

OPEN ELECTION PERIOD FOR A FINAL MEMBERSHIP DECISION

OCTOBER 1, 2024 THROUGH OCTOBER 30, 2024

Individuals in certain positions who started public service with a governmental subdivision between **February 1, 2024 and July 31, 2024** can make a final membership decision. PERA must receive their membership election between October 1, 2024 and October 30, 2024.

POSITION START DATE REQUIREMENT

Individuals must have started work with the public employer between February 1, 2024 and July 31, 2024.

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND PUBLIC AMBULANCE SERVICE PERSONNEL

- » Can make a final decision to join the Defined Contribution Plan (DCP). Public officials must have approval from the governing body with a resolution.
- » If public officials and public ambulance service personnel started work between February 1, 2024 and July 31, 2024 and are not already participating in the DCP, making no selection results in an automatic election to opt out of the DCP. Either election is permanent for all current and future service with a governmental subdivision.

CITY MANAGERS WITHOUT PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT WITH THE CITY

- » Can make a final decision to revoke participation from the Coordinated Plan and have no PERA coverage. City managers must have approval from the governing body with a resolution.

ELECTION FORM

AVAILABLE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- » The open election form will be on the [Forms and Publications](#) page of mnpera.org on October 1, 2024.
- » Forms must be received by PERA between October 1, 2024 and October 30, 2024.
- » Election forms received on or after October 31, 2024 cannot be accepted.

ERIS SUBMISSION RECOMMENDED

- » Submit completed forms to PERA using the secure document upload feature on ERIS. You will receive a Transmit ID code upon successful submission. You may also send the forms by fax or mail; however, PERA must receive the forms by October 30, 2024.

If you have questions, email eligibility@mnpera.org or contact us by phone at 651-296-3636 and select option 3.

EMPLOYER REQUIREMENT – INFORM ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS

By law, it is the individual's decision to participate when they hold a position eligible for optional PERA membership. Employer representatives must inform eligible individuals of their right to join PERA. This includes those eligible for the open election period.

Not a PERA contact? If you're no longer a PERA contact, email employer.reps@mnpera.org or call 651-296-3636 and select option 4 to update your status as a contact for the employer. Provide PERA with the contact information for the agency's new PERA contact so we can reach out to them.