

# **MoDOT & Patrol Employees' Retirement System**

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: MPERS' Board of Trustees

FROM: Larry Krummen

DATE: February 10, 2021

RE: Manager Due Diligence

### **Background:**

Listed below is an excerpt from MPERS' investment policy regarding ongoing manager evaluations (often referred to as ongoing due diligence).

### **Ongoing Manager Evaluation**

The Investment Staff and Consultant are responsible for the monitoring and evaluation of the external asset managers employed by the System as part of the program. In fulfilling this role, Staff will meet at least annually, either in-person, telephonically or via some other electronic medium with each manager to formally review performance and investment activity, as well as to ensure each firm is adhering to the specific investment guidelines established for each mandate. In the event managers are in the redemption phase, or have side pockets of investments that are of minimal value (\$1 million or less), a meeting shall not be required, but shall be reported to the Board as required in the CIO Charter.

The intent of this policy is to ensure ongoing due diligence is completed on all external asset managers and to enhance communication between MPERS' staff and external asset managers.

## **Update:**

Staff is in compliance with this policy and has conducted numerous meetings with MPERS' existing managers over the course of calendar year 2020. Due to COVID, the majority of meetings were virtual.

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