Date: October 3, 2023

To: LEOFF 1 Disability Board Members

From: Steve Treperinas, Retirement Specialist

Subject: LEOFF 1 Disability Board, Regular Meeting – October 4, 2023

Please review the attached agenda packet for the upcoming LEOFF 1 Disability Board meeting on Wednesday, October 4, 2023. The meeting will be held in Conference Room 1E-119 and virtually via Microsoft Teams.

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Call in (audio only): 206-452-7011, Meeting Phone ID: 869 593 95#

Attachments

Distribution List

LEOFF 1 Disability Board Members:

Susan Neiman, Chair Lynne Robinson, Mayor Janice Zahn, Councilmember Michael Crosby, Fire Department Bryan Reil, Police Department

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Kathleen Kline, City Attorney's Office
Joy St Germain, Matthew Smith, Human Resources
Steve Treperinas, Human Resources
Council Coordinators
Jay Hagen, Fire Department
Wendall Shirley, Police Department
Michelle Cash, Minutes taker – without attachments

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LEOFF 1 Disability Board

Regular Meeting Agenda

Date: Wednesday, October 4, 2023

Time: 5:30 p.m. Administrative Meeting

6:00 p.m. Business Meeting

Location: Bellevue City Hall

Conf. Room 1E-119

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- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Public Comment
- 4. Approval of Minutes for August 2, 2023
- 5. Consideration of Medical Claims
 - a. Routine Claims
 - b. Special Claims
 - c. Pre-Approved Recurring Long-Term Care Claims
- 6. Staff Reports
- 7. New Business
- 8. Unfinished Business
 - a. Dental coverage discussion
- 9. Announce Date & Time of Next Meeting: Next meeting to **November 1, 2023**

These minutes are in DRAFT form until approved by the LEOFF 1 Disability Board

CITY OF BELLEVUE LEOFF 1 DISABILITY BOARD Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2023 5:30 p.m. – Administration 6:00 p.m. – Business Meeting		via Hybrid Meeting					
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Chairperson Susan Neiman Boardmember Mike Crosby Boardmember Bryan Reil Councilmember Janice Zahn						
MEMBER ABSENT:	EMBER ABSENT: Mayor Lynne Robinson						
OTHERS PRESENT:	S PRESENT: Kathleen Kline, City Attorney's Office Steve Treperinas, Human Resources						
MINUTES TAKER:	KER: Michelle Cash						
I. CALL TO ORDER:							
The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Neiman.							
II. ROLL CALL:							
A quorum was present.							
III. PUBLIC COMMENT:							
None.							

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Boardmember Reil and second by Councilmember Zahn to approve the June 7, 2023 LEOFF 1 Disability Board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

V. CONSIDERATION OF MEDICAL CLAIMS:

A. Routine Claim

Boardmembers reviewed the Routine Claim as presented.

Motion by Boardmember Reil and second by Councilmember Zahn to approve the Routine Claim as presented. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

B. Special Claims

Boardmembers reviewed the Special Claim for Member #112. The claim appeared to be within the allowable limits.

Motion by Boardmember Reil and second by Councilmember Zahn to approve the Special Claim for Member #112 as presented. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

Boardmembers reviewed the Special Claim for Member #139. The claim was for therapeutic massages. Mr. Treperinas said that Premera denied the Member's claim for therapeutic massages. The Member used an out-of-network provider, which Premera does not cover. However, Premera covers four therapeutic massages if they are in-network. In addition, the medical codes for the massages were inaccurate. Ms. Kline suggested that Boardmembers request additional information from the Member to determine if the massage was medically necessary. Ms. Kline clarified that the Board has discretion about the medical necessity of a claim.

After reviewing the claim, Boardmembers concluded that the claim appeared to be medically necessary and was within the allowable limits.

Motion by Boardmember Reil and second by Boardmember Crosby to approve the Special Claim for Member #139 as presented. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

Pre-Approved Recurring Long-Term Care Claims

for Member #139 as presented.	Motion carried unanimously (4-0).	

None.

VI. STAFF REPORT:

C.

None.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. <u>Caretaking for LEOFF 1 Member</u>

Boardmembers discussed a request from a Member's grandson to be reimbursed for providing medical care for a LEOFF 1 family member. Mr. Treperinas said that the current LEOFF 1 rules state that a caretaker must be licensed in order to be compensated. Chair Nieman expressed concern about liability for a non-licensed caretaker. In addition, Boardmembers discussed the necessity of wellness checks for Members that are under a family member's care.

Boardmembers concluded that a caretaker needs to be a licensed professional, in order to be compensated.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. <u>Dental Discussion</u>

Boardmembers discussed potential dental coverage for LEOFF 1 Members. Options suggested included: set amount to be shared for vision/hearing/dental; LEOFF 1 Board paying the premium for a dental coverage plan. Additional discussions regarding dental coverage will be conducted when all Boardmembers can be present for the discussion. Boardmember Crosby noted that he conducted some research on other LEOFF 1 Plans and preliminary findings show that many other Plans do not have a formal policy.

IX. ANNOUNCE DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

The next LEOFF 1 Disability Board meeting will be held on September 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

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The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.