Portland FPDR Transparency

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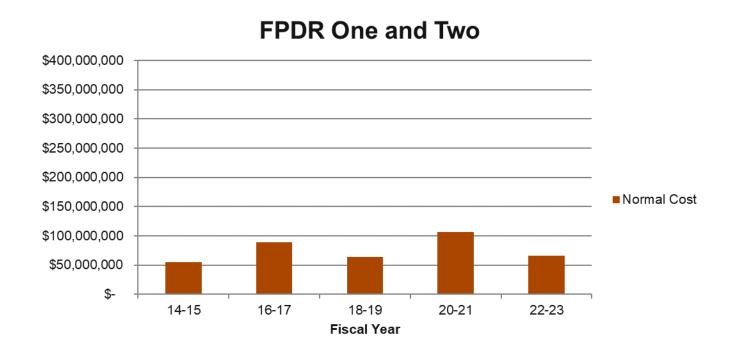
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Should FPDR Get Off Pay-As-You-Go?

- Improve transparency of compensation in the Portland Police Bureau and Portland Fire & Rescue Bureau
 - Mitigate a lack of transparency that can hide costs by passing them off to future generations of Portland taxpayers
- Intergenerational Equity
 - The costs of employee benefits are paid for by taxpayers who employed them
- Paying the bills sooner is expected to reduce the cumulative long-term costs of those bills.
- Mitigates risks of any potential deterioration in the city's finances

Lack of Transparency in Funding Policy

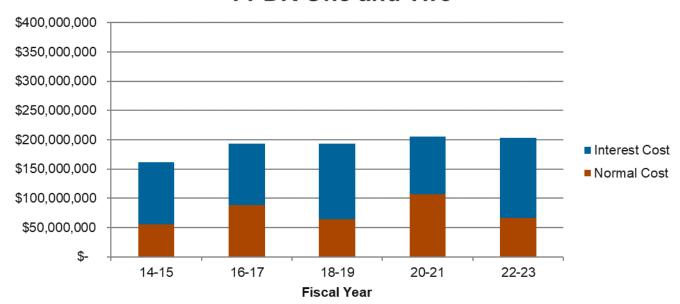
Normal Cost is the annual cost of benefits earned in the current year



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Interest $Cost = unfunded\ liability \times annual\ interest\ rate$

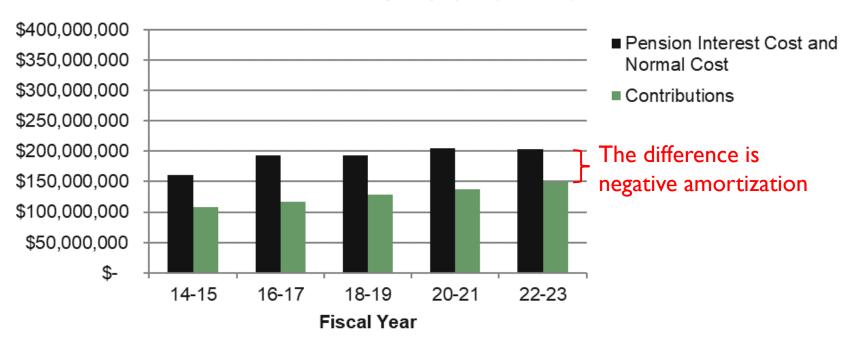
FPDR One and Two



Actuarial Basis vs. Cash Basis

 Negative amortization: When contributions are insufficient to cover Interest Cost and Normal Cost

FPDR One and Two



For Consideration

 The City should request its actuary provide an analysis of a Comprehensive Actuarial Funding Policy covering the following

Inputs

- Various amortization periods
- Pension Obligation Bonds
- Combinations of the above

Outputs

- Cumulative long-term cost savings
- Analysis of the impact of FPDR on property tax compression, including in worse-case scenarios
 - This may require collaboration with the City Economist or an economic consulting firm given that it has not been done before

Appendix

Sources

City Budget Office:

https://www.portlandoregon.gov/cbo/60863

- Milliman Actuarial Valuation Reports
 - ▶ 2022: https://efiles.portlandoregon.gov/record/15832827/file/document
 - ▶ 2020: https://efiles.portlandoregon.gov/Record/14369462/
 - ▶ 2018: https://efiles.portlandoregon.gov/Record/13654325/
 - ▶ 2016: https://efiles.portlandoregon.gov/Record/13654402/
 - ▶ 2014: https://www.portlandoregon.gov/fpdr/article/515926

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