



To: Norwalk Municipal Employees' Pension Board
From: Tina Fogell, Chief Human Resources Officer
Date: May 8, 2023
Subject: Disability Pension Committee – Wednesday, May 10, 2023 – Hybrid meeting

A meeting of the Norwalk Municipal Employees' Pension Board – Disability Committee will be held on **Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 5:55p.m.,** via zoom / Room 220.

To allow public access, anyone may access a meeting by telephone, Zoom, and/or the City of Norwalk YouTube channel. Specific instructions and links can be found at norwalkct.org/meetings

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order and Approval of Minutes from April 12, 2023
2. Approval of Disability Pension Application - Resubmission
3. Adjourn

cc: Mayor Harry Rilling
Irene Dixon, City Clerk
Britton Murdoch, Callan Associates Inc.
Kevin Schmidt, Callan Associates Inc.
Billy Ireland, Fire Union President

CITY OF NORWALK
NORWALK MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES PENSION BOARD
DISABILITY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 12, 2023
VIA TELECONFERENCE

ATTENDANCE: Frank Nash, Chair; Richard Baskin, James Hendrickson, Charles Pirro

OTHERS: Chitsamay Lam, Comptroller; Geri DiStefano, Benefits Manager;
Tina Fogell

Mr. Nash did not call the meeting to order in public session at the scheduled time of 5:50 p.m.

Ms. Lam announced that this portion of sub-committee meeting would not be recorded. She asked those that had joined in to the Teleconference to wait that the recording would be paused until approximately 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:25 p.m.

Approval of Minutes – December 9, 2020

** MR. HENDRICKSON MOVED TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
DECEMBER 9, 2020 AS PRESENTED.
** MR. PIRRO SECONDED THE MOTION.
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Ms. DiStefano presented the following pension application:

APPROVAL OF DISABILITY PENSION APPLICATIONS

MEETING OF: April 12, 2023

Name	Years of Service	Age	Type of Pension	Option Selected
Lawrence Taylor	17 Years, 1 Month	57	Disability	Standard
Dept. of Public Works				
Maintainer III				
Commencement Date	October 12, 2022			

** MR. PIRRO MOVED TO APPROVE THE PENSION AS PRESENTED.
** MR. HENDRICKSON SECONDED THE MOTION.
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

** MR. HENDRICKSON MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.
** MR. PIRRO SECONDED THE MOTION.
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Knox
Telesco Secretarial Services.

APPROVAL OF DISABILITY PENSION APPLICATIONS

MEETING OF: April 12, 2023

-Resubmitted on MAY 10, 2023

Name	Years of Service	Age	Type of Pension	Option Selected
Lawrence Taylor Dept. of Public Works Maintainer III Commencement Date	17 Years, 1 Month October 12, 2022	57	Disability	Standard



To: Norwalk Municipal Employees' Pension Board

From: Tina Fogell, Chief Human Resources Officer

Date: May 5, 2023

Subject: Pension Board Meeting – Wednesday, May 10, 2023 - Hybrid meeting

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A G E N D A

1. Call to Order and Approval of Minutes from April 12, 2023
2. Public Comments
3. Approval of Pension Applications
4. Principal Dynamic Growth Portfolio Review
5. Performance Review
6. Cash Needs Discussion
7. Adjourn

Next meeting scheduled for June 14, 2023.

cc: Mayor Harry Rilling
Irene Dixon, City Clerk
Britton Murdoch, Callan Associates Inc.
Kevin Schmidt, Callan Associates Inc.
Billy Ireland, Fire Union President
Al Palumbo, NASA President

CITY OF NORWALK
NORWALK MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES PENSION BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 12, 2023
VIA TELECONFERENCE

ATTENDANCE: Frank Nash, Chair; Richard Baskin, James Hendrickson, Charles Pirro.

STAFF: Chitsamay Lam, Comptroller; Henry Dachowitz, Director of Finance,
Geri DiStefano, Benefits Manager; Tina Fogell

OTHERS: Callan Associates LLC: Britton Murdoch, Kevin Schmidt, Patrick Wisdom
Cavanaugh MacDonald: Ed Koebel, Ben Mobley

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Nash called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - March 8, 2023

Mr. Hendrickson noted his name was misspelled as Henderson and requested corrections to be made throughout the sets of minutes.

- ** MR. PIRRO MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF
MARCH 8, 2023 AS PRESENTED.
- ** MR. HENDRICKSON SECONDED.
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present who wished to comment at this time.

APPROVAL OF PENSION APPLICATIONS

Ms. DiStefano presented the following application to the Board Members and fielded questions and comments.

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MEETING OF April 12, 2023

Name	Years of Service	Type of Pension	Option Selected
Lynn Sadlon	23 Years, 7 Months	Regular	Standard
Board of Education			
FRC Site Coordinator/Outreach Wrk.			
Commencement Date	April 18, 2023		

- ** MR. PIRRO MOVED TO APPROVE THE ABOVE PENSION AS SUBMITTED
** MR. HENDRICKSON SECONDED THE MOTION.
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ACTUARY PRESENTATION

Mr. Nash introduced members of Cavanaugh MacDonald Actuarial Firm who presented the Actuary Study.

Mr. Koebel gave an overview of the background and objectives of the study as it relates to the investment return strategy and using the market value of assets as the assessment base for the fund. He presented the study as contained in the agenda packet and highlighted key measures and findings of the study. Questions and comments from the Board members were fielded throughout the presentation.

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Mr. ~~Murdoch~~ Schmidt provided a market update and Mr. Murdoch reviewed investment performance for the period ending February 28, 2023. He referred to the documents and reports as contained in the agenda packet and summarized the performance by asset class. Questions and comments from the Board members were fielded throughout the presentation.

It was noted that a ~~Manager Review for~~ Principal Dynamic Growth (Formerly Columbus Circle) is scheduled to present a portfolio review ~~at is on the agenda for~~ next month's meeting.

Ms. Lam mentioned that the need for \$3 million cash for pension disbursements in June 2023. There was a discussion on where to take this, and it was decided that Callan would present a recommendation at the May meeting on where to raise cash from. ~~was agreed to wait until next month's meeting.~~

It was noted that the next meeting is May 10, 2023.

** MR. HENDRICKSON MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.
** MR. PIRRO SECONDED THE MOTION.
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Knox
Telesco Secretarial Services.

APPROVAL OF PENSION APPLICATIONS

MEETING OF: May 10, 2023

Name	Years of Service	Type of Pension	Option Selected
Nancy Griffin Board of Education Nurse Commencement Date	15 Years, 8 Months April 29, 2023	Regular	Standard
David Rauscher Dept. of Public Works Class I Mechanic Commencement Date	26 Years, 4 Months May 13, 2023	Regular	Option 2
Kathleen Rauscher Library Library Assistant Commencement Date:	13 Years, 7 Months May 13, 2023	Regular	Option 2

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Investment Measurement Service Monthly Review

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Investment Manager Asset Allocation

The table below contrasts the distribution of assets across the Fund's investment managers as of March 31, 2023, with the distribution as of February 28, 2023. The change in asset distribution is broken down into the dollar change due to Net New Investment and the dollar change due to Investment Return.

Asset Distribution Across Investment Managers

	March 31, 2023			February 28, 2023				
	Market Value	Weight	Target	Net New Inv.	Inv. Return	Market Value	Weight	Target
Total Equity	\$82,356,667	65.61%	68.00%	\$0	\$2,110,818	\$80,245,849	65.42%	68.00%
Domestic Equity	\$51,521,983	41.04%	41.00%	\$0	\$1,321,864	\$50,200,119	40.92%	41.00%
Vanguard Total Stock Market	51,521,983	41.04%		0	1,321,864	50,200,119	40.92%	
International Equity	\$30,834,684	24.56%	27.00%	\$0	\$788,954	\$30,045,730	24.49%	27.00%
Vanguard Total Int'l. Stock	30,834,684	24.56%		0	788,954	30,045,730	24.49%	
Fixed Income	\$22,797,260	18.16%	20.00%	\$0	\$592,079	\$22,205,181	18.10%	20.00%
Metropolitan West Fund	8,642,761	6.88%		0	245,415	8,397,346	6.85%	
Prudential Cons Core Bond Fnd	14,154,500	11.28%		0	346,664	13,807,836	11.26%	
Liquid Real Assets	\$14,319,692	11.41%	12.00%	\$0	\$141,137	\$14,178,555	11.56%	12.00%
PIMCO All Assets	14,319,692	11.41%		0	141,137	14,178,555	11.56%	
Cash	\$6,058,782	4.83%	0.00%	\$(4,474)	\$23,489	\$6,039,767	4.92%	0.00%
Residual Cash	6,058,782	4.83%		(4,474)	23,489	6,039,767	4.92%	
Total Fund	\$125,532,401	100.0%	100.0%	\$(4,474)	\$2,867,524	\$122,669,351	100.0%	100.0%

Investment Manager Returns

The table below details the rates of return for the fund's investment managers over various time periods ended March 31, 2023. Negative returns are shown in red, positive returns in black. Returns for one year or greater are annualized. The first set of returns for each asset class represents the composite returns for all the fund's accounts for that asset class.

Returns for Periods Ended March 31, 2023

	Fiscal YTD	Last 12 Months	Last 36 Months	Last 60 Months	Last 84 Months
Total Equity	9.63%	(7.22%)	16.14%	7.32%	9.66%
Domestic Equity	9.70%	(8.77%)	18.36%	10.37%	11.93%
Vanguard Total Stock Market (2)	9.70%	(8.77%)	18.36%	10.37%	11.93%
CRSP U.S. Total Market Index	9.71%	(8.77%)	18.37%	10.37%	11.94%
Russell 3000 Index	9.75%	(8.58%)	18.48%	10.45%	11.99%
International Equity	9.48%	(4.60%)	12.70%	2.53%	6.05%
Vanguard Total Int'l. Stock (3)	9.48%	(4.60%)	12.70%	2.53%	6.05%
GI All Cap ex US Index	9.95%	(5.40%)	12.79%	2.91%	6.32%
Fixed Income	0.10%	(5.09%)	(2.49%)	1.03%	1.07%
Metropolitan West Fund	(0.09%)	(5.79%)	(2.30%)	1.14%	1.13%
Prudential Cons Core Bond Fnd	0.19%	(4.69%)	(2.59%)	0.98%	0.94%
Blmbg Aggregate Index	(0.09%)	(4.78%)	(2.77%)	0.91%	0.88%
Liquid Real Assets	3.90%	(6.68%)	10.87%	4.00%	-
PIMCO All Asset Fund	3.90%	(6.68%)	10.87%	4.00%	5.94%
Blmbg US TIPS 1-10	0.52%	(2.92%)	2.89%	3.18%	2.53%
Cash	2.17%	2.31%	0.82%	1.32%	1.16%
Residual Cash	2.17%	2.31%	0.82%	1.32%	1.16%
3-month Treasury Bill	2.40%	2.50%	0.89%	1.41%	1.21%
Total Fund	6.76%	(6.95%)	11.47%	5.79%	7.33%
Total Fund Benchmark (1)	6.93%	(5.88%)	10.32%	5.94%	7.07%
Annual Discount Rate:6.5%					

*Fiscal year starts 7/1 and ends 6/30.

(1) Current Total Fund Custom Benchmark = 41.0% Russell 3000 Index, 27.0% MSCI ACWI xUS, 20.0% Blmbg Aggregate and 12.0% Blmbg TIPS 1-10 Yr.

(2) On October 27, 2014 switched from Signal Shares to Admiral Shares, On November 14th, 2014 switched to Institutional Shares

(3) On November 14, 2014 switched from Admiral Shares to Institutional Shares

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	March 31, 2023					February 28, 2023		
	Market Value	Weight	Target	Net New Inv.	Inv. Return	Market Value	Weight	Target
Total Equity	\$316,508,016	67.71%	69.00%	\$(389,574)	\$1,773,116	\$315,124,475	67.66%	69.00%
U.S. Equity	\$157,282,550	33.65%	35.00%	\$(39,547)	\$1,915,211	\$155,406,885	33.37%	35.00%
BR Russell 1000 Index Non-Lend	114,774,618	24.55%		0	3,521,898	111,252,720	23.89%	
LSV	21,634,098	4.63%		(39,547)	(1,563,376)	23,237,021	4.99%	
Principal Dynamic Growth	20,873,834	4.47%		0	(43,310)	20,917,144	4.49%	
International Equity	\$106,487,674	22.78%	23.00%	\$(37,247)	\$(141,909)	\$106,666,830	22.90%	23.00%
Developed Markets	\$87,613,278	18.74%	-	\$(37,247)	\$(873,691)	\$88,524,216	19.01%	-
Artisan Trust	-	-		(30,678,310)	(1,578,945)	32,257,255	6.93%	
Silchester	56,934,968	12.18%		(37,247)	705,254	56,266,961	12.08%	
Walter Scott	30,678,310	6.56%		30,678,310	0	-	-	
Emerging Markets	\$18,874,397	4.04%	-	\$0	\$731,782	\$18,142,615	3.90%	-
BlackRock EM Alpha Tilts	18,874,397	4.04%		0	731,782	18,142,615	3.90%	
Global Equity/Long Short	\$29,684,860	6.35%	8.00%	\$0	\$(187)	\$29,685,047	6.37%	8.00%
ABS Global	19,735,036	4.22%		0	84,941	19,650,095	4.22%	
Blackstone Park Ave. NT	9,949,824	2.13%		0	(85,128)	10,034,952	2.15%	
Private Equity*	\$23,052,932	4.93%	3.00%	\$(312,780)	\$0	\$23,365,712	5.02%	3.00%
Pantheon USA IV	178,762	0.04%		0	0	178,762	0.04%	
Pantheon USA VI	153,054	0.03%		0	0	153,054	0.03%	
Pantheon USA VII	711,563	0.15%		(29,999)	0	741,562	0.16%	
Pantheon Europe Fund V A	408,743	0.09%		(28,000)	0	436,743	0.09%	
Pantheon Global Fund III	59,086	0.01%		0	0	59,086	0.01%	
Pantheon US Select 2014	21,541,724	4.61%		(254,781)	0	21,796,505	4.68%	
Domestic Fixed-Income	\$85,236,571	18.23%	19.00%	\$0	\$2,223,111	\$83,013,460	17.82%	19.00%
Prudential Cons Core Bond	37,688,888	8.06%		0	914,459	36,774,429	7.90%	
Metropolitan West CIT	47,547,683	10.17%		0	1,308,652	46,239,031	9.93%	
Absolute Return	\$27,480,047	5.88%	4.00%	\$0	\$124,578	\$27,355,469	5.87%	4.00%
UBS AIS	27,480,047	5.88%		0	124,578	27,355,469	5.87%	
Real Assets	\$35,182,114	7.53%	6.00%	\$0	\$346,761	\$34,835,354	7.48%	6.00%
PIMCO All Asset	35,182,114	7.53%		0	346,761	34,835,354	7.48%	
Cash	\$3,035,944	0.65%	2.00%	\$(2,425,189)	\$20,924	\$5,440,208	1.17%	2.00%
Cash Account	3,035,944	0.65%		(2,425,189)	20,924	5,440,208	1.17%	
Total Fund	\$467,442,693	100.0%	100.0%	\$(2,814,763)	\$4,488,490	\$465,768,965	100.0%	100.0%

*Market values are preliminary and adjust for asset flows.

Investment Manager Returns

The table below details the rates of return for the fund's investment managers over various time periods ended March 31, 2023. Negative returns are shown in red, positive returns in black. Returns for one year or greater are annualized. The first set of returns for each asset class represents the composite returns for all the fund's accounts for that asset class.

Returns for Periods Ended March 31, 2023

	Fiscal YTD	Last 12 Months	Last 36 Months	Last 60 Months	Last 84 Months
Total Equity	8.31%	(5.58%)	15.11%	6.89%	8.76%
U.S. Long Equity	9.42%	(8.76%)	19.94%	10.19%	11.89%
Russell 3000 Index	9.75%	(8.58%)	18.48%	10.45%	11.99%
BR Russell 1000 Index Non-Lendable	9.94%	(8.39%)	18.56%	10.88%	12.22%
Russell 1000 Index	9.93%	(8.39%)	18.55%	10.87%	12.23%
LSV	8.06%	(3.70%)	28.74%	5.05%	7.62%
Russell 2000 Value Index	2.74%	(12.96%)	21.01%	4.55%	7.86%
Principal Dynamic Growth	8.06%	(14.86%)	21.50%	12.48%	16.31%
Russell 2500 Growth Index	11.43%	(10.35%)	14.75%	6.82%	10.39%
International Equity	10.69%	(2.73%)	11.05%	2.33%	5.69%
MSCI ACWI ex US Index	10.38%	(4.57%)	12.32%	2.97%	6.37%
Developed Markets	12.83%	(0.86%)	11.74%	3.14%	6.16%
MSCI EAFE Index	15.36%	(1.38%)	12.99%	3.52%	6.21%
MSCI EAFE Gr w/ gr div	17.17%	(2.45%)	11.30%	5.26%	7.35%
Silchester	13.89%	1.42%	14.72%	3.33%	7.03%
MSCI EAFE Val Idx	13.81%	(0.31%)	14.58%	1.75%	5.13%
Emerging Markets	2.33%	(10.01%)	8.29%	(1.05%)	3.71%
BlackRock EM Alpha Tilts	2.33%	(10.01%)	8.29%	-	-
MSCI Emerging Mkts Idx	1.17%	(10.30%)	8.23%	(0.53%)	5.31%
Global Equity/Long Short	2.43%	(3.28%)	6.74%	3.23%	4.23%
HFRI FOF: Strategic Index	2.26%	(4.70%)	7.34%	2.29%	3.89%
ABS Global	3.38%	(2.32%)	6.86%	3.35%	4.54%
MSCI World Index	10.93%	(7.02%)	16.40%	8.01%	9.74%
Blackstone Park Ave. NT	0.85%	(4.84%)	5.86%	2.66%	3.70%
S&P 500 Index	9.98%	(7.73%)	18.60%	11.19%	12.42%
Private Equity(1)	(0.78%)	(2.23%)	23.46%	16.91%	14.59%
Pantheon USA IV	(1.24%)	(1.24%)	2.15%	1.80%	2.61%
Pantheon USA VI	0.62%	(0.48%)	(9.53%)	(8.87%)	(4.06%)
Pantheon USA VII	(3.27%)	(8.30%)	18.71%	10.16%	11.25%
Pantheon Europe Fund V A	(3.94%)	(9.07%)	14.46%	14.07%	10.13%
Pantheon Global Secondary Fund III	(1.10%)	(1.73%)	(1.09%)	0.98%	2.06%
Pantheon US Select 2014	(0.66%)	(1.88%)	25.68%	21.01%	19.20%
Private Equity Benchmark(2)	(0.78%)	(2.23%)	23.46%	16.91%	14.59%

*Fiscal year starts 7/1 and ends 6/30.

(1) Private Equity has a 1 quarter lag in valuation.

(2) Private Equity benchmark is a composite of Private Equity performance.

Investment Manager Returns

The table below details the rates of return for the fund's investment managers over various time periods ended March 31, 2023. Negative returns are shown in red, positive returns in black. Returns for one year or greater are annualized. The first set of returns for each asset class represents the composite returns for all the fund's accounts for that asset class.

Returns for Periods Ended March 31, 2023

	Fiscal YTD	Last 12 Months	Last 36 Months	Last 60 Months	Last 84 Months
Domestic Fixed Income	0.10%	(5.25%)	(2.41%)	1.05%	1.04%
Prudential Cons Core Bond	0.24%	(4.66%)	(2.55%)	0.85%	0.88%
Metropolitan West Fund (2)	(0.00%)	(5.71%)	(2.27%)	1.16%	1.14%
Blmbg Aggregate Index	(0.09%)	(4.78%)	(2.77%)	0.91%	0.88%
Absolute Return	4.29%	7.04%	9.12%	5.79%	5.21%
UBS AIS	4.29%	7.04%	9.12%	5.79%	5.21%
HFRI FOF: Conservative Index	2.47%	0.72%	7.59%	3.91%	4.04%
Real Assets	3.90%	(6.68%)	10.86%	4.15%	7.02%
PIMCO All Asset Fund	3.90%	(6.68%)	10.87%	4.00%	5.94%
Blmbg US TIPS 1-10	0.52%	(2.92%)	2.89%	3.18%	2.53%
Cash	2.77%	2.98%	1.18%	1.63%	1.43%
Cash	2.77%	2.98%	1.18%	1.63%	1.43%
3-month Treasury Bill	2.40%	2.50%	0.89%	1.41%	1.21%
Total Fund	6.15%	(4.82%)	10.77%	5.45%	6.85%
Total Fund Custom Benchmark (1)	6.13%	(5.28%)	9.57%	5.68%	6.76%
Annual Discount Rate: 6.625%					

*Fiscal year starts 7/1 and ends 6/30.

(1) The Total Fund Custom Benchmark is 35.0% Russell 3000 Index, 23.0% MSCI ACWI ex-US, 19.0% Bloomberg Aggregate Index 3.0% Norwalk Private Equity, 8.0% HFRI FOF Strategic, 6.0% Bloomberg US TIPS 1-10 Year Index, 4.0% HFRI FOF Conservative, 2% 3-month Treasury Bill.

(2) On August 24, 2022 switched from Mutual Fund to CIT.

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May 10, 2023

Christopher T. Corbett, CFA

Marc R. Shapiro

Maureen Hays



Actively invested.

As a global leader in asset management, we are focused on harnessing the potential of every opportunity to secure an advantage for our clients.

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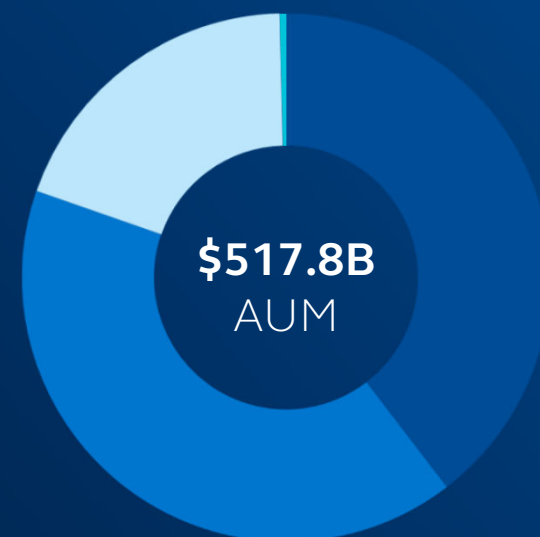
23rd largest manager of worldwide institutional assets.¹

11-year winner of Pensions & Investments' annual Best Places to Work in Money Management, earning a spot every year since the program launched.²

A fiduciary with disciplined processes, specialized expertise across asset classes, and global investment capabilities in both public and private markets.

As of March 31, 2023. See Important Information page for AUM description. Due to rounding, figures and percentages shown may not add to the totals or equal 100%. ¹Managers ranked by total worldwide institutional assets as of 31 December 2021 "Largest Money Managers," PENSIONS & INVESTMENTS, 31 December 2021. ²Pensions & Investments, "The Best Places to Work in Money Management" among companies with 1,000 or more employees, December 2022.

Principal Asset Management



39.6%	Fixed Income
40.7%	Equities
19.3%	Real Estate
0.4%	Alternatives

Principal Dynamic Growth team



Christopher T. Corbett, CFA

Portfolio Manager,
Sr. Managing Director
28 years experience
17 years firm tenure



Marc R. Shapiro

Portfolio Manager,
Managing Director
20 years experience
19 years firm tenure



Peter W. Hermann, Jr.

Research Analyst
36 years experience
14 years firm tenure



Elisa Trelewicz

Research Analyst
22 years experience
22 years firm tenure



Stuart Hemesath, CFA

Research Analyst
14 years experience
6 years firm tenure



Kelsey Petrich

Research Analyst
12 years experience
3 years firm tenure

Principal Asset Management centralized platforms

Global Equity Trading Desk
(10 experienced traders)

Investment Operations,
Compliance/Risk, Legal,
Human Resources, Finance

Relationship management, Client
Reporting, Marketing, Distribution



Melinda Hanrahan

COO, Global Equities
34 years industry exp.
34 firm tenure



Scott Leiberton, CFA

Sr. Equities Port. Specialist
34 years industry exp.
24 firm tenure

As of 31 March 2023.

Team background

Highly specialized investment team focused exclusively on high growth U.S. small & mid cap equity investing (aka “Dynamic Growth”).

Portfolio managers, Corbett and Shapiro, have worked together under the same time-tested process for 18 years and have 46 years combined experience.

Team history and philosophy trace to early pioneers of growth investing¹ including small cap since 1987, mid cap since 1993, and SMID since 2003.

Non-investment functions fully integrated within Principal for maximum depth of support and resources.

\$1.1 billion in assets under management. Ample capacity and team access.

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¹ Formerly the Small/MidCap team of Columbus Circle Investors.

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Why Principal Dynamic Growth

Key differentiators

MOMENTUM AND SURPRISE

- Invest in good companies getting stronger (fundamental momentum) and exceeding investor expectations (positive surprise)
- Experience in distilling fundamental drivers of a company into 3-5 key essential story elements (ESEs)
- Evidence-based decision making – continuous monitoring of fundamental change versus expectations drives timely, unemotional, and repeatable investment process

THEMATIC AND TECHNICAL OVERLAY

- Themes share common sources of positive surprise and are additive to traditional GICS sector diversification approach
- Portfolio technical analysis confirms conviction, identifies short-term dislocations, and exploits alpha generation opportunities

REPEATABLE OUTCOMES

- Quarterly report cards of portfolio holdings help to validate consistency of absolute and relative positive momentum and positive surprise
- Consistent positive EPS revisions relative to the investable universe

**It's easier to identify change
than to value a stock**

Investment philosophy

Invest in **good companies
getting stronger**

→ FUNDAMENTAL MOMENTUM

+

Invest in companies that are
**exceeding investors'
expectations**

→ POSITIVE SURPRISE

Investment process

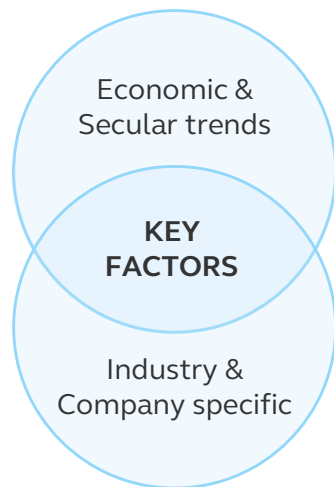
NEW IDEA



IDENTIFY
key ESE's

DETERMINE
consensus expectations

COMPARE
to new data



Company management

Wall Street

Competitors/suppliers

Trade press

OWN and BUY
companies exceeding expectations

AVOID or SELL
companies that fall short of consensus expectations



Monitor continuously

Essential Story Elements (ESEs)

Sources of fundamental change

COMPANY SPECIFIC

- New products and services
- Market share gains
- Mix change
- Sales price
- Input costs
- Management change
- Acquisitions and restructuring

ENVIRONMENT

- **Secular trends:** digitization/ electrification of Industries, alternative energy, cloud computing, internet commerce, 5G
- **Industry:** supply/demand, competitive structure, regulation
- **Economic trends:** monetary/fiscal policy, business cycle

Performance

As of 31 March 2023

Annualized returns	3 Mos.	1YR	3YR	5YR	7YR	10YR	Since inception*
City of Norwalk Employees' Pension Plan (gross)	6.62%	-14.70%	22.09%	12.84%	16.59%	13.93%	14.74%
Russell 2500 Growth Index	6.54%	-10.35%	14.75%	6.82%	10.39%	10.04%	10.71%
Excess return	0.08%	-4.35%	7.35%	6.03%	6.21%	3.88%	4.04%
City of Norwalk Employees' Pension Plan (net)	6.40%	-15.42%	21.07%	11.89%	15.61%	12.97%	13.78%

Calendar year returns	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013*
City of Norwalk Employees' Pension Plan (gross)	-29.75%	11.49%	84.46%	26.72%	-1.73%	37.41%	4.39%	0.52%	3.65%	43.58%
Russell 2500 Growth Index	-26.21%	5.04%	40.47%	32.65%	-7.47%	24.46%	9.73%	-0.19%	7.05%	36.30%
Excess return	-3.54%	6.45%	43.99%	-5.93%	5.74%	12.95%	-5.34%	0.71%	-3.40%	7.28%
City of Norwalk Employees' Pension Plan (net)	-30.34%	10.56%	82.74%	25.61%	-2.53%	36.19%	3.49%	-0.28%	2.78%	41.46%

Portfolio market value: USD\$20,873,833.78

*Inception Date: 7 January 2013

As of 31 March 2023. Periods greater than one year are annualized. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. All performance figures include dividends and income.

City of Norwalk Employees' Pension Plan

Performance attribution — sector

Three months as of 31 March 2023

Attribution analysis

	Portfolio weight	Portfolio return	Benchmark ¹ weight	Benchmark ¹ return	Allocation effect	Selection + interaction	Total effect
Consumer Discretionary	21.22	22.85	12.78	12.10	0.44	2.09	2.53
Information Technology	23.36	16.30	22.16	12.59	0.11	0.83	0.93
Real Estate	0.84	5.28	2.60	3.91	0.03	0.10	0.12
Financials	4.84	5.90	7.13	2.70	0.08	0.01	0.10
Utilities	--	--	1.23	4.04	0.03	--	0.03
Consumer Staples	6.28	8.57	3.92	9.85	0.06	-0.04	0.02
Energy	4.31	-16.63	5.52	-12.03	0.15	-0.17	-0.02
Materials	1.14	-1.69	5.21	6.67	-0.01	-0.12	-0.13
Communication Services	0.10	-7.87	1.92	14.11	-0.08	-0.14	-0.22
Industrials	18.53	4.79	18.84	7.95	-0.01	-0.55	-0.57
Health Care	15.29	-13.22	18.68	1.58	0.16	-2.65	-2.49
Cash	4.10	1.15	--	--	-0.26	--	-0.26
Total	100.00	6.62	100.00	6.54	0.70	-0.66	0.08

Source: FactSet. ¹Russell 2500 Growth Index. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance and should not be relied upon to make investment decisions.

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Performance attribution – top contributors/detractors

Three months as of 31 March 2023

Five largest contributors	Sector	Portfolio weight	Portfolio return	Total contribution
On Holding AG	Consumer Discretionary	1.69	79.79	1.18
Allegro MicroSystems, Inc.	Information Technology	1.54	57.50	0.77
Lattice Semiconductor Corporation	Information Technology	1.92	47.19	0.72
Exact Sciences Corporation	Health Care	2.47	38.50	0.69
Floor & Decor Holdings Inc	Consumer Discretionary	1.52	36.17	0.68

Five largest detractors	Sector	Portfolio weight	Portfolio return	Total contribution
United Therapeutics Corporation	Health Care	2.01	-25.22	-0.51
Credo Technology Group Holding Ltd.	Information Technology	0.42	-49.39	-0.47
Matador Resources Company	Energy	2.81	-16.50	-0.45
Silk Road Medical, Inc.	Health Care	1.30	-31.51	-0.44
SVB Financial Group	Financials	0.46	-40.00	-0.44

Source: FactSet. It should not be assumed that securities identified above will prove to be profitable. Any reference to a specific investment or security does not constitute a recommendation to buy, sell, or hold such investment or security. Contributors and detractors do not represent all the securities purchased, sold, or recommended for advisory clients during the quarter. A list of recommendations made, and every holding's contribution to the representative account for the strategy during the past twelve months is available upon request. It should not be assumed that recommendations made in the future will be profitable or equal the performance of the securities listed.

City of Norwalk Employees' Pension Plan

Performance attribution — sector

One year ending 31 December 2022

Attribution analysis

	Portfolio weight	Portfolio return	Benchmark ¹ weight	Benchmark ¹ return	Allocation effect	Selection + interaction	Total effect
Consumer Staples	6.77	9.73	3.40	-12.27	0.25	1.13	1.38
Real Estate	--	--	2.80	-32.15	0.17	--	0.17
Utilities	--	--	0.89	-13.10	-0.05	--	-0.05
Energy	4.46	39.01	4.44	39.55	0.12	-0.27	-0.15
Financials	4.00	-27.76	6.46	-22.99	0.00	-0.18	-0.17
Consumer Discretionary	13.08	-31.96	13.66	-30.82	0.04	-0.22	-0.18
Communication Services	3.29	-40.24	2.05	-37.11	-0.05	-0.35	-0.40
Industrials	15.60	-26.26	16.79	-21.79	-0.06	-0.61	-0.66
Health Care	23.99	-33.54	20.02	-31.57	0.07	-0.93	-0.86
Materials	3.47	-45.33	4.34	-16.69	0.32	-1.26	-0.94
Information Technology	21.56	-39.94	25.12	-30.15	-0.04	-2.58	-2.61
Cash	3.79	1.99	--	--	0.78	--	0.78
Residual*		0.17					0.17
Total	100.00	-29.75	100.00	-26.21	1.55	-5.26	-3.54

Source: FactSet. ¹Russell 2500 Growth Index. . *Residual reflects differences in withholding tax and non-trade related transactions. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance and should not be relied upon to make investment decisions.

SMID GROWTH EQUITY REPRESENTATIVE PORTFOLIO

Thematic diversification: built bottom up

Healthcare	Consumer	Technology	Energy
<u>Drugs/Biotech - Earlier Stage</u> Prothena Corp. Plc (PRTA) <u>Healthcare Services</u> Charles River Laboratories Intl. (CRL) <u>Life Science Tools/Diagnostics</u> Exact Sciences Corporation (EXAS) Natera, Inc. (NTRA) <u>Medical Products</u> Inspire Medical Systems, Inc. (INSP) Insulet Corporation (PODD) <u>Value-Based Care</u> agilon health inc (AGL) Evolut Health Inc Class A (EVH)	<u>Brand Exploitation - Retail</u> Academy Sports and Outdoors (ASO) Deckers Outdoor Corporation (DECK) e.l.f. Beauty, Inc. (ELF) Floor & Decor Holdings, Inc. (FND) Foot Locker, Inc. (FL) On Holding AG Class A (ONON) <u>Brand Exploitation – Discount Retail/Staples</u> BellRing Brands, Inc. (BRBR) BJ's Wholesale Club Holdings, Inc. (BJ) Celsius Holdings, Inc. (CELH) Five Below, Inc. (FIVE) Freshpet Inc (FRPT) Lamb Weston Holdings, Inc. (LW) <u>Education</u> Grand Canyon Education, Inc. (LOPE) <u>Homebuilders/Building Products</u> A. O. Smith Corporation (AOS) AZEK Co., Inc. Class A (AZEK) Meritage Homes Corporation (MTH) <u>Restaurants/Leisure/Entertainment</u> Hyatt Hotels Corporation (H) Wingstop, Inc. (WING) Xponential Fitness, Inc. Class A (XPOF) <u>Real Estate</u> Zillow Group, Inc. Class A (ZG) <u>Internet Commerce</u> DoubleVerify Holdings, Inc. (DV)	<u>Autonomation</u> Applied Industrial Technologies (AIT) Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc. (LECO) UiPath, Inc. Class A (PATH) <u>Electric Vehicles/Autonomous Driving</u> BorgWarner Inc. (BWA) Visteon Corporation (VC) <u>Internet of Things</u> Impinj, Inc. (PI) <u>SaaS – Applications</u> Bentley Systems, Incorporated (BSY) Freshworks, Inc. Class A (FRSH) HubSpot, Inc. (HUBS) Manhattan Associates, Inc. (MANH) Paylocity Holding Corp. (PCTY) Phreesia, Inc. (PHR) Procore Technologies Inc (PCOR) <u>SaaS – Infrastructure</u> Confluent Inc Class A (CFLT) <u>Semiconductors/Semiconductor Equipment</u> Allegro MicroSystems, Inc. (ALGM) Lattice Semiconductor Corp (LSCC) MACOM Tech. Solutions (MTSI) Silicon Laboratories Inc. (SLAB) Universal Display Corporation (OLED) <u>Payments</u> Flywire Corp. (FLYW) WEX Inc. (WEX)	<u>Alternative Energy/LNG</u> Chesapeake Energy Corporation (CHK) First Solar, Inc. (FSLR) Shoals Technologies Group, Inc. (SHLS) <u>ESG Improvement</u> Matador Resources Company (MTDR)
Financials	Industrial Recovery/Reflation	Restructuring	
<u>Banking</u> MarketAxess Holdings Inc. (MKTX) PennyMac Financial Services, Inc. (PFSI) <u>Insurance</u> Kinsale Capital Group, Inc. (KNSL)	<u>Agriculture</u> FMC Corporation (FMC) <u>Industrial Recovery</u> nVent Electric plc (NVT) WillScot Mobile Mini Holdings (WSC) <u>Infrastructure</u> AECOM (ACM) EMCOR Group, Inc. (EME) Herc Holdings, Inc. (HRI) Quanta Services, Inc. (PWR)	<u>Restructuring</u> Belden Inc. (BDC)	

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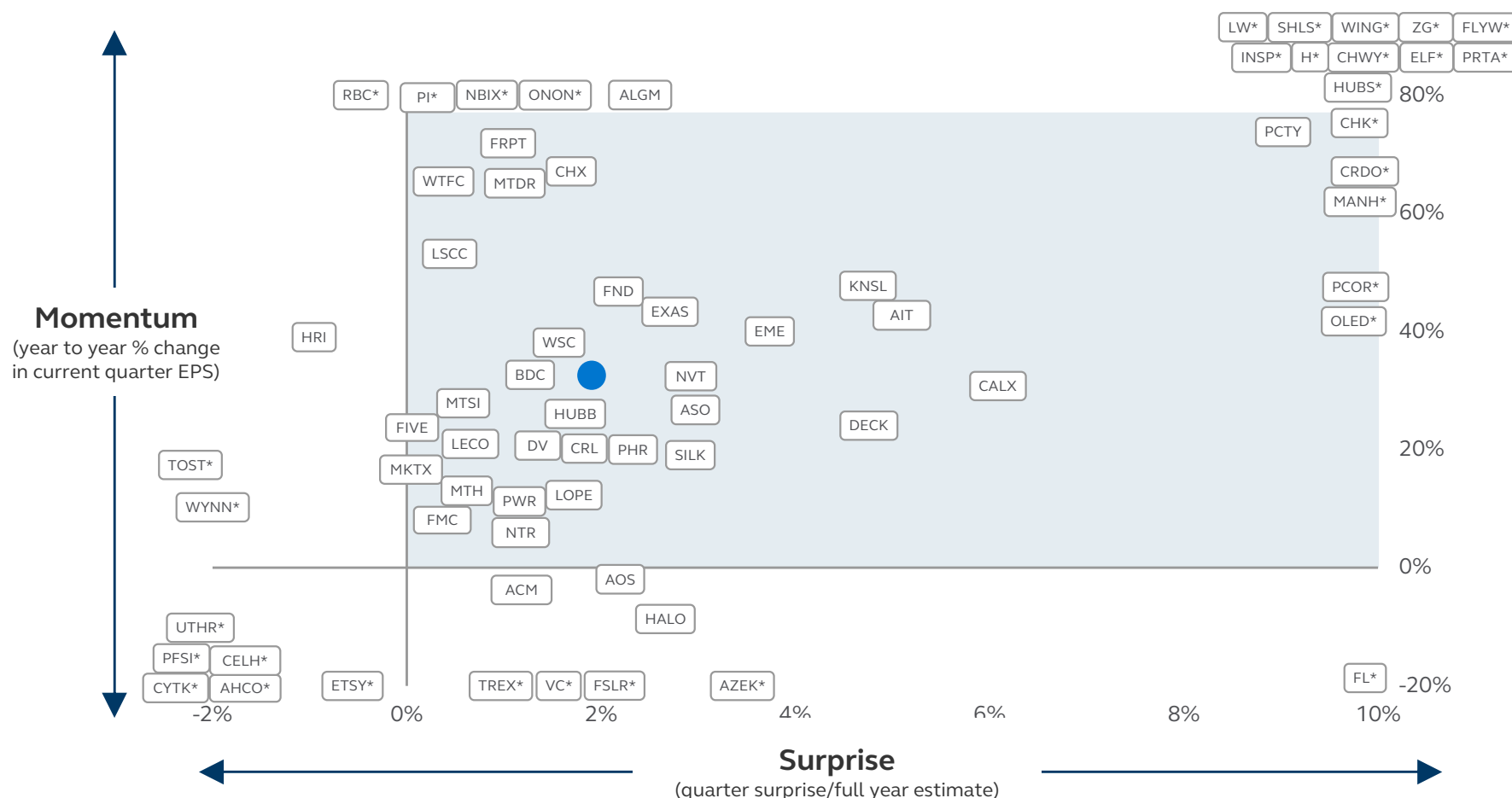
REPORT CARD:

SMID GROWTH EQUITY REPRESENTATIVE PORTFOLIO

Persistent absolute positive momentum and positive surprise

● Portfolio median momentum & surprise

Ticker Security holdings in portfolio



As of 31 March 2023. Source: FactSet Research Systems. Securities represented as of quarter-end. Due to space constraints, and to prevent overlapping of tickers, certain data plots do not correlate to exact Surprise and Momentum results. Holdings with results outside of grid boundaries are plotted in the quadrant extreme most closely representing the securities' results and are marked with an asterisk.

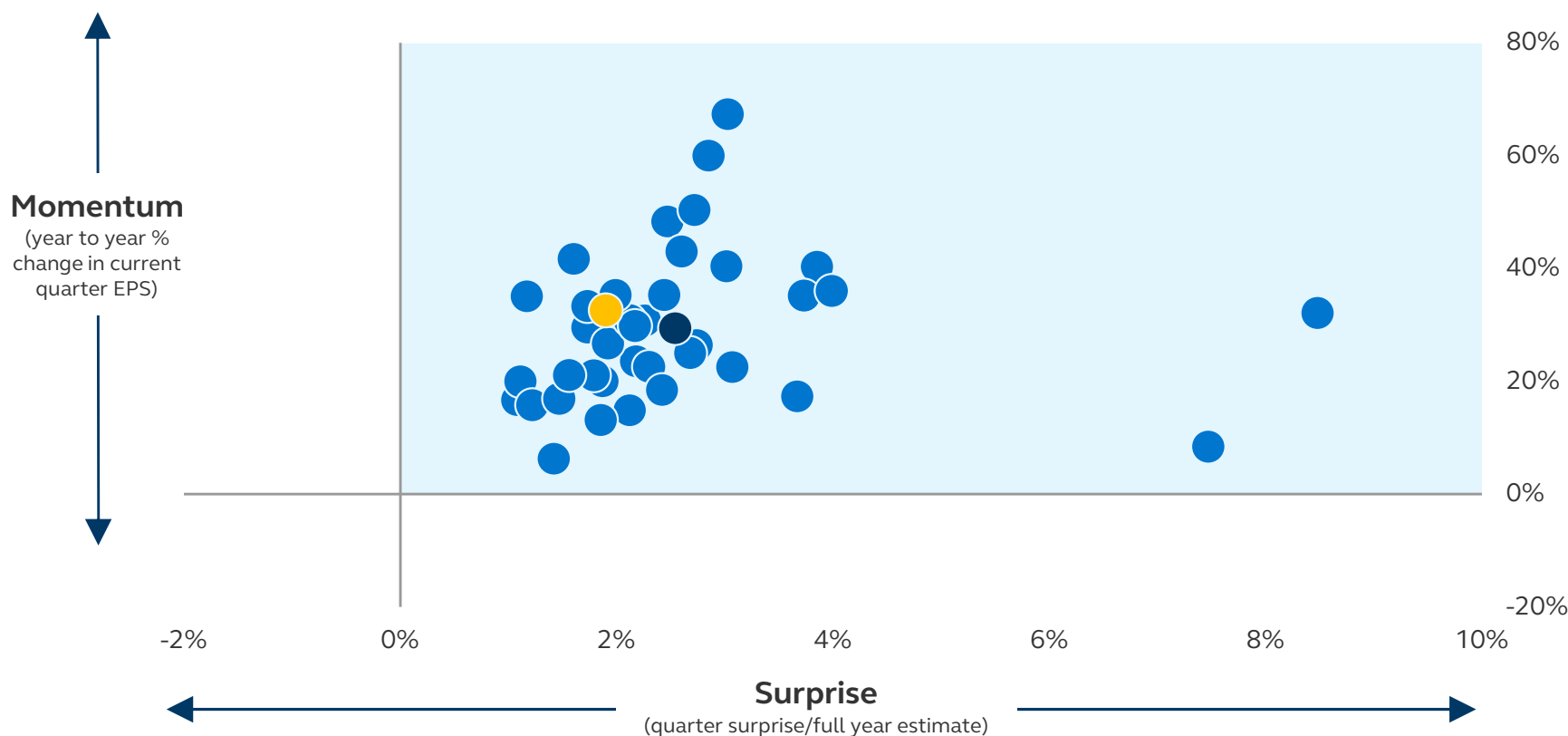
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REPORT CARD:

SMID GROWTH EQUITY REPRESENTATIVE PORTFOLIO

Persistent absolute positive momentum and positive surprise

- Portfolio median momentum & surprise, quarterly past 10 years
- Most recent quarter end
- Average of quarter end medians



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Top ten holdings

Company	Sector	Portfolio weight
Quanta Services, Inc.	Industrials	3.1%
Exact Sciences Corporation	Health Care	2.8%
Matador Resources Company	Energy	2.5%
Lamb Weston Holdings, Inc.	Consumer Staples	2.5%
Inspire Medical Systems, Inc.	Health Care	2.4%
BJ's Wholesale Club Holdings, Inc.	Consumer Staples	2.4%
HubSpot, Inc.	Information Technology	2.4%
Procore Technologies Inc	Information Technology	2.4%
Academy Sports and Outdoors, Inc.	Consumer Discretionary	2.3%
Lattice Semiconductor Corporation	Information Technology	2.3%
Total		25.1%

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City of Norwalk Employees' Pension Plan

Sector weights

	Portfolio					Index*
	As of 31 Mar. 2022	As of 30 June 2022	As of 30 Sep. 2022	As of 31 Dec. 2022	As of 31 Mar. 2023	As of 31 Mar. 2023
Communication Services	5.4%	4.1%	1.1%	1.2%	0.0%	2.0%
Consumer Discretionary	9.6%	11.2%	10.8%	18.8%	22.2%	12.9%
Consumer Staples	3.5%	9.0%	8.4%	7.3%	9.0%	4.1%
Energy	3.4%	4.1%	4.6%	6.0%	3.4%	5.1%
Financials	4.9%	3.0%	2.1%	2.2%	6.6%	8.7%
Health Care	25.4%	26.8%	27.3%	21.2%	12.8%	18.4%
Industrials	13.5%	15.1%	19.8%	17.4%	16.8%	19.8%
Information Technology	28.6%	18.9%	21.8%	22.6%	24.0%	20.1%
Materials	5.1%	2.9%	0.7%	1.2%	1.0%	5.2%
Real Estate	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	2.5%
Utilities	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%
Cash	0.7%	4.9%	3.4%	2.2%	3.0%	0.0%
TOTAL	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

As of 31 March 2023. *Russell MidCap Growth Index. Data provided via FactSet using GICS (Global Industry Classification Standard) categories.

Cyclical indicators

CONSENSUS ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Calendar 2023/2024

	2023 E				2024E
	As of 7/22	As of 10/22	As of 1/23	As of 4/23	As of 4/23
Business activity forecast					
U.S. Real GDP (% Change)	1.5%	0.1%	0.4%	0.2%	1.9%
Global Real GDP (% change)	3.2%	2.9%	3.0%	2.4%	2.8%
FRB Ind. Prod. Index (% change)	5.2%	4.3%	4.1%	-1.0%	0.2%
Unemployment Rate	3.6%	3.7%	3.7%	3.9%	4.6%
PERS. Consumption Expenditure	3.2%	2.4%	2.7%	1.3%	1.0%
Total Vehicle Sales (# units)	14.4 mil	13.9 mil	13.8 mil		
Housing Starts	1.67 mil	1.56 mil	1.56 mil	1.29 mil	1.31 mil
Real Capital Spending (% change)	5.3%	3.6%	4.2%		
S&P 500 Earnings	\$200.0	\$204.1	\$206.0	\$207.5	\$219.2
Savings Rate	5.6%	4.3%	3.1%		
Inflation expectations					
CPI	7.5%	8.0%	8.0%	4.3%	2.6%
Core PCE (YoY%)	4.7%	4.7%	5.0%	4.0%	2.5%
UNIV of Michigan 5yr Inflation Expectations*	3.1	2.7	2.9	2.9	--
Benchmark Oil Price w. TX Int.	\$100.50	\$97.71	\$95.50	\$80.38	\$82.00
Interest rate environment					
Federal Funds Rate	3.18%	3.00%	4.25%	4.75%	4.75%
3 Month Libor	2.57%	3.75%	4.76%	4.9%	5.21%
10 Year Treasury Rate	3.17%	3.32%	3.38%	3.47%	3.24%
Deficit outlook					
Dollar/Yen Exchange Rate	140	145	130	131	134
Dollar/Euro Exchange Rate	1.06	1.02	0.93	0.92	0.90
Merchandise Trade Deficit	\$1200 bil	\$1136 bil	\$1042 bil	\$912 bil	\$905 bil
Federal Surplus/Deficit (Trailing 12 months)	-\$1023 bil	-\$948 bil	-\$1255 bil	-\$1223 bil	-\$1259 bil
Confidence indicators					
Purchasing Managers Survey*	53	51	48	46	--
Consumer Confidence Index*	99	108	108	104	--

Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P. and information obtained from various sources. Based on the last four quarter end periods (actual results).

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Economic monitor

Recession		Growth	
Severe Rank -2	Mild Rank -1	Sustained Rank +1	Boom-bust Rank +2

JANUARY 2023

Nov Trade Deficit -77.8B\$ → -61.5B
Dec Existing Home Sales -1.5%, 4.0mil
Dec Leading Indicators -1.1% → -1.0%

Dec Total Vehicle Sales 14.1m → 13.3m
Dec ISM – Buyer's Survey 49.0 → 48.4
Dec Building Permits -1.6%, 1.3m
Dec Housing Starts -1.4%, 1.3m

Dec IJC 4 wk mva 231,000 → 204,000
Dec New Jobs +256,000 → +223,000
Dec Retail Ex Auto -0.6% → -1.1%
Nov Inv/Sales Ratio 1.33 → 1.35
Dec Ind Prod -0.6% → -0.7%
Dec Capacity Util 79.4% → 78.8%
Dec Consumer Conf 109.0 → 107.1
Dec PCE +0.1% → +0.0%
Dec Personal Income +0.3% → +0.2%
Dec Non Def Durables -2.3% → +6.3%

Dec Unemployment Rate 3.6% → 3.5%
Nov Consumer Credit +7.4% → +7.1%
Dec Dodge Index 259 → 281

FEBRUARY 2023

Dec Trade Deficit -61.0B\$ → -67.4B
Jan Existing Home Sales -0.7%, 4.0mil
Dec Leading Indicators -0.8% → -0.3%

Jan Total Vehicle Sales 13.3m → 15.7m
Jan ISM – Buyer's Survey 48.4 → 47.4
Jan Building Permits +0.1%, 1.3m
Jan Housing Starts -4.5%, 1.4m

Jan IJC 4 wk mva 204,000 → 183,000
Jan Retail Ex Auto -0.9% → +2.3%
Dec Inv/Sales Ratio 1.35 → 1.37
Jan Ind Prod -1.0% → -0.0%
Jan Capacity Util 78.4% → 78.3%
Jan Consumer Conf 106.0 → 102.9
Jan PCE -0.1% → +1.8%
Jan Personal Income +0.3% → +0.6%
Jan Non Def Durables +5.6% → -5.1%

Jan Unemployment Rate 3.5% → 3.4%
Jan New Jobs +260,000 → +517,000
Dec Consumer Credit +8.4% → +2.9%
Jan Dodge Index 278 → 250

MARCH 2023

Jan Trade Deficit -67.2B\$ → -68.3B
Feb Existing Home Sales +14.5%, 4.0mil
Jan Leading Indicators -0.3% → -0.3%

Feb Total Vehicle Sales 15.7m → 14.9m
Feb ISM – Buyer's Survey 47.4 → 47.7
Feb Building Permits +13.8%, 1.5m
Feb Housing Starts +9.8%, 1.4m

Feb IJC 4 wk mva 186,000 → 190,000
Feb Retail Ex Auto +2.4% → +0.1%
Jan Inv/Sales Ratio 1.36 → 1.34
Feb Ind Prod +0.3% → -0.0%
Feb Capacity Util 78.0% → 78.0%
Feb Consumer Conf 103.4 → 104.2
Feb PCE +2.0% → +0.2%
Feb Personal Income +0.6% → +0.3%
Feb Non Def Durables -5.6% → -0.5%

Feb Unemployment Rate 3.4% → 3.6%
Feb New Jobs +504,000 → +311,000
Jan Consumer Credit +2.7% → +3.7%
Feb Dodge Index 247 → 250

Reading the Economic Monitor

The macro economic monitor is used by Principal Dynamic Growth Equities to help assess which economic forecasts are being reinforced or contradicted by the daily flow of economic news and statistics. As each new data item becomes available to the investment community, we classify it as to whether it most closely supports: 1) severe economic erosion; 2) modest economic erosion; 3) steady, healthy growth; or 4) too rapid growth that will induce boom-bust.

Shifts from a preponderance of data in one scenario to another are usually associated with surprises to consensus expectations which are key to Principal Dynamic Growth Equities investment discipline. Evenly distributed data is associated with investor confusion and suggests a bias toward defensive portfolio strategies.

In the Summary Data (below) the "Last 10 item Index" tracks the trend of the most recently available information. Values between 1 and 10 represent sustainable growth. Values above 10 would suggest rising fears of boom-bust. Conversely, values of -1 to -10 indicate recession. Values lower than -10 would suggest severe economic erosion.

\$ = Revised Number

Date	Last 10 Item Index	Last 22 Item Index	3 Month T Bill	30 Year Treasury Yield	S&P 500
03/31/2023	0	5	4.63	3.65	4109.31
03/27/2023	-3	5	4.60	3.76	3977.53
03/22/2023	-2	5	4.66	3.65	3936.97
03/17/2023	-3	5	4.56	3.62	3916.64
03/16/2023	-2	5	4.65	3.70	3960.28
03/06/2023	5	5	4.76	3.89	4048.42
03/03/2023	10	5	4.76	3.88	4045.64
03/01/2023	11	5	4.74	3.95	3951.39
02/27/2023	8	5	4.72	3.93	3982.24
02/22/2023	3	5	4.73	3.91	3991.05
02/17/2023	2	5	4.75	3.87	4079.09
02/06/2023	1	5	4.58	3.67	4111.08
02/03/2023	9	5	4.58	3.61	4136.48
02/02/2023	9	4	4.50	3.54	4179.76
02/01/2023	7	4	4.53	3.57	4119.21
01/27/2023	6	4	4.57	3.62	4070.56
01/23/2023	6	4	4.58	3.68	4019.81
01/20/2023	-4	4	4.58	3.65	3972.61
01/19/2023	-4	4	4.58	3.56	3898.85
01/17/2023	-2	4	4.59	3.66	3990.97
01/09/2023	-1	4	4.64	3.66	3892.09
01/05/2023	4	4	4.59	3.79	3808.10
01/03/2023	2	4	4.48	3.84	3852.97

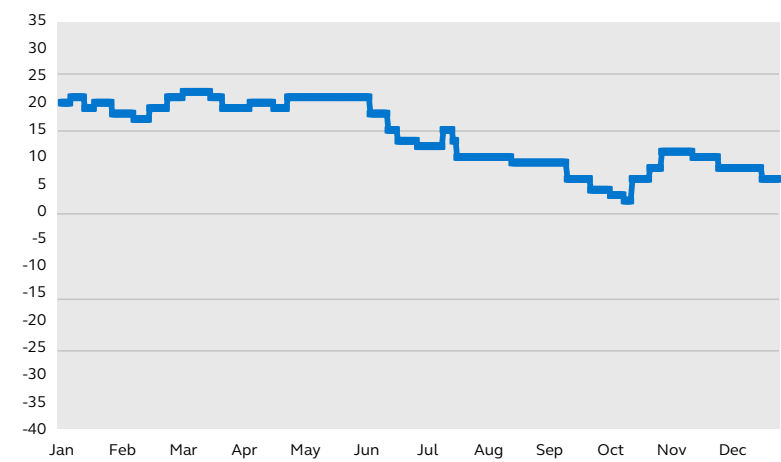
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LAST 22 ITEM INDEX (2020-2023)

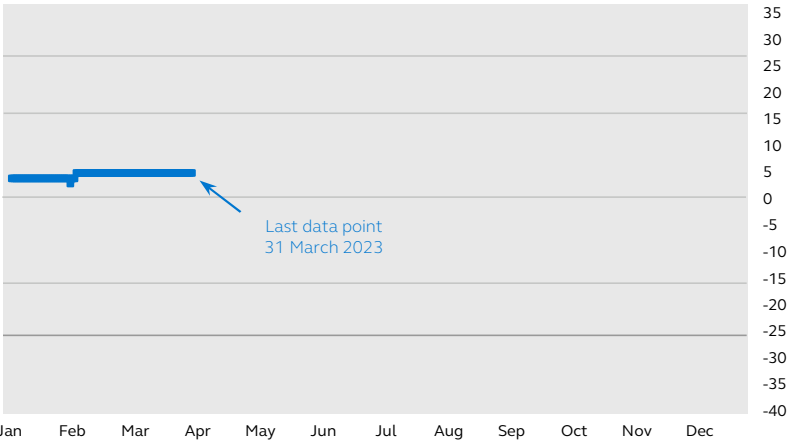
Economic monitor

2022

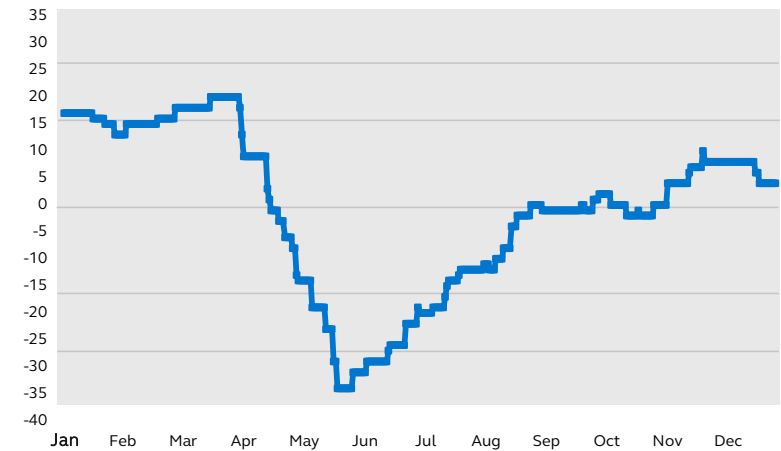


- Boom Bust ----
- Significant Expansion
- Modest Growth --
- Modest Contraction
- Recession -----
- Severe Decline ---

2023

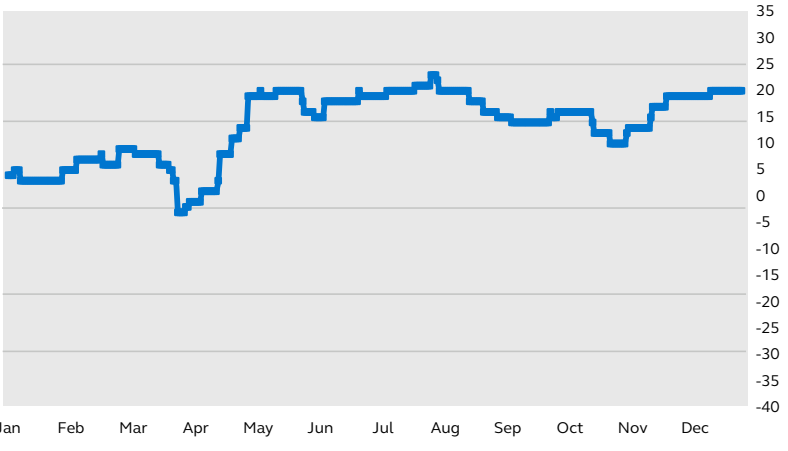


2020



- Boom Bust ----
- Significant Expansion
- Modest Growth --
- Modest Contraction
- Recession -----
- Severe Decline ---

2021



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Inflation monitor

Inflation Indicator: +1.4 CPI Yr/Yr: +5.6% y/y

Disinflation
Yr/Yr Change < -1%
Rank -2

Stable Prices
Yr/Yr Change -1% to 1%
Rank -1

Moderate Inflation
Yr/Yr Change >1.0% to 3.0%
Rank +1

Unacceptable Inflation
Yr/Yr Change > 3.0%
Rank +2

JANUARY 2023

Dec M2 -1.3% y/y

Dec AHEI +0.4% → +0.3%
Dec Capacity Util 79.4% → 78.8%
Nov Ind Materials -2.9% → +3.3%

Dec Oil -8.2% → -8.5%
Dec CRB Food -1.6% → -3.8%
Dec CPI Ex F&E +0.2% → +0.3%
Dec PPI Ex F&E +0.2% → +0.1%

FEBRUARY 2023

Jan M2 -1.8% y/y
Jan Ind Materials +3.3% → +14.7%

Jan AHEI +0.4% → +0.3%
Jan Capacity Util 78.4% → 78.3%
Jan Ind Materials +3.3% → +14.7%

Jan Oil -8.5% → +3.1%
Jan CRB Food -3.8% → -0.6%
Jan CPI Ex F&E +0.5% → +0.4%
Jan PPI Ex F&E +0.1% → +0.8%

MARCH 2023

Feb M2 -3.2% y/y
Feb Ind Materials +6.7% → +3.8%

Feb AHEI -0.1% → +0.2%
Feb Capacity Util 78.0% → 78.0%
Feb Ind Materials +6.7% → +3.8%

Feb Oil +3.1% → +1.4%
Feb CRB Food -0.6% → +1.0%
Feb CPI Ex F&E +0.1% → +0.0%
Feb PPI Ex F&E +0.6% → +0.5%

Date	Trailing 8 Index	30 Yr Try Yield (%)	Oil (\$)	CRB Index	Gold(\$)	S&P 500	Yld Curve Slope (bp)
03/28/2023	11	3.77	73.20	527.80	1973.5	3971.27	-0.93
03/21/2023	12	3.73	69.33	527.38	1940.1	4002.87	-0.94
03/17/2023	11	3.63	66.74	525.96	1989.3	3916.64	-0.77
03/14/2023	11	3.81	71.33	519.84	1904.0	3919.29	-0.99
03/02/2023	11	3.99	78.16	528.62	1835.9	3981.35	-0.86
02/28/2023	11	3.92	77.05	527.16	1826.9	3970.15	-0.90
02/16/2023	11	3.92	78.49	533.41	1836.4	4090.41	-0.89
02/15/2023	11	3.84	78.59	533.03	1836.0	4147.60	-0.93
02/10/2023	10	3.82	79.72	529.86	1865.6	4090.46	-0.94
02/03/2023	10	3.62	73.39	522.65	1865.0	4136.48	-1.04
02/02/2023	10	3.55	75.88	527.57	1912.7	4179.76	-1.08
01/24/2023	10	3.61	80.13	522.09	1937.4	4016.95	-1.07
01/18/2023	12	3.54	79.48	527.86	1904.1	3928.86	-1.12
01/12/2023	12	3.58	78.39	529.79	1897.1	3983.17	-1.01
01/06/2023	12	3.69	73.77	524.63	1865.7	3895.08	-0.92
01/05/2023	12	3.80	73.67	528.72	1832.9	3808.10	-0.82
01/03/2023	10	3.84	72.84	528.65	1854.6	3852.97	-0.53

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Reading the Inflation Monitor

The purpose of the Inflation Monitor is to gauge movements in inflation expectations. Selected economic variables are ranked and displayed according to their impact on the Consumer Price Index and the inflation scenarios described below.

For example, a +1 rank corresponds to a year over year change in the CPI of between 1.0% to 3.0%. A summation Index of the last eight items ranked tracks the trend of the most recently available information. The Index, located at the bottom of the Monitor, will range between -16 to +16. Values between 0 and 8 indicate moderate inflation, while values above 8 suggest a sharp acceleration in prices. An index reading below 0 signifies declining rates of inflation while measures below -8 signify substantial price declines.

The Inflation Indicator, located at the top of this page, will range between -2 and +2. This indicator smooths out the variability in the trailing eight item Index created by the ranking of irregularly scheduled information such as quarterly released data and unanticipated events with significant inflation impact.

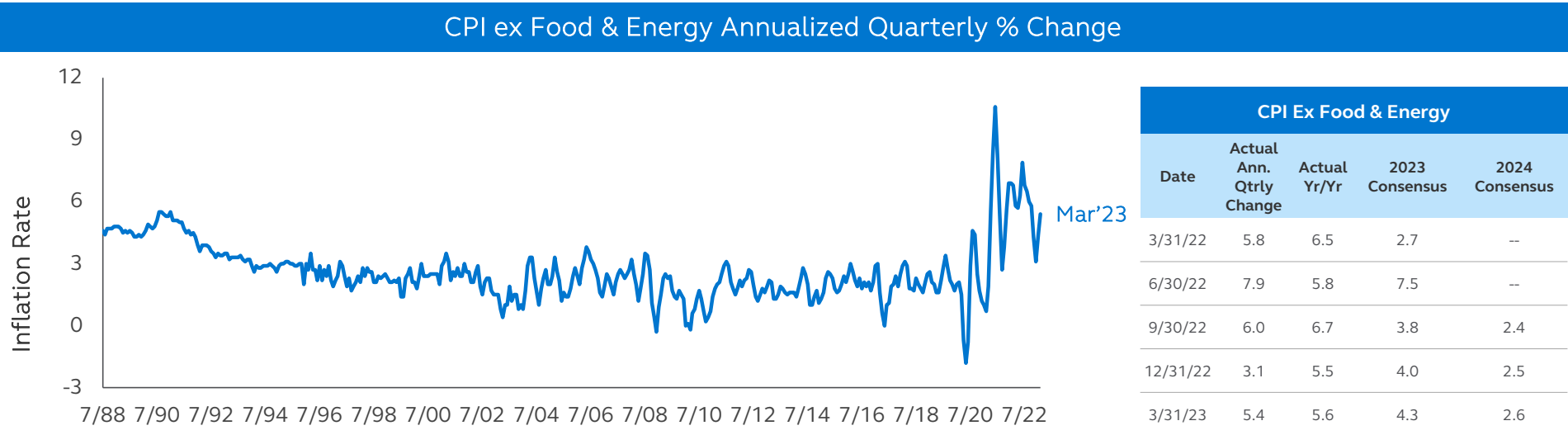
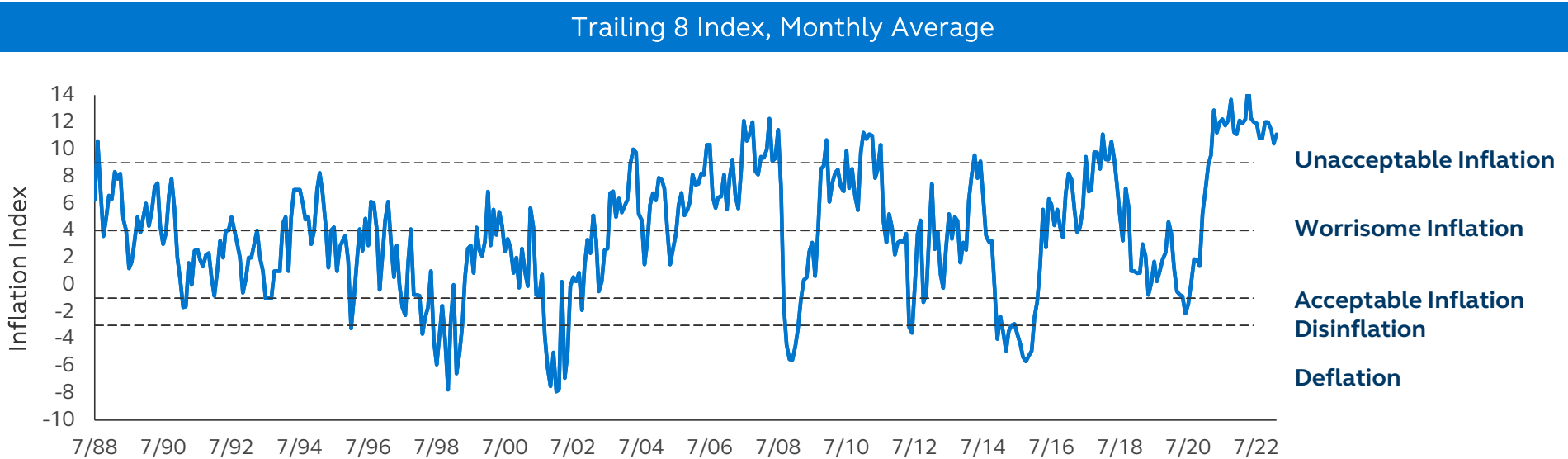
COMMENTS

- The Inflation Index remains near all time highs
- CPI Excluding Food & Energy increased 5.4% annualized during the quarter

INDEX HIGH: 5/5/22 **15**

INDEX LOW: 02/20/02 **-11**

Inflation monitor



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