

Re: Modifying election process  
for members' representation  
on City Employees' Retirement  
System Board of Administration

**Ordinance No. 17312**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the City  
Employees' Retirement System;  
amending Section 9 of Ordinance  
78444 to change the process  
for electing representatives  
of members of said System to  
the Board of Administration.

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**Council Bill No. 99306**

INTRODUCED: APR 10 1978	BY: EXECUTIVE REQUEST
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ORDINANCE 107812

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AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Employees' Retirement System; amending Section 9 of Ordinance 78444 to change the process for electing representatives of members of said System to the Board of Administration.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

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Section 1. That Section 9 of Ordinance 78444, as last amended by Ordinance 101738, is further amended to read as follows:

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Section 9. (a) There is hereby created and established a Board of Administration which shall, under the provisions of this ordinance and the direction of the City Council, administer the Retirement and Death Benefit Systems and the Retirement Fund created by this ordinance. Under and pursuant to the direction of the City Council the Board shall provide for the proper investment of the moneys in the said Retirement Fund. The Board of Administration shall consist of seven members as follows:

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1) The Chairman of the Finance Committee of the City Council;

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shall not be eligible to vote for or be elected to such positions; and provided further that at least one, but not more than such elected members of the Board of Administration shall at the time of their election be employed other than in the transportation operations of the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle or in a City Department other than the Lighting Department or Water Department of the City;

5) One member who shall be appointed by the other six members; provided that such appointed member shall not be a City employee or a retired City employee and shall not be an employee of the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle who has membership in the City Employees' Retirement System.

(b) Elected members and the appointed member shall serve for a three year term ending July 1 of the third year of such term, provided that the initial terms of the elected members expire July 1, 1971, July 1, 1972, and July 1, 1973; and the initial term of the appointed member shall expire July 1, 1973.

(c) Elections for the members of the Board of Administration who are elected as provided in this section shall be administered by the Board ~~[and shall be held on the first Monday in June of each year and balloting shall be permitted from 12:01 a.m. to 12:midnight on the day of election]~~. Ballots shall be accepted only if received by the Board's designated ballot counter on or before its close of business on the first Monday in June of each calendar year.

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2 (d) Any vacancy occurring in an elected position shall  
3 be filled by the City Council by appointment to such position  
4 of a member eligible to be elected thereto. The member so  
5 appointed shall serve until such vacancy is filled by the  
6 election for the unexpired term of a member eligible to be  
7 elected for a full term to such position at the next succeeding  
8 first Monday in June, unless the vacancy occurred less than  
9 one year before the expiration of the term of such elected  
10 member, in which case the member so appointed shall serve  
11 for the remainder of the unexpired term. Any vacancy occurring  
12 in the appointed member position, shall be filled by appointment  
13 by the City Council for the unexpired term.

14 (e) The Chairman of the Finance Committee of the City  
15 Council shall be ex-officio chairman, the City Comptroller  
16 ex-officio Secretary, and the City Treasurer ex-officio  
17 Treasurer of the Board.

18 (f) The investment of all or any part of the Retirement  
19 Fund shall be as permitted by Laws of 1969, Extra-ordinary  
20 Session, Chapter 211, Section 1 (RCW 35.39.040).

21 (g) Subject to such provisions as may be prescribed by  
22 law for the deposit of municipal funds in banks, cash belonging  
23 to the Retirement Fund may be deposited in any licensed  
24 National Bank or banks in this State, or in any bank, banks  
25 or corporations authorized or licensed to do a banking  
26 business and organized under the laws of the State of  
27 Washington.

28 (h) The City Treasurer shall be the custodian of the  
Retirement Fund. All payments from said fund shall be made  
by the City Treasurer but only upon warrant duly executed by  
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(1) Except as hereinafter provided, no member and no employee of the Board of Administration shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in making of any investments from the Retirement Fund, or in the gains or profits accruing therefrom. And no member or employee of said Board, directly or indirectly, for himself or as an agent or partner of others, shall borrow any of its funds or deposits or in any manner use the same except to make such current and necessary payments as are authorized by said Board; nor shall any member or employee of said Board become an endorser or surety or become in any manner an obligor for moneys invested by the Board.

(To be used for all Ordinances except Emergency.)

Section <sup>2</sup>..... This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days from and after its passage and approval, if approved by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect at the time it shall become a law under the provisions of the city charter.

Passed by the City Council the 24 day of April, 19 78  
and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 24 day of

April, 19 78. Phyllis Lamphere  
President of the City Council.

Approved by me this 1 day of May, 19 78. Charles Royce  
Mayor.

Filed by me this 1 day of May, 19 78.

E. L. King  
Attest: City Comptroller and City Clerk.

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PHYLLIS LAMM

Appointment of City Council member as member and officio Chairman of City Employees' Retirement System Board of Administration; and election process for City employee member of Board.

ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Employees' Retirement System; amending Section 9 of Ordinance 78444 to change the membership and chairmanship of the Board of Administration of the City Employees' Retirement System and the process for electing City employee members of said Board.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 9. That Section 9 of Ordinance 78444, as last amended by Ordinance 11738, is further amended to read as follows:

Section 9. ( ) is hereby created and established a Board of Administration which shall, under the provisions of this ordinance and the direction of the City Council, administer the Retirement and Death Benefit Systems and the Retirement Fund created by this ordinance. Under and pursuant to the direction of the City Council the Board shall provide for the proper investment of the moneys in the said Retirement Fund. The Board of Administration shall consist of seven members as follows:

- 1) One member of the City Council, appointed by the President [The Chairman of the Finance Committee] of the City Council;
- 2) The City Comptroller;
- 3) The City Treasurer;
- 4) Three persons who are members of the Retirement System and who shall be elected by the members of the Retirement System including retired members;

provided that persons who have elected upon termination of their employment to leave all their contributions in the retirement fund pursuant to the provisions of Section 13(c) of this ordinance shall not be eligible to vote for or be elected to such positions; and provided further that at least one, but not more than two such elected members of the Board of Administration shall at the time of their election be employed other than in the transportation operations of the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle or in a City Department other than the Lighting Department or Water Department of the City;

- 5) One member who shall be appointed by the other six members; provided that such appointed member shall not be a City employee or a retired City employee and shall not be an employee of the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle who has membership in the City Employees' Retirement System.

(b) Elected members and the appointed member shall serve for a three year term ending July 1 of the third year of such term, provided that the initial terms of the elected members expire July 1, 1971, July 1, 1972, and July 1, 1973; and the initial term of the appointed member shall expire July 1, 1973.

(c) Elections for the members of the Board of Administration who are elected as provided in this section shall be administered in accordance with rules adopted by the Board pursuant to the Administrative Code (Ordinance 102228) ~~[and shall be held on the first Monday in June of each year and balloting shall be permitted from 12:01 a.m. to 12 midnight on the day~~

of-election].

(d) Any vacancy occurring in an elected position shall be filled by the City Council by appointment to such position of member eligible to be elected thereto. The member so appointed shall serve until such vacancy is filled by the election for the unexpired term of a member eligible to be elected for a full term to such position at the next succeeding first Monday in June, unless the vacancy occurred less than one year before the expiration of the term of such elected member, in which case the member so appointed shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term. Any vacancy occurring in the appointed member position, shall be filled by appointment by the City Council for the unexpired term.

(e) The member of The City Council appointed to membership on the Board [Chairman of the Finance Committee of the City Council] shall be ex-officio chairman, the City Comptroller ex-officio Secretary, and the City Treasurer ex-officio Treasurer of the Board.

(f) The investment of all or any part of the Retirement Fund shall be as permitted by Laws of 1969, Extra-ordinary Session, Chapter 211, Section 1 (RCW 35.39.040).

(g) Subject to such provisions as may be prescribed by law for the deposit of municipal funds in banks, cash belonging to the Retirement Fund may be deposited in any licensed National Bank or banks in this State, or in any bank, banks or corporations authorized or licensed to do a banking business and organized under the laws of the State of Washington.

(h) The City Treasurer shall be the custodian of the Retirement Fund. All payments from said fund shall be made by the City Treasurer but only upon warrant duly executed by the City Comptroller.

(i) Except as herein provided, no member and no employee of the Board of Administration shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in making of any investments from the Retirement Fund, or in the gains or profits accruing therefrom. And no member or employee of said Board, directly or indirectly, for himself or as an agent or partner of others, shall borrow any of its funds or deposits or in any manner use the same except to make such current and necessary payments as are authorized by said Board; nor shall any member or employee of said Board become an endorser or surety or become in any manner an obligor for moneys invested by the Board.

Section 2. (30 day ending)

APPROVED:

**Your  
Seattle  
City Employees' Retirement System**

Board of Administration  
John A. Lunn, Executive Secretary

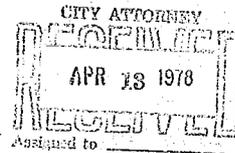
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March 30, 1978

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Honorable City Council  
City of Seattle,  
Washington



Mesdames and Gentlemen:

The Board of Administration at its meeting on March 22, 1978 reviewed the language of a proposed amending ordinance to ordinance 78444, re: Appointment of City Council member as member and ex-officio Chairman of City Employees' Retirement System Board of Administration and election process for City employee member of Board, that has been submitted to the City Council by the City Attorney.

The Board recommends to your honorable body, with the concurrence of Mr. Gordon Davidson of the City Attorney's Office, that the proposed language of Section 9. (c) of Ordinance 78444 be revised to read as follows:

Section 9. (c) Elections for the members of the Board of Administration who are elected as provided in this section shall be administered by the Board and ballots shall be accepted by the Board of Administration's designated ballot counter on or before the close of business on the first Monday in June of each calendar year.

Enclosed is a copy of the proposed amending ordinance for your reference. The Retirement Office staff is available at your request if there is need for additional explanation.

Very truly yours,

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

By John A. Lunn  
Executive Secretary

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MAY 30 1978  
PHYLIS LAMRICH

Appointment of City Council member as member and officio Chairman of City Employees' Retirement System Board of Administration; and election process for City employee member of Board.

ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

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Section 9. (a) There is hereby created and established a Board of Administration which shall, under the provisions of this ordinance and the direction of the City Council, administer the Retirement and Death Benefit Systems and the Retirement Fund created by this ordinance. Under and pursuant to the direction of the City Council the Board shall provide for the proper investment of the moneys in the said Retirement Fund. The Board of Administration shall consist of seven members as follows:

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- 4) Three persons who are members of the Retirement System and who shall be elected by the members of the Retirement System including retired members;

provided that persons who have elected upon termination of their employment to leave all their contributions in the retirement fund pursuant to the provisions of Section 13(c) of this ordinance shall not be eligible to vote for or be elected to such positions; and provided further that at least one, but not more than two such elected members of the Board of Administration shall at the time of their election be employed other than in the transportation operations of the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle or in a City Department other than the Lighting Department or Water Department of the City;

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(e) The member of The City Council appointed to membership on the Board [Chairman of the Finance Committee of the City Council] shall be ex-officio chairman, the City Comptroller ex-officio Secretary, and the City Treasurer ex-officio Treasurer of the Board.

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(g) Subject to such provisions as may be prescribed by law for the deposit of municipal funds in banks, cash belonging to the Retirement Fund may be deposited in any licensed National Bank or banks in this State, or in any bank, banks or corporations authorized or licensed to do a banking business and organized under the laws of the State of Washington.

(h) The City Treasurer shall be the custodian of the Retirement Fund. All payments from said fund shall be made by the City Treasurer but only upon warrant duly executed by the City Comptroller.

(i) Except as herein provided, no member and no employee of the Board of Administration shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in making of any investments from the Retirement Fund, or in the gains or profits accruing therefrom. And no member or employee of said Board, directly or indirectly, for himself or as an agent or partner of others, shall borrow any of its funds or deposits or in any manner use the same except to make such current and necessary payments as are authorized by said Board; nor shall any member or employee of said Board become an endorser or surety or become in any manner an obligor for moneys invested by the Board.

Section 2. (30 day ending)

APPROVED:

THE CITY OF SEATTLE

LAW DEPARTMENT

MUNICIPAL BUILDING . SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98104

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DOUGLAS N. JEWETT, CITY ATTORNEY

April 19, 1978

The Hon. Tim Hill, Chairman  
Personnel and Property Management  
Committee  
City Council  
The City of Seattle

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are two new bills relating to the City Employees Retirement System. (Although you requested that we merely engross C.B. 99306 to make the changes you sought, inasmuch as the title of the bill had to be modified to reflect the changes, new bills had to be prepared.)

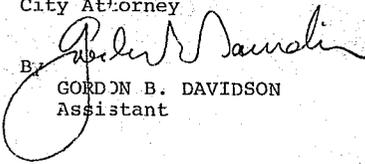
The two objectives to be accomplished by C.B. 99306 are split between the two attached bills:

The first bill amends only Section 9(a)(1) and (e) to change the references to the "Chairman of the Finance Committee of The City Council" to a more generalized reference to one member appointed by the President of the City Council. The section as amended would still provide that such appointed member assume the chairmanship of the Retirement System Board of Administration.

The second bill modifies the Board's procedures regarding the election of three members of the Retirement System to the Board of Administration. The March 30, 1978 letter from the Board of Administration to the City Council proposes a revision that contains certain ambiguities not present in the wording for the proposal that I recommended to the Board on March 22, 1978. With Mr. Lunn's concurrence, I have modified the proposed amendment to eliminate the ambiguities.

Very truly yours,

DOUGLAS N. JEWETT  
City Attorney

By   
GORDON B. DAVIDSON  
Assistant

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The City of Seattle--Legislative Department

MR. PRESIDENT:

Date Reported  
and Adopted

Your Committee on PERSONNEL AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT  
to which was referred C.B. 99306

Relating to the City Employee's Retirement System; amending Section 9 of Ordinance 78444 to change the membership and chairmanship of the Board of Administration of the City Employees' Retirement System and the process for electing City employee members of said Board,

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING DIVIDED REPORT:

That Same Do Pass: *(change chairmanship)*

That same Do Not Pass: *(leave same)*

..... Chairman  
*John Miller* ..... jm  
*Michael Miller*

..... Chairman  
*J. Hill* ..... th  
*Geo. Brennan*

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. HILL, AND DULY SECONDED, TO VOTE AGAINST THE COMMITTEE'S DIVIDED REPORT. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. HILL, AND DULY SECONDED, TO ADOPT THE (1ST) ENGROSSED COUNCIL BILL THAT WOULD CHANGE THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE BOARD FROM THE FINANCE CHAIRMAN OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO ONE MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL. MOTION FAILED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. HILL, AND DULY SECONDED, TO ADOPT THE (2ND) ENGROSSED COUNCIL BILL TO CHANGE THE WORDING RELATING TO THE DATE OF ELECTION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD (SECTION 9:(A) 4)(c)). MOTION CARRIED AND COUNCIL BILL 99306 READ SECOND TIME.

ORDINANCE 107312

AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Employees' Retirement System; amending Section 9 of Ordinance 7844, to change the process for electing representatives of members of said System to the Board of Administration.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Section 9 of Ordinance 7844, as last amended by Ordinance 101738, be further amended to read as follows:

Section 9. (a) There is hereby created and established a Board of Administration which shall, under the provisions of this ordinance and the direction of the City Council, administer the Retirement Fund created by this ordinance and pursuant to the direction of the City Council. The Board shall provide for the proper investment of the moneys in the Retirement Fund. The Board of Administration shall consist of seven members as follows:

1) The Chairman of the Finance Committee of the City Council;

2) The City Comptroller;

3) The City Treasurer;

4) Three persons, who are members of the Retirement System and who shall be elected by the members of the Retirement System including retired members; provided that persons who have elected upon termination of their employment to leave all their contributions in the retirement fund pursuant to the provisions of Section 18(c) of Ordinance 107312 shall not be eligible to vote for or be elected to such positions; and provided further that at least one, but not more than two such elected members of the Board of Administration shall be employed other than in the transportation operations of the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle or in a City Department other than the Light Department or Water Department of the City.

5) One member who shall be appointed by the other six members; provided that such appointed member shall not be a City employee or a retired City employee and shall not be an employee of the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle who has membership in the City Employees' Retirement System.

(b) Elected members and the appointed member shall serve for a three year term ending July 1 of the third year of such term, provided that the initial terms of the elected members expire, 1) July 1, 1971; 2) July 1, 1972; and 3) July 1, 1973; and the initial term of the appointed member shall expire July 1, 1973.

(c) Elections for the members of the Board of Administration who are elected as provided in this section shall be administered by the Board and shall be held on the first Monday in June of each year and balloting shall be permitted from 12:01 a. m. to 12 midnight on the day of election. BALLOTS SHALL BE ACCEPTED ONLY IF RECEIVED BY THE BOARD DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD'S BALLOT COUNTER ON OR BEFORE ITS CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON THE FIRST MONDAY IN JUNE OF EACH CALENDAR YEAR.

(d) Any vacancy occurring in an elected position shall be filled by the City Council by appointment to such position of member eligible to be elected thereto. The member so appointed shall serve until such vacancy is filled by the election for the unexpired term of a member eligible to be elected for a full term to such position at the next succeeding first Monday in June, unless the vacancy occurred less than one year before the expiration of the term of such elected member, in which case the member so appointed shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term. Any vacancy occurring in the appointed member position shall be filled by appointment by the City Council for the unexpired term.

(e) The Chairman of the Finance Committee of the City Council shall be ex-officio chairman, the City Comptroller ex-officio Secretary and the City Treasurer ex-officio Treasurer of the Board.

(f) The investment of all or any part of the Retirement Fund shall be as permitted by Laws of 1969, Extra-ordinary Session, Chapter 211, Section 1 (RCW 35-21-04).

(g) Subject to such provisions as may be prescribed by law for the deposit of municipal funds in banks, cash belonging to the Retirement Fund may be deposited in any licensed National Bank or banks in this state, or in any bank, banks or corporations authorized or licensed to do banking business and organized under the laws of the State of Washington.

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Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days from and after its passage and approval, if approved by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect at the time it shall become a law under the provisions of the city charter.

[Boldface denotes deletion.]

Passed by the City Council the 24th day of April, 1978, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 24th day of April, 1978.

PHYLLIS LAMPHIER,  
President of the City Council.

Approved by me this 1st day of May, 1978.

CHARLES ROYER,  
Mayor.

Filed by me this 1st day of May, 1978.

Attest: E. I. KIDD,  
City Comptroller and  
City Clerk.

By WAYNE ANGEVINE,  
(Seal) Deputy Clerk.

Publication ordered by E. I. KIDD, Comptroller and City Clerk.

Date of official publication in the Daily Journal of Commerce, Seattle, May 6, 1978.

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## Affidavit of Publication

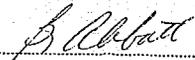
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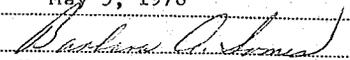
The undersigned, on oath states that he is an authorized representative of The Daily Journal of Commerce, a daily newspaper, which newspaper is a legal newspaper of general circulation and it is now and has been for more than six months prior to the date of publication hereinafter referred to, published in the English language continuously as a daily newspaper in Seattle, King County, Washington, and it is now and during all of said time was printed in an office maintained at the aforesaid place of publication of this newspaper. The Daily Journal of Commerce was on the 12th day of June, 1941, approved as a legal newspaper by the Superior Court of King County.

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Ordinance No. 107312

was published on May 5, 1978

  
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on  
May 5, 1978

  
.....  
Notary Public for the State of Washington,  
residing in Seattle.