

A mailer circulating in the community reports that city funding for the police pension and firefighters' pensions has dropped by more than 34 percent and 8 percent respectively since 2014, and cites a city document (CAFARS – City of Galveston) that does not exist for this information. This claim is false.

The City contribution has increased from \$1,177,581 in FY 14 to \$2,420,233 in FY 20. The fire contribution has increased from \$978,602 in FY14 to \$1,450,122 in FY 20. The city contribution has increased from 12 percent of an employee's salary to 18 percent of the salary toward the pension for Galveston Police Department employees in the same period. It has increased from 14 percent to 17 percent for employees of the Galveston Fire Department in this period.

City financial information is presented and available online at galvestontx.gov/financialtransparency.

This information is from audited city records from FY 2000 to FY 2019. The FY 20 audit is underway.

	Police	Fire*	Total
Account	511544	511543	
Fiscal Year			
FY00	\$274,569	\$567,223	\$841,792
FY01	\$332,040	\$564,819	\$896,859
FY02	\$355,264	\$616,171	\$971,435
FY03	\$353,025	\$648,284	\$1,001,309
FY04	\$467,972	\$678,223	\$1,146,195
FY05	\$535,698	\$800,829	\$1,336,527
FY06	\$628,393	\$808,761	\$1,437,154
FY07	\$760,019	\$903,711	\$1,663,730
FY08	\$1,157,699	\$907,182	\$2,064,881
FY09	\$1,084,421	\$1,135,206	\$2,219,627
FY10	\$1,217,821	\$1,037,483	\$2,255,304
FY11	\$1,098,735	\$912,087	\$2,010,822
FY12	\$1,114,033	\$920,182	\$2,034,215
FY13	\$1,145,465	\$940,322	\$2,085,787
FY14	\$1,177,581	\$978,602	\$2,156,183
FY15	\$1,178,273	\$995,380	\$2,173,653
FY16	\$1,249,716	\$1,023,954	\$2,273,670
FY17	\$1,386,018	\$1,095,109	\$2,481,127
FY18	\$1,658,180	\$1,272,949	\$2,931,129
FY19	\$2,083,915	\$1,408,108	\$3,492,023
FY20	\$2,420,233	\$1,450,122	\$3,870,355
FY21 Budget	\$2,505,769	\$1,521,055	\$4,026,824

*Fire does not include a \$1 million contribution from the City in FY18

City Pension Plan Contributions by Fiscal Year

