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# BEFORE THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

# In the Matter of the Appeal of Membership Determination

of:

**MICHAEL G. COOK, and** 

**CITY OF SAN BRUNO,** 

**Respondents.** 

Case No. 2023-0366

OAH No. 2024050321

# **PROPOSED DECISION**

Administrative Law Judge Michelle Dylan, State of California, Office of Administrative Hearings, heard this matter on August 14, 2024, and January 14, 2025, via videoconference.

Staff Attorney Mehron Assadi represented complainant Brad Hanson, Interim Chief of the Employer Account Management Division of the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS).

Respondent Michael G. Cook (Cook) was present and represented himself.

Attorney at Law Olivia Treister represented respondent the City of San Bruno on August 14, 2024, and at a status conference on December 13, 2024. Attorney at Law T. Peter Pierce represented the City on January 14, 2025.

The record was held open for the parties to submit closing briefs. Cook and CalPERS submitted such briefs, which were marked for identification as Exhibits E, 16, and J, respectively. The record was re-opened for clarification of the issue to be decided on appeal and for oral argument from the parties which was held on January 14, 2025. CalPERS's clarification letter, Cook's initial brief with page citations, and CalPERS's supplemental argument were marked for identification as Exhibits 19, K, and 18, respectively. The record was closed and the matter was submitted on January 14, 2025.

#### ISSUE

Pursuant to the statement of issues, the issue is "whether Cook qualified for CalPERS membership based upon his hourly employment with the City for the period of October 15, 2018, through April 18, 2020."

The City and CalPERS agree that Cook was already a member based on his previous employment but contend that Cook did not qualify for CalPERS membership with respect to his hourly employment with the City.

Pursuant to CalPERS's clarification letter, the issue to be determined is whether Cook is "eligible for CalPERS service credit for his work for the [City] for the time period from October 15, 2018, through April 18, 2020?" The statement of issues is deemed to be amended accordingly. The City and CalPERS contend that Cook is not eligible for service credit for his work for the City during this period, because an amendment to the City's contract with CalPERS excludes employees who are paid on an hourly or per diem basis, and this exclusion applies to Cook. Cook agrees that during the times he was a full-time employee for other CalPERS covered employers (July 12, 2019, through September 15, 2019), he is not entitled to receive CalPERS service credit for his work for the City, but contends that he is eligible for service credit for his work with the City for the periods of October 15, 2018, through July 11, 2019, and September 16, 2019, through April 18, 2020, because the exclusion applies only to membership, not service credit.

## **FACTUAL FINDINGS**

# Background

1. On April 19, 2024, complainant Brad Hanson filed the statement of issues in this matter in his official capacity as Interim Chief of the Employer Account Management Division of CalPERS.

2. CalPERS manages a defined benefit pension plan for employees of California public agencies that contract with CalPERS. Benefits for CalPERS members are funded by member and employer contributions and by interest and other earnings on those contributions. Generally, the amount of a member's service retirement allowance is calculated by applying a percentage figure based upon the member's age at retirement to the member's years of service and the member's final compensation.

3. The City is a public agency. Effective January 1, 1945, the City contracted with CalPERS to provide retirement benefits, including pension benefits, for its eligible employees. The terms of the City's participation in CalPERS are governed by the

contract and the California Public Employees' Retirement Law (PERL). (Gov. Code, § 20000 et seq. [all statutory references are to the Government Code unless otherwise stated].) By way of its contract with CalPERS, the City agrees to be bound by the terms of the contract and the PERL.

4. Paragraph 3 of the original contract between CalPERS and the City entered in 1945 states that "[i]n addition to the employees excluded from membership by said Retirement Act, the following employees shall not become members of the Retirement System: '[p]ersons employed after March 1, 1944 who have attained the age of 60 years prior to employment, shall be excluded.'"

5. Effective April 1, 1963, CalPERS and the City amended their Contract (Contract Exclusion). The contract amendments state in part:

A. Paragraph 3 of the contract which now provides that "Persons employed after March 1, 1944 who have attained the age of 60 years prior to employment shall be excluded", shall be changed to provide the following exclusions:

EXCLUDE PERSONS EMPLOYED AFTER MARCH 1, 1944 WHO HAVE ATTAINED THE AGE OF 60 YEARS PRIOR TO EMPLOYMENT.

EXCLUDE PERSONS COMPENSATED ON AN HOURLY BASIS WHO ARE HIRED APRIL 1, 1963, AND THEREAFTER[.]

B. This amendment shall be attached to said contract and shall become effective on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 1963...

(Capitalization in original.)

6. Cook became a member of CalPERS through employment with the City of San Carlos on July 26, 1986; City of San Mateo on October 13, 1991; City of San Bruno (the City) on August 25, 2014; Estero Municipal Improvement District on September 5, 2017; City of Los Altos on July 13, 2018; Town of Hillsborough on July 25, 2018; and City of Mountain View on July 12, 2019. At the time of his retirement, Cook was employed by the City of Mountain View as Public Safety Specialist – Dispatch. By virtue of this employment, Cook was a local miscellaneous member of CalPERS.

7. Darcy Smith, the assistant city manager at the City, is familiar with the City's employment practices, and testified credibly at hearing. Cook initially worked full-time for the City. During that time, he was eligible for and received CalPERS benefits. Cook resigned from his full-time position with the City effective September 5, 2017. Beginning on that date, and during the time period relevant to this appeal (October 15, 2018<sup>1</sup>, through April 18, 2020), Cook's formal title with the City was "Per-Diem Dispatcher."

8. Cook worked in this position from January 2018 to March 2022. His appointment tenure was temporary, and he worked in a part-time capacity on an as-needed basis. Cook was not a salaried employee, nor was he a "regular" part-time employee because regular part-time employees have a fixed schedule and could be identified through a bargaining unit's identified position as "part-time." Cook was compensated based on the number of hours he worked in each pay period (on an

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Statement of Issues references October 15, 2018, as the start date of the relevant time period; however, other evidence presented at the hearing suggests that the start date of this period may be October 16, 2018.

hourly basis), and the City was under no obligation to compensate him for any minimum number of hours worked. Cook's hours varied substantially from payroll period to payroll period. In some periods Cook did not work at all, whereas in others he worked many hours.

9. Smith reported that unclassified part-time, temporary, and seasonal employees are considered casual employees, do not have fixed schedules, and are monitored not to exceed the total limit of one thousand hours per fiscal year<sup>2</sup> in compliance with the CalPERS rules. Cook, as an hourly per diem employee, was a casual employee. It is not alleged by either party, nor did the evidence show, that Cook worked 1000 or more hours in one fiscal year for the City when he was a per diem dispatcher during the relevant time period.

10. The time periods from October 16, 2018, to July 11, 2019, and September 16, 2019, to January 25, 2020, are the time periods that Cook was working for the City on an hourly per-diem basis, and not working full-time for any other CalPERS covered employer who provided pension benefits. The other time periods that Cook worked for the City are not in dispute for purposes of this appeal.

11. Based on the Contract Exclusion discussed in Factual Finding 5, during the period that Cook was compensated on an hourly basis, the City never made any deductions from Cook's wage payments to fund CalPERS benefits, nor did the City make corresponding contributions to CalPERS to fund pension benefits on Cook's behalf. The City does not utilize those deductions for hourly per-diem employees based on the contract exclusion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Section 20305, which addresses this limit, is set forth in Legal Conclusion 3.

12. Cook was not provided with anything in writing from the City stating that he would receive CalPERS pension benefits for the time he worked on a per diem or hourly basis. Furthermore, the City does not tell hourly per diem employees that they are eligible for CalPERS pension benefits as a matter of normal course and practice. The City has never made an exception to its interpretation that the Contract Exclusion bars hourly per diem employees from CalPERS service credit, even if they have been eligible for CalPERS service credit before.

13. While Cook was working for the City on an hourly basis, no one at the City told him he would get CalPERS pension service credit, and Cook himself did not believe that he was entitled to get pension service credit for this time with the City. Cook also noticed that there were not any deductions taken from his pay to fund CalPERS benefits during this time; and he did not inquire with CalPERS nor his employer about this fact.

14. On March 24, 2020, Cook filed an application for service retirement through the myCalPERS Member Self Service website, with a retirement date of June 6, 2020. Cook retired for service effective June 6, 2020, and began receiving his retirement allowance. Cook has worked for other employers as a retired annuitant.

15. In a notification of arrears determination letter dated March 17, 2021, CalPERS informed the City that Cook qualified for CalPERS membership from October 15, 2018, through April 18, 2020, because membership was established through employment with another CalPERS-covered employer during the employment period. CalPERS provided the City until April 16, 2021, to provide additional information before CalPERS moved forward with processing the arrears determination.

16. On March 18, 2021, via email, CalPERS requested the City waive the 30-day appeal period since Cook had already retired. In an email that same day, the City requested that CalPERS "clarify the reason for the notice of arrears determination" of March 17, 2021, and stated that the City was not waiving the 30-day appeal.

17. In a letter dated April 6, 2021, the City appealed CalPERS's determination that respondent Cook qualified for membership from October 15, 2018, through April 18, 2020. The City wrote that the contract exclusion in the amendment had consistently been used to exclude workers compensated on an hourly basis. The letter states in pertinent part:

> [T]he City has two bases for appeal. First, during this time period above, Michael Cook was paid by the City of San Bruno on an hourly basis to serve as a Per-Diem Public Safety Dispatcher. The City's contract with CalPERS has a longstanding contract exclusion that applies [to] persons compensated on an hourly basis. This exclusion has been in place since April 1963 and has been continuously and consistently applied, in fact, CalPERS has on several occasions reversed the City's attempted enrollment in CalPERS of hourly workers based on this exclusion. Therefore, the City maintains that its contract exclusion applies and was correctly applied in the circumstances indicated.

> The City's second basis to appeal is that even if there were no contract exclusion, the PERL does not require the City to enroll the employee during any time that he was working

full-time for another PERS agency. Mr. Cook worked fulltime for other CalPERS agencies during the period of October 15, 2018 to April 18, 2020. The City is informed and believes, Mr. Cook received full-service credit for his full-time employment during a large portion of the period for which CalPERS now seeks to charge San Bruno. Any time spent by Mr. Cook working for San Bruno concurrently during periods of any full-time employment with another agency, is the equivalent of Mr. Cook having worked overtime from a service credit perspective. Accordingly, [the City) was not required to contribute towards any service for such hours.<sup>3</sup>

18. CalPERS reviewed the hourly contract provision for Cook's appointment with the City and determined that the City's hourly exclusion applied to Cook while he was employed in the position of Per-Diem Public Safety Dispatcher, and that he was ineligible for membership service credit for that employment.

19. In a letter dated June 18, 2021, CalPERS informed both Cook and the City that Cook was not eligible for CalPERS membership service credit for the period of October 15, 2018, through April 18, 2020, by means of his hourly per-diem employment with the City due to the longstanding hourly exclusion in the City's

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This second issue is not relevant to this appeal because Cook was not working full-time for any other CalPERS-covered agency during the two periods in dispute in this appeal as set forth in Factual Finding 10.

contract with CalPERS, and as a separate ground because he had worked full-time for other CalPERS agencies during the period of October 15, 2018 to April 18, 2020.

20. In a letter dated July 15, 2021, Cook appealed CalPERS's determination and requested an administrative hearing. Cook argued that his membership in the system began on October 13, 1991; that he was employed full-time by various agencies until October 15, 2018; and that he remained a member of CalPERS under Government Code section 20281 (which states that all members of the retirement system immediately prior to the time this part becomes operative continue to be members of this system) despite his per diem employment with the City. Cook argued that he cannot be excluded from membership during his time as a per diem employee under section 20305, subdivision (a)(1) (described more fully in Factual Finding 21 and Legal Conclusion 3) because he was already a member at the time he rendered service, and the language in the contract between CalPERS and the City does not specifically state that active members are excluded from participation in the system; rather it states that persons compensated on an hourly basis shall not become members.

21. Following several conversations between Cook and agents of CaIPERS, an amended determination letter was issued on April 4, 2024. This amended determination letter stated in part:

The City has verified your employment was compensated on an "hourly basis" in a part-time position from October 16, 2018 to July 11, 2019, and September 16, 2019 to January 25, 2020. Although you were already a member of CalPERS prior to these time periods, Government (Gov.) Code section 20305(a)(1) of the Public Employees Retirement Law (PERL) does not allow a member to

continue membership if their appointment is excluded by a provision of a contract. Gov. Code section 20305(a)(1) of the PERL states in part:

(a) An employee whose appointment or employment
contract does not fix a term of full-time, continuous
employment in excess of six months is excluded from this
system unless:

(1) He or she is a member at the time he or she renders that service and is not otherwise excluded pursuant to this article **or by a provision of a contract**.

Since the City has a valid retirement contract provision that excludes your employment as an hourly paid employee, your employment with the City for the time periods of October 16, 2018 to July 11, 2019, and September 16, 2019 to January 25, 2020 is not eligible for membership in this system.

(Emphasis in original.)

22. The letter clarified that the only time periods during which Cook did not receive CalPERS service credit based on his employment with the City, which are in dispute, are October 16, 2018, to July 11, 2019, and September 16, 2019, to January 25, 2020. Cook agreed that during the times he was a full-time employee for other employers (July 12, 2019, through September 15, 2019), he could not receive CalPERS service credit for his work for the City.

23. On April 15, 2024, Cook timely appealed.

24. Andrew Harris has been employed by CalPERS for 15 years and testified credibly at hearing. Harris works in the employer account management division. His division works with employers to ensure correct reporting for membership and compensation reported and determines whether a government employee is eligible for CalPERS pension benefits (including service credit for their position). Harris's current title is membership manager of the membership analysis and support team.

25. Harris explained that a government employee can be excluded from CalPERS membership in various ways, including based on amendments to contracts between their employer and CalPERS, in which case they would not be eligible for service credit while in that position. There are contract amendments between CalPERS and approximately two hundred agencies like the City that state that employees compensated on an hourly basis will be excluded from CalPERS membership. Harris reported that CalPERS has administered benefits in the same way with respect to the other 200 employers which have contract exclusions very similar to the City's exclusion for hourly compensated employees.

26. Harris reviewed the Contract Exclusion, dated March 6, 1963, in which CalPERS approved the City's exclusion from membership for persons compensated on an hourly basis hired April 1, 1963, and thereafter. Harris understands this amendment to mean that an individual compensated on an hourly basis is excluded from being enrolled in receiving service credit while in a position compensated on an hourly basis. Harris reported that there is no exception to this exclusion for employees who were already members of the system due to previous full-time employment and who received retirement service credit prior to working on an hourly basis. For individuals like Cook, they remain inactive members of the system, but they are not enrolled into

the system and do not receive service credit for time in the position that is excluded by an agency's contract.

27. Once a member becomes a member of the system, they remain a member until they take a refund of their membership contributions after permanently separating from all CalPERS-covered employment or they retire. However, Harris explained that membership can be agency-specific, because although the law allows agencies to add specific exclusions to their contact based on CalPERS approval, not every agency has exclusions in its contract, and those that do may exclude different kinds of positions. When a member changes their employment or position, CalPERS does a membership review. The first question asked to determine whether to enroll a member is whether that position is excluded from membership, either by the retirement law or by a contract provision with that employer. Harris reported that, because Cook was in a position that was excluded from the City's contract with CalPERS, he was not eligible for membership for his position with the City and is excluded from getting additional service credit for time in that position. If a person is not excluded from membership, and they are already a member, then they would continue membership through their new employment or position.

28. The CalPERS audit initially made an erroneous determination that Cook should get service credit for the time in his per diem position because it did not consider the City's retirement contract and the provisions within it. Once CalPERS reviewed the City's contract and amendment effective in April 1963, it determined that Cook was excluded for this time and was not eligible to receive service credit because he was working in a position on an hourly basis which is an exclusion in the contract that applied to him. No further amendments between the City and CalPERS made to the contract are relevant to this analysis.

29. Harris reported that, if a CalPERS employee works full time for one employer and simultaneously does part-time or per diem work for another employer, the employee cannot get additional service credit towards their pension for the part-time work. Cook was working only per diem for the City and part-time or hourly for other employers during the periods in dispute relevant to this appeal as set forth in Factual Finding 10.

30. Harris reported that CalPERS's September 2018 Public Agency and Schools Reference Guide (Guide) gives guidance (under the section CalPERS Membership Eligibility) to employers on membership and when not to report, which is consistent with CalPERS's analysis of the situation wherein a CalPERS member enters a position that is excluded by law or by the agency's contract. The Guide confirms that a member remains a member until they take a refund of their member contributions after permanently separating from CalPERS-covered employment or they retire. However, it provides further guidance on a situation like Cook's.

31. Under the subsection "Immediate Membership Upon Hire," the Guide states in part:

Employees who must be enrolled into CalPERS membership on the date of hire are (Gov. Code sections 20281, 20305):

[] Employees hired to work full-time for more than six months

[] Employees working "regular, part-time service," who work "at least an average of 20 hours a week" for one year or longer

[] Already a CalPERS member, unless working in a position excluded by law or contract exclusion

32. Under the subsection "When Not to Report," the Guide states in part:

A CalPERS member should not continue to be reported in membership when:

[] The member enters a position that is excluded by law (other than due to time base/appointment length), or by an agency's contract.

33. Harris explained that once an individual becomes a member, they remain a member, but that membership essentially becomes inactive, and they should not continue to be reported to membership for an excluded position. The individual can receive service credit in concurrent or subsequent employment only if that position is not excluded by the retirement law or a provision in the agency's contract.

34. Harris reported that if a position is specifically excluded by the retirement law or a provision in an agency's contract, then CalPERS does not consider whether the individual worked 1000 hours in a fiscal year to determine membership.

#### **COOK'S ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE AND ARGUMENTS**

35. Cook testified at hearing. His testimony was generally credible and consistent with the documentary evidence.

36. Cook worked for the Foster City Police Department from 2017 to 2018. He believes his employment with Foster City was covered under CalPERS contract with Estero Municipal Improvement District.

37. During the two time periods referenced in Factual Finding 10 Cook worked for two other member agencies in a less than full-time capacity.

38. Cook's belief that he was not entitled to service credit for the time he worked in the position of per diem dispatcher for the City changed only after his employment with the City ended, and CalPERS determined that his hourly/per-diem work with another government employer was actually supposed to provide him with CalPERS pension service credit. That other employer did not have a contract exclusion with CalPERS for hourly/per-diem employees like the City's contract exclusion.

39. Cook believes that the City misapplied the contract exclusion by not taking deductions from his paycheck and making contributions on his behalf for CaIPERS benefits for his time as a per diem employee, and that this time should indeed count towards his service credit.

40. Cook does not dispute the existence of exclusions from membership in the retirement system by way of contracting or existing law. However, Cook argues that the contract as written excludes per diem hourly employees from membership in the system. Cook reads the exclusion to exclude hourly employees who have never been members of the system. Cook understands the purpose of such an exclusion. However, Cook believes that the exclusion does not apply to him because he has been a member of the system since 1991 until he retired in 2020; section 20340, subdivision (a) states that a person ceases to be a member upon retirement, except while participating in reduced worktime for partial service retirement; and as a member he has the sole discretion to cancel membership by way of retiring or a return of contributions. He argues that the PERL does not explicitly allow a member agency or CaIPERS to exclude members from participation in the system or to deny membership service credit to existing members. He points to several references in CaIPERS

materials that indicate that when you work for a CalPERS employer, you are earning service credit. Cook's arguments are addressed and rejected in Legal Conclusions 1 through 9.

## LEGAL CONCLUSIONS

### **Burden and Standard of Proof**

1. Cook bears the burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that he qualified for CalPERS membership (and is entitled to service credit) based on his employment as a Per-Diem Dispatcher with the City during the relevant period. (Evid. Code, § 500 ["Except as otherwise provided by law, a party has the burden of proof as to each fact the existence or nonexistence of which is essential to the claim for relief or defense that [s]he is asserting."]; Evid. Code, § 115 ["Except as otherwise provided by law, the burden of proof by a preponderance of the evidence."]; *McCoy v. Bd. of Retirement* (1986) 183 Cal.App.3d 1044, 1051, fn. 5.)

# **Applicable Law**

2. Membership in CalPERS is determined by the PERL. A retirement contract between CalPERS and a contracting agency shall provide membership to all employees of the contracting agency, "except as exclusions in addition to the exclusions applicable to state employees may be agreed to by the agency and the board." (§ 20502, subd. (a)(1).) Section 20028 provides that the meaning of "employee" includes any person in the employ of any contracting agency. Section 20370 states "member" means an employee who has qualified for membership in the system and on whose behalf an employer has become obligated to pay contributions."

3. In the case of part-time employees, section 20305 states the general rule that part-time employees are excluded from the CalPERS system. That section, however, goes on to state certain exceptions to the general rule. Section 20305 provides, in pertinent part:

(a) An employee whose appointment or employment
contract does not fix a term of full-time, continuous
employment in excess of six months is excluded from this
system unless:

(1) He or she is a member at the time he or she renders that service and is not otherwise excluded pursuant to this article or by a provision of a contract.

(2) His position requires regular, part-time service for one year or longer for at least an average of 20 hours a week . . .

(3) His employment is, in the opinion of the board, on a seasonal, limited-term, on-call, emergency, substitute, or other irregular basis, and is compensated and meets one of the following conditions:

[ ... ]

B) The person completes 125 days, if employed on a per diem basis or, if employed on other than a per diem basis, completes 1,000 hours within the fiscal year, in which case, membership shall be effective not later than the first day of

the first pay period of the month following the month in which 125 days or 1,000 hours of service were completed.

[ ... ]

(b) This section shall supersede any contract provision excluding persons in any temporary or seasonal employment basis and shall apply only to persons entering employment on and after January 1, 1975. Except as provided in Section 20502, no contract or contract amendment entered into after January 1, 1981, shall contain any provision excluding persons on an irregular employment basis.

(§ 20305, subds. (a) & (b).)

4. CalPERS and the City rely on the Contract Exclusion of hourly employees to support their position that Cook does not qualify for membership and service credit with respect to his hourly employment with the City during the relevant period. Cook argues that the exclusion only applies to part-time members who have never been members of the system, and that members of the system cannot be denied service credit. CalPERS and the City acknowledge that Cook was already a member of CalPERS when he began his hourly service. However, they argue that he does not have membership specifically with respect to his per diem employment with the City, and therefore he is not entitled to service credit for that employment. They contend that the specific language in the City's contract exclusion refers to membership with respect to work with the City, and that the definition of member in section 20370

requires that the employee qualify for membership and that their employer has become obligated to pay contributions.

5. CalPERS and the City also correctly assert that the exception from exclusion from the system set forth in section 20305, subdivision (a)(1), applies only if Cook was a member at the time he rendered service and was "not otherwise excluded" by a contract provision. During the relevant time, Cook specifically worked in a position for which he was compensated on an hourly basis. As the City's contract expressly excludes hourly employees, the exception from exclusion from the system offered by subdivision (a)(1) is not available to him for his work with the City. Therefore, Cook was appropriately excluded from membership and service credit with the City based on the contract exclusion, his hourly position with the City, and section 20305, subdivision (a)(1).

6. Furthermore, Cook's argument that the language in the provision providing that hourly employees shall not become members does not prohibit an hourly employee from earning CalPERS service credit because he was already a member of CalPERS by virtue of prior service is not persuasive. Harris testified to the contrary, Cook himself did not believe that he was eligible for service credit while working with the City as an hourly employee, and it does not appear that the City intended to provide CalPERS retirement benefits for any of its hourly employees, regardless of membership in CalPERS by virtue of other employment. The parties' course of conduct over a long period of time shows that the intention was to exclude hourly employees from earning service credit based on their hourly work with the City regardless of prior membership.

7. In Cook's closing brief, and during the closing argument on January 14, 2025, Cook also argued that section 20305, subdivision (b) supersedes any contract

provision excluding persons in any temporary or seasonal employment basis. This argument is rejected. The contract exclusion was specifically based on hourly employment. Furthermore, Cook did not argue nor was it established that he worked 1000 or more hours in one fiscal year while acting as a per diem dispatcher compensated on an hourly basis as required to meet the exception provided in Government Code section 20205, subdivision (a)(3), were it to even apply in this case.

8. Any other arguments put forth by Cook that are not specifically addressed, have been considered and are rejected as they lacked appropriate evidentiary and/or legal support.

9. Cook failed to establish by a preponderance of the evidence that he is eligible for service credit for his hourly work for the City for the time period from October 15, 2018, through April 18, 2020.

### ORDER

The appeal filed by Michael G. Cook is denied. He is not eligible for CalPERS service credit for his work for the City of San Bruno for the time period of October 15, 2018, through April 18, 2020.

DATE: 02/12/2025

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