

THE RETIREMENT BOARD
of the
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OF CHICAGO

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Deputy Fire Commissioner, ANTHONY P. VASQUEZ, Vice-President
City Treasurer, KURT A. SUMMERS JR.
City Comptroller, ERIN KEANE
City Clerk, ANNA VALENCIA

August 4, 2017

**NOTICE OF AN ELECTION FOR THE OFFICE OF ANNUITANT OR PENSIONER
MEMBER OF THE RETIREMENT BOARD OF THE
FIREMEN'S ANNUITY AND BENEFIT FUND OF CHICAGO**

Under provisions of Section 6-175 of Chapter 40, Act 5, Article 6 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, an election will be held to fill the office of Annuitant or Pensioner Member of The Retirement Board which becomes vacant **December 1, 2017**, by reason of the expiration of the term of a present incumbent.

Ballots will be mailed to all persons eligible to vote no later than **September 22, 2017**. Persons voting must return their ballots to the Retirement Board of the Fireman's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago (the "Board") c/o The Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago (hereinafter the "Fund") by mail.

NO BALLOTS RETURNED IN ENVELOPES POSTMARKED AFTER OCTOBER 23, 2017 AND/OR RECEIVED BY THE FUND AFTER 9:00 A.M. ON OCTOBER 24, 2017 WILL BE COUNTED. The counting of the ballots will begin on **October 24, 2017**, at approximately 9:30 a.m., in the Retirement Board office.

Every annuitant of the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago and every fireman pensioner of any prior firemen's pension fund in operation, by law, in the City of Chicago, who will be 18 years of age or older on **October 24, 2017**, is eligible to be a candidate in this election.

Every annuitant and pensioner (except children less than age 18) and the legal guardian of all child annuitants and child pensioners whose surviving parent or step-parent is not an annuitant or pensioner at **August 31, 2017**, is eligible to vote in this election.

SUMMARY OF RULES GOVERNING ELECTION

A copy of the full and complete Rules Governing Election adopted by the Board will be provided to any eligible voter upon request.

Persons who desire to run as a candidate for the office to be filled in this election may register in person at the office of the Fund between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., **September 5, 2017** through **September 8, 2017**, or by delivering a properly completed original statement of candidacy (Exhibit "A") to the office of the Fund. Statement of candidacy forms received either by delivery or by mail will not be accepted if they arrive at the Fund prior to 8:00 a.m. **September 5, 2017** or after 4:00 p.m., **September 8, 2017**.

In the event that only one eligible participant declares their candidacy in the election for Annuitant or Pensioner Trustee, the Election Committee shall declare that candidate the winner and no election will be held. All participants will be notified of the decision. In the event that no eligible participants properly declare their candidacy within the aforementioned time frame, all participants will be notified and a new election timetable will be established, including an extended time for candidate registration to be determined by the Election Committee.

All ballots must be submitted by mail to the post office box indicated on the ballot return envelope. Only one ballot may be submitted in each return envelope. **NO BALLOTS POSTMARKED AFTER OCTOBER 23, 2017 AND/OR RECEIVED BY THE FUND AFTER 9:00 A.M. ON OCTOBER 24, 2017 WILL BE COUNTED.** The ballots will be retrieved from the post office box no earlier than 9:00 a.m. on **October 24, 2017** and will be brought to the office of the Fund where they will be counted. Clerks of Election will be supervised by the Independent Election Administrator.

Any person eligible to vote who does not receive ballot materials may deliver to the Board a written "Request for Ballot", no later than **October 13, 2017**. If a person submitting a written "Request for Ballot" is eligible to vote, the Independent Election Administrator will mail ballot materials to the requesting party.

Each candidate for election, upon request, will be provided with credentials for poll watchers but may not have more than two (2) poll watchers present observing the proceedings at any time. Poll watchers shall present their credentials, if requested, to the Clerks of Election.

The Election Committee shall consist of Chairman Kurt A. Summers Jr., Co-Chair Anthony P. Vasquez and Trustees Michael Shanahan, Peter O'Sullivan and Anna Valencia. A majority of this Committee shall constitute a quorum. The Election Committee will determine the eligibility of candidates, and will certify the results of the election to the Retirement Board at the next regular meeting thereof.

Names of candidates will NOT appear on the ballot in the order of registration of candidacy. Instead, the order of the presentation of candidates' names on the ballot will be determined by a lottery to be held **Tuesday, September 12, 2017** at 11:30 a.m. in the office of the Fund. Candidates will be listed on the ballots by their formal names and no nicknames will be allowed.

In the event that there is a tie vote for Annuitant Trustee, there shall be a run-off election, on or before **November 21, 2017**, and the winner thereof shall be declared the Annuitant or Pensioner Trustee.

Any request for recount or other challenge to the results of the election as determined by the Clerks of Election must be presented in writing no later than seven (7) days after the votes have been tallied by the Clerks of Election. The Board may, at its discretion, grant a request for a recount or otherwise grant such relief as is appropriate.

Election Committee, Retirement Board of the
Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago

Kurt A Summers Jr., Anthony P. Vasquez Co-Chairs
and Trustees; Michael Shanahan, Peter O'Sullivan and
Anna Valencia