

EMPLOYMENT RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (ERMA) UNDERWRITING COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, April 29, 2025 8:30 a.m.

Zoom

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Page 1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED (OR AMENDED)
- **3. PUBLIC COMMENTS** The Public may submit any questions by contacting Yvette Flama at yvette.flama@sedgwick.com. This time is reserved for members of the public to address the Committee relative to matters of ERMA not on the agenda. No action may be taken on non-agenda items unless authorized by law.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

If a Committee member would like to discuss any item listed, it may be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

*A. Minutes from the January 15, 2025, Underwriting Committee Meeting

5. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

*A. Review of ERMA Member Application

Recommendation: Provide feedback and direction as needed.

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*A. Review of Prospective Member Application, Town of Hillsborough (PLAN JPA)

Recommendation: Staff recommends the Underwriting Committee unconditionally approve the Town of Hillsborough at a \$100,000 SIR, effective January 1, 2026.

7. CLOSING COMMENTS

This time is reserved for comments by the Committee members and staff and to identify matters for future Committee business.

- A. Committee
- B. Staff

8. ADJOURNMENT

^{*} Reference materials enclosed with staff report.

Agenda Item 4. A.

CONSENT CALENDAR

SUBJECT: Consent Calendar

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval of the Consent Calendar.

BACKGROUND AND STATUS:

The Consent Calendar consists of items that require approval or acceptance but are self-explanatory and typically require no discussion. Should the Underwriting Committee wish to discuss any item listed, it may be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

REFERENCE MATERIALS ATTACHED:

A. Minutes from the January 15, 2025, Underwriting Committee Meeting

EMPLOYMENT RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (ERMA)

MINUTES OF THE UNDERWRITING COMMITTEE MEETING OF JANUARY 14, 2025

An ERMA Underwriting Committee Meeting was held on January 14, 2025. All portions of this meeting were conducted via Zoom in accordance with Government Code Section 54953.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: John Gillison, President, CIRA (Joined at 11:29 a.m.)

Bryan Whitemyer, Vice President, CSJVRMA

Jeremy Wittie, Treasurer, VCJPA

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Rob Kramer, Executive Director

Yvette Flama, Board Secretary

Jeanette Workman, CSJVRMA Executive Director

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The January 14, 2025, ERMA Underwriting Committee Meeting was called to order at 11:05 a.m. A roll call was taken, and a quorum was determined to be present.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED (OR AMENDED)

Bryan Whitemyer moved, seconded by Jeremy Wittie, to approve the agenda as posted. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

None.

5. MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

A. Review of Prospective Member Application, City of Parlier (CSJVRMA JPA)

Rob Kramer, Executive Director, reported an application was received from the City of Parlier, an underlying member of the Central San Joaquin Valley Risk Management Authority (CSJVRMA), for participation in ERMA at a \$50,000 self-insured retention (SIR), effective January 1, 2025. Mr. Kramer provided a summary of the application as follows:

• The City reports a payroll of \$4.8M for the 2023 calendar year and has 58 full-time

employees and 7 part-time employees.

- The City fairly recently had its written personnel policies and procedures reviewed with a few noted exceptions.
- The City noted they do not have a procedure for obtaining information and following up on oral or written claims.
- The City reported compliance with AB 1825 and SB 1343 training requirements.
- The City is a previous member of ERMA. They withdrew as a member in 2019. When they were a member, they were at a \$50,000 SIR.

Mr. Kramer went on to explain that the City of Parlier was once a member of ERMA until 2019, when there was some level of discomfort with their level of collaboration on an open claim. ERMA notified the City in writing that if it did not collaborate with ERMA, ERMA would deny coverage. ERMA ended up denying coverage because the City of Parlier was not willing to provide ERMA with the information that was needed to manage the claim. Mr. Kramer went on to note that the City did not agree with the decision and decided to withdraw.

Mr. Kramer went on to note that, since they withdrew from ERMA, there has been turnover. The previous City Manager is no longer with them; the current Police Chief has served as interim City Manager for six months. It was noted that the City is currently recruiting for both a City Manager as well as a Finance Director. The Finance Director left the City for reasons not related to staffing concerns. Mr. Kramer noted they engaged Liebert Cassidy Whitmore as their Board Counsel. Mr. Kramer presented three open claims to the Committee and provided an overview of the nature of the claims.

Jeanette Workman, CSJVRMA Executive Director, noted she recently spoke to her contacts at the City, and they confirmed they will have a permanent City Manager within the next six months. Ms. Workman went on to confirm that she has not been made aware of recent claims that will be of concern to the Board should they grant the City retroactive admission starting January 1, 2025.

Mr. Kramer concluded by stating the Interim City Manager felt the decision to withdraw from ERMA by previous leadership was a mistake, and they are eager to join and have the coverage once again.

John Gillison moved, seconded by Bryan Whitemyer, to recommend the Board approve the City of Parlier (CSJVRMA) at a \$100,000 SIR, effective January 1, 2025, with no conditions. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

6. <u>CLOSING COMMENTS</u>

A. Committee Members

None.

B. Staff

None.

7. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The January 14, 2025, ERMA Underwriting Committee meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. by general consent.

Yvette Flama, Board Secretary

Agenda Item 5. A.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

SUBJECT: Review of ERMA Member Application – *Presented by Yvette Flama,*Board Secretary

RECOMMENDATION: Provide feedback and direction as needed.

BACKGROUND AND STATUS:

Staff, along with the Litigation Manager, reviewed the current applications provided to potential members of ERMA and made the following changes:

- Updated the list of policies to align with the eight (8) identified by the Board during the 24/25 Employment Practices Policy Survey period;
- Removed the \$25k SIR option for new members;
- SB 553 Workplace Violence Prevention was added as a training that the agency must attest to having in place.

Staff requests that the Committee review the applications and provide feedback as needed.

REFERENCE MATERIALS ATTACHED:

- Draft ERMA Application for JPA's
- Draft ERMA Application for Direct Members
- Draft ERMA Application for Underlying JPA Members

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CIN	111 Y	NAME:		Date:		
EM	PLO	YMENT PRACTICES INFORMAT	TON			
4.	Enti	ity Information				
	1.	Identify the structure of the applying	Entity:			
		☐ In-house Staff	Con	tracted Staff		
		Joint Powers Authority	Joint Po	owers Authority		
		(Proceed to Section B.)	(Procee	d to Section F.)		
B.	Poli	cies and Procedures				
	1.	Does the Entity have written personn	el policie	es and procedures?		Yes No
	2.	Does the Entity distribute the manual	/rules to	all employees?		Yes No
	3.	Does the Entity have employees	sign a	n acknowledgemen	t form	Yes No
		indicating they have read and underst	ood the	above-referenced pol	icies?	
	4.	Are the following policies or procedu	ires inclu	ded in the manual?	Check all	l that apply:
		Pregnancy LeaveHiring		Termination	Susp	ension
		Family Medical Leave		Unpaid Leave	Grie	vance Procedures
		Drug & Alcohol-Free Workp	lace &	Discipline	Atte	ndance
		Testing				
		Family Medical Leave ActI	nternet,	Harassment, Dis	criminat	ion, & Retaliation
		Computer, Media, and Electronic/Re	sources			
		<u>Use</u>				
		Written Job Description for all Po	sitions	Workplace Viol	ence Poli	icies (SB 553)
		Annual Written Performance Eva		for all Employees		
		Employee Hotline/Complaint Pro				
	5.	Do the policies/rules include all p				Yes No
		Employment and Housing Act (F	EHA), (CAa. Gov't. Code	section	
		12940)?				
	6.	Does the Entity have legal counsel re				Yes No
	7.	Have the above-referenced policies years?	-	-	ast five	∐ Yes ∐ No
		If no, when was the manual or rules l	ast revie	wed?		
	8.	Were the above-referenced policies council/governing board?	formally	approved and ado	pted by	Yes No
	9.	Does the Entity have legal cou disciplinary matters?	nsel to	provide advice re	garding	Yes No
	10.	Does the entity have an orientation addresses workplace conduct, EPL procedures?		- ·		Yes No
		If you answered no to any of the abo	ove, pleas	se use this space to p	rovide m	ore information:

C.	Em	ployee Information
C.	1.	Number of Full Time Employees:
	2.	Number of Part time Employees:
	3.	For each of the past five years, what has been your annual percentage turnover rate of
	3.	employees?
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	4.	How many involuntary employment terminations have occurred in the past three years?
	4.	20 Terminations: 2 Terminations: 20 Terminations:
		Involuntary employment termination with respect to this questionnaire means notification to
		an employee that such employee will no longer be employed whether such notification is
		effective immediately or in the future. Involuntary employment termination shall also
		include actual or alleged constructive discharge.
	5.	Percentage of Employees with salaries less than \$100,000
	5.	%
	6.	Percentage of Employees with salaries greater than \$100,000 Should = 100%
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D.	Em	ployment Practices Claims Handling
	1.	Who in the Entity has been designated to handle claims?
	2.	(a) With respect to oral or written claims, do you have a written Yes No
		procedure for obtaining information and conducting required follow up
		on the claim?
		(b) Do you require written claims for EEO-related complaints?
		If yes to 2(a), describe the policy and procedure for receiving, reviewing, and
		responding to claims:
	3.	Does the Employment Claims handler coordinate with the Workers' Compensation
	٥.	Administrator on all claims involving actual or potential industrial injuries? Yes No
	4.	Has your entity received any claim in the previous 7 completed fiscal years, including the
	٦.	partial current fiscal year, (including but not limited to Tort Claim, any and all claims filed
		with the CRD, EEOC, Department of Labor or Federal Department of Justice, any civil
		lawsuit or other written claim) alleging the following?
		(a) Allegations of discrimination or harassment under FEHA, Title VII Yes No
		or any other federal or state law relating to discrimination based on
		race, sex, religion, disability, national origin, marital status, age,
		sexual orientation, retaliation or any other protected legal status;
		(b) Allegations of retaliation relating to an Employee engaging in Yes No
		protected activity involving any EEO-related complaint, protected
		leave status, worker's compensation claim, or any other protected
		activity or status;
		(c) Actual or alleged constructive termination of an employment Yes No
		relationship in a manner which is alleged to have been against the
		law or wrongful, or in breach of an implied employment contract or
		breach of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing in the
		employment contract;
		(d) Allegations of negligent or wrongful evaluation, wrongful demotion, Yes No
		wrongful discipline, failure to promote, failure to grant tenure, or
		wrongful deprivation of career opportunity;
		(e) Allegations of misrepresentation or defamation made by an Yes No
		Employee which arise from an employment decision to hire, fire,
		promote, demote or discipline;

		(f) Allegations of infliction of emotional distress, mental injury, mental	Yes No
		anguish, shock, sickness, disease or disability made by an <i>Employee</i> which arise from an employment decision to hire, fire, promote,	
		demote or discipline;	
		(g) Allegations of false imprisonment, detention, or malicious	Yes No
		prosecution made by an <i>Employee</i> which arise from an employment	
		decision to hire, fire, promote, demote or discipline;	DV. DV.
		(h) Allegations of libel, slander, defamation of character, invasion of privacy made by an <i>Employee</i> which arise from an employment	∐ Yes ∐ No
		decision to hire, fire, promote, demote or discipline; and	
		(i) Other personal injury allegations made by an <i>Employee</i> which arise	Yes No
		from an employment decision to hire, fire, promote, demote or	
		discipline.	
		he answer is yes to any of the above, please attach a listing of the loss(e	
		cription of each claim, including the date filed, the substance of the allegation	is, the disposition
	01 (he claim, and any monetary amounts paid in connection with the claim.	
Ε.	Em	ployment Practices Risk Management	
	1.	Does the applicant have a Human Resources or Personnel Department?	Yes No
		If no, please describe handling of this function:	
	2.	Do you have any established set of grievance or complaint procedures as	☐ Yes ☐ No
	2	an effective means of resolving disputes prior to litigation?	□ V □ N.
	3.	Do you anticipate any "layoffs" during the next 24 months? If yes, please provide details.	Yes No
		if yes, please provide details.	
	4.	Have you had any "layoffs" in the past 36 months?	☐ Yes ☐ No
		If yes, please provide details.	
	5.	Is your entity in full compliance with the training requirements set forth in	Yes No
		AB 1825, SB 1343, and SB 778 (Sexual Harassment Prevention), and SB	
		553 (Workplace Violence Prevention)??	
		If no, please explain.	
	6.	Briefly describe the procedure for maintaining AB 1825 and SB 1343	training records:
		Briefly deserted the procedure for maintaining 71B 1023 and 8B 1313	training records.
	7.	Does your entity provide SB 1343 (Sexual Harassment Prevention)3	Yes No
		training?	
	8.	Are elected or appointed officials trained on the entity's policy regarding	Yes No
		harassment, discrimination, and retaliation?	

E. DESIF	RED SELF-INSURED RETENTION
\$25K	□ \$50K □ \$75K □ \$100K □ \$250K □ \$350K □ \$500K
Please attach	the following:
•	Member application fee of \$2,500 for prospective JPAs. (Upon approval and completion of the first year of membership, a credit in the amount equal to the fee remitted upon application will be issued in the form of a premium credit.)
•	EPL individual loss information (including Date of Loss and total incurred) for the previous 7 completed fiscal years, including the partial current fiscal year;
•	Payroll information for the previous 7 completed calendar years;
•	Completed resolution authorizing participation in ERMA;
•	Completed intent to participate; and
•	Most Recent Financial Audit.

The undersigned further declares and represents that any occurrence taking place prior to the inception of the coverage for which is being applied, which may render inaccurate, untrue or incomplete any statement made herein will immediately be reported in writing to ERMA. The undersigned acknowledges and agrees that the submission and ERMA's receipt of such report, prior to the inception of the coverage for which being applied, is a condition precedent to coverage.

The undersigned acknowledges:

- (1) ERMA does not require the submittal of the aforementioned policies and procedures. ERMA does, however, rely on the information provided by the applicant in review of the application and the undersigned, therefore, declares and represents that the policies and procedures as represented above are the current policies and procedures of the entity.
- (2) ERMA's Board of Directors may recommend a risk assessment of any new member within 60 days of joining ERMA and/or a higher self-insured retention from what was requested, if an application for membership is approved.

Agency or Entity Name	
Applicant's Name (please print)	Applicant's Title
Applicant's Signature	
Date	

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NTITY	NAME:	Date:						
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	Computer, Media, and Electronic/Resources							
	<u>Use</u>							
	Written Job Description for all Positions		ence Policies (SB 553)					
	Annual Written Performance Evaluations	for all Employees						
	Employee Hotline/Complaint Procedure							
5.	Do the policies/rules include all protected	_						
	Employment and Housing Act (FEHA), (12940)?	Ca <u>A</u> - Gov't. Code	section					
6.	Does the Entity have legal counsel regularly r	les? Yes N						
7.	Have the above-referenced policies been updated within the past five Yes No							
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council/governing board?
9. Does the Entity have legal counsel to provide advice regarding disciplinary Yes No
matters?
Does the entity have an orientation program for all employees that Yes No
10. addresses workplace conduct, EPL policies and practices, and grievance
procedures?
If you answered no to any of the above, please use this space to provide more information:
B. Employee Information
1. Number of Full Time Employees: 2. Number of Part time Employees:
3. For each of the past five years, what has been your annual percentage turnover rate of
employees?
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	4.	How many involuntary employment terminations have occurred in the past three years?
		20_Terminations: 20_Terminations: 20_Terminations:
		Involuntary employment termination with respect to this questionnaire means notification to
		an employee that such employee will no longer be employed whether such notification is
		effective immediately or in the future. Involuntary employment termination shall also include
		actual or alleged constructive discharge.
	5.	Percentage of Employees with salaries less than \$100,000 %
	_	Should = 100%
	6.	Percentage of Employees with salaries greater than \$100,000
		%
C	Em	ployment Practices Claims Handling
C.	1.	Who in the Entity has been designated to handle claims?
	2.	(a) With respect to oral or written claims, do you have a written procedure Yes No
	۷.	for obtaining information and conducting required follow up on the claim?
		(b) Do you require written claims for EEO-related complaints?
		Yes No
		If yes to 2(a), describe the policy and procedure for receiving, reviewing, and responding
		to claims:
	3.	Does the Employment Claims handler coordinate with the Workers' Compensation
		Administrator on all claims involving actual or potential industrial injuries? Yes No
	4.	Has your entity received any claim in the previous 7 completed fiscal years, including the
		partial current fiscal year, (including but not limited to Tort Claim, any and all claims filed
		with the CRD, EEOC, Department of Labor or Federal Department of Justice, any civil lawsuit
		or other written claim) alleging the following?
		(a) Allegations of discrimination or harassment under FEHA, Title VII Yes No or any other federal or state law relating to discrimination based on
		race, sex, religion, disability, national origin, marital status, age,
		sexual orientation, retaliation or any other protected legal status;
		(b) Allegations of retaliation relating to an Employee engaging in protected Yes No
		activity involving any EEO-related complaint, protected leave status,
		worker's compensation claim, or any other protected activity or status;
		(c) Actual or alleged constructive termination of an employment Yes No
		relationship in a manner which is alleged to have been against the law
		or wrongful, or in breach of an implied employment contract or breach
		of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing in the employment
		contract;
		(d) Allegations of negligent or wrongful evaluation, wrongful demotion, Yes No
		wrongful discipline, failure to promote, failure to grant tenure, or
		wrongful deprivation of career opportunity;
		(e) Allegations of misrepresentation or defamation made by an <i>Employee</i> Yes No
		which arise from an employment decision to hire, fire, promote,
		demote or discipline;
		(f) Allegations of infliction of emotional distress, mental injury, mental Yes No
		anguish, shock, sickness, disease or disability made by an <i>Employee</i>
		which arise from an employment decision to hire, fire, promote,
		demote or discipline; (g) Allegations of false imprisonment, detention, or malicious prosecution Yes No
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		hire, fire, promote, demote or discipline;
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		(h) Allegations of libel, slander, defamation of character, invasion of Yes No
		privacy made by an <i>Employee</i> which arise from an employment
		decision to hire, fire, promote, demote or discipline; and
		(i) Other personal injury allegations made by an <i>Employee</i> which arise Yes No
		from an employment decision to hire, fire, promote, demote or
		discipline.
		the answer is yes to any of the above, please attach a listing of the loss(es) showing a full
		scription of each claim, including the date filed, the substance of the allegations, the disposition
	01 (the claim, and any monetary amounts paid in connection with the claim.
D.	En	nployment Practices Risk Management
ъ.	1.	Does the applicant have a Human Resources or Personnel Department? Yes No
		If no, please describe handling of this function:
	2.	Do you have any established set of grievance or complaint procedures as Yes No
		an effective means of resolving disputes prior to litigation?
	3.	Do you anticipate any "layoffs" during the next 24 months?
		If yes, please provide details.
	4.	Have you had any "layoffs" in the past 36 months?
	4.	If yes, please provide details.
		in yes, piease provide detains.
	5.	Is your entity in full compliance with the training requirements set forth in Yes No
		AB 1825, SB 1343, and SB 778 (Sexual Harassment Prevention), and SB Formatted: Font color: Red
		553 (Workplace Violence Prevention)?
		If no, please explain.
	6.	Briefly describe the procedure for maintaining AB 1825 and SB 1343 training records:
	7.	Does your entity provide SB 1343 (Sexual Harassment Prevention) training? Yes No Formatted: Font color: Red
	8.	Are elected or appointed officials trained on the entity's policy regarding Yes No
		harassment, discrimination, and retaliation?
E.		SIRED SELF-INSURED RETENTION
3	325K	\$50K \$75K \$100K \$250K \$350K \$500K Formatted: Font color: Red
Plea	se atı	tach the following:
		EPL individual loss information (including Date of Loss and total incurred) for the previous
		7 completed fiscal years, including the partial current fiscal year;
		Payroll information for the previous 7 completed calendar years; Completed analytical analytical practicipation in ERMA.
		 Completed resolution authorizing participation in ERMA; Completed intent to participate; and
		Most Recent Financial Audit.
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The undersigned further declares and represents that any occurrence taking place prior to the inception of the coverage for which is being applied, which may render inaccurate, untrue or incomplete any statement made herein will immediately be reported in writing to ERMA. The undersigned acknowledges and agrees that the submission and ERMA's receipt of such report, prior to the inception of the coverage for which being applied, is a condition precedent to coverage.

The undersigned acknowledges:

- (1) ERMA does not require the submittal of the aforementioned policies and procedures. ERMA does, however, rely on the information provided by the applicant in review of the application and the undersigned, therefore, declares and represents that the policies and procedures as represented above are the current policies and procedures of the entity.
- (2) ERMA's Board of Directors may recommend a risk assessment of any new member within 60 days of joining ERMA and/or a higher self-insured retention from what was requested, if an application for membership is approved.

Agency or Entity Name	
Applicant's Name (please print)	Applicant's Title
Applicant's Signature	
 Date	

Agenda Item 6. A.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

SUBJECT: Review of Prospective Member Application, Town of Hillsborough (PLAN JPA) – Presented by Rob Kramer, Executive Director

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Underwriting Committee unconditionally approve the Town of Hillsborough at a \$100,000 SIR, effective January 1, 2026.

BACKGROUND AND STATUS:

The Town of Hillsborough, an underlying member of the Pooled Liability Assurance Network (PLAN JPA), provided an application and supporting documentation for participation in ERMA effective July 1, 2026, at a \$100,000 self-insured retention (SIR). The application materials have been reviewed by staff and are summarized as follows:

- The Town reports a payroll of approximately \$22,571,900 for the 2023/24 calendar year and has ninety-nine (99) full-time and two (2) part-time employees.
- The Town noted that their written personnel policies and procedures have been reviewed in the last five years and are regularly reviewed by legal counsel.
- The Town noted they do have a procedure for obtaining information and following up on oral or written claims.
- The Town is compliant with AB 1825, SB 1343, and SB 778 training requirements.

REFERENCE MATERIALS ATTACHED:

- Town of Hillsborough Premium Indication
- Town of Hillsborough Application for Participation



CONTRIBUTION INDICATION

PLAN

Name of Entity

Town of Hillsborough

2023 Calendar Year Payroll

\$12,840,647

Coverage Period

July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 *

CALCULATION					
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Self-Insured Retention Option		\$50,000	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$250,000
Funding Rate		0.552	0.500	0.455	0.279
Funding for Losses		\$70,880	\$64,147	\$58,476	\$35,795
Loss Prevention & Training	0.0091	1,167	1,167	1,167	1,167
Administration	0.0542	6,954	6,954	6,954	6,954
Deposit Contribution		\$79,002	\$72,268	\$66,598	\$43,916
JPA Participation Credit	2.02%	(1,592)	(1,456)	(1,342)	(885)
Net Contribution		\$77,410	\$70,812	\$65,256	\$43,031
JPA Experience Mod Factor		1.232			
JPA Off-Balance Factor ⁽¹⁾		1.232			
Contribution Adj. for Off-Bal. Factor		\$117,523	\$107,506	\$99,071	\$65,329
Individual Experience Mod Factor (2)		1.000			
Individual Off-Balance Factor (1)		1.236			
Contribution Adj. for Off-Bal. Factor		\$95,694	\$87,538	\$80,669	\$53,195
Excess Insurance \$3M x \$1M	0.0575	\$7,383	\$7,383	\$7,383	\$7,383
ERMA CONTRIBUTION (3)		\$103,077	\$94,921	\$88,052	\$60,578

Notes:

(1) Off-Balance Factor: To ensure that ERMA collects the required total contribution from a member, which is determined by ERMA's consulting actuary, an off-balance factor is applied to the net contribution after the experience modification factor is applied to the net contribution. All underlying members within the same primary JPA receive the same off-balance factor. (2) New members are assigned an experience modification factor of 1.000 their first year in ERMA.

⁽³⁾ Contribution calculated using rates per the 2024/25 approved budget.

^{*} Members joining mid-year would be charged a prorated contribution

PROGRAM YEAR: 2024/25

ENTITY NAME: Town of Hillsborough Date: March 25, 2025				
$\mathbf{F}\mathbf{M}$	PLO	YMENT PRACTICES INFORMATION		
Α.		cies and Procedures		
	1.	Does the Entity have written personnel policies and procedures? Yes No		
	2.	Does the Entity distribute the manual/rules to all employees? Yes No		
	3.	Does the Entity have employees sign an acknowledgement form Yes No		
		indicating they have read and understood the above-referenced policies?		
	4.	Are the following policies or procedures included in the manual? Check all that apply:		
		■ Hiring ■ Termination ■ Suspension		
		■ Medical Leave ■ Unpaid Leave ■ Grievance Procedures		
		■ Drug & Alcohol Testing ■ Discipline ■ Attendance		
		Family Medical Leave Act Harassment, Discrimination, & Retaliation		
		■ Written Job Description for all Positions		
		Annual Written Performance Evaluations for all Employees		
		■ Employee Hotline/Complaint Procedure		
	5.	5. Do the policies/rules include all protected categories under the Fair Yes No		
		Employment and Housing Act (FEHA), Ca. Gov't. Code section 12940)?		
	6.	6. Does the Entity have legal counsel regularly review the manual/rules? Yes No		
	7.	Have the above-referenced policies been updated within the past five Yes No		
		years?		
	-	If no, when was the manual or rules last reviewed?		
	8.	Were the above-referenced policies formally approved and adopted by Yes No		
	0	council/governing board?		
	9.	Does the Entity have legal counsel to provide advice regarding Yes No		
		disciplinary matters?		
	10.	Does the entity have an orientation program for all employees that Yes No		
	10.	addresses workplace conduct, EPL policies and practices, and grievance procedures?		
		If you answered no to any of the above, please use this space to provide more information:		
		if you unswered no to any of the above, pieuse use this space to provide more information.		
В.	Em	ployee Information		
	1.	Number of Full Time Employees: 99		
	2.	Number of Part time Employees: 2		
	3.	For each of the past five years, what has been your annual percentage turnover rate of		
	employees?			
		<u>2020</u> 8 % 20 <u>21</u> 8 % 20 <u>22</u> 7 % 20 <u>23</u> 10 % 20 <u>24</u> 9 %		
	4.	How many involuntary employment terminations have occurred in the past three years?		
		2022 Terminations 0 2023 Terminations: 2 2024 Terminations: 3		

	Involuntary employment termination with respect to this question an employee that such employee will no longer be employed wh effective immediately or in the future. Involuntary employment include actual or alleged constructive discharge.	ether such notification is
5.	Percentage of Employees with salaries less than \$100,000 22%	Should = 100%
6.	Percentage of Employees with salaries greater than \$100,000 78%	Snould = 100%

C.	Em	ployment Practices Claims Handling	
	1.	Who in the Entity has been designated to handle claims? City Manager	
	2.	(a) With respect to oral or written claims, do you have a written procedure for obtaining information and conducting required follow up on the claim?	Yes No
		(b) Do you require written claims for EEO-related complaints?	Yes No
		If yes to 2(a), describe the policy and procedure for receiving,	reviewing, and
		responding to claims:	
		Claims and grievance procedures are outlined in Bargaining Unit MOUs for union members and Personnel Policies fo	or unrepresented employees.
	3.	Does the Employment Claims handler coordinate with the Worker Administrator on all claims involving actual or potential industrial injuries?	
	4.	Has your entity received any claim in the previous 7 completed fiscal ye partial current fiscal year, (including but not limited to Tort Claim, any ar with the CRD, EEOC, Department of Labor or Federal Department of lawsuit or other written claim) alleging the following?	ears, including the all claims filed
		(a) Allegations of discrimination or harassment under FEHA, Title VII or any other federal or state law relating to discrimination based on race, sex, religion, disability, national origin, marital status, age, sexual orientation, retaliation or any other protected legal status;	Yes No
		(b) Allegations of retaliation relating to an Employee engaging in protected activity involving any EEO-related complaint, protected leave status, worker's compensation claim, or any other protected activity or status;	Yes No
		(c) Actual or alleged constructive termination of an employment relationship in a manner which is alleged to have been against the law or wrongful, or in breach of an implied employment contract or breach of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing in the employment contract;	Yes No
		(d) Allegations of negligent or wrongful evaluation, wrongful demotion, wrongful discipline, failure to promote, failure to grant tenure, or wrongful deprivation of career opportunity;	Yes No
		(e) Allegations of misrepresentation or defamation made by an <i>Employee</i> which arise from an employment decision to hire, fire, promote, demote or discipline;	Yes No
		(f) Allegations of infliction of emotional distress, mental injury, mental anguish, shock, sickness, disease or disability made by an <i>Employee</i> which arise from an employment decision to hire, fire, promote, demote or discipline;	Yes No
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		(h) Allegations of libel, slander, defamation of character, invasion of	Yes No
		privacy made by an <i>Employee</i> which arise from an employment	
		decision to hire, fire, promote, demote or discipline; and	
		(i) Other personal injury allegations made by an <i>Employee</i> which arise	Yes No
		from an employment decision to hire, fire, promote, demote or	
		discipline.	
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		cription of each claim, including the date filed, the substance of the allegation	
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D.		ployment Practices Risk Management	■ V □ N.
	1.	Does the applicant have a Human Resources or Personnel Department?	Yes No
		If no, please describe handling of this function:	
	2.	Do you have any established set of grievance or complaint procedures as	Yes No
		an effective means of resolving disputes prior to litigation?	
	3.	Do you anticipate any "layoffs" during the next 24 months?	Yes ■ No
		If yes, please provide details.	
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	4.	Have you had any "layoffs" in the past 36 months?	☐ Yes ■ No
		If yes, please provide details.	
	5.	Is your antity in full commission as with the tuning magniness ant set fouth in	Vag Na
	٥.	Is your entity in full compliance with the training requirements set forth in AB 1825, SB 1343 and SB 778?	Yes No
		If no, please explain.	
	6.	Briefly describe the procedure for maintaining AB 1825 and SB 1343	training records:
	0.	Human Resources maintains a training spreadsheet for tracking. All new employees are required to complete training and Town-wide tra	•
	7.	Does your entity provide SB 1343 training?	Yes No
	8.		
	٥.	Are elected or appointed officials trained on the entity's policy regarding	Yes No
		harassment, discrimination, and retaliation?	
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E.		SIRED SELF-INSURED RETENTION	
	\$25K		\$500K
Plea	se att	ach the following:	
		 EPL individual loss information (including Date of Loss and total incurred 	l) for the previous
		7 completed fiscal years, including the partial current fiscal year;	
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		• Completed intent to participate; and	

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Town of Hillsborough			
Agency or Entity Name			
Doug Davis	City Manager		
Applicant's Name (please print)	Applicant's Title		
DocuSigned by:			
Dong Davis			
Applicant's Signature			
3/31/2025			
Date			