

City of Canton

Resolution #2023-14

A RESOLUTION OPTING TO INCREASE THE BENEFIT LEVEL FOR FIREFIGHTERS WHO ARE VESTED IN THE STATEWIDE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Canton authorized the fire department to join the Statewide Volunteer Firefighter Plan administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA); and

WHEREAS, the City of Canton requested and obtained a cost analysis of increasing the benefit level for firefighters who are vested in the Statewide Volunteer Firefighter Plan for PERA not more than 120 days ago; and

WHEREAS, the City of Canton understands that Minnesota statutes do not have provisions for a decrease in benefit level; and

WHEREAS, the City of Canton highly values the contributions of the City Fire Department members to the safety and well being of our community and wishes to safeguard their pension investments in a prudent manner.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Canton, Minnesota:

- 1) The City hereby approves an increase in the benefit level for firefighters who have completed at least 5 years of good time service credit as a member of the Statewide Volunteer Firefighter Plan administered by PERA at the \$900 benefit level per year of service, effective January 1, 2024; and
- 2) The City Clerk and Mayor are hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the City Council of Canton, Minnesota this 8th day of November 2023.



Josh Nordsving, Mayor

ATTEST:



Anne Koliha, City Clerk

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