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Governor Abbott Appoints Jim Parrish to TMRS Board of Trustees



On September 27, Governor Greg Abbott appointed Jim Parrish to the TMRS Board of Trustees. Mr. Parrish fills the vacancy that was created when Trustee Roy Rodriguez retired.

Jim Parrish is the Human Resources and Risk Management Director for the City of McKinney. He has more than 20 years of executive-level human resources experience serving four cities with 800 to 2,500 employees.

Before joining the City of McKinney, Parrish served as the Deputy City Manager in Plano, Texas, and in various roles at the cities of McKinney, Carrollton, and Amarillo in administrative oversight of human resources, risk management, finance, budget, treasury, information technology services, municipal court, procurement, utility billing, marketing and communication, project management, and media relations.

Mr. Parrish is former president of the Texas Municipal Human Resources Association and a former board member of the Texas Municipal League. He previously served as a gubernatorial appointee on the TMRS Board of Trustees for over eight years.

Parrish has a Bachelor of Business Administration and an MBA from West Texas A&M University.

Thank You, Roy Rodriguez!



Roy Rodriguez served TMRS with distinction.

In September, Mr. Rodriguez retired from the City of McAllen, where he was the City Manager and a member of the Texas City Managers Association (TCMA) and Region 10 president. He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Rio Grande Drainage Committee, Rio Grande Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization, and South Texas College Public Administration Advisory Council. He is a former director of the Lower Rio Grande Water Committee and former gubernatorial appointee to the TMRS Board of Trustees, where he twice held the position of chairman between 2005 and 2018. Additionally, he serves in multiple roles for Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

Since retiring, Mr. Rodriguez has been hired as a consultant for Hidalgo County focusing on planning and economic development.

Rodriguez received a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Texas A&M – Kingsville and Master of Public Administration from The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley.

On behalf of TMRS' Board, staff, and 220,000 Members, we say "Thank you for your service!"

Visit TMRS at TML's Annual Conference



TMRS will be attending the 2024 TML Annual Conference and Exhibition October 9 - 11, so be sure to stop by our booth and breakout session.

Add TMRS to Your Conference Schedule:

Wednesday, October 9 – Friday, October 11, Exhibit Hall Booth 1127

Visit our exhibit hall booth where TMRS staff will be available to answer any questions you have about your city's plan design, or to answer your personal retirement benefit questions.

Thursday, October 10, 3:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m., Room 310 BC, Level 3

During our breakout session, learn what makes TMRS a great partner for your city. Check the TML conference app for more details.



2024 City Training Conference

We are thrilled to invite you to TMRS' 2024 City Training Conference.

The Conference will be streamed on tmrs.com on October 22, from 9 am to 11 am.

During this virtual conference, you will hear how TMRS is continuously improving to better serve you, learn how to use all the resources available in the TMRS City Portal, plus get a sneak peek of new enhancements that benefit your city and employees.

If you haven't registered yet, use the button below to secure your spot. We look forward to seeing you there!

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Employees Can Apply for Refunds Online Instantly

TMRS has a new online account refund process. Employees who have terminated employment and wish to refund their account balance, can submit a refund application using [MyTMRS](#).

To make the refund process as easy for you as possible, you can certify the refunds using the [City Portal](#).

If your employees choose to submit a paper form, please use the new [Refund Application](#).

Update Beneficiary Designations Anytime with MyTMRS



One of the most important things your employees must do as a new or vested TMRS member is designate a beneficiary. Employees can use [MyTMRS](#) to quickly view or update their beneficiaries anytime.

Should your employees wish to designate more than three beneficiaries or choose to submit a paper form, please use TMRS' new [Beneficiary Designation Form](#).
