



**CITY OF STAMFORD
OPEB PLAN - WPCA**

**GASB 74 and 75 DISCLOSURE
Fiscal Year: July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022**

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Certification

Actuarial computations presented in this report under Statements No. 74 and 75 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board are for purposes of assisting the City in fulfilling its financial accounting requirements. No attempt is being made to offer any accounting opinion or advice. This report is for fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. The reporting date for determining plan assets and obligations is June 30, 2022. The calculations enclosed in this report have been made on a basis consistent with our understanding of the plan provisions. Determinations for purposes other than meeting financial reporting requirements may be significantly different than the results contained in this report. Accordingly, additional determinations may be needed for other purposes, such as judging benefit security or meeting employer funding requirements.

In preparing this report, we relied, without audit, on information as of July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022 furnished by the City. This information includes, but is not limited to, statutory provisions, member census data, and financial information. Please see Milliman's valuation report dated April 7, 2022 for more information on the plan's participant group as of July 1, 2021 as well as a summary of the plan provisions and a summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used for funding purposes.

We performed a limited review of the census and financial information used directly in our analysis and have found them to be reasonably consistent and comparable with information used for other purposes. The valuation results depend on the integrity of this information. If any of this information is inaccurate or incomplete our results may be different and our calculations may need to be revised.

We hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge, this report, including all costs and liabilities based on actuarial assumptions and methods, is complete and accurate and determined in conformance with generally recognized and accepted actuarial principles and practices, which are consistent with the Actuarial Standards of Practice promulgated by the Actuarial Standards Board and the applicable Code of Professional Conduct, amplifying Opinions and supporting Recommendations of the American Academy of Actuaries.

Each of the assumptions used in this valuation with the exception of those set by law was set based on industry standard published tables and data, the particular characteristics of the plan, relevant information from the plan sponsor or other sources about future expectations, and our professional judgment regarding future plan experience. We believe the assumptions are reasonable for the contingencies they are measuring, and are not anticipated to produce significant cumulative actuarial gains or losses over the measurement period. Assumptions related to the claims costs and healthcare trend (cost inflation) rates for the retiree healthcare program discussed in this report were determined by Milliman actuaries qualified in such matters.

This valuation report is only an estimate of the plan's financial condition as of a single date. It can neither predict the plan's future condition nor guarantee future financial soundness. Actuarial valuations do not affect the ultimate cost of plan benefits, only the timing of plan contributions. While the valuation is based on an array of individually reasonable assumptions, other assumption sets may also be reasonable and valuation results based on those assumptions would be different. No one set of assumptions is uniquely correct. Determining results using alternative assumptions is outside the scope of our engagement.

Certification

Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to factors such as, but not limited to, the following: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period or additional cost or contribution requirements based on the plan's funded status); and changes in plan provisions or applicable law. Due to the limited scope of the actuarial assignment, we did not perform an analysis of the potential range of such future measurements.

The valuation results were developed using models intended for valuations that use standard actuarial techniques. In addition, Milliman has developed certain models to develop the expected long term rate of return on assets and estimate the claim costs and trend used in this analysis. We have reviewed the models, including their inputs, calculations, and outputs for consistency, reasonableness, and appropriateness to the intended purpose and in compliance with generally accepted actuarial practice and relevant actuarial standards of practice. The models, including all input, calculations, and output may not be appropriate for any other purpose.

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No third party recipient of Milliman's work product should rely upon Milliman's work product. Such recipients should engage qualified professionals for advice appropriate to their specific needs.

The consultants who worked on this assignment are actuaries. Milliman's advice is not intended to be a substitute for qualified legal or accounting counsel.

The signing actuaries are independent of the plan sponsor. We are not aware of any relationship that would impair the objectivity of our work.

On the basis of the foregoing, we hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this report is complete and has been prepared in accordance with generally recognized accepted actuarial principles and practices. We are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Qualification Standards to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.



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Executive Summary

Relationship Between Valuation Date, Measurement Date, and Reporting Date

The Valuation Date is July 1, 2021. This is the date as of which the actuarial valuation is performed. The Measurement Date is June 30, 2022. This is the date as of which the total OPEB liability is determined. The Reporting Date is June 30, 2022. This is the plan's and/or employer's fiscal year ending date.

WPCA Reporting

This report contains figures for WPCA employees and retirees who are covered under the City of Stamford OPEB Plan. Please see our full GASB 74 and 75 report dated December 16, 2022 for additional information, including information about the assumptions used for the plan's funding policy, the assumptions used for the GASB 74 and 75 disclosures, the money-weighted rate of return, and the basis for setting the discount rate. For purposes of this report, we have allocated plan assets and liabilities to the WPCA using methods which we believe to be reasonable. Please note that plan assets are not segregated for the WPCA employees and retirees or any other groups.

Participant Data as of July 1, 2021

Actives	27
Retirees	11
Spouses of Retirees	5
Beneficiaries	<u>2</u>
Total	45

Schedule of Employer Contributions

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Actuarially Determined Contribution	Actual Employer Contribution	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Covered Payroll	Contribution as a % of Covered Payroll
2022	\$572,000	\$572,000	\$0	\$2,202,963	25.97%
2021	532,000	532,000	0	2,407,841	22.09%
2020	482,000	482,000	0	2,017,431	23.89%
2019	463,000	463,000	0	2,224,616	20.81%
2018	488,000	488,000	0	2,545,410	19.17%
2017	382,000	382,000	0	2,535,297	15.07%
2016	366,000	329,000	37,000	2,333,000	14.10%
2015	134,000	160,862	(26,862)	2,265,000	7.10%
2014	162,000	125,300	36,700	2,455,000	5.10%
2013	462,000	343,000	119,000	2,220,000	15.45%

Net OPEB Liability

Net OPEB Liability	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Total OPEB liability	\$6,570,078	\$6,499,653
Fiduciary net position	3,370,849	3,663,803
Net OPEB liability	3,199,229	2,835,850
Fiduciary net position as a % of total OPEB liability	51.31%	56.37%
Covered payroll	2,202,963	2,407,841
Net OPEB liability as a % of covered payroll	145.22%	117.78%

The total OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of the valuation date, calculated based on the discount rate and actuarial assumptions below, and was then projected forward to the measurement date. Any significant changes during this period have been reflected as prescribed by GASB 74 and 75.

Discount Rate

Discount rate	6.70%	6.95%
Long-term expected rate of return, net of investment expense	6.70%	6.95%
Municipal bond rate	N/A	N/A

The plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the discount rate for calculating the total OPEB liability is equal to the long-term expected rate of return.

Other Key Actuarial Assumptions

The plan has not had a formal actuarial experience study performed.

Valuation date	July 1, 2021	July 1, 2020
Measurement date	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal	Entry Age Normal
Inflation	2.60%	2.60%
Salary increases including inflation	2.60%	2.60%
Medical Trend Rate	Pre-65 Cigna: 5.00% - 4.10% over 52 years Pre-65 State Partnership Plan: 5.10% - 4.10% over 53 years Post-65: 5.00% - 4.10% over 52 years	Pre-65 Cigna: 10.70% - 4.20% over 53 years Pre-65 State Partnership Plan: 5.30% - 4.10% over 54 years Post-65: 5.00% - 4.20% over 65 years

Please see Milliman's funding valuation report dated April 7, 2022 for more detail.

Changes in Net OPEB Liability

Changes in Net OPEB Liability	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total OPEB Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net OPEB Liability (a) - (b)
Balances as of June 30, 2021	\$6,499,653	\$3,663,803	\$2,835,850
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	184,802		184,802
Interest on total OPEB liability	458,498		458,498
Effect of plan changes	0		0
Effect of economic/demographic gains or losses	(126,753)		(126,753)
Effect of assumptions changes or inputs	(268,416)		(268,416)
Benefit payments	(177,706)	(177,706)	0
Employer contributions		572,000	(572,000)
Member contributions		0	0
Net investment income		(686,590)	686,590
Administrative expenses		(658)	658
Balances as of June 30, 2022	6,570,078	3,370,849	3,199,229

Sensitivity Analysis

The following presents the net OPEB liability of the City, calculated using the discount rate of 6.70%, as well as what the City's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (5.70%) or 1 percentage point higher (7.70%) than the current rate.

	Current		
	1% Decrease 5.70%	Discount Rate 6.70%	1% Increase 7.70%
Total OPEB liability	\$7,498,839	\$6,570,078	\$5,814,991
Fiduciary net position	3,370,849	3,370,849	3,370,849
Net OPEB liability	4,127,990	3,199,229	2,444,142

The following presents the net OPEB liability of the City, calculated using the current healthcare cost trend rates as well as what the City's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher than the current trend rates.

	Current		
	1% Decrease	Trend Rate	1% Increase
Total OPEB liability	\$5,728,408	\$6,570,078	\$7,610,443
Fiduciary net position	3,370,849	3,370,849	3,370,849
Net OPEB liability	2,357,559	3,199,229	4,239,594

Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30									
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Total OPEB Liability										
Service cost	\$184,802	\$179,433	\$172,410	\$132,164	\$164,658	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Interest on total OPEB liability	458,498	482,838	448,439	402,108	393,737	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Effect of plan changes	0	369,033	112,362	576,667	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Effect of economic/demographic (gains) or losses	(126,753)	(768,223)	(266,457)	(893,532)	(348,342)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Effect of assumption changes or inputs	(268,416)	(341,441)	252,974	663,539	347,869	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Benefit payments	(177,706)	(179,587)	(207,966)	(172,569)	(207,517)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Net change in total OPEB liability	70,425	(257,947)	511,762	708,377	350,405	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total OPEB liability, beginning	6,499,653	6,757,600	6,245,838	5,537,461	5,187,056	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total OPEB liability, ending (a)	6,570,078	6,499,653	6,757,600	6,245,838	5,537,461	5,187,056	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fiduciary Net Position										
Employer contributions	\$572,000	\$532,000	\$482,000	\$463,000	\$488,000	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member contributions	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Net Investment income	(686,590)	847,612	71,298	82,168	208,673	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Benefit payments	(177,706)	(179,587)	(207,966)	(172,569)	(207,517)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Administrative expenses	(658)	(1,013)	(740)	(364)	(272)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	(292,954)	1,199,012	344,592	372,235	488,884	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fiduciary net position, beginning	3,663,803	2,464,791	2,120,199	1,747,964	1,259,080	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fiduciary net position, ending (b)	3,370,849	3,663,803	2,464,791	2,120,199	1,747,964	1,259,080	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Net OPEB liability, ending = (a) - (b)	\$3,199,229	\$2,835,850	\$4,292,809	\$4,125,639	\$3,789,497	\$3,927,976	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fiduciary net position as a % of total OPEB liability	51.31%	56.37%	36.47%	33.95%	31.57%	24.27%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Covered payroll	\$2,202,963	\$2,407,841	\$2,017,431	\$2,224,616	\$2,545,410	\$2,535,297	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Net OPEB liability as a % of covered payroll	145.22%	117.78%	212.79%	185.45%	148.88%	154.93%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, recalculations of prior years are not required, and if prior years are not reported in accordance with the current GASB standards, they should not be reported.

OPEB Expense

OPEB Expense	July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022	July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021
Service cost	\$184,802	\$179,433
Interest on total OPEB liability	458,498	482,838
Effect of plan changes	0	369,033
Administrative expenses	658	1,013
Member contributions	0	0
Expected investment return net of investment expenses	(268,380)	(185,944)
Recognition of Deferred Inflows/Outflows of Resources		
Recognition of economic/demographic gains or losses	(564,607)	(547,432)
Recognition of assumption changes or inputs	141,688	223,288
Recognition of investment gains or losses	66,419	(124,576)
OPEB Expense	19,078	397,653

As of June 30, 2022, the deferred inflows and outflows of resources are as follows:

Deferred Inflows / Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Deferred Outflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	(\$563,669)	\$0
Changes of assumptions	(380,163)	58,344
Net difference between projected and actual earnings	0	413,276
Contributions made subsequent to measurement date	0	0
Total	(943,832)	471,620

Amounts currently reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to other postemployment benefits will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2023	(\$283,650)
2024	(286,581)
2025	(92,975)
2026	190,994
2027	0
Thereafter*	0

* Note that additional future deferred inflows and outflows of resources may impact these numbers.

Schedule of Deferred Inflows and Outflows of Resources

	Original Amount	Date Estab	Orig Rec Per*	Amount Recognized in Expense for FYE 06/30/2022	Amount Recognized in Expense through 06/30/2022	Balance of Deferred Inflows 06/30/2022	Balance of Deferred Outflows 06/30/2022
Economic/ demographic (gains)/losses	(126,753)	6/30/2022	4.0	(31,688)	(31,688)	(95,065)	0
	(768,223)	6/30/2021	4.2	(182,910)	(365,820)	(402,403)	0
	(266,457)	6/30/2020	3.6	(74,016)	(222,048)	(44,409)	0
	(893,532)	6/30/2019	4.1	(217,935)	(871,740)	(21,792)	0
	(348,342)	6/30/2018	4.8	(58,058)	(348,342)	0	0
		Total		(564,607)	(1,839,638)	(563,669)	0
Assumption changes or inputs	(268,416)	6/30/2022	4.0	(67,104)	(67,104)	(201,312)	0
	(341,441)	6/30/2021	4.2	(81,295)	(162,590)	(178,851)	0
	252,974	6/30/2020	3.6	70,271	210,813	0	42,161
	663,539	6/30/2019	4.1	161,839	647,356	0	16,183
	347,869	6/30/2018	4.8	57,977	347,869	0	0
		Total		141,688	976,344	(380,163)	58,344
Investment (gains)/losses	954,970	6/30/2022	5.0	190,994	190,994	0	763,976
	(661,668)	6/30/2021	5.0	(132,334)	(264,668)	(397,000)	0
	88,772	6/30/2020	5.0	17,754	53,262	0	35,510
	53,946	6/30/2019	5.0	10,789	43,156	0	10,790
	(103,924)	6/30/2018	5.0	(20,784)	(103,924)	0	0
		Total		66,419	(81,180)	(397,000)	810,276
Total for economic/demographic gains or losses and assumption changes or inputs						(943,832)	58,344
Net deferred (inflows)/outflows for investment gains or losses						0	413,276
Total deferred (inflows)/outflows						(943,832)	471,620
Total net deferrals						(472,212)	

* Investment (gains)/losses are recognized in OPEB expense over a period of five years; economic/demographic (gains)/losses and assumption changes or inputs are recognized over the average remaining service life for all active and inactive members.

Milliman Financial Reporting Valuation

	Total OPEB Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Net OPEB Liability	Deferred Inflows	Deferred Outflows	Net Investment (Inflows)/ Outflows	Net Deferrals	Net OPEB Liability plus Net Deferrals	Annual Expense
Balances as of June 30, 2021	(\$6,499,653)	\$3,663,803	(\$2,835,850)	(\$1,261,669)	\$348,431	(\$475,275)	(\$1,388,513)	(\$4,224,363)	
Service cost	(184,802)		(184,802)						184,802
Interest on total OPEB liability	(458,498)		(458,498)						458,498
Effect of plan changes	0		0						0
Effect of liability gains or losses	126,753		126,753	(126,753)			(126,753)		
Effect of assumption changes or inputs	268,416		268,416	(268,416)			(268,416)		
Benefit payments	177,706	(177,706)	0						
Administrative expenses		(658)	(658)						658
Member contributions		0	0						0
Expected net investment income		268,380	268,380						(268,380)
Investment gains or losses		(954,970)	(954,970)			954,970	954,970		
Employer contributions		572,000	572,000					572,000	
Recognition of liability gains or losses				564,607			564,607		(564,607)
Recognition of assumption changes or inputs				148,399	(290,087)		(141,688)		141,688
Recognition of investment gains or losses						(66,419)	(66,419)		66,419
Annual expense								(19,078)	19,078
Balances as of June 30, 2022	(6,570,078)	3,370,849	(3,199,229)	(943,832)	58,344	413,276	(472,212)	(3,671,441)	