u>8.0%</u>	<u>6.25%</u>
● Total Normal Cost	16.6%	12.5%

⁹ Also referred to as 2% @ 62.



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PEPRA COST SHARING

- Safety Plan

	<u>Current Members</u>	<u>New Members</u>
	<u>3% @ 50</u>	<u>2.7% @ 57</u>
● Employer Normal Cost	18.7%	11.25%
● Member Normal Cost	<u>9.0%</u>	<u>11.25%</u>
● Total Normal Cost	27.7%	22.50%



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Esparza, Patty

From: Flynn, Joan
Sent: Monday, April 07, 2014 2:44 PM
To: Esparza, Patty
Subject: FW: Golden West Street

From: Harper, Matthew
Sent: Monday, April 07, 2014 2:13 PM
To: Flynn, Joan; Fikes, Cathy
Subject: Fwd: Golden West Street

<http://ochistorical.blogspot.com/2014/04/golden-west-vs-goldenwest.html>

MAYOR MATTHEW HARPER
City of Huntington Beach

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Matthew Harper <matthewharper@verizon.net>
Date: April 7, 2014 1:29:02 PM PDT
To: <matthew.harper@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Golden West Street

Golden West College
www.goldenwestcollege.edu/

Golden West Transportation Center
octa.net

Golden West Telecommunications
www.goldenwest.com/

Golden West Cafe
www.goldenwestcafe.com/

Golden West Dental
<http://www.goldenwestdental.com/>

Golden West Middle
www.travisusd.k12.ca.us/gwest/index.html

Golden West Casino
www.goldenwestcasino.net/

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 7/7/2014

Agenda Item No. 17

Golden West Homes, Manufactured Homes, Modular Homes
www.goldenwesthomes.com/

Golden West Collision Center
www.goldenwestcollisioncenter.com/

Golden West Telecommunications
<http://goldenwest.com/>

Golden West High School, Visalia Unified School District
www.vusd.org/GoldenWest.cfm

Golden West Biologicals, Inc.
<http://www.goldenwestbio.com/>

Golden West Airlines
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Golden_West_Airlines

Golden West Financial
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Golden_West_Financial

Golden West Invitational - Track & Field
<http://www.goldenwestinvitational.org/>

Golden West Energy
<http://www.goldenwestenergy.com/>

Golden West Athletics Club
<http://www.gwestracing.com/>

Golden West Books, publishers of fine railroading history books
www.gwestracing.com/

Golden West Swim Club
www.goldenwestswimclub.com/

Golden West Electric
<http://www.goldenwestelectric.com/>

Golden West Elementary School, Manteca Unified School District
manteca.schoolspan.com/school/goldenwest/index.asp

Golden West Travel
<http://www.goldenwesttravel.net/>

Golden West Women Flyfishers
www.gwwf.org/

Golden West Tattoo
<http://goldenwesttattoo.com/>

Golden West Glass Company Sonoma County CA
www.goldenwestglass.com/

Golden West Motel - West Yellowstone, Montana
www.goldenwestmotel.com/

Golden West Security
www.goldenwestsecurityinc.com/

Golden West Moving Systems, Inc
goldenwestms.com/

EAA Golden West Regional Fly-In and Air
www.goldenwestflyin.org/

Golden West Chevelle & El Camino Club
www.goldenwestcarclub.com/

Golden West Tours
www.goldenwesttours.net

Golden West Region, Soroptimists
goldenwestregion.org/

The Girl of the Golden West (1938)
www.imdb.com/title/tt0030182/

Heart of the Golden West (1942)
www.imdb.com/title/tt0034832/

Goldenwest Manufacturing Inc
www.goldenwestmfg.com/

Girls of the Golden West
en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Girls_of_the_Golden_West

Golden West Jet Centers
www.goldenwest-oxr.com/

Golden West Express - LAX- Los Angeles Airport Shuttle
www.goldenwestexpress.com/

Golden West Financial Corporation
www.goldenwestworld.com/

Golden West Billiards Manufacturing
www.billiardmfg.com/

CENTURY 21 Golden West Realty
www.century21goldenwest.com/

The Golden West Trio featuring Miss Kay Marie
www.OLDTIMEY.NET/gwt.htm

Native Sons of the Golden West
en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Native_Sons_of_the_Golden_West

Native Daughters of the Golden West
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Native_Daughters_of_the_Golden_West

USAF Band of the Golden West
www.bandofthegoldenwest.af.mil/

Golden West Sales
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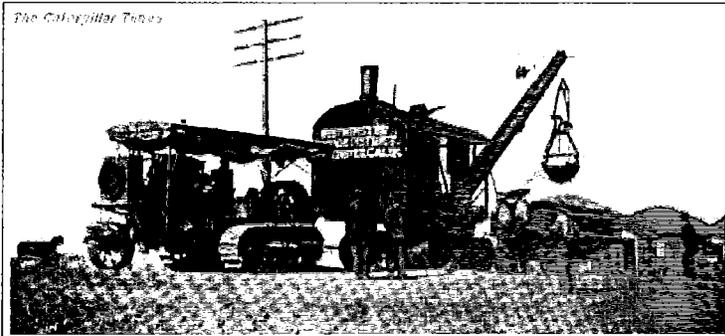
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Golden West vs. Goldenwest



Tractor pulling a 20-ton dredger for Golden West Celery & Produce Co., 1915.

The Mayor of Huntington Beach, Matthew Harper, (an old friend from my high school days), just asked me, "Goldenwest or Golden West? The question will be on the agenda on Monday."

The origins and correct spelling of this north-south street running through Huntington Beach and Westminster have led to more than a little head scratching in recent years. I still don't have all the answers, but here's what I've discovered so far...

Maps from 1911 to 1927 show the street's name as Westminster Ave. One of the conventions for county roads was to name them for the community they led to.

By 1935 at the latest, the road was called Golden West Ave. It likely took its name from the Golden West Celery & Produce Co., which incorporated in 1902 and did its packing in the town of Smeltzer, near the spot where Edinger Ave. now crosses the railroad tracks. (It became the Golden West Warehouse Co. after the celery industry tanked.)

On a related note, the phrase "the Golden West" was often used in the late 1800s and early 1900s to evoke a certain romantic or nostalgic notion of California. Examples include the play and opera entitled "The Girl of the Golden West," the local Golden West Citrus Association, and the fraternal service group known as the Native Sons of the Golden West.

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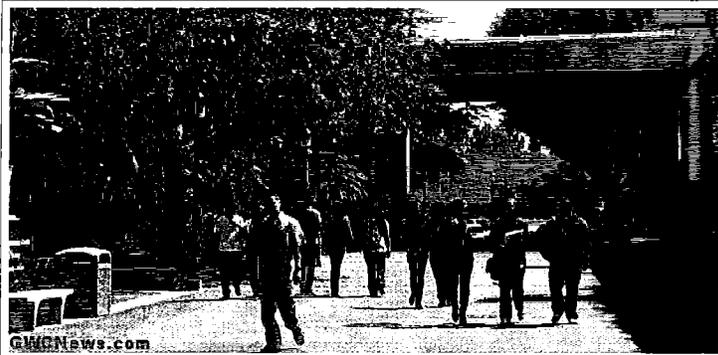
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Golden West College, named for the street, opened in 1966.

The earliest reference I've found (so far) to the one-word "Goldenwest" in connection with the street is on a 1962 county survey map (RSB 59/2-3). But that seems to have been a fluke rather than the norm at that time. Almost always, "Golden West" was the preferred spelling until at least the 1980s or 1990s.

Beginning around 1981, a few references to "Goldenwest Ave." began to appear in newspapers. By the end of the 1980s it was showing up that way on county survey maps and a few street signs. In 1997, the Thomas Guide changed the spelling in their maps from "Golden West" to "Goldenwest."

In the 2000s, the digital mapping software used by Huntington Beach's police and fire departments in responding to calls was unable to cope with a single street having multiple names. City Council Resolution 2009-76 adopted a single name for each street facing this problem. One of these "fixes" was the official changing of "Golden West Ave." to "Goldenwest Street."

I guess we'll learn the next chapter of this story after the City Council meets on Monday.



Akiyama Goldfish Farm, Golden West Ave, looking north from Bolsa Ave., Westminster, circa 1960.

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Citizen name: Richardson Gray

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I have owned my home in Downtown Huntington Beach for almost eight years, after retiring here in 2006. I am writing you to urge the Council to write a letter of support for the nomination of Historic Wintersburg for the National Trust for Historic Places' list of America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places. I spent most of my twenty-five year career in commercial real estate working on the renovation and adaptive reuse of historic properties, first in North Carolina and later in Massachusetts.

Since the completion of our City's last historic inventory in 1986, which is in the process of an update now, forty percent of the City's 1986 historic properties have been demolished, at least 134 properties lost forever, from a group of 341 historic properties in 1986. As I understand it, from 2002 through today, the City has only vetoed one demolition permit in that entire, most recent, twelve-year period.

With this background, I trust that you will be able to see the crucial importance of the Council's support for including Historic Wintersburg on the National Trust for Historic Places' list of America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places. Without your support, Historic Wintersburg, so much emblematic of our Huntington Beach, Orange County, Southern California, and National histories, may well be lost for all time. Thank you for your support.

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Citizen name: Mary Urashima

Description: RE: Letter to The National Trust for Historic Preservation recommending that the Wintersburg site be included on their annual "America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places" list.

Mayor and City Council members,

You are being asked to sign a letter to the National Trust for Historic Preservation, requesting the inclusion of Historic Wintersburg on America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places.

The main effect of being on the list is as a national "call to action" to help our community save historic resources. This leads to national support and the assistance of the National Trust (e.g. preservation expertise, fundraising help). The National Trust reports that "Over the last 25 years, we've had a 97% success rate" of saving places on the list." Local coalitions "get a big boost and additional support emerges from the shadows when people learn for the first time that a resource is threatened."

Examples of the news announcements from last year:

<http://www.cnn.com/2013/06/19/travel/most-endangered-historic-places-2013/>

<http://www.businessinsider.com/endangered-historic-places-in-us-2013-6>

To be very clear, this does not change the city council action of last November nor does it place any restrictions on the landowner. If selected for the final list of America's 11 Most Endangered, all parties can be involved in a positive, collaborative effort.

If we are to get the major support and fundraising needed to achieve some type of preservation---in the time period in which we have to work---then significant community and media outreach is crucial to that effort.

Major fundraising from outside sources is something all city council members said they would support during public hearings last fall. This is an action you can take to support fundraising.

It is an honor for Historic Wintersburg in Huntington Beach to be a candidate for the list and to have our unique local history considered as important American history.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Mary Adams Urashima
Chair, Historic Wintersburg Preservation Task Force
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