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CHOOSE YOUR TRUSTEE, *every* VOTE COUNTS! PLACE 2 *election* began MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

The Employees' Retirement Fund (ERF or the Fund) is governed by a seven member board of trustees, three of whom are elected by current, active employees of the City who are contributing to the pension fund. Employees began voting in the place 2 election on **Monday, September 21st**, and will conclude on **Thursday, October 15th** at 5p.

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN ERF TRUSTEE

The seven member Board of Trustees is responsible for administering the Fund in accordance with the Dallas City Code, Chapter 40A. Three of the seven trustees are elected by the membership, three are appointed by the City Council and the seventh member is the City Auditor, ex officio.

As fiduciaries, each of the Trustee's decisions must be guided by the obligation to administer the Fund for the exclusive benefit of the members, retirees and beneficiaries. It is necessary for Trustees to become knowledgeable in areas of investments, management, actuarial policy and pension administration.

If you have any problems voting, call Votem at 1-888-492-4763; you must have your ballot with you when you call. Votem will tabulate your votes and report the results at the November Board of Trustees meeting at 9am on Tuesday, November 10th.

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PLEASE PROTECT YOURSELF; ERF WILL PROTECT YOUR PENSION

We want to assure you that your pension is safe. Dallas ERF has a long-term investment horizon. We understand the market changes constantly and our investment policy was developed with that in mind by diversifying our portfolio.

The Dallas ERF office began working remotely on Monday, March 23, 2020 and continues to provide all services for members. We realize that some employees fall into vulnerable groups susceptible to the virus and we do not want you to place yourself at risk.

We can provide all services to you from the comfort of your own home. If you need any information, please contact us at 214-580-7700 or email us at retirement_fund@dallaserf.org. To find more information to assist you, please visit ERF's website, www.dallaserf.org, where you can learn more about the current trustee election, register for an upcoming webinar and much more.

During these uncertain times, we will continue to do everything we can to ensure your pension is the last thing you need to worry about. For information and updates, follow us on Facebook @DallasERF.



The Employees' Retirement Fund of the City of Dallas is a defined benefit plan for City of Dallas' non-uniformed, permanent full and part-time employees.

"It is our mission to provide retirement benefits and superior service to advance the financial security of our members."

CONGRATULATIONS TO SOME OF OUR NEWEST RETIREES

EMPLOYEES WHO RETIRED IN JANUARY, FEBRUARY, APRIL & MAY 2020 and AGREED TO LET US SHARE THE NEWS
(March retirees will be recognized in the next newsletter)

DEPARTMENT	SERVICE	DEPARTMENT	SERVICE	DEPARTMENT	SERVICE
City Controller's Office		Management Services, cont.		Police, cont.	
Kiki T. Lyons	30	Carmen G. Cortez	21	Sarah M. Dunlap	18
City Secretary's Office		Sally L. Campbell	15	Public Works & Transportation	
Sandra E. Dubose	24	Rachel F. Salu	9	Dwayne H. Copeland	36
Code Compliance Services		Office of Cultural Affairs		Jose J. Perez	29
Neely L. Blackman	30	David A. Hunter	24	Norman D. Meche	21
Kennon V. Bohannon	28	Phyllis A. Jeff	20	Johnny R. Hubacek	13
Silvestre C. Garcia	24	Marilyn L. Clark	6	Sanitation Services	
Bruce A. Benedict	24	Rhonda J. Hamlet	9	Jose Verduzco	24
Doyle W. Donehoo Jr.	21	Park & Recreation		Water Utilities	
David K. Mallett	7	Tonya M. Ortega	28	Thomas R. Foster	35
Equipment & Fleet Management		Ivan V. Doss	25	Bartolo Longoria	35
Kelly T. Sparkman	30	Harlon X. Hall	22	Vrshali V. Ozarkar	30
Eduardo E. Lopez	22	Jimmie L. Slater	15	Lyndel R. Jones	30
Management Services		Leonardo Rodriguez	11	Daniel Gonzalez	25
Yolanda P. Cepak	30	Police		Rickey L. Aubrey	24
Sandra K. Scott	27	Deborah L. Joseph	40	Raul Alamillo	23
		Leatrice L. Conwright	36	Steven Starnes	15
		Mary L. Jones	33		

YOUR BALLOT IS IN THE MAIL!

All active City of Dallas employees who contribute to the fund can vote in this election. Place Two for the ERF Board of Trustees is picked by you! In order to cast your vote, you will need your Employee Number and the Voting PIN provided on your ballot.

VOTE BY INTERNET

1. Go to <https://dallaserf.castiron.votem.net/election/11d8c19d-3835-4553-91b5-4c6f5f2f0831>
2. Enter your Employee Number. Your Employee Number must be six digits if it is not, add leading zeros. Enter the PIN provided on your ballot. If you do not have your ballot, see the "I don't have my Ballot Instructions." section below.
3. Select your choice for ERF Trustee and confirm your choice.

VOTE BY PHONE

1. Call 833-784-0123. Enter your Employee Number and PIN.
Reminder: you must enter your Employee Number as a six-digit number.
2. Select your candidate from the prompted choices and save. Do not hang up until you submit your vote.



I DON'T HAVE MY BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS. HOW DO I VOTE?

You can email dallaserfhelp@votem or call 1-888-492-4763 and give them your name and Employee Number. They will give you your PIN. Once you receive your PIN you can [click here](#) to vote online or call 833-784-0123. Follow the automated instructions. The name of the candidate you have selected will be repeated for your confirmation before the vote is registered. If you hang up before confirmation, your vote will not be registered.

OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY

TO THE FAMILIES OF OUR DECEASED MEMBERS
from JANUARY 2020 TO APRIL 2020

DEPARTMENT	AGE	DEPARTMENT	AGE	DEPARTMENT	AGE
Aviation Thomas H. Oswald Jose A. De La Fuente	66 65	Equipment & Fleet Management Lawrence B. Marks	59	Sanitation Services Mary J. Diaz Joes Raul M Hernandez Johnny B. Stewart	73 67 59
Budget & Research Myron E. Meador	88	Fire Glenn R. Crockett	78	Street Services Aubrey N. Wheat Thomas E. Hughes Mario H. Ramirez James M. Wood III Charles A. Ziebolz Ray A. Cartridge	98 83 73 71 65 61
City Controller's Office Johnnie R. Potter	91	Library Maria A. Fabela James H. Calhoun Michael E. Ellis	95 91 67	Street, Sanitation & Code Enforcement Ottis E. Decker	89
City Manager's Office Patricia J. Henley	90	Management Services Steven K. Smith	60	Street & Sanitation Services Anastacio R. Reyes	88
Code Compliance Services Robert O. Cullen Jose S. Cabler Scamardo L. Haggins	81 73 69	Office of Minority Business Samuel Knooihuizen	76	Water Utilities Gladys B. Hansen Patrica J. Cook Joseph A. Shewski Thomas A. Shaw Charles Mimms Tate Hannible, Jr. Santos Guzman Santos C. Guzman Randy P. Ned	103 96 91 81 72 69 69 68 55
Communication & Information Services Joe W. Burnett	83	Park & Recreation Lela P. Penelton Gilberto Rios Olie M. Ware Charles B. Foster Israel Casiano Oddis D. Dickson	96 91 88 75 72 68		
Court & Detention Services Mary A. Noble	97	Police Vernett Hearn Lovie L. Majors Sheila R. Stubblefield	70 63 61		
Economic Development Ted H. Dusek, Jr. Jewell G. Hall	86 68	Public Works & Transportation Robert D. Troy Jose S. Rodriguez	83 69		
Equipment & Building Services Wilmer G. Pikes Richard H. Haggard	76 70				

CHOOSE YOUR TRUSTEE! PLACE 2
election began MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST, CONT.



ERF TRUSTEE ELECTION, PLACE 2 CANDIDATES

VINCENT LEAL

Senior Real Estate Specialist
Sustainable Development
12 years, 3 months of service

SUNIL KING

Division Manager
Dallas Water Utilities
21 years, 4 months of service

ZARIN GRACEY

Director
Office of Business Diversity (CMO)
14 years, 7 months of service

DAVID LOPEZ

Service Area Manager
Park & Recreation
7 years, 11 months of service

To read full bios for each nominee, visit, www.dallaserf.org/place-2-erf-trustee-election-candidate-bios and follow us on Facebook @DallasERF for links to recorded candidate forums.

TRUSTEE CANDIDATE FORUMS

All trustee forums were held online for the 2020 ERF Trustee election, Place 2.

The ERF Trustee election began September 21st at 8a. There were four virtual candidate forums for this election. The forums were held in a webinar format so that employees could register, sign in and participate in the forums.

All the forums were recorded and are available on the ERF GoToWebinar channel at www.gotostage.com/channel/erf--member-education.

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DECEASED
MEMBERS

2020 STATE FAIR OF TEXAS CANCELLED

SOURCE, WWW.BIGTEX.COM

It is with a heavy heart that we must announce the State Fair of Texas will not open for the 2020 season. Our mission at the Fair is to celebrate all things Texan and with that comes...being friendly, lending a helping hand, and looking out for others. This year, those essential traits of being a Texan matter more than ever. Right now, we must take care of our neighbors and loved ones.

The Fair's commitment to our nonprofit mission of promoting agriculture, education, and community involvement will continue. In addition, we commit to maintaining as many participation opportunities as possible for both livestock and creative arts - stay tuned for more updates on these contests.

COUNTDOWN TO 2021

We have been around for 134 years and though we may not see each other in person this year, we can promise you we will be counting down the days until we can celebrate in 2021 and the many State Fairs ahead of us. We will be waiting with open arms to welcome you back next year in true Texas-fashion with the biggest and best, "Howdy, Folks!" The 2021 State Fair of Texas is scheduled to run Friday, September 24, through Sunday, October 17, in historic Fair Park.

We appreciate your understanding, and overall love and dedication toward the State Fair of Texas.



COVID-19 INFORMATION AND FAIR UPDATES

For more information, please visit COVID-19 Updates | State Fair of Texas, <https://bigtex.com/covid-19-update>.

PRE-RETIREMENT SESSIONS AVAILABLE ONLINE!

We are excited to announce that all ERF Pre-Retirement and Lunch & Learn Sessions are now available online!

All five sessions will be offered both live and recorded to ensure all members have access anytime, anywhere. Live sessions will be held quarterly in GoToWebinar from 11a - 1p with a live presentation and Q&A with speakers.

If you would like to attend the next series of live sessions, login to your myERF account to see upcoming dates. ERF will also notify all members via email, on the website, www.dallaserf.org and on Facebook @DallasERF.

To register for upcoming sessions or access pre-recorded sessions, visit www.gotostage.com/channel/erf-member-education.



UPCOMING WEBINARS

Tuesday, October 6th
Thursday, October 8th
Thursday, October 15th
Tuesday, October 20th
Thursday, October 22nd

Retiree Health Benefits
Social Security & Your Pension
Your Pension Benefit
Fidelity Investments
Taxes After Retirement

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