

**Board of Administration** 

California Public Employees' Retirement System

# Agenda Item 8b

October 21, 2015

**ITEM NAME:** Proposed Decision – In the Matter of the Calculation of Final Compensation of CLAY W. ROSENCRANS, Respondent, and CITY OF LA VERNE, Respondent.

**PROGRAM:** Employer Account Management Division

**ITEM TYPE:** Action

## PARTIES' POSITIONS

Staff argues that the Board of Administration should adopt the Proposed Decision.

Respondent Clay W. Rosencrans (Respondent Rosencrans) argues that the Board of Administration should decline to adopt the Proposed Decision.

## STRATEGIC PLAN

This item is not a specific product of either the Strategic or Annual Plans. The determination of administrative appeals is a power reserved to the Board of Administration.

### PROCEDURAL SUMMARY

Respondent Rosencrans submitted an application for service retirement. CalPERS determined that the performance bonus paid during the period of March 1, 2009, to February 27, 2010, should not be included in the calculation of Respondent Rosencrans's final compensation because it constituted Final Settlement Pay. Respondent Rosencrans appealed this decision and the matter was heard by the Office of Administrative Hearings on July 29, 2015. A Proposed Decision was issued on August 21, 2015, denying Respondent Rosencrans's appeal.

## ALTERNATIVES

A. For use if the Board decides to adopt the Proposed Decision as its own Decision:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System hereby adopts as its own Decision the Proposed Decision dated August 21, 2015, concerning the appeal of Clay W. Rosencrans; RESOLVED FURTHER that this Board Decision shall be effective 30 days following mailing of the Decision. Agenda Item 8b Board of Administration October 21, 2015 Page 2 of 3

B. For use if the Board decides not to adopt the Proposed Decision, and to decide the case upon the record:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System, after consideration of the Proposed Decision dated August 21, 2015, concerning the appeal of Clay W. Rosencrans, hereby rejects the Proposed Decision and determines to decide the matter itself, based upon the record produced before the Administrative Law Judge and such additional evidence and arguments that are presented by the parties and accepted by the Board; RESOLVED FURTHER that the Board's Decision shall be made after notice is given to all parties.

C. For use if the Board decides to remand the matter back to the Office of Administrative Hearings for the taking of further evidence:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System, after consideration of the Proposed Decision dated August 21, 2015, concerning the appeal of Clay W. Rosencrans, hereby rejects the Proposed Decision and refers the matter back to the Administrative Law Judge for the taking of additional evidence as specified by the Board at its meeting.

- D. Precedential Nature of Decision (two alternatives; either may be used):
  - 1. For use if the Board wants further argument on the issue of whether to designate its Decision as precedential:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System requests the parties in the matter concerning the appeal of Clay W. Rosencrans, as well as interested parties, to submit written argument regarding whether the Board's Decision in this matter should be designated as precedential, and that the Board will consider the issue whether to designate its Decision as precedential at a time to be determined.

2. For use if the Board decides to designate its Decision as precedential, without further argument from the parties.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System, hereby designates as precedential its Decision concerning the appeal of Clay W. Rosencrans. Agenda Item 8b Board of Administration October 21, 2015 Page 3 of 3

#### BUDGET AND FISCAL IMPACTS: Not applicable

#### ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A:Proposed DecisionAttachment B:Staff's ArgumentAttachment C:Respondent(s) Argument(s)

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