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TO:Board of Mayor & AldermenFROM:Eric Stuckey, City Administrator<br/>Russ Truell, Assistant City Administrator

# SUBJECT: Consideration of Agreement with RMS Timber

# <u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of this item is to consider a subscription agreement with RMS Forest Growth III, LP, as an addition to our City of Franklin pension investments.

# **Background**

The Pension Committee, in consultation with our independent investment advisor, has defined the asset allocation of the City's pension funds. One portion of that allocation is for investment in timber partnerships. As funding has been increased in the pension plan, and adjustments made to other categories (such as large cap stocks, fixed income, international stocks, etc.), the allocation to timber has slipped from 5% to 2%. In November, the Committee voted unanimously to add RMS Timber as a new timber manager with an investment of \$1.4 million.

### **Financial Impact**

There is no additional financial impact to the City, other than the normal pension contribution determined by actuarial calculation. Funds for this investment will be transferred from the fixed income account or cash holdings.

### **Recommendation**

Staff recommends approval of the agreement, subject to modifications recommended by the City Attorney and the counsel to the Pension Plan.