

RESOLUTION NO. 44-2017

A Resolution Offering the Voluntary Purchase of Service Credit Between the City of Worthington, Ohio and the Bargaining Unit Employees of the City of Worthington Division of Fire/EMS Enrolled in the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund.

WHEREAS, the eligible employees of the City of Worthington Division of Fire/EMS participate in the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (“OP&F”); and,

WHEREAS, City Council has previously restated its support of the implementation of a designated pick-up of all of the mandatory contributions required under Section 742.31 of the Ohio Revised Code for participating employees of the City of Worthington Division of Fire/EMS who are members of the OP&F by paying the contributions through a payroll reduction; and,

WHEREAS, City Council desires to offer a pick-up for the voluntary purchase of service credit, as provided for in Section 742.56 of the Ohio Revised Code and 742-5-08 of the Ohio Administrative Code, for participating employees of the City of Worthington Division of Fire/EMS who are members of the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund and who are members of the bargaining unit; and,

WHEREAS, the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund has adopted procedures for reporting picked up contributions in order to properly prepare 1099-R forms for its members pursuant to Section 742.32 of the Ohio Revised Code and Section 742-7-14 of the Ohio Administrative Code; and,

WHEREAS, employers may pay all or a part of the voluntary contributions for the purchase of service credit for employees participating in the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Municipality of Worthington, County of Franklin, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That effective July 17, 2017 and thereafter, the City of Worthington desires to offer to pick-up all or part of the voluntary contributions through a payroll deduction for the purchase of service credit by employees of the City of Worthington Division of Fire/EMS who are members of the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund and who are members of the bargaining unit. The bargaining unit is described in Exhibit A, which is made a part of this resolution. No contributions made prior to the City Council’s action shall be picked-up.

SECTION 2. That said picked up contributions paid through a payroll reduction, even though designated as employee contributions for state law purposes, are being paid by the City of Worthington in lieu of said contributions by the employee.

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SECTION 3. That the pickup treatment does not apply to contributions made prior to the later of the date the resolution is signed or effective.

SECTION 4. That said employees shall not be entitled to any option of choosing to receive the contributed amounts directly instead of having them paid by the City of Worthington to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund.

SECTION 5. That said employees must execute the attached Irrevocable Payroll Deduction Authorization form in order to have this pick-up treatment apply and that the Department must certify the authorization under Ohio Administrative Code 742-5-08.

SECTION 6. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after July 17, 2017.

SECTION 7. That the Clerk be and hereby is instructed to record this Resolution in the appropriate record book.

Adopted July 17, 2017

/s/ Bonnie D. Michael
President of Council

Attest

/s/ D. Kay Thress
Clerk of Council

EXHIBIT A: DESCRIPTION OF BARGAINING UNIT

DIVISION OF FIRE/EMS

Firefighter/EMS

Fire Inspector

Lieutenant

Inspector Lieutenant

Captain