

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: REPORT ON THE AMES MUNICIPAL UTILITY PLAN FROM THE UTILITY RETIREMENT ADVISORY BOARD

BACKGROUND:

The Municipal Code of the City of Ames, Iowa, Section 28.403 established a participant review board elected from various utility departments that have members of the Ames Municipal Utility Retirement Plan. Duties of the Board are to monitor, review, and evaluate, on a continuing basis, the performance of the Ames Municipal Utility Retirement Plan and report annually to the City Council.

The City of Ames is the plan sponsor for a 401(a) defined contribution retirement plan. This plan is available to employees who receive at least ten percent of their salary funding from City of Ames utilities. Vanguard serves as plan administrator for the City.

In May 2015, the Board met with Manny Tytler, Relationship Manager from Vanguard. Manny presented a brief overview of the company, and provided information demonstrating that the fee structure and investment return performance are highly competitive.

Manny Tytler also presented a plan and participant overview. The Plan has a total balance of over \$33.1 million with 134 participant accounts. The Plan balance was then broken down by investment fund type, including beginning and ending balances, total number of participants, and percentage of total assets. Summary information for the plan is attached.

After discussion, the Board passed a motion to accept the review and contents of the Vanguard presentation and to recommend that the relationship with Vanguard as plan administrator be continued.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Accept the report from the Utility Retirement Advisory Board.
2. Refer the report back to the Utility Retirement Advisory Board for further information.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

After review and discussion of the material presented by Vanguard, the Utility Retirement Advisory Board has voted to continue the relationship with Vanguard.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby accepting the report from the Utility Retirement Advisory Board.



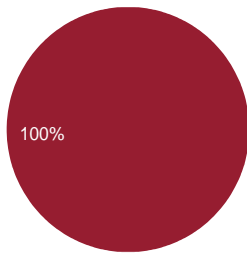
Summary fee report

408(b)(2) disclosure for CITY OF AMES MUNICIPAL UTILITY RETIREMENT SYSTEM PLAN

Calculated as of March 31, 2015

Plan Assets

\$33,160,698



- Vanguard \$33,160,698
- Non-Vanguard \$0
- Other investments \$0

Participant accounts
134

Total all-in fees

\$101,273

0.31%

Asset - based fees by provider



| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Vanguard | \$95,273 |
| Non-Vanguard | \$0 |
| ■ Other investments | \$0 |

Total fees by service



Asset-based fees net of recordkeeping 0.19% \$63,983

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|---|---|
| ■ Vanguard (less recordkeeping credit) | \$63,983 |
| ■ Non-Vanguard (less payment for recordkeeping) | \$0 |
| ■ Other investments | \$0 |
| ■ Recordkeeping compensation by source | 0.11% \$37,290 |

Total direct compensation: Fee paid directly from plan \$6,000

Total indirect compensation: Payment for recordkeeping from non-Vanguard funds \$0

Total recordkeeping compensation from plan sponsor \$0

Vanguard current recordkeeping credit \$31,290

■ Additional fees \$0

Total all-in fees \$101,273



All-in fee report

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| Vanguard fund asset-based fees | | | | |
|--|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| Fund Name | Assets | Expense ratio | Morningstar average | Current recordkeeping credit |
| Vanguard 500 Index Fund Investor Shares | \$5,222,495 | 0.17% | 1.08% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Wellington Fund Investor Shares | \$4,614,936 | 0.26% | 0.92% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Windsor II Fund Investor Shares | \$3,270,745 | 0.36% | 1.13% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Retirement Savings Trust** | \$2,408,303 | 0.53% | N/A | 0.15% |
| Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Fund Investor Shares | \$2,335,940 | 0.17% | 1.08% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard U.S. Growth Fund Investor Shares | \$2,135,265 | 0.44% | 1.20% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Morgan Growth Fund Investor Shares | \$2,130,336 | 0.40% | 1.20% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Equity Income Fund Investor Shares | \$2,090,719 | 0.29% | 1.13% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund | \$1,702,668 | 0.16% | N/A | 0.09% |
| Vanguard International Growth Fund Investor Shares | \$1,329,566 | 0.47% | 1.37% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund Investor Shares | \$1,237,034 | 0.20% | 0.86% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2015 Fund | \$979,905 | 0.16% | 0.45% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Explorer Fund Investor Shares | \$772,568 | 0.53% | 1.37% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2020 Fund | \$491,804 | 0.16% | 0.50% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard LifeStrategy Growth Fund | \$459,118 | 0.17% | 0.85% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund | \$456,214 | 0.17% | 0.44% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund | \$432,429 | 0.18% | 0.44% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard LifeStrategy Income Fund | \$349,895 | 0.14% | 0.81% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard LifeStrategy Conservative Growth Fund | \$308,323 | 0.15% | 0.81% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund | \$115,788 | 0.17% | 0.50% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard LifeStrategy Moderate Growth Fund | \$113,852 | 0.16% | 0.92% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund | \$106,758 | 0.16% | 0.50% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund | \$48,517 | 0.18% | 0.49% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund | \$29,423 | 0.18% | 0.44% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund | \$17,228 | 0.18% | 0.48% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2055 Fund | \$868 | 0.18% | 0.42% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard total | \$33,160,698 | 0.29% | 1.03% | 0.09% |
| Vanguard total asset-based fees | | \$95,273 | \$297,924 | \$31,290 |

** The expense ratio includes a .21% fee (\$2.1 per \$1,000 invested) paid to the issuers of synthetic investment contracts (also known as "wrap agreements"). The fund performance results are net of these benefit responsive contract costs.

*The current recordkeeping payment is paid by the fund, fund company, or its advisor to Vanguard for recordkeeping and shareholder servicing. For more information on these payments, please refer to the fund's prospectus. Additional fees may be described below.

| Recordkeeping fees | | |
|---|--------------|-----------|
| Fee description | Paid by | Total fee |
| Total recordkeeping compensation from plan sponsor | | |
| Annual Administrative Fee (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participants | \$6,000 |
| Total direct compensation* | | |
| \$6,000 | | |
| Total indirect compensation (Current recordkeeping payment from non-Vanguard funds) | | |
| \$0 | | |
| Vanguard current recordkeeping credit | | |
| \$31,290 | | |
| Total recordkeeping compensation | | |
| \$37,290 | | |

* Direct compensation includes fees paid out of the plan. Plan sponsors may pay appropriate fees from the plan forfeiture account if permitted in the plan document.

| Additional fees | | |
|---|------------------------------|----------------|
| Fee description | Paid by | Fee |
| Ad Hoc Reporting (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | As Agreed Upon |



All-in fee report

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| Additional fees | | |
|--|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Fee description | Paid by | Fee |
| Additional Processing (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | As Agreed Upon |
| Annual Administrative Fee For Each Loan (Paid By Participant Fixed Per Capita) | Participants | \$25 Per Loan Maintenance |
| Client Requested Account Adjustments (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | As Agreed Upon |
| Conversion - Asset Transfer (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | As Agreed Upon |
| Conversion - Divisional Transfers (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | As Agreed Upon |
| Conversion - Plan To Plan Transfers (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | As Agreed Upon |
| Conversion - Start Up Plans (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | As Agreed Upon |
| Fee Disclosure Change Notice(s) (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | \$.50 Per Mailed Notification |
| Loan Origination Fee Non Self-Provisioned (Paid By Participant Fixed Per Capita) | Participants | \$90 Per Loan Origination |
| Loan Origination Fee Self-Provisioned (Paid By Participant Fixed Per Capita) | Participants | \$40 Per Loan Origination |
| Miscellaneous Fees (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | As Agreed Upon |
| Mistake of Fact Processing (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | \$50 per occurrence |
| Participant Education Retirement Service (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | As Agreed Upon |
| Participant Fee Disclosure Notice(s) (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | \$1.50 Per Mailed Notification |
| Plan Consulting Services (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | As Agreed Upon |
| QDRO Processing (Paid By Participant Fixed Per Capita) | Participants | \$50 |
| Requested Statement Enclosures (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | As Agreed Upon |
| Return of Excess (Paid By Participant Gross Per Capita) | Participant Gross Per Capita | \$50 per occurrence |
| Termination related compensation* | | \$10,000 |

*Vanguard charges a fee for the conversion services that it will perform to transfer a plan to a subsequent provider. The standard conversion services fee above will apply unless otherwise outlined in the recordkeeping fee agreement. Early termination fees also outlined in your recordkeeping fee agreement may apply if the arrangement is terminated in the first three years.

Fees charged by Vanguard generally are billed in arrears. As such, plans are not charged amounts to pre pay for services. If such arrangements are made with a plan, the calculation and refund of any such pre-paid amounts upon transfer or termination of the plan is detailed in a separate agreement with the plan governing those services.

| All-in fee summary | |
|--|------------------|
| Vanguard total asset-based fees | \$95,273 |
| Non-Vanguard total asset-based fees | \$0 |
| Other investment total asset-based fees | \$0 |
| Total direct compensation | \$6,000 |
| Total recordkeeping compensation from plan sponsor | \$0 |
| Included additional fees | \$0 |
| Other additional fees | Variable |
| Total all-in fees | \$101,273 |
| Total assets | \$33,160,698 |
| Total expense ratio | 0.31% |

City Of Ames Municipal Utility Retirement System Plan

Summary statistics

City Of Ames Municipal Utility Retirement System Plan Summary statistics 3/31/2015

| | Plan | Vanguard | Same client size |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|------------------|
| Plan assets (Net of loans) | \$33,160,697 | — | — |
| Average balance | \$247,467 | \$110,427 | \$134,569 |
| Equity allocation | 74% | 72% | 70% |
| Equity contribution | 80% | 74% | 71% |
| Professionally managed allocations | 8% | 48% | 39% |
| Internet access | 75% | 71% | 69% |
| Participants with a loan outstanding | 2% | — | — |

State of the plan

Investments

Total participants (with a balance as of 3/31/2015): **134**

Total assets: \$33,160,697 (as of 3/31/2015)

Total contributions (prior 12 months): **\$1,060,096**

| | Percentage of participants using | Total assets | Total contribution percentage 12 months | Total gross exchange in percentage 12 months | Total gross exchange out percentage 12 months | Average annual performance for period ended 3/31/2015 | | | | | Expense ratio * |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|---|--|---|---|-----------|----------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| | | | | | | One year | Five year | Ten year | Since inception | Inception date | |
| Money market | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund | 31% | \$1,702,668 | 2.7% | 0.0% | 4.8% | 0.01% | 0.03% | 1.58% | 5.35% | 06/1975 | 0.16% |
| The 7-day SEC yield, as of (3/31/2015), is .01% | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Money Market Funds Average</i> | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.27 | — | — | |
| Subtotal | | \$1,702,668 | | | | | | | | | |
| Vanguard Retirement Savings Trust | 19% | \$2,408,303 | 3.1% | 6.0% | 21.4% | 1.87% | 2.31% | 3.14% | 5.04% | 01/1989 | 0.53% |
| <i>Citigroup 3-Month US T-Bill Index</i> | | | | | | 0.03 | 0.06 | 1.40 | 3.32 | 12/1926 | |
| Subtotal | | \$2,408,303 | | | | | | | | | |
| Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund Investor Shares | 28% | \$1,237,034 | 4.7% | 8.7% | 9.6% | 5.49% | 4.23% | 4.79% | 6.37% | 12/1986 | 0.20% |
| <i>Spliced Barclays USAgg Float Adj Ix</i> | | | | | | 5.66 | 4.45 | 4.95 | 6.66 | 12/1975 | |
| Subtotal | | \$1,237,034 | | | | | | | | | |
| Vanguard LifeStrategy Conservative Growth Fund | 2% | \$308,323 | 0.3% | 0.5% | 0.0% | 7.13% | 7.31% | 5.65% | 7.27% | 09/1994 | 0.15% |
| <i>Conservative Growth Composite Index</i> | | | | | | 7.31 | 7.44 | 6.07 | 7.14 | 12/1977 | |
| Vanguard LifeStrategy Growth Fund | 8 | 459,118 | 3.3 | 0.6 | 5.0 | 7.80 | 10.34 | 6.63 | 8.26 | 09/1994 | 0.17 |
| <i>Growth Composite Index</i> | | | | | | 8.07 | 10.64 | 7.12 | 8.41 | 12/1977 | |
| Vanguard LifeStrategy Income Fund | 7 | 349,895 | 1.6 | 4.7 | 0.6 | 6.66 | 5.77 | 5.04 | 6.70 | 09/1994 | 0.14 |
| <i>Income Composite Index</i> | | | | | | 6.84 | 5.96 | 5.52 | 6.59 | 12/1977 | |
| Vanguard LifeStrategy Moderate Growth Fund | 4 | 113,852 | 0.5 | 3.0 | 1.7 | 7.47 | 9.01 | 6.31 | 7.93 | 09/1994 | 0.16 |
| <i>Moderate Growth Composite Index</i> | | | | | | 7.71 | 9.30 | 6.78 | 8.06 | 12/1977 | |
| Vanguard Wellington Fund Investor Shares | 48 | 4,614,936 | 14.6 | 7.9 | 11.0 | 8.20 | 10.64 | 8.12 | 8.31 | 07/1929 | 0.26 |
| <i>Wellington Composite Index</i> | | | | | | 10.66 | 11.54 | 7.32 | — | — | |
| Subtotal | | \$5,846,124 | | | | | | | | | |
| Target-date funds | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2015 Fund | 2% | \$979,905 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 6.84% | 8.56% | 6.26% | 6.59% | 10/2003 | 0.16% |
| <i>Target Retirement 2015 Composite Ix</i> | | | | | | 7.06 | 8.65 | 6.27 | 6.62 | 10/2003 | |

City Of Ames Municipal Utility Retirement System Plan

| | Percentage of participants using | Total assets | Total contribution percentage 12 months | Total gross exchange in percentage 12 months | Total gross exchange out percentage 12 months | One year | Five year | Ten year | Since inception | Inception date | Expense ratio * |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|---|--|---|----------|-----------|----------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Target-date funds (continued) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2020 Fund | 1 | 491,804 | 2.0 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 7.50 | 9.27 | — | 6.58 | 06/2006 | 0.16 |
| <i>Target Retirement 2020 Composite Ix</i> | | | | | | 7.74 | 9.53 | — | 6.70 | 06/2006 | |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund | 4 | 456,214 | 2.9 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 7.65 | 9.78 | 6.58 | 7.02 | 10/2003 | 0.17 |
| <i>Target Retirement 2025 Composite Ix</i> | | | | | | 7.88 | 10.04 | 6.71 | 7.14 | 10/2003 | |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund | 2 | 115,788 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 5.7 | 7.77 | 10.28 | — | 6.70 | 06/2006 | 0.17 |
| <i>Target Retirement 2030 Composite Ix</i> | | | | | | 8.01 | 10.54 | — | 6.84 | 06/2006 | |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund | 2 | 432,429 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 7.92 | 10.76 | 6.96 | 7.59 | 10/2003 | 0.18 |
| <i>Target Retirement 2035 Composite Ix</i> | | | | | | 8.13 | 11.02 | 7.09 | 7.72 | 10/2003 | |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund | 0.7 | 48,517 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 7.91 | 11.06 | — | 6.96 | 06/2006 | 0.18 |
| <i>Target Retirement 2040 Composite Ix</i> | | | | | | 8.23 | 11.35 | — | 7.08 | 06/2006 | |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund | 3 | 29,423 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 7.92 | 11.07 | 7.26 | 8.01 | 10/2003 | 0.18 |
| <i>Target Retirement 2045 Composite Ix</i> | | | | | | 8.23 | 11.35 | 7.39 | 8.13 | 10/2003 | |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund | 1 | 17,228 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 7.91 | 11.06 | — | 7.01 | 06/2006 | 0.18 |
| <i>Target Retirement 2050 Composite Ix</i> | | | | | | 8.23 | 11.35 | — | 7.13 | 06/2006 | |
| Vanguard Target Retirement 2055 Fund | 0.7 | 868 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 7.89 | — | — | 13.20 | 08/2010 | 0.18 |
| <i>Target Retirement 2055 Composite Ix</i> | | | | | | 8.23 | — | — | 13.42 | 06/2010 | |
| Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund | 1 | 106,758 | 0.2 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 5.71 | 6.70 | 5.62 | 5.67 | 10/2003 | 0.16 |
| <i>Target Retirement Income Compos. Ix</i> | | | | | | 5.92 | 6.82 | 5.65 | 5.71 | 10/2003 | |
| Subtotal | | \$2,678,934 | | | | | | | | | |
| Diversified equity funds | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vanguard 500 Index Fund Investor Shares | 51% | \$5,222,495 | 12.6% | 5.5% | 5.8% | 12.56% | 14.29% | 7.89% | 11.06% | 08/1976 | 0.17% |
| <i>S&P 500 Index</i> | | | | | | 12.73 | 14.47 | 8.01 | — | — | |
| Vanguard Equity Income Fund Investor Shares | 34 | 2,090,719 | 5.3 | 10.1 | 2.1 | 8.67 | 14.81 | 8.46 | 10.26 | 03/1988 | 0.29 |
| <i>Spliced Equity Income Index</i> | | | | | | 11.09 | 15.00 | 8.31 | 10.99 | 12/1978 | |
| Vanguard Explorer Fund Investor Shares | 17 | 772,568 | 2.9 | 5.4 | 0.0 | 9.57 | 16.11 | 9.23 | 9.40 | 12/1967 | 0.53 |
| <i>Russell 2500 Growth Index</i> | | | | | | 13.83 | 16.97 | 10.64 | — | — | |
| Vanguard International Growth Fund Investor Shares | 36 | 1,329,566 | 5.6 | 14.9 | 4.0 | 0.32 | 7.42 | 6.80 | 10.70 | 09/1981 | 0.47 |

State of the plan

| | Percentage of participants using | Total assets | Total contribution percentage 12 months | Total gross exchange in percentage 12 months | Total gross exchange out percentage 12 months | One year | Five year | Ten year | Since inception | Inception date | Expense ratio * |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------|---|--|---|----------|-----------|----------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Diversified equity funds (continued) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Spliced International Index</i> | | | | | | -1.01 | 4.39 | 4.07 | 9.16 | 08/1981 | |
| Vanguard Morgan Growth Fund Investor Shares | 28 | 2,130,336 | 8.1 | 3.4 | 8.5 | 14.95 | 14.64 | 8.81 | 10.38 | 12/1968 | 0.40 |
| <i>Russell 3000 Growth Index</i> | | | | | | 15.76 | 15.71 | 9.41 | — | — | |
| Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Fund Investor Shares | 34 | 2,335,940 | 7.6 | 1.3 | 3.4 | 12.17 | 14.62 | 8.44 | 9.60 | 04/1992 | 0.17 |
| <i>Spliced Total Stock Market Index</i> | | | | | | 12.33 | 14.78 | 8.56 | 9.74 | 12/1970 | |
| Vanguard U.S. Growth Fund Investor Shares | 36 | 2,135,265 | 7.4 | 7.8 | 10.1 | 17.35 | 15.30 | 8.80 | 10.40 | 01/1959 | 0.44 |
| <i>Russell 1000 Growth Index</i> | | | | | | 16.09 | 15.64 | 9.36 | — | — | |
| Vanguard Windsor II Fund Investor Shares | 37 | 3,270,745 | 9.1 | 5.1 | 6.1 | 7.96 | 12.69 | 7.16 | 10.97 | 06/1985 | 0.36 |
| <i>Russell 1000 Value Index</i> | | | | | | 9.33 | 13.75 | 7.21 | 11.11 | 12/1978 | |
| Subtotal | | \$19,287,634 | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | | \$33,160,697 | | | | | | | | | |

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