

**2024-2027
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
AND THE
SANTA BARBARA CITY EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 620
SERVICE EMPLOYEES' INTERNATIONAL UNION**

THIS AMENDED AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO AS OF _____ BETWEEN THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE "CITY", AND THE SANTA BARBARA CITY EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 620, SERVICE EMPLOYEES' INTERNATIONAL UNION, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "THE UNION".

Pursuant to Section 3.12 of the Municipal Code of the City of Santa Barbara and Section 3500 et. seq. of the Government Code, the duly authorized representatives of the City and the Union, having met and conferred in good faith concerning the issue of wages, hours, and terms and conditions of employment, as herein set forth, declare their agreement to the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding.

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1. BENEFITS – PERMANENT PART-TIME EMPLOYEES

a. Employees filling positions authorized by the City Council in the City's official list of authorized positions at 20 hours or more per week on a less than full time basis shall receive benefits as follows:

- i. Cafeteria plan contribution, medical contribution, dental contribution, vision contribution, holiday time, bilingual pay, and other benefits, equal to the percent of time regularly scheduled versus a regular work week rounded up to the nearest ten percent (10%), unless otherwise stipulated in this Agreement.
- ii. Vacation and sick leave equal to the percent of time worked versus a regular work week..

b. Notwithstanding the above, the City may create one or more hybrid "part-time/seasonal" Recreation Program Leader positions with Cafeteria plan contribution, medical contribution, dental contribution, vision contribution, and holiday benefits pro-rated at the regular part-time (PPT) level. These positions may be required to flex-up to full-time during the summer season without a corresponding increase in benefits. (Example: Employee works 25 hours per week year-round, qualifying for 70% benefits, and can be required to work 40 hours for the summer season without a benefit increase from 70%).

2. BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

a. The bereavement leave policy shall be up to forty hours leave with pay, prorated for part time employees, and shall include the following immediate family members: mother, father, brother, sister, spouse, child, grandparents by blood or marriage, grandchildren by blood or marriage, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, person standing in loco parentis (in place of the parents), and step family members. In addition to the immediate family members listed herein, an employee shall be eligible for bereavement leave with pay for his/her domestic partner and the domestic partner's immediate family, as defined above. In order to receive this benefit, domestic partners must be registered with the City Clerk's office or the Secretary of State.

The intent of bereavement leave is to provide employees with adequate time to be with their immediate family during a period of anguish, whether it be at the time of death, preparation of funeral arrangements and/or to attend a funeral.

b. The parties agree that co-worker funeral attendance will be acceptable to the City upon Department Head approval consistent with maintenance of operations.

c. Though bereavement leave pay is not applicable, the City shall encourage departments to make reasonable efforts to allow employees to use accrued vacation, compensatory time, or personal leave to attend the funeral of an aunt, uncle, or cousin.

3. BILINGUAL SKILLS

a. The City and the Union agree to encourage employees to voluntarily develop bilingual skills in instances where the public contact nature of their jobs would make such skills valuable.

Any employee whose duty assignments require frequent and regular use of bilingual language skills in Spanish and in English with members of the public shall be designated by the Department Head in writing and said designation shall be approved by the Human Resources Director, who shall test and certify the employees for language proficiency.

As used in this section, the phrase "regular and frequent" means at least several times in each working week. Designation of the bilingual language skill is restricted to the actual needs of the position. An employee's ability to read, write or speak Spanish occasionally or, incidental use of language skills in Spanish, or the use of bilingual skills other than for the purpose of meeting the requirements of the job shall not warrant a bilingual designation.

b. The City shall provide an updated list of designated employees at the Union's written request no more than once every six (6) months.

c. All employees designated for use of bilingual skills by their Department Head shall receive \$100.00 per pay period.

d. The City may select employees to serve on the City's Spanish language communication committee ("Cadre"). In addition to their regular bilingual pay, employees selected to serve on the Cadre will receive an additional \$10.00 per hour when attending Cadre meetings and training, and when performing Cadre duties, as directed by the City Administrator or his/her designee. The City will have the sole discretion to determine qualifications and eligibility of Cadre members, which employees may serve on the Cadre, and how many hours such employees may devote to Cadre duties.

e. Employees on the Cadre must establish to the satisfaction of the Human Resources Director a highly complex level of professional oral and writing proficiency, as demonstrated by appropriate testing. Employees on the Cadre who are not on approved leave are subject to after-hours call-back to the Emergency Operations Center or other Cadre assignment during an emergency."

f. For all full-time employees in positions designated by the Department Head who meet the following qualifications, the City paid premium will be \$150.00 each biweekly pay period:

- a. Establish to the satisfaction of the Human Resources Director or their designee, a complex level of verbal and written proficiency in Spanish as demonstrated by appropriate testing every other year.
- b. Provide written translation from Spanish-to-English and English-to-Spanish and/or act as a translator for complicated technical information.

4. BULLETIN BOARDS

The City agrees to furnish space for Union-purchased bulletin boards of a reasonable size for posting of Union material. The specific locations of the bulletin boards shall be approved by the City and shall include but not be limited to the following work stations:

Bulletin Board Locations

- City Hall
- Main Library and Branches
- Street Division
- Golf Course Maintenance
- Public Works-Engineering
- Fire Dept. Station #1
- Airport Maintenance Shop
- Airport Administration Building
- Police Department
- Harbor Maintenance Shop
- Parks Department
- Water Resources Division-Yard
- ICS-Garage
- Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Recreation Department Administration Building
- Community Development

Other workstations may be added upon approval of the City by mutual agreement.

5. CAFETERIA PLAN

a. A flexible benefits plan known as a "125 Cafeteria Plan" and the "pre-tax advantage" provisions

related to an employee's medical, dental, vision, psychological and supplemental life insurance premium contributions and flexible spending accounts within the meaning of Section 125(d) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be provided to employees. Each employee shall be eligible to allocate a discretionary amount of \$362.38 per month.

b. If medical, dental, and vision insurance plan selections exceed the cafeteria plan allocation, the City will pay the difference of these respective insurance premiums up to the amounts in the Medical Insurance, Dental Insurance and Vision Insurance sections of the Health Insurance article of this MOU; said excess premium payments cannot be applied to any other element of the cafeteria plan.

6. CATASTROPHIC LEAVE

Employees will be covered by the Citywide Catastrophic Leave Policy, dated September 22, 2016, and incorporated herein by reference. This policy allows employees to voluntarily donate eligible accrued time off to a coworker dealing with a catastrophic illness or injury to the coworker and/or his spouse, registered domestic partner, or child. Within 30 days of MOU ratification, City will conduct a Citywide survey to determine support for adding parents to the Catastrophic Leave Policy. The survey will request feedback on the possibility of adding parents to the policy, but only for employee-specific donations for parental catastrophic illness.

7. CLASS A DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR STREETS

Whereas the City will require streets maintenance classification at the level of Streets Maintenance Worker II and above to have a Class A driver's license by July 1, 2019, it is agreed that:

- The City will provide on-duty driver training and reimburse employees for DMV fees related to getting the license.
- Newly hired or promoted employees will have 9 months to get such certification.
- Existing employees will be grandfathered in their current classification and will not be required to get a Class A while they remain in that classification.

8. CITY RIGHTS AND EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

The parties agree that the City has an exclusive right to manage and direct the performance of services and work force performing such services unless the City has specifically delegated, abridged, or modified any such rights in this agreement. Such rights shall include but not be limited to the sole right to determine the organizational structure of the City, establish levels and types of services to be provided, determine the methods, means, and number of personnel by which operations are to be conducted, including sole authority to contract or subcontract for municipal services, and to exercise complete control and discretion over the technology of performing the City's work. The City retains complete authority over the policies and direction and administration of all City Departments including but not limited to standards and methods of selection for employment; promotion and performance evaluation; disciplinary action; relief of employees from duty because of lack of work or other legitimate reasons; maintenance of the efficiency of government operations; and determination of the content of job classifications consistent with applicable laws and with due regard for provisions of this agreement.

Employees represented by the Union shall have the right to form, join, and participate in the activities of the Union for the purpose of representation on all matters of employee relations. The City shall not interfere with, intimidate, restrain, coerce, or discriminate against employees because of their exercise of these rights.

9. DEPENDENT CARE

The City will provide a pre-tax salary reduction plan for employee dependent care needs in accordance with Section 129 of the Internal Revenue Code.

10. DISABILITY RETIREMENT

- a. An employee found either physically or mentally incompetent to perform his/her regular duties shall, if possible, be provided with the opportunity for transfer, promotion or demotion to a position for which he/she possesses the physical or mental competence, or other action pursuant to Federal or State law and/or City Charter.
- b. If within 90 days it is determined that an employee is not disabled, they shall be reinstated with back pay and benefits to the date such pay and benefits ceased.
- c. An employee eligible to retire for disability shall be entitled to use sick leave benefits to extend the date the employee is first eligible to receive retirement benefits for up to a maximum of ninety (90) calendar days.

11. DISCIPLINARY ACTION

- a. Depending on the nature of the behavior addressed, disciplinary action may include any of the following: oral reprimand, written reprimand, suspension without pay, demotion, or dismissal.
- b. Classified employees subject to disciplinary action may have rights to pre- or post- disciplinary procedural steps under Chapter 3.16 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code.
- c. The City may provide the option of forfeiture of vacation time in lieu of taking other disciplinary action pursuant to Charter Section 1007 and enabling ordinances.

12. DISCOUNTS AND INCENTIVES

- a. Bargaining unit members shall be eligible to participate in and shall receive any benefits provided by any established Citywide Alternative Transportation Program.
- b. Waterfront Department employees, and other employees regularly scheduled to work in the waterfront area, will be eligible to purchase an unlimited annual waterfront parking pass at the same rate as harbor slip holders. Waterfront employees who carpool (defined as 2 or more employees commuting to work together in a single vehicle) will be eligible for free carpool vehicle parking in designated spaces during working hours under terms similar to those offered to other City employees.
- c. The City will provide notice to new employees of employee discounts available for recreation programs and facility use. The Human Resources Department will also make such information available to employees on its internal website.

13. DIVE SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL

- a. Waterfront maintenance employees who are authorized and agree to assignment(s) by the department to conduct underwater dive operations in the performance of maintenance-related duties, will be eligible for dive shift differential for each shift that the employee performs dive operations.
- b. Differential pay will be at an hourly rate equivalent to the graveyard shift differential (\$3.00/hr). All time setting up dive equipment, performing safety checks, and donning and doffing dive gear (wetsuit, BCD, etc.) as authorized by management shall be considered dive operations on City paid time.
- c. Divers must comply with all dive certification and safety rules promulgated by the City. An employee scheduled to perform dive operations may choose not to dive at any time, by notifying the employee's supervisor, if the employee has a concern that to do so would likely jeopardize the safety of themselves, a co-worker, or member of the public due to weather conditions or any other reason.

14. DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP HEALTH BENEFITS

The City shall allow same sex and opposite sex domestic partners dependent coverage under the medical, dental, and vision plans. In order to receive this benefit, domestic partners must be registered with the City Clerk's office or the Secretary of State. The affected employee(s) shall be responsible for all tax consequences of this benefit.

15. DRESS CODES

It is agreed that employees recognize and will comply with standards of dress consistent with the positive representation of the City government through its employees and consistent with uniform requirements and safety policies established by the City. Failure to do so will result in an employee being directed to conform to the appropriate dress standard. The Department Head may issue written guidelines for dress that are consistent with the above standard for a work unit. Said guidelines will be given to new employees at the time of hire. The City will provide the Union with Department Dress Guidelines and, upon request, will meet and consult with Union over potential impacts to terms and conditions of employment.

16. DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING POLICIES

Employees with commercial driver's licenses in "safety sensitive" positions are subject to the City of Santa Barbara Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy Pursuant to Department of Transportation Regulations.

Employees not subject to the City of Santa Barbara Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy Pursuant to Department of Transportation Regulations are subject to pre-employment drug testing and post-accident drug and alcohol testing pursuant to the City of Santa Barbara Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy for General Unit Employees, attached hereto as Appendix C.

17. PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION PAY

a. When the Department Head assigns an employee in the classification of Project Engineer I or Project Engineer II in the Public Works Engineering Division to maintain the ability to assume responsible charge for sealing City design projects by using his/her professional registration, that employee shall receive an additional 5.0% of their base salary. The employee must maintain a current California registration to remain eligible for such pay.

b. With the written approval of the City Administrator, based on the needs of the City, the Department Head may also assign such responsibility, with corresponding registration pay, to either:

- i. A Project Engineer I or Project Engineer II with current California registration as a professional engineer who is assigned to a Division other than the Engineering Division, or
- ii. An employee in a classification other than Project Engineer I or Project Engineer II with current California registration as a professional engineer;
- iii. An employee who is not a registered engineer, but who is a licensed architect in California.

c. City agrees to provide the union a list of employees receiving such pay upon the unions' request.

18. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

a. The City and the Union agree that the provisions of this agreement shall be applied equally to all employees covered herein without favor or discrimination because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy, age, sexual orientation, political or religious

affiliations, union membership, or military and veteran status.

b. The City and the Union agree to commit themselves to the goal of equal employment opportunity in all City services.

c. Repeated discourteous treatment by any City employee of fellow coworkers may be reported to the supervisor or Human Resources. Such behavior, or retaliation against a coworker for reporting such behavior in good faith, may subject the employee to corrective action up to and including discipline.

d. Complaints may also be made under the terms of the Workplace Security Policy contained in the City's Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP) or the Non-discrimination and Harassment Policy, as appropriate.

19. FLEXIBLE STAFFING

The City may choose to flexibly staff classifications within any class series containing an entry and journey level position. Flexible staffing gives the City the ability to hire employees at the entry level or the journey level depending upon applicant qualifications and City staffing needs.

An official list of the flexibly staffed classifications shall be maintained by Human Resources. Classifications designated as flexibly staffed would not require an examination nor the establishment of an eligible list for an incumbent to promote from the entry level to the journey level classification. The City retains the exclusive right to determine if and when an employee may advance from the entry to the journey level.

Flexible staffing does not preclude the City from identifying certain positions that would be permanently assigned to the entry level for as long as their duties and responsibilities remain within the entry-level classification.

20. GRIEVANCES/DISPUTES

a. Grievances shall be defined as an alleged violation of this agreement or dispute regarding interpretations, application, or enforcement of this agreement or the City Charter, City ordinances, resolutions, and written policies related to personnel policies and working conditions. Grievances shall not include disagreements, disputes, or activities regarding or pertaining to examinations for employment or promotion, disciplinary action, performance evaluations, probationary terminations and items subject to meet and confer.

No act or activity which may be grievable may be considered for resolution unless a grievance is filed in accordance with the procedure contained herein within twenty (20) working days of the date the grievable activity occurred or the date the employee could reasonably have known such activity occurred.

b. The Union agrees that whenever investigation or processing of a grievance is to be transacted during working hours, only the amount of time necessary to bring about a prompt disposition of the matter will be utilized.

Stewards will be permitted reasonable time off with pay for the investigation and processing of grievances after first obtaining permission from his/her Department Head. Such permission will be granted promptly unless such absence would cause an undue interruption of work.

Upon entering a work location, the Steward shall inform the appropriate Department Head and supervisor of the nature of his/her business. An employee pursuing a grievance shall be granted permission to leave the job unless such absence would cause an undue interruption of work. If the employee cannot be made available, the Steward will be immediately informed when the employee will be made available.

c. The parties agree that all grievances will be processed in accordance with the following procedure.

Step One

Any employee who has a grievance shall first try to get it settled through discussion with their immediate supervisor without undue delay. Every effort shall be made to find an acceptable solution at the lowest possible level of supervision.

Step Two

If after such discussion the employee does not believe the grievance has been satisfactorily resolved, he or she may file a formal appeal in writing to their Department Head within ten (10) working days after receiving the informal decision of his/her immediate supervisor.

The Department Head receiving the formal appeal shall render their written decision and comment to the employee within ten (10) working days after receiving the appeal.

Step Three

If, within ten (10) working days after receipt of the written decision of the Department Head the employee is still dissatisfied, the employee may request the services of a mediator from the State Mediation and Conciliation Service.

Step Four

If, within ten (10) working days after the mediation process has been completed, the employee is still dissatisfied he or she may file a written appeal of the decision of the Department Head to the City Administrator. The City Administrator shall review information provided by the employee, the decision of the Department Head, and suggestions or information provided by the Mediator. The City Administrator shall render his/her decision within twenty-five (25) working days after the appeal is filed. Except as provided under Step Five, below, the City Administrator's decision shall be considered final.

Step Five

Request for Arbitration:

If the grievant is not satisfied with the decision at Step Four, they may, within fifteen (15) working days after the decision is mailed by the City Administrator, and with the concurrence of the Union, submit a request in writing to the City to proceed to arbitration. The Union shall have the right to invoke the arbitration procedure on behalf of a class of employees. Arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the rules and procedures delineated in this Article.

Selection of Arbitrator:

The parties shall make a good faith effort to select a mutually acceptable arbitrator from a designated list of available arbitrators. If they are unable to agree on an arbitrator within ten (10) days of the submission of the grievance to arbitration, the parties shall request a panel of experienced arbitrators from the California State Mediation and Conciliation Service. Each party shall alternately strike a name until only one name remains. The party who strikes first shall be determined by lot. By mutual agreement, the arbitration may be held under the Expedited Rules of the American Arbitration Association.

Unless the parties agree otherwise, a hearing shall be commenced within sixty (60) days from selection of the arbitrator.

Arbitrator's Authority:

Only those issues which directly relate to alleged violations of this Memorandum of Understanding or the City Charter, City ordinances, resolutions and written policies related to personnel policies and working conditions shall be subject to arbitration. In addition, matters for which a separate and comprehensive administrative process is available that provides a remedy no less complete than that provided in arbitration are not within the scope of this procedure. Examples of such comprehensive processes are: discrimination complaints covered by EEOC or DFEH, safety complaints under Cal OSHA and OSHA, workers' compensation matters, and Civil Service appeals. The arbitrator will have no power to add to, subtract from, or modify the terms of this Agreement, the City Charter or Ordinances, or the written policies, rules, regulations or procedures of the City. The arbitrator however, may, in the course of

determining the questions properly submitted to them, consider arguments and evidence based on external law.

Submission Agreement/Questions Regarding Arbitrability:

If the parties cannot agree upon a submission agreement, the arbitrator shall determine the issues by referring to the written grievance and the answers thereto at each step. If any question arises as to the arbitrability of the grievance, such question shall be ruled upon by the arbitrator prior to hearing the merits of the grievance.

Hearing Procedure:

Except as indicated in this Article, the arbitration hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the Labor Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association.

Decision:

After a hearing and an opportunity to present such closing arguments as may be appropriate, the arbitrator will make a reasonable effort to issue their decision within thirty (30) days after the conclusion of the hearing. The arbitrator's decision shall be in writing and set forth their findings of fact, reasoning and conclusions on the issues submitted. The decision shall be final and binding on the parties.

Costs:

All costs for the services of the arbitrator, including, but not limited to, per diem expenses, travel and subsistence shall be shared equally by the parties. Any cost incurred to obtain the use of a hearing room shall be shared by the parties. All other costs shall be borne by the party incurring them.

d. The time limitations for filing and responding to grievances may be waived or extended by mutual agreement of the parties. If either party to the grievance so requests, an informal hearing shall be conducted at the Department Head or City Administrator appeal levels. Employees may be represented by counsel or other person at any stage in the grievance process.

e. Grievances which are general in character and which involve interpretation or application of this MOU or City policies or which involve matters requiring resolution outside the authority of the employee's Department Head shall be filed directly with the Assistant City Administrator who shall provide a written response within ten (10) working days.

An employee may appeal the response of the Assistant City Administrator. The employee's appeal shall be handled in accordance with the procedures beginning in step three above.

f. Disputes or complaints regarding open competitive or promotional examinations for employment shall be processed in accordance with the policy adopted by the City Administrator. The City shall consult with the Union prior to adopting or amending such policy.

g. Disputes or complaints regarding written performance appraisals shall first be discussed with the individual who made the appraisal. "Performance appraisal" includes a written Performance Improvement Plan (PIP). An employee dissatisfied with the appraiser's response may within 20 business days of the date of the meeting with the appraiser, discuss their complaint with the individual at the next higher level of supervision, whose decision shall be final. An employee may be represented by counsel or other individual during these discussions.

21. HEALTH AND SAFETY

a. The City and the Union agree to abide by all provisions of the California Plan approved in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Occupational Safety & Health Act of 1970, and any applicable legislation as may be passed by the State of California to implement that plan. The City recognizes that it is the duty of management to make every reasonable effort to provide and maintain a safe place of employment. The Union will cooperate by encouraging all employees to perform their work in a safe manner. It is the duty of all employees in the course of performing their duties to be alert to unsafe practices,

equipment, and conditions and to report any such unsafe practices or conditions to their immediate supervisors. If such conditions cannot be satisfactorily remedied by the immediate supervisor, an employee has the right to submit the matter either personally or through the Steward to his/her Department Head or his/her designated representative. On any matter of safety that is not resolved, consultation will take place between management and Union representatives. Compliance with basic safety requirements will be part of each employee's performance evaluation criteria.

b. The City agrees to conduct a Safety Program on City time for the purpose of educating employees concerning the provisions of the Occupational Safety and Health Act as well as the City's safety policies. The Union agrees to support without qualification the City's Safety Program and will encourage its members to attend safety courses if required by the City and made available on City time. The City agrees that any safety courses the employees are required to take will be provided on City time with pay and that first aid training shall be provided to City designated employees in an on-duty status.

c. Both the City and the Union recognize the need and will strive to reduce the number of industrial injuries among the employees.

d. The parties agree that the City shall perform on-site safety inspections in major work sites at least once a year, and to hold regular safety meetings with departmental safety coordinators. It is further agreed that the City shall continue to maintain vehicles and equipment in a safe operating condition and that no employee will be penalized for refusing to use vehicles or equipment proven to be unsafe pursuant to State law.

e. In departments where regular safety meetings are conducted, if minutes of those meetings are taken, copies of those minutes shall be posted on departmental bulletin boards. Departmental stewards will be permitted to place items on the safety meeting agenda and to attend these meetings to explain those items.

f. The City shall comply with all State and federal requirements that pertain to the operation of computer equipment. In addition, as part of its commitment to making a reasonable effort to provide and maintain a safe place of employment the City shall review the Health and Safety implications of operating computer equipment.

g. Departments shall provide employees with access to current Safety Data Sheets (SDS) on substances with which unit employees work or come into contact. These documents shall be made available for inspection at any time through on-line computer access, and in each department's Administrative Office during normal business hours.

h. Training will be provided to employees identified as working in the field or at a public counter with frequent interaction with the public every two years thereafter.

i. Training for these groups will include assignment-specific guidance on safety protocols for handling interactions with aggressive or potentially violent individuals, including when retreat from such situations is permissible and encouraged.

22. HEALTH INSURANCES (MEDICAL, DENTAL, VISION)

a. **Medical Insurance-** The City agrees to provide an annual open enrollment to employees for medical insurance. The parties agree that the City will pay up to a maximum per employee per month as follows:

Coverage Level	Monthly Maximum
Employee Only	Up to the CalPERS Platinum Plan
Employee + 1	Up to the CalPERS Gold Plan with a max employee contribution of \$25 per month
Family	Up to the CalPERS Gold Plan with a

	max employee contribution of \$100 per month
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*The equivalent plan applies should the PERS Platinum plan or PERS Gold plan change names or is replaced by other plans.

Increase to new 2024-2027 MOU medical coverage level amounts will be effective the first month after City Council adoption.

It is agreed that should the amount of subject premium be less than the medical insurance limits described above, the difference between the employee-only premium and said dollar amount shall be applied to employee dependent medical coverage, if any.

The City retains full and complete control over the selection, approval and administration of the City's group insurance program. However, group insurance benefits in effect at the commencement of the January to December plan year shall be maintained during the plan year to the extent it is within the control of the City.

The City agrees to provide all premium cost projections including the annual actuarial reports or rate increase notifications to the Union as soon as reasonably practical following receipt of said projections.

b. Dental Insurance- The parties agree that the City shall pay up to a maximum of \$82.66 per month per employee towards the dental insurance premium.

The City retains complete and full control over the administration of this dental program subject to maintenance of benefits equivalent to those provided for the term of this agreement, to the extent it is within the control of the City.

The City will continue to provide a Dental HMO option.

c. Vision Insurance- The City agrees to provide an annual open enrollment to employees for vision insurance. The City shall pay up to a maximum of \$10.21 per month per employee towards the vision insurance premium:

Employees who drop vision insurance shall not be able to re-enroll within two years of dropping coverage.

d. Following ratification of this Agreement, the City agrees to meet informally with bargaining unit representatives in March, June, and August (or September) annually, or more often as necessary, to discuss health, life, and disability plan renewals. These meetings may be combined with such discussions with other bargaining units at the City's option. While discussions will be advisory only, City will give due consideration to this bargaining unit's greater number of represented employees in its consideration of decisions. The Vice Chair and an SEIU staff member may attend to observe. Where practicable, the City will provide relevant data to be discussed a reasonable time in advance of meetings. The parties will reopen negotiations to address cost-neutral changes to the structure of the City's contributions under this Article, Article 5 (Cafeteria Plan), Article 1 (Benefits – Permanent Part-time Employees), and related articles that may be necessary to avoid impacts of the Affordable Care Act (e.g., Cadillac Tax, affordability provisions, etc.).

23. HOLIDAYS

a. The City and the Union agree that the following days shall be observed as legal holidays by all employees in the Unit:

- January 1st (New Year's Day)
- 3rd Monday in January (Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday)
- 3rd Monday in February (Washington's Birthday)
- March 31st (Cesar Chavez Day)

- Last Monday in May (Memorial Day)
- June 19th (Juneteenth)
- July 4th (Independence Day)
- 1st Monday in September (Labor Day)
- 4th Thursday in November (Thanksgiving)
- November 11th (Veteran's Day)
- The Friday immediately following Thanksgiving Day
- December 25th (Christmas Day)

b. When a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday the preceding Friday or following Monday respectively shall be observed as a legal holiday. Paid holiday time is awarded at the employee's applicable schedule (i.e., 9/80, 4/10, etc.).

c. Whenever a holiday occurs on an employee's regularly scheduled day off, the employee is entitled to an additional work day off (prorated for part-time). Such day off shall be taken within thirty (30) calendar days or shall be compensated at straight pay after the 30th day.

d. When an employee is required to work on a day that is being observed as a legal holiday, the employee shall receive time and one half for the hours worked on that day. The employee will also be entitled to an additional work day off (prorated for part-time). Such day off shall be taken within thirty (30) calendar days or shall be compensated at straight pay after the 30th day

e. Nothing in this agreement shall preclude the City from declaring a holiday when a legal holiday has been declared by the President of the United States or the Governor of the State of California.

f. The City will solicit volunteers within a work unit to work on Thanksgiving and Christmas. If an insufficient number of volunteers are available, then the supervisor shall make every reasonable effort to rotate assignments on Thanksgiving and Christmas.

The City shall maintain minimal staffing on workday afternoon prior to New Year and Christmas holidays so that as many employees as possible may enjoy personal leave, vacation, or CTO at those times.

g. The City may implement a holiday closure for some or all operations during the period around the Christmas and New Year's holidays with employees using paid leave, unpaid time, or working, consistent with the plan included as Appendix F.

24. IMPLEMENTATION OF MOU

The City shall implement the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding by adopting appropriate resolutions, ordinances, and administrative policies.

25. JOB ANNOUNCEMENT, TRANSFERS AND RULE OF 10

a. The City agrees to post information about how to access job recruitment information on employee bulletin boards in all departments.

The City will post available positions on a website accessible to the public, and send a weekly email to all employees listing current recruitments and their closing dates. The City will also maintain a system for employees, by mail, email or other messaging system, to receive notification of current job announcements at the employee's request.

b. It is agreed that employees may contact the Human Resources Office to request inter-departmental or inter-divisional transfers.

c. The City shall provide a minimum application filing period of five (5) days for all open vacant

positions and ten (10) days for all promotional vacant positions in the classified service within the general employees' bargaining unit for which an eligibility list must be established.

d. The names of nine (9) more eligible candidates (including tie scores) than the number of vacancies shall be certified to the appointing authority in alphabetical order.

e. Promotional lists for positions in this bargaining unit will be effective for six (6) months, unless sooner exhausted or extended. Names of current employees placed on a continuous list shall remain on the list for six (6) months. At the discretion of the Personnel Director, a single recruitment may be used to establish both an open and a promotional list. City employees on a promotional list will be notified upon exhaustion of such list and before opening the next promotional recruitment.

26. JURY/WITNESS DUTY

In the event that an employee of the City is required by a court of competent jurisdiction to perform jury duty, and that requirement causes the employee to be away from his/her regularly assigned work schedule, said jury duty shall be considered leave with pay without interruption of service on the condition that the employee pay to the City Treasurer all compensation he/she receives for the jury duty.

Pursuant to Government Code §1230.1, whenever an employee is served with a subpoena which compels his/her presence as a witness, unless he/she is a party or an expert witness, such employee shall be granted a leave of absence with pay in the amount of the difference between the employee's regular earnings and any amount he/she receives for such appearance.

27. LAYOFF POLICY

a. Basis of Layoff: Whenever a position is abolished pursuant to section 1008 of the City Charter an employee will be laid off as set forth below.

b. Notification to the Union: Whenever the City Administrator submits a budget to the City Council requiring layoff of employees in the General unit, the City Administrator shall provide the Union with a list of the classifications(s), department(s), and division(s) from which the layoff will be made, and a seniority list of those affected.

c. Notification to Employee: Employees to be laid off shall be given at least thirty (30) calendar days prior notice.

d. Order of Layoff: Employees will be laid off by classification, department and division in the following order:

1. Probationary employees;
2. Regular employees who within the twenty-six pay periods immediately prior to the layoff received a cumulative performance evaluation score of less than 3.0. under the former evaluation form, or an overall score of "needs improvement" under the new 2009 evaluation form.
3. Regular employees by inverse order of seniority. Seniority is determined by continuous service in the classification.
4. If employees have the same seniority within the classification, selection shall be made at random.

All branches and extensions of the Library are considered in the same division as the Central Library.

e. Bumping (Displacement) Rights: Regular employees who are laid off have the right to return to the last position they previously held under the following conditions:

1. They meet the positions' minimum qualifications
2. They are physically able to perform the duties of the position
3. The position has continued to exist

If an employee bumps down into the last position held, the employee will bump the employee with the least seniority in the classification.

f. Transfer or Voluntary Demotion: If an employee to be laid off meets the minimum qualifications for a vacant position, before an open competitive recruitment can be commenced, the employee will be given an opportunity to fill the vacant position through transfer or voluntary demotion.

If an employee does not meet the minimum qualifications for the vacant position the City will consider appointment to the vacant position as a trainee level appointment. Trainee-level employees appointed under this section will be paid at 100% of Step 1, rather than 80%.

Final appointment through transfer or demotion is at the sole discretion of the Department head.

g. Separation Enhancement Plan: The City may offer a separation enhancement to avoid layoffs.

28. LEAVES OF ABSENCE AND BENEFITS DURING SUCH LEAVES

a. It is agreed that general employees as defined in this agreement shall have the right to request an extended leave of absence without pay for a period of up to one year for personal reasons or for additional schooling ("Leave Of Absence Without Pay – Non-Medical Reasons" Policy). If the leave is approved, the employee will have right of return but such leave shall be considered a break in service with no accrual of benefits. Leave approval will be at the discretion of the City Administrator.

b. If a part-time employee who regularly works fewer than 30 hours per week and does not qualify for FMLA/CFRA protected family leave solely because he or she has not worked 1250 hours in the required 12-month period is approved to take unpaid leave under the Leave Of Absence Without Pay – Non-Medical Reasons Policy for the purpose of caring for an FMLA/CFRA qualifying family member with a serious health condition, the City shall continue to pay its contribution to insurance for the first 90 days of such family leave.

c. Employees may be entitled to up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave, with benefit continuation and reinstatement rights, under the City's FMLA/CFRA Family Care and Medical Leave Policy for the birth of a child or to care for a newborn, for the placement of a child with an employee in connection with adoption or foster care, to care for a child, parent, spouse, domestic partner or child of a domestic partner who has a serious health condition, or for the employee's own serious health condition. For combined pregnancy and child bonding leave, the amount of leave available under this policy may be longer. Employees may also be entitled to "qualifying exigency leave", "military caregiver leave", or other leave under the military family leave provisions of the FMLA/CFRA Family Care and Medical Leave Policy.

d. Extended medical leaves of absence may be granted by the City Administrator for a period of up to a total of one year (including any period of FMLA/CFRA Family Care and Medical Leave) on request of the employee due to the employee's illness. The City shall continue to pay its contribution to insurance for the longer of the first 90 days of such medical leaves of absences, or any period of leave continuation provided under the FMLA/CFRA Family Care and Medical Leave Policy.

e. The following criteria will be used in determining the granting of leaves of absence for non-medical reasons:

1. the employee's seniority in City service.
2. the employee's job performance record.
3. the employee's disciplinary action record.
4. the needs of the City service.

f. No sick leave, vacation, or holidays shall accrue to any employee during any full biweekly pay period in which the employee is on unauthorized or authorized leave without pay. Except as provided under subsection "d" above, an employee on leave without pay shall also be responsible for full payment

(employer and employee portion) of insurance premiums.

g. No sick leave, vacation, or holiday shall be paid to any employee during any period of unauthorized leave or suspension.

h. "Continuous service" means employment with the City without break or interruption; in computing continuous service for the purposes of this chapter, neither military leaves nor leaves of absence on account of illness, whether with or without pay, shall be construed as a break in employment or service. Other absences aggregating in excess of ninety (90) working days in any period of twelve (12) months, including layoffs on account of lack of work, lack of funds, or abolishment of positions, shall be construed as breaking "continuous service". A layoff resulting in a bumping right to another position shall not constitute a break in service.

i. City acknowledges that the use of legally protected leaves of absence, including but not limited to protected family medical leave, shall not form the basis of disciplinary action. Therefore, the City acknowledges that a low sick leave balance alone does not necessarily indicate an attendance problem, and sick leave usage must be evaluated individually in assessing performance.

29. LIFE INSURANCE

The City will provide a term life insurance policy covering the employee in the amount of \$50,000 with equal accidental death and dismemberment provision.

30. LONG-TERM DISABILITY

The City will provide a long-term disability insurance plan by enrolling Unit members in the City's current long-term disability plan.

31. MAINTENANCE OF BENEFITS

The City and the Union agree that all compensation, including direct wages, as provided by ordinance, resolution, and City Charter, which are in existence at the commencement of this agreement, shall not be diminished, lessened, or reduced for the duration of this agreement.

Wage adjustments as provided for from time to time by ordinance, resolution, or by City Charter, as may be amended, shall also continue for the duration of this agreement.

32. MECHANICS' TOOLS

The City will provide an annual tool allowance of \$800 to regular, full-time incumbents of Vehicle Services Assistant, Automotive/Equipment Technician, Fleet Services Technician I/II, Lead Equipment Technician and Heavy Equipment Technician position classes in the Motor Pool.

Payment of \$800 shall be made in January of each year. The City shall honor employee claims in cases of theft or destruction of tools required by the City for the job and not involving negligence on the part of the employee.

When an employee is hired s/he will be given the full annual tool allowance amount as provided for in this M.O.U.

At the next payment date, the employee will receive a prorated allowance amount. The amount will be based on a percentage of the year the incumbent is employed from hire date to tool allowance payment date. The calculated percentage will be applied to the full payment amount to determine the allowance. In subsequent years the full payment amount will be paid on the regular payment dates.

- Example: Employee hired 06/01/05- regular payment date 01/01/06.
- Paid at hire - Full payment amount
 - Paid at next regular payment date - 58.3% (based on 7 months)
 - Paid subsequent years - Full payment amount

Calculation of prorated payment allowance:

$$\frac{\text{Number of months in position}}{12 \text{ months}} \times \text{Current allowance} = \text{Prorated \$}$$

33. MUNICIPAL CODE CHANGES

During the term of the Agreement the City and the Union shall meet and confer with regard to any further City proposed changes to Santa Barbara Municipal Code Title 3 which are within the scope of representation. The negotiations will be held jointly with the Treatment and Patrol bargaining units. The representatives for the Union shall be limited to S.E.I.U staff and one bargaining unit member from the General bargaining unit and one member for the Treatment and Patrol bargaining units. The negotiations will be interest based.

34. NATURAL DISASTER

The City will allow employees who are geographically isolated from the workplace and unable to report to work for an extended period of time due to natural disaster (e.g., due to road closures) or directed by their Department work from home may request:

- 1) Up to one day of paid release time for the first scheduled day, or portion thereof, that is missed; and
- 2) An advance on their paid vacation accruals with an agreement to repay such advance; and/or
- 3) To "smooth" the pay deductions for unpaid leave over the next 12 months with an agreement to repay such advance on salary.

Employees who are able to work through an alternative arrangement, such as telecommuting, must report to work as directed by their supervisor. For purposes of this article, school or child care closures do not qualify as eligible for use.

35. NO STRIKE OR LOCKOUT

The City and the Union agree that during the term of this agreement the City will not lock-out employees; nor will the Union sanction, support, condone, approve, or engage in any strike, sick-in, slow-down, or work stoppage which is detrimental to providing services to the citizens of Santa Barbara.

36. OVERTIME

a. The City and the Union agree that overtime work will be assigned to the employees on a rotation basis whenever possible.

b. No employee shall be compelled or permitted to perform work for the City without logging the hours on his or her timecard. Overtime compensation shall accrue in fifteen minute minimum blocks of time for work performed fifteen minutes or more beyond a regularly scheduled work day or work week. This includes work from home or on a mobile device outside of working hours.

c. If an employee is called physically back to the workplace on an overtime basis, such employee shall be compensated for no less than two (2) hours overtime. If an employee is called back to the workplace on an emergency basis, if conditions permit, City shall provide said employee with nourishment and a rest period of appropriate duration. When an employee is called back to the workplace on an emergency after

the completion of the employee's regular shift, he/she will be provided paid leave time (without deductions from leave banks) to allow five (5) hours off-duty without loss of pay before reporting for their next regularly scheduled shift.

d. Overtime worked shall be compensated as follows:

1. Cash Payment - Time and one-half the regular rate of pay.
2. CTO Credit - Time and one-half the overtime hours worked for non-exempt employees; straight time for overtime hours worked for exempt employees.

e. The parties agree that employees have the right to request cash payment or compensatory time off (CTO) for any and all overtime worked (at the employee's discretion). As a matter of clarification, the City does not waive its discretion on whether to approve or deny use of compensatory time off.

f. Except for overtime worked by exempt employees who are compensated with CTO credit, work performed for the purpose of computing overtime shall include all paid leave time actually taken as time off. It will not include holiday or other paid leave time "cashed out" but not taken.

g. Regular part-time employees shall not receive overtime at the overtime rate for time worked until their total number of hours worked exceeds forty (40) hours in a week. Under the forty (40) hour limit, regular, part-time employees are credited at straight time pay or compensatory time for hours worked beyond their normal schedule.

h. The following provisions apply to the accrual and use of CTO:

1. Minimum Allowed Accrual: An employee who requests CTO will not be denied the accrual of CTO in lieu of a cash overtime payment if his or her CTO balance will remain below 50 hours.
2. Compensatory Time Bank: Overtime not cashed out shall be maintained in a CTO "Bank". An employee may accrue up to a maximum of 100 CTO hours in his/her bank. The employee may maintain this bank unless the employee terminates or agrees to cash out a portion or all the hours in the bank.
3. City Directed CTO Cash Out: The City retains the right to cash out CTO hours, other than the 100 hour bank described above, at the overtime rate.
4. City Directed Use of CTO as Time Off: The City has the right to require employees to take compensatory time off but shall provide a minimum of twenty-one (21) calendar days advance notice in such cases. Management shall not compel an employee to take CTO hours as time off if the employee's CTO bank is less than 50 hours.

i. Overtime work accrued during a declared disaster as determined by the President of the United States, the Governor of the State, the County Board of Supervisors, the Mayor of the City, City Council, or the City Administrator shall be compensated at the rate of time and one-half.

37. PAYROLL

a. Employees who receive payroll overpayments shall reimburse City for such overpayments. City shall establish a reasonable schedule of payments based upon amount of such overpayment and date overpayment was made.

b. City agrees to explain all payroll stub information to employee upon request of said employee.

c. City agrees to provide the Union with up to three (3) deduction codes.

d. The parties agree that the City will continue deducting monies from payroll and remit same to Union as authorized by employee payroll deduction authorizations in accordance with present policy. However, when an employee switches from the General bargaining unit to a unit not represented by S.E.I.U. Local

620, S.E.I.U. dues will no longer be deducted, unless and until the union submits another signed authorization form. Any changes in dues deductions shall be subject to indemnification of the City by the Union.

The City shall provide to the Union, on a bi-weekly basis, a new hire and termination list of bargaining unit employees with their name, job classification title, department, home address, and home phone number.

e. All employees shall participate in the City's payroll direct deposit program.

1. Each employee shall execute a payroll authorization form and submit a voided check or savings deposit slip to the Payroll Office. It shall be the employee's choice as to which bank they designate as the institution receiving payroll funds.
2. When the authorization form is properly executed and filed with the Payroll Office, the City will begin automatically depositing the net amount of pay on or before each designated biweekly payday in the employee's designated bank account.
3. Exceptions: An exception to this policy may be granted by the Finance Director to an employee upon a showing of good cause for such exception (e.g., employee is unable to establish and/or maintain a personal banking/financial account for direct deposit, or that other personal circumstances necessitate a temporary or permanent exception). The Finance Director may require the employee to renew this exception periodically. Exceptions will not be unreasonably denied.
4. Employees participating in direct deposit will be provided with a payroll detail report each pay period. Alternatively, employees may voluntarily opt out of a paper detail and access this information electronically via the City's computer system.

f. Employees using authorized paid release time for Union activity (meeting and conferring with management during negotiations, or as otherwise provided in this Agreement) will record all such time on the biweekly time card separately from regular work time, as directed by Human Resources.

38. PERSONAL LEAVE

a. Employees shall be entitled to 32 hours personal leave each fiscal year per the following schedule:

Employees on the payroll July 1:	32 hours
Employees hired between July 2 and October 1 (inclusive):	24 hours
Employees hired between October 2 and January 1 (inclusive):	16 hours
Employees hired between January 2 and April 1 (inclusive)	8 hours

b. Personal leave days must be taken by the end of each fiscal year or lost. Personal leave shall be scheduled on the same basis as vacation. In no case shall employees be entitled to cash payment for personal leave days not taken.

c. An employee may use personal leave as personal necessity when it is not possible to use on non-work time subject to the following two conditions: 1) Reasonable advance notice which shall not be less than one (1) hour before the employee's shift or when reasonable advance notice cannot be given, no later than 15 minutes after the scheduled shift has begun; 2) Subject to supervisory approval based on operational needs.

39. PERSONAL PROPERTY DAMAGE REIMBURSEMENT

Any employee who experiences a loss or damage to personal property may submit a claim to their immediate supervisor for consideration of reimbursement. The claim shall be submitted within fifteen (15) days after the loss or damage is sustained. The claim shall contain the following information: type of item, date of purchase, replacement cost, condition, description of damage, circumstances, etc. If the personal

property is stolen, a report shall be filed with the Police Department.

The following conditions must apply for the claim to be considered:

- a. The loss must be in the line of duty.
- b. There must not be contributory negligence or carelessness on the part of the employee.
- c. There must not be other means of recovery such as, but not limited to, court action or insurance.
- d. The personal property for which the claim is made must be owned by the employee involved. Exceptions to the above may be referred to the Department Director for approval.
- e. \$200 limit per item claimed unless personal property item has written pre-approval by the Department Head.

The supervisor shall conduct an inquiry into the validity of the claim and forward it to the Division Manager with their recommendation. The Division Manager shall review the claim and forward their recommendation to the Department Director. The Department Director will approve or deny the claim. Claims meeting the above criteria shall not be unreasonably denied.

Reimbursement will be calculated from the following schedule:

<u>Age of Item</u>	<u>% Reimbursed</u>
0 to 6 months	100%
6 to 12 months	80%
12 to 18 months	50%
18 to 24 months	25%
24 months & over	0%

If the claim is approved, payment will be made to the claimant.

40. PROBATIONARY PERIOD

The probationary period required by Charter Section 1004 may be extended beyond one (1) year by signed mutual agreement of City and employee.

All original and promotional appointments to the classified service shall be tentative and subject to a probationary period of one (1) year of actual service. If the service of the probationary employee has been satisfactory to the appointing power, then the appointing power shall notify HR, a statement in writing to such effect. During the probationary period, an employee may be rejected at any time by the appointing power without cause and without right of appeal. Notification of rejection in writing shall be served on the probationary employee and a copy filed with the Human Resources Department.

41. PURPOSE

It is the purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding to promote and provide for harmonious relations, cooperation, and understanding between management and the employees covered by this memorandum; to provide an orderly and equitable means of resolving any misunderstanding or differences which may arise under this Memorandum of Understanding; and to set forth the full and entire understanding of the parties reached as a result of good faith meeting and conferring regarding the wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment covered by the memorandum.

42. RECOGNITION

a. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.12 of the Municipal Code of the City and applicable State law, the Union is recognized as the majority representative of the City employees in the general employees unit and as the exclusive bargaining agent for the employees in said Unit.

b. The terms "general employee(s)" or "employee(s)" as used herein shall refer only to full-time or

unclassified part-time employees serving in non-confidential classifications who occupy positions authorized and designated as "GENERAL" by the City Council in the City's official City's official classification and salary schedules.

Classifications may be added to or deleted from general employees bargaining unit in accordance with the provisions of this agreement and the City's Employer/Employee Relations Ordinance.

c. Employees designated management, confidential, and supervisory shall be designated as such in the in the City's official classification and salary schedules and shall be excluded from "general employee" bargaining unit regardless of classification. City may designate additional management, confidential, or supervisory employees after first notifying and consulting with Union.

43. REPRESENTATION - UNION OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES

a. The City and the Union agree that Union officers and representatives will be allowed to meet with City management on City time for the purpose of meeting and conferring in good faith and without loss of pay or any benefits.

b. The Union agrees to provide the City with a list of Union officers and employee representatives, with their job classifications, who are authorized to meet and confer in good faith. Union shall keep the list up to date.

c. The City agrees that authorized Union staff representatives shall be given access to work locations during working hours to observe working conditions. Such visits are to be made with the prior knowledge of the Department Head and a management representative may accompany the Union staff member on the visit. A staff representative is defined as a paid full-time or part-time employee of the Union.

d. The Union shall provide the City with a list of staff representatives and shall update said list as appropriate. Union representatives shall have reasonable access to employee facilities for the purpose of communicating with members. Such access shall be scheduled in advance, and union representatives agree to comply with facility rules and regulations during their visits.

44. RETIREE MEDICAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION

a. This provision is applicable to employees who retire from City service and

1. Have 10 or more years of classified or unclassified service; or
2. Retire from City with an industrial disability.

b. The City shall contribute \$12.00 per month, per year of service up to a maximum of 35 years (i.e., \$420/month) towards the purchase of medical insurance for the retiree and his/her spouse or domestic partner registered with the City Clerk or the Secretary of State, if applicable.

c. The retiree is not limited to purchase of a City sponsored plan, provided however, that if the retiree purchases another insurance plan, the retiree must supply the City with adequate proof of insurance coverage prior to any contribution from the City. Proof of such coverage shall be provided to the City on a periodic basis, as reasonably determined by the City.

d. The City shall continue to make its contribution until the retiree reaches age 65 or dies, whichever occurs first, provided however, that if the retiree dies before reaching the age of 65 and there is a surviving spouse or registered domestic partner, the City's contribution will continue until the retiree would have reached age 65. Thereafter, the spouse may remain on the insurance plan, at their own cost, subject to the conditions set forth by the insurance company.

e. In the event Health Care legislation is passed which affects the nature of the benefit described above, the parties will reopen negotiations and modify this benefit, if necessary, so as to maintain their original intent (e.g., eligibility, scope, cost).

f. If any Court decision with binding effect on the City of Santa Barbara rules that a retiree medical provision like the provision contained herein violates the State or Federal law against age discrimination, the parties agree that within 30 days they will reopen negotiations on said provision to convert to a retiree medical policy with equivalent cost that does not violate age discrimination law. The parties agree that whatever policy is agreed upon will not reduce or increase the City's contribution toward retiree medical insurance.

45. RETIREMENT

a. For employees designated as "classic" employees by PERS the City will provide the two point seven percent (2.7%) at age fifty-five (55) benefit formula under the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), pursuant to Government Code 21354.5.

b. For employees designated as "classic" employees by PERS the City will contribute toward the PERS normal employee's contribution as detailed in section "c", below, and these contributions shall be credited to the member's account. The City shall report the value of any Employer Paid Member Contributions (EPMC) to PERS as compensation earnable through enabling City resolution, pursuant to Government Code Section 20636(c)(4).

Classic employees will pay the 8% required contribution for the 2.7% at 55 benefit.

c. The following contract provisions shall apply:

1. For employees designated as "classic" employees by PERS, the City will provide One-Year Final Compensation under PERS, pursuant to Government Code 20042.
2. The PERS contract shall provide for Military Service Credit as Public Service under Section 21024 and for Public Service Credit for Excluded or Limited Prior Service under Section 21031.
3. The PERS contract shall provide for Public Service Credit for Peace Corps or Americorps: Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) pursuant to Government Code Section 21023.5.
4. The City will provide the Fourth (4th) Level of 1959 Survivor Benefits, pursuant to Government Code Section 21574.

d. The City is authorized to amend its contract with PERS immediately, in order to be able to implement the incentives listed below:

Upon the declaration of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara that the State of California's budgetary or fiscal impacts on the City's budget have caused grave fiscal conditions to exist that require prompt and immediate attention, the City may offer the following early retirement incentives to applicable employees:

1. Two years additional service credit in accordance with Government Code Section 20903; and/or
2. City payment of Military Service Credit as Public Service in accordance with Government Code Section 21024.

e. Notwithstanding the provisions above, effective January 1, 2013, new members as defined by California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (hereinafter "AB 340") will be covered under the 2% at 62 Miscellaneous retirement formula, with a final compensation measurement period of the average of the highest three (3) consecutive years, as well as all other statutory requirements of AB 340. Effective October 1, 2013, new employees and/or members as defined by AB 340 shall contribute half the normal cost for benefits, as defined by AB 340; the City will not pay any portion of these employees' required contributions. As provided under the law, some new City employees may qualify as "classic" employees by virtue of their prior government service.

f. The City will provide a 457 Deferred Compensation Plan for employee savings. Effective the first full pay period in April 2026, employees defined by California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act ("PEPRA") who participate in the deferred compensation plan, are eligible to receive up to a \$25 per pay period matching City contribution for a maximum of \$650 per year.

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46. RETROACTIVITY

An employee will be eligible for the increases to salaries and benefits provided under the Agreement on the dates specified for each increase if the employee is an active City employee and bargaining unit member on the date that the City Council ratifies this Agreement.

47. SAFETY EQUIPMENT

a. The City and the Union agree that the City will either provide all safety equipment required by the City or will reimburse the employee for purchasing the equipment whenever such equipment has been required by the City as necessary for the job. Such equipment shall include, but not be limited to, safety shoes, safety glasses, helmets, gloves, boots, life jackets, and all related safety items. Both parties agree that the City shall retain the right to determine the minimum specifications of the safety equipment, procurement procedures, and limitations and exclusions.

d. Notwithstanding the above, the parties agree that employees designated by the City as required to wear steel-toed safety shoes in the performance of their duties shall be eligible to receive an annual allowance of \$230 in October for the provision of said shoes upon the presentation of valid claims in keeping with City established procedures in amounts not to exceed the following:

If the employee desires, he/she may combine two years allowance for the purchase of shoes. The allowance is for the purchase of shoes only.

The Union and City agree that failure of an employee to wear proper and operational safety shoes may be grounds for disciplinary action.

e. City shall provide prescription safety glasses to those employees who wear prescription glasses and perform duties that require the use of safety glasses. Such employees shall provide the City with the lens specifications prescribed by the employee's doctor. The City will provide the initial pair of safety glasses based upon this prescription and shall replace same only upon a subsequent substantial change of prescription or evidence acceptable to the City that said prescription safety glasses are rendered unusable by accidental damage suffered while performing assigned duties.

48. SALARIES & COMPENSATION ANALYSIS/SALARY SURVEY

a. Across-the-board salary increases for all classifications during the term of this agreement will be as follows:

<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
April 6, 2024	5.5%
First full pay period following April 1, 2025	5.5%
First full pay period following April 1, 2026	4.0%

b. Progression through the range shall require, in addition to satisfactory performance, a period of one year of actual service. Regular part-time employees are eligible for step raises under the same terms and conditions as apply to regular, full-time employees except that the period of employment required to move a step is the number of hours worked equivalent to one (1) year of full-time employment, or 2080 hours.

c. Employees shall receive at least a five percent (5%) salary increase upon promotion provided however that the City shall not be required to pay a salary in excess of the salary range authorized for the appropriate classification by the City Council in the official salary schedules. The City shall make every effort to provide a minimum five percent (5%) separation in salary between classifications within a series and classifications within recognized career ladders as determined by the City. The City shall provide the Union with a chart of career ladders, and the City shall update said list.

d. Anniversary dates for newly hired employees shall be the first of the month if the employee was hired on or before the fifteenth of that month and the first day of the following month for those hired after the fifteenth. The end of the probationary period shall coincide with the anniversary date.

Survey Agencies to be used for future salary/compensation surveys: Santa Cruz, Santa Monica, Huntington Beach, Newport Beach, Pasadena, Burbank, City of Ventura, , Berkeley

e. Limited Reopener – Upon completion of the City's Classification and Compensation Study, either the City or the Union may request to reopen on a limited basis as to this article on salaries only and with respect to the results of the Classification and Compensation study and implementation. Such a request must be in writing.

f. The HR Director may approve trainee placement, as defined by SBMC Section 3.04.055, for entry and promotional recruitments at 90% of step one. An employee rejected following placement in a trainee appointment will be eligible to be reinstated to the position from which they were promoted as provided in SBMC Section 3.16.270, including any prior bumping rights they had in that position.

49. SERVICE CREDIT FOR SICK LEAVE UPON RETIREMENT

At the time of retirement, the City shall purchase an annuity for the retiring employee that pays a monthly benefit similar to the PERS amendment that provides service credit for sick leave under Government Code 20862.8.

The following conditions apply to this benefit:

1. In order to qualify for service credit for sick leave upon retirement, the retiring employee must have at least 500 sick leave hours;
2. The conversion rate of 0.004 years (1 day) of service credit for each 8-hour day of sick leave is utilized;

Example:

A Miscellaneous employee retires at age 55 (2.7% benefit factor under the 2.7% at 55 formula) with an average monthly salary in the highest year of \$4,000. If the employee has 600 hours of sick leave:

600 hours of sick leave ÷ 8-hour day
= 75 days of sick leave x .004 years conversion rate
= 0.3 years of service credit.

0.3 years service credit x 0.027 (2.7% benefit factor) x \$4,000 average monthly salary
= \$32.40 per month annuity

3. The retiring employee may take the cash purchase value of the annuity in lieu of the monthly annuity; and
4. If the City amends its PERS Miscellaneous contract to include service credit for sick leave upon retirement, employees will be included in that PERS contract amendment and the annuity program will be discontinued.

50. SEVERABILITY

Should any provision in this agreement be held inoperative, void or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this agreement shall not be affected thereby, and the parties agree to meet and consult over the invalidated provision.

51. SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL

a. The City and the Union agree that regular employees on a shift of eight (8) or more hours shall receive:

1. Swing shift differential pay when 50% or more of the hours of the assigned shift hours, including lunch and excluding overtime, fall between 5:00 p.m. and midnight; or
2. Graveyard shift differential pay when 50% or more of the hours of the assigned shift hours, including lunch and excluding overtime, fall between midnight and 8:00 a.m.
3. Weekend shift differential pay shall apply when hours worked fall between Saturday at 12:00AM and Monday at 12:00 AM

b. Overtime as Continuation of Assigned Shift. Shift differential for overtime which is a continuation (without break) of the assigned shift is paid based upon the eligibility of the assigned shift. See Examples 1, 2, and 3 in Appendix A entitled Shift Differential Examples.

c. Back-to-Back Shifts. Shift differential for overtime which are two (2) entirely distinct assigned shifts are paid based upon the separate eligibility of each shift. See Examples 4, 5 and 6 in Appendix A entitled Shift Differential Examples.

d. Call Backs.

1. Shift differential is not paid for call back overtime of less than eight (8) hours. See Example 7 in Appendix A entitled Shift Differential Examples.
2. Shift differential is paid for call back overtime of eight (8) hours or more when 50% or more of the hours fall between 5:00 p.m. and midnight or midnight and 8:00 a.m. See Example 8 in Appendix A entitled Shift Differential Examples.

g. Employees are eligible to receive no more than two (2) of the following shift differential amounts concurrently:

<u>Swing Shift</u>	<u>Graveyard Shift</u>	<u>Weekend Shift</u>
\$1.50/ hour	\$3.00/ hour	\$1.50/hour

52. SICK LEAVE

a. The City and the Union agree that the City's sick leave policy shall be that employees shall accrue sick leave at the rate of 3.7 hours for each full pay period of service with a maximum accumulation of two thousand and eighty (2,080) hours. Said sick leave accrual shall begin effective the first day of employment.

b. The programs referred to as "Non-Replenishable" and "City Administrator's" sick leave authorized by Municipal Code Sections 3.08.150 (b) and 3.08.210 are eliminated.

c. An employee may use sick leave for a medical appointment when it is not possible to arrange such appointment on non-work time subject to the following condition: 1) Reasonable advance notice which in no event shall be less than 24 hours;

d. A full-time employee may use up to 48 hours of available accrued sick leave (the equivalent of 6 months of accrual) per calendar year for the diagnosis, care, or treatment of an existing health condition of,

or preventive care for, a family member of the employee. "Family member" means any of the following: a spouse or registered domestic partner; a child (biological, adopted, or foster child, stepchild, legal ward, or a child to whom the employee stands in loco parentis, regardless of age or dependency status); a parent (biological, adoptive, or foster parent, stepparent, or legal guardian) of an employee or the employee's spouse or registered domestic partner; a person who stood in loco parentis when the employee was a minor child; a grandparent; a grandchild; or a sibling. Part-time employees may use the equivalent of six (6) months of sick leave accrual at their prorated accrual rate for such purposes. All rules for use of sick leave will apply, including those regarding physician statement requirements and use of sick leave for medical appointments.

e. For purposes of this section, employees may use sick leave during the term of California Paid Family Leave.

53. STANDBY PAY

The City and the Union agree that effective during this agreement, when an employee is officially designated by management to remain available to return physically to the workplace, at any time during specific hours outside of normal working hours, the employee shall receive two hours of straight-time pay for each eight hours or fraction thereof on standby. For periods of standby that are 24 consecutive hours or more, the employees shall receive 1/4 hour of straight time pay for each hour on standby. To the extent feasible, the parties agree that standby shall be assigned on an equitable basis to all eligible employees.

The City and the Union agree that all employees will be on automatic standby duty during a state of emergency or civil defense disaster as declared by the President of the United States, the Governor of the State, the Mayor of the City, the City Council, or the City Administrator. Such automatic emergency standby shall be without compensation unless the City is reimbursed by the State or federal government for such an expenditure.

54. STATE DISABILITY INSURANCE (SDI) AND STATE PAID FAMILY LEAVE INSURANCE (PFL)

a. All employees must participate in the State Disability Insurance (SDI) and State Paid Family Leave (PFL) programs. The employee shall pay all costs associated with these programs.

b. Employees may apply for SDI or PFL benefits with the State of California Economic Development Department (EDD). To be eligible for benefits, the employee must meet all applicable State requirements. Depending on eligibility, an employee may receive:

1. Up to 52 weeks of wage replacement benefits for the employee's own disability, and/or
2. Up to 6 weeks of wage replacement benefits for providing required care for the serious health condition of a child, parent, spouse or domestic partner or for bonding with a new child. Employees may also qualify for benefits to care for a seriously ill grandparent, grandchild, sibling, or parent-in-law, or as defined by State Law; however, eligibility for this benefit does not necessarily create a right to protected leave.

c. Employees who receive SDI or PFL benefits must integrate available SDI and PFL benefits with available paid sick leave, personal leave and compensatory time. Documentation of the SDI/PFL benefits received must be provided to the Payroll Office for this purpose.

d. Employees on a medical or family medical leave of absence who are eligible to use their leave accruals during the leave of absence must exhaust available leave balances before using unpaid leave. Employees must use available sick/family sick leave balances, and then compensatory time off and personal leave balances, before using vacation balances.

e. Employees who coordinate SDI/PFL paid leave benefits with City payroll benefits will receive City retirement contributions, time off accruals, and other non-insurance benefits based on the City-paid portion of wage replacement only. For non-insurance benefits purposes, the SDI/PFL portion of wage replacement

will be treated as unpaid leave.

f. Employees coordinating SDI/PFL benefits with City payroll benefits shall be eligible for continuation of City-paid insurance contributions under Article 25 (c) of this Agreement (Leave Of Absence) only up to the date they would have received such benefits had they not coordinated SDI/PFL benefits.

55. SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS

The City will provide the Union with a written policy outlining the City's current standards for the use of surveillance systems within 6 months of ratification of this Agreement. Such policy will outline standards for:

- Installation of video surveillance systems
- Operation of video surveillance systems
- Use of the information obtained through video surveillance systems
- Custody, control and access to records created through video surveillance systems.

City will require a signed acknowledgement of policy from any employee authorized to access information obtained through video surveillance systems.

56. TERM OF AGREEMENT AND RENEWAL

The City and the Union agree that the term of this agreement shall be thirty-six (36) months commencing April 1, 2024 and ending at midnight on March 31, 2027. It is further agreed that the term of this agreement may be extended by mutual agreement.

The City and the Union also agree that meeting and conferring over the renewal or continuation of this agreement shall be initiated at the request of either party after October 1, 2026, but not later than January 15, 2024 and that every effort will be made to reach an agreement prior to the expiration of this agreement. A request to meet and confer shall be filed in writing and meeting and conferring shall commence within ten (10) days of receipt of said request.

57. TRAINING

a. The parties recognize that training programs and the advancement of employees to positions of higher skills are matters of great importance and interest to the City, the Union, and the employees covered by this agreement. However, the City shall retain the right to determine what training is required for the employee to improve their performance on the job and to make such training a condition of employment. Such training may include requests by Department Heads for additional training of current employees, subject to the approval of the City Administrator. The parties agree that employees will be trained in the use of fire suppression equipment and that a fire evacuation plan will be developed by each department for each major City facility and posted.

b. Direct costs for all training or instruction required by the City shall be paid for by the City. Wage compensation for employees shall be determined as follows:

Non-Exempt Employees

The Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) provides that time spent by non-exempt employees in training is compensable unless all of the following conditions are met:

1. Attendance is outside of the employee's regular working hours;
2. Attendance is in fact voluntary;
3. The course, lecture, or meeting is not directly related to the employee's job; and
4. The employee does not perform any productive work during such attendance.

It is not voluntary in fact if the employee is given to understand or led to believe that his/her present working conditions or the continuance of their employment would be adversely affected by nonattendance.

The training is directly related to the employee's job if it is designed to make the employee handle their job more effectively as distinguished from training him/her for another job, or to a new or additional skill.

If the training is considered compensable and travel time is associated with the employee's attendance, the following must be considered:

- *Travel During Regular Working Hours.* If the travel time related to attending required training occurs during normal working hours, then the time is considered to be compensable.
- *Special One-Day, Out-of-Town Travel.* Travel time associated with special one-day, out-of-town training is required to be paid for irrespective of the mode of transportation utilized or whether the employee drives or is a passenger. Time that can be excluded from payment is normal home-to-work travel time and time spent eating while traveling.
- *Overnight Travel.* If an employee travels overnight on business (for more than one day), the employee must be paid for time spent in traveling (except for meal periods) during his/her normal working hours on non-working days, such as Saturday, as well as on his/her regular working days. Travel time as a passenger on an airplane, train, boat, bus, or automobile outside of regular working hours is not considered work time, provided however, that any work which an employee is required to perform while traveling shall be considered as hours worked.

If an employee is offered public transportation but requests permission to drive a personal car instead, the City shall count as hours worked, the time spent driving the car or the time the employee would have had to count as hours worked during working hours if the employee had used the public transportation, whichever is less.

Exempt Employees

In the case of an exempt employee, the MOU language (other than the FLSA requirements applicable to non-exempt employees) determines whether training or related travel time is compensable. Exempt employees will only be paid for time spent in required training and travel during normal work hours. Travel outside of regular work hours is excluded.

- c. Employees will be eligible to participate in the City-wide Educational Reimbursement Program. The program will be amended to allow consideration of reimbursement for job related educational certifications and job related training that is not required by the City, and therefore not compensable under section "b", above. The union waives any requirement for the City to meet and confer on enhancements to this policy to increase the maximum reimbursement (\$1000) or expand reimbursement eligibility. However, the City will notify the union of any such change.

58. UNAUTHORIZED LEAVE

An employee's absence shall be unauthorized if such employee does not report absence to supervisor designated by Department Head within one-half (1/2) hour before or one-half (1/2) hour after his/her regular starting time, except in cases of emergency in which case the employee shall provide notification as soon as possible.

59. UNIFORM MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

The City and the Union agree that employees required by the City to wear field uniforms shall have the full cost of the uniform maintenance service paid for by the City. The City retains full and complete control over

the administration of the uniform maintenance program. However, City shall provide field personnel with a minimum of seven (7) and a maximum of eleven (11) uniform changes based on the employee's request and the operational needs of the department.

The parties agree that the monetary value of uniforms provided by the City, excluding items that are solely for personal health and safety (such as protective vests, pistols, bullets, and safety shoes), is \$10.00 per biweekly pay period.

60. UNION BUSINESS ATTENDANCE

It is agreed that not more than four (4) Union designated officers or stewards will be permitted up to thirty two (32) hours of leave per person each fiscal year with pay for Union related business defined as follows: conferences, meetings, training and other union activities outside the workplace. Release time will be subject to approval of the Department Head and prior notification to the Human Resources Manager.

If fewer than 4 designated officers or stewards used release time in the prior fiscal year, the number of officers or stewards that did not use any release time in the prior fiscal year may be added to the number of designated officers or stewards eligible for up to 32 hours of release time in the following fiscal year, up to a maximum of 4 additional eligible officers or stewards in any fiscal year.

Stewards will log all union business attendance hours on their timesheets using the assigned pay code or project code for this purpose.

61. UNION NOTICE- EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION

The City will provide the union a list of attendees in the bargaining unit at a group New Employee Orientation meeting not less than two weeks prior to the orientation along with the date, location, and time for the union's presentation. The City will provide a Union representative an opportunity during the orientation to provide information to bargaining unit members regarding the benefits and obligations of union membership. Such presentation shall not exceed 15 minutes in duration.

62. UNION SECURITY

a. Dues Deductions - Union dues payment obligations shall be processed by the City in the usual and customary manner and time frames.

b. Leave Without Pay - Employees on an unpaid leave of absence for an entire pay period or more shall have union dues suspended.

c. Indemnification/Hold Harmless Clause - The Union agrees to fully indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City and its officers, employees and agents against any and all claims, proceedings, settlements and/or liability regarding the legality of this Article or any action taken or not taken by or on behalf of the City under this Section.

d. Maintenance of Membership – All regular unit employees who are members of the union in good standing shall maintain their membership in the Union in good standing, subject however, to the right to resign from membership by submitting a written request to the union during the month of August annually.

Resignation requests submitted to the City shall be referred to the union. When resignation requests are received outside the window period the Union will promptly provide such members a letter explaining the maintenance of membership provision, along with a copy of this section of the MOU.

63. UNION STEWARDS

The City agrees that the Union may designate Stewards to represent employees in the processing of grievances. The Union shall furnish the City with a list identifying by name and work location all regular and

alternate Stewards. Said list shall be kept current by the Union at all times.

The City will remind supervisors annually of employee "Weingarten" rights to union representation. Upon the Union's request, the City will review and comment on proposed Union communication to employees about such rights.

64. USE OF COMPUTER RESOURCES

Employees' rights and obligations regarding use of the City's computers and computing resources are governed generally by the City's computer use policies. The Union and the City agree that occasional and incidental employee use of City computing resources for union business is allowable within the same parameters applied to other acceptable non-commercial personal use under those policies.

The parties agree that such use shall not interfere with the performance of work duties or the effective delivery of services, and shall not result in any significant cost to the City or compromise the security of City systems. The parties further agree that City computer resources, including the e-mail system, will not be used by the union or City employees to support or oppose a political campaign or ballot measure.

The union acknowledges that employees have no expectation of privacy in the use of City computer resources, including but not limited to e-mail and text messaging, even if they are locked or password-protected.

65. VACATION POLICY

a. All employees shall begin accruing vacation effective the first day of employment. It is agreed that vacation time earned may be taken as accrued subject to approval by the City and in accordance with the following schedule:

<u>Length of Continuous Service</u>	<u>Vacation Entitlement</u>
0 - 2 years	(96 hours) per year
3 - 5 years	(120 hours) per year
6 - 10 years	(176 hours) per year
11 - 15 years	(200 hours) per year
16 & over years	(224 hours) per year

b. Vacation periods shall be scheduled by management to provide adequate staffing. Employees may request the use of vacation at any time. Such scheduling may be available throughout the calendar year subject to departmental operational necessity and the needs of the City, and such scheduling shall take into account employee seniority and choice. Requests for vacation time off shall not be denied for arbitrary or capricious reasons.

c. Effective May 4, 2024, the maximum vacation balance will be 500 hours.

d. Annual Cash Out of Vacation – An employee who takes a minimum of 40 hours of accrued leave time (personal, vacation, or any combination) during a fiscal year is eligible to receive a cash-out of up to a maximum of 100 hours of vacation time for the same fiscal year. Vacation can only be cashed out in 10-hour increments, and the amount to be cashed out may not exceed the amount of vacation in the employee's vacation balance at the time of cash-out. Employees eligible for vacation cash-out shall follow vacation cash-out procedures established by the City. Upon change of City policy on cash out process, cash out would involve an irrevocable election process whereby the employee would make an irrevocable election to cash out leave in the year prior to the year of cash out. The leave to be cashed out would need to be accrued in the same year of cash out.

66. VACATION & SICK LEAVE ADVANCED CREDIT UPON HIRE

a. An employee who is appointed from outside City of Santa Barbara government service within one (1) year of leaving employment with either the City of Santa Barbara or another city, county, state agency, federal agency or special district and who, in the opinion of the Human Resources Director, possesses government experience directly related to the position to which he or she has been appointed, may be offered credit for years of prior service with the City of Santa Barbara and/or his or her immediate previous government employer in the following ways:

i. Vacation Accrual: At the discretion of the Human Resources Director, the employee may be offered credit for up to the total number of prior full years of service at the City of Santa Barbara and/or his or her immediate previous government employer toward the initial vacation accrual rate. The employee will not be eligible to progress to a higher accrual rate until employee has the normal required minimum amount of City of Santa Barbara service for that accrual rate.

ii. Sick bank: At the discretion of the Human Resources Director, the employee may be credited with up to 96 hours of sick leave. Thereafter, employee will accrue sick leave at the normal rate.

b. A former City of Santa Barbara employee reemployed within one year under Santa Barbara Municipal Code Section 3.16.320 will automatically qualify for the full vacation accrual credit under (i), above, for his or her prior City of Santa Barbara service. However, under no circumstance will prior accrued vacation balances cashed out to the employee upon termination be reinstated.

67. WAIVER

The City and the Union agree that, for the term of this agreement, each party waives the right and each agrees that the other party shall not be obligated to meet and confer with respect to any subject or matter pertaining to or covered by this agreement, except as to meeting and conferring over the renewal or continuation of this agreement or as otherwise provided herein.

It is further agreed that nothing in this agreement shall in any way diminish the rights of the employees, the City, or the Union as established by the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act of the State of California and all amendments thereto, or Santa Barbara Municipal Code, Chapter 3.12, except as herein provided.

68. WORK SCHEDULE

a. The regularly scheduled seven (7) day work week shall average forty (40) hours.

b. There shall be at least two consecutive days of rest observed after each work week subject to City needs for standby, call back, overtime, and rotation of regularly scheduled shift changes. In the event that a work week without two (2) consecutive days off is necessary or desirable, affected employees shall be given reasonable opportunity to establish work schedules which meet the operational requirements of the City and personal preference. In such cases, the two (2) consecutive days off may be waived by the employee. An employee may waive two consecutive days off on a one-time or ongoing basis. If waived on an ongoing basis, the employee will give notice of at least 14 calendar days to the supervisor before being reinstated to a schedule with two consecutive days off.

c. The City will encourage supervisors to allow, where consistent with City business needs, at least a 15-minute paid break for each 4-hour shift and at least a half-hour unpaid lunch break during a shift of 6 hours or longer.

d. The City will encourage supervisors to allow, where consistent with City business needs, a minimum of 8 hours between regularly scheduled shifts.

e. Prior to any change in shift schedule, affected employees shall be given reasonable opportunity to provide input concerning shift schedules which meet the operational requirements of the City and personal preference. The Department Head shall establish a "regular" schedule for each employee with a start and quit time. Such schedule shall not be changed without forty-eight (48) hours advance notice except in emergencies.

f. City shall provide employees with reasonable "clean-up" time and employees shall be ready to begin work at start time.

g. City agrees that work outside the regularly scheduled work day or work week shall be compensated in accordance with the overtime policy contained herein.

h. Employees may develop alternative work schedules and/or telecommuting arrangements which meet their personal needs and the operational requirements of the City under the City's Flex Work Policy. Such alternate schedules must be approved by the Department Head. The continuation of such schedules shall be subject to Department Head review with reasonable input from affected employees. The City will provide and publicize an informal information session on telecommuting for interested employees on or before April 30, 2019.

i. In no case shall an employee's work schedule be altered in connection with any particular work shift to avoid the payment of overtime earned.

j. When an Airport Maintenance employee has worked a regularly scheduled night shift, the employee will be provided with paid leave time (without deductions from leave banks) to allow five hours of off-duty time without a loss of pay before reporting for the next regularly scheduled daytime shift. With the permission of the supervisor, the employee may choose to work the beginning of the employee's next regularly scheduled daytime shift, and take the equivalent paid rest period at the end of the regularly scheduled shift instead.

Example:

If employee on a 9/80 shift works 10:00 p.m. - 7 a.m., and is next regularly scheduled to begin a 9-hour shift at 7:00 a.m., the employee may:

- Take a 5 hour rest period from 7 a.m. to 12 p.m., receiving straight time pay for the period from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (5 hours), and then work from 12:00 through the rest of the regularly scheduled shift (4 more work hours).
- With supervisor's permission, work for 4 hours beginning at 7:00 a.m. (when the next scheduled shift begins), and leave 5 hours early instead.

k. Employees on a 9/80 schedule will be covered under the terms of the "9/80 Work Schedule Policy" contained in Appendix D of this Agreement.

69. WORKERS' COMPENSATION

a. The parties agree that Municipal Code Section 3.08.220 shall be amended to provide that general employees who sustain illness or injury arising out of and in the course of their City employment shall receive benefits equal to those mandated by the State of California plus the difference between State mandated benefits and the equivalent of eighty-five percent (85%) of the individual's gross (excluding O.T.) salary, if any, paid by the City for a maximum of ninety (90) working days.

c. Once an individual is no longer eligible for continuation of 85% of his/her gross pay as described in (a) above and is still unable to return to work, the City shall continue to pay its contribution to insurance for the first ninety (90) calendar days.

d. This section shall not be construed to grant employees the use of sick leave benefits in lieu of or to supplement workers' compensation benefits provided herein or by State law, except as follows.

An employee who returns from an accepted work-related injury or illness to regular duty or modified duty may attend follow-up medical appointments during work hours when it is not possible to arrange such appointments on non-work time. Reasonable advance notice must be given to the supervisor, which in no event shall be less than 24 hours. Release time is subject to supervisory approval based on operational needs.

Under these conditions, to account for the lost work time to attend physician, physical therapy, chiropractic, counseling and other physical and mental care appointments, the employee may:

1. Use accrued paid leave time (sick leave, vacation time, compensatory time, or personal leave); or
2. Use "industrial leave without pay" if employee has no accrued paid leave time, or
3. If the employee has not reached a permanent and stationary status, the employee may elect to use "industrial leave without pay" if employee does not choose to use accrued paid leave (sick leave, vacation time, compensatory time, or personal leave). However, employees who have reached permanent and stationary status must exhaust available leave balances before being placed on leave without pay.

An employee who has not reached a permanent and stationary status and uses industrial leave without pay may be entitled to "wage loss" under workers' compensation system depending on eligibility.

The City may make changes to its Personnel Policies including, but not limited to, the Santa Barbara Municipal Code to reflect the substance of this Agreement.

70. WORKING OUT OF CLASSIFICATION

Working Temporarily Out of Classification

The City and the Union agree that it is the intent of departmental management to avoid working an employee out of classification.

It is further agreed that working an employee out of classification will occur only to meet the work requirements within the City and that such out of classification work will terminate after fifteen (15) consecutive work days or thirty (30) work days in any one calendar year; or if extended beyond fifteen (15) consecutive or thirty (30) work days, the employee shall be compensated at the rate of the higher classification while the out of classification work continues subject to the right of employee to waive this provision based upon personal career development.

For purposes of this article, an out of classification assignment is defined as assignment by the Department Head or designee of the performance of a substantial preponderance of duties of an authorized, funded, permanent, full-time position in one or more higher classification(s) by an employee in a position in another classification. "Significant duties" shall be as defined on the appropriate class specification.

When an employee works out of classification continuously for fifteen (15) working days or more, the City shall place a letter in the employee's personnel file acknowledging the out of classification work.

It is the intent of this article to compensate employees for assigned out of class work extended beyond fifteen (15) consecutive or thirty (30) work days in any one calendar year.

Position Reclassification Requests

If an employee believes they are working out of classification on a regular on-going basis, the employee may:

- a. Request a reclassification from their manager in writing. The manager shall respond in writing within ten (10) working days of receipt of the request. The manager may recommend that a classification review be conducted by submitting a written request, approved by the Department Head, to Human Resources.
- b. If the employee is not satisfied with the manager's response, they may submit a written reclassification request to their Department Head or designee within ten (10) working days of receiving their manager's written response. Within twenty (20) working days of receipt of the employee's written request, the Department Head or designee shall meet with the employee and issue a written response to the employee and the Human Resources Office.
- c. If the Department Head's response so requests that a classification review be conducted, Human Resources shall conduct said classification review and shall issue its decision to the employee and the Department Head within forty-five (45) working days of receipt of the request. The decision to request, or not request, a classification review shall be at the Department Head's sole discretion, however the decision will not be arbitrary or capricious.

APPENDIX A

SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL EXAMPLES

Recommended Approach to Assessing Eligibility for Shift Differential: First look to see if the regular assigned shift qualifies for shift differential. If the regular assigned shift qualifies, then continuation overtime of less than a shift also qualifies for that same differential. For continuation overtime of a full shift (back-to-back shifts) look at whether the separate overtime shift would qualify on its own. Call back overtime generally does not qualify for shift differential unless it is for 8 hours or more.

Example 1. Swing Shift Differential; Swing Shift OT

An employee is assigned to work a nine (9) hour shift from 3:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. with an hour unpaid lunch. Because 50% or more of the ten (10) regular assigned shift hours including lunch fall between 5:00 p.m. and midnight, the employee is entitled to Swing Shift Differential pay for the entire regularly assigned shift.

If that employee is then asked to work overtime from 1:30 a.m. to 3:30 a.m., the employee will be entitled to Swing Shift Differential pay at the overtime rate for the additional two hours (1:30 a.m. to 3:30 a.m.) worked because the two hours are a continuation of the qualified swing shift.

Example 2. No Shift Differential; Assigned shift does not qualify and OT is not a full shift

An employee is assigned to work an eight (8) hour shift from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. including lunch and is then directed to work an additional five (5) hours of overtime to cover for a sick employee from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The employee is not entitled to shift differential pay because the regular assigned shift hours including lunch (7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) do not qualify for shift differential and the overtime worked is the continuation of a non-qualifying assigned shift of less than eight hours.

Example 3. No Shift Differential; Assigned shift does not qualify and OT is not a full shift

An employee is assigned to work an eight (8) hour shift from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. including lunch. However, on this particular day, the employee is assigned to come in early to work overtime from 3:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. in addition to the assigned regular shift hours in order to cover for an absent employee. The employee is not entitled to shift differential pay because the regular assigned shift hours do not qualify for shift differential and the overtime worked as a continuation of that regular assigned shift is less than eight hours.

Example 4. Back-to-Back Shifts; Assigned shift does not qualify, but OT shift qualifies for swing.

An employee is assigned to work an eight (8) hour regular shift from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. including lunch and then is directed to work additional time for an emergency situation. The employee then works nine hours of overtime from 4:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. The employee is entitled to Swing Shift Differential pay at the overtime rate for the period of 4:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. The employee has in effect worked two back-to-back shifts.

Example 5. Back-to-Back Shifts; Assigned shift qualifies for swing, and OT shift qualifies for graveyard.

An employee is assigned to work the swing shift between 4:00 p.m. and midnight (without an off-duty meal break), and then is assigned to work the graveyard shift from midnight to 8:00 a.m. In this case the employee is assigned to work two distinct shifts. Therefore, the employee is entitled to Swing Shift Differential pay for the time between 4:00 p.m. to midnight and Graveyard Shift Differential pay at the overtime rate for the hours from midnight to 8:00 a.m.

Example 6. Back to Back Shifts; Assigned shift qualifies for graveyard, but OT does not qualify.

An employee is assigned to work the regular graveyard shift between midnight and 8:00 a.m. (without an off-duty meal break) and then is assigned the day shift from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., with a half hour lunch, on overtime. As in Example 5, the employee is assigned two distinct back-to-back shifts; therefore, the employee is entitled to Graveyard Shift Differential for the time period of midnight to 8:00 a.m., but no shift differential for the time period of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Example 7. Call Back; Assigned shift qualifies for swing but callback under 8 hours does not.

An employee is assigned to work from 4:00 p.m. to midnight on a regular shift. That employee leaves work at midnight, goes home, and then is called back to work between 2:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. That employee is entitled to Swing Shift Differential pay for the regular assigned shift from 4:00 p.m. to midnight. The employee is not entitled to shift differential pay for the overtime hours (2:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.) because it is considered a call back, and not a continuation of the assigned shift without a break, and it was for less than eight hours.

Example 8. Call Back; Assigned shift does not qualify, but callback OT over 8 hours qualifies for swing.

An employee is assigned to work a regular shift from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and then is called back to work overtime at 7:00 p.m. and works until 3:00 a.m. due to an emergency situation. The employee is entitled to Swing Shift Differential pay at the overtime rate for the call back of eight hours or more (7:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.) because 50% or more of the call back hours fall between 5:00 p.m. and midnight.

APPENDIX B

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

FAMILY FRIENDLY PERSONNEL POLICIES

February 20, 1990

Note: A leave or reduced schedule approved under one of these policies runs concurrently with any applicable leave entitlements under the FMLA/CFRA Family and Medical Leave Policy.

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1. **MATERNITY LEAVE** (medical leave)

The City of Santa Barbara is committed to providing time off from work, so far as possible, to employees during pregnancy and following childbirth.

Maternity leave requests, including both medical and non-medical components (see section on Parental leave for information regarding non-medical leave), must be submitted to the City Administrator via the Department Head at least 30 days in advance. The requirement for 30 days advance notice may be waived when warranted by unexpected medical circumstances. Pursuant to state law, maternity leaves for medical reasons will be granted for up to four (4) months and may be extended up to a maximum of one (1) year subject to the operational needs of the department as determined by the Department Head. All medical leaves must be verified by a doctor's certificate of disability.

When an employee is physically disabled from work due to pregnancy or following childbirth, the employee will obtain a doctor's certificate of disability indicating the dates when the employee will be physically unable to work. When physically disabled, the employee may use sick leave or other paid leave. An employee disabled due to pregnancy or childbirth may request an unpaid leave of absence for medical reasons once her sick leave and other paid leave balances total less than forty (40) hours. A doctor's note listing the dates of the disability must be submitted with the medical leave request. Any leave of absence greater than 7 days must be approved in advance by the City Administrator.

The City will coordinate an employee's use of State Disability Insurance (SDI) with City paid leave which allows employees on maternity leave and covered by SDI to extend the use of their paid leave time.

When an employee is on medical leave of absence due to pregnancy, the City will continue to pay the employer portion of the insurance for the first ninety (90) days of the medical leave of absence. Thereafter, an employee will have to pay both the employer and the employee portions of her insurance.

2. **PARENTAL LEAVE** (all employees, non-medical leave)

The City recognizes that after the birth or adoption of a child, it is important for a parent to be with his or her child. As a result, the City encourages Department Heads to accommodate requests for parental leaves to care for a newborn or newly adopted child.

Parental leaves shall be with pay if the employee has leave balances of vacation, personal leave, or compensatory time. An employee may request a parental leave of absence without pay when the employee's paid leave balances total less than forty (40) hours (see section on Maternity Leave for information regarding medical leave related to pregnancy and childbirth).

Parental leave requests must be submitted to the City Administrator via the Department Head at least 30 days in advance. When requested, parental leaves will be approved for a length of time sufficient to provide the employee a minimum of one (1) month absence from work. Any medical leave related to pregnancy and child birth (maternity leave) will not be counted in the minimum one (1) month. The scheduling of parental leave is subject to the approval of both the City Administrator and Department Head based on the operational needs of the department. Extension of the parental leave of absence may be granted, subject to the approval of the City Administrator, via the Department Head. The total duration of the combined medical and parental leaves of absence cannot exceed one year.

Employees are encouraged to discuss their time off needs with their supervisors as early as possible. Employees are also encouraged to save their vacation, personal leave, and compensatory time for use during a parental leave. Temporary waivers of the minimum annual vacation use and maximum vacation

accrual will be considered to assist prospective parents in building their leave banks.

While on parental leave of absence without pay, an employee will have to pay both the employer and employee portions of his or her insurance.

3. FLEXIBLE LEAVE POLICY (All Employees)

Employees may use accrued personal leave, vacation, comp time, to respond to emergency needs for spouse or dependent*, such as illness, child care or elder care. The employee shall notify his/her supervisor immediately of the nature of the emergency. Approval for leaves under this policy shall not be unreasonably withheld. Advance approval for spouse or dependent illness is not required.

* For purposes of this policy, a dependent is defined pursuant to IRS regulations.

4. ALTERNATIVE WORK SCHEDULES (All employees)

The City believes that alternative work schedules are viable options to meet personal needs in areas such as child care and transportation where such schedules continue to meet the operational needs of the department.

Individual employees may request alternative work schedules which meet their personal needs and the operational requirements of the department. Alternative schedules may be different daily work hours or a different work week. Approval for reasonable alternative work schedules is subject to the operational needs of the department as determined by the Department Head. The continuation of such schedules shall be subject to Department Head and Supervisor/Manager review. with reasonable input from affected employees

5. JOB SHARING (All Employees)

The City recognizes that job-sharing may facilitate the balancing of employees' personal needs with their job responsibilities. As a result, the City encourages Department Heads to attempt to accommodate requests for job-sharing subject to the operational needs of the department as determined by the Department Head.

An employee may request that their full-time position be redefined as a job-sharing position to be filled by two permanent part-time employees. Requests for job sharing positions shall be submitted to the Department Head and require final approval by the City Administrator and City Council.

Job sharing positions may be discontinued at the discretion of the Department Head, with 30 days notice to affected employees.

6. PART-TIME WORK (All employees)

An employee may request to work on a part-time basis. A request to work part-time for a limited duration is subject to the operational needs of the department as determined by the Department Head. The Department Head may grant part-time assignments of limited duration. Extensions of part-time assignments will be considered upon employee request.

All part-time assignments may be periodically reconsidered by the Department Head. If the Department Head determines additional hours are required in the position, the employee will be given thirty days notice of the requirement to work increased hours.

Part-time assignments must be a minimum of 20 hours per week. Part-time regular employees receive insurance benefits and paid leave benefits prorated based on the number of hours worked.

To change an employee from full-time to part-time status requires a Personnel Action Form (PAF) and notification to Human Resources.

7. AT-HOME WORK (All employees)

With prior approval of the Department Head and review by Risk Management, an employee may request to work at home on a limited-term basis. All requests will be subject to the operational needs of the department as determined by the Department Head. Increased City liability including safety and workers' compensation issues will be closely reviewed prior to granting at-home work requests.

Requests for work schedules which include working at home for part of the regular work week may be submitted to the Department Head. Authorization for such schedules for either a predetermined or indefinite length of time will be made based on the following criteria:

- a) the operational needs of the department work site must be met adequately;
- b) the job duties must be such that work can be accomplished at home;
- c) proper equipment and supplies necessary to the job assignment can be provided at reasonable cost;
- d) sufficient measures of productivity can be determined;
- e) efficient and effective methods can be established for supervisory review of work assignments;
- f) the employee can be contacted at home during predetermined work hours.

Plans for meeting each of these criteria should be submitted in writing to the Department Head for evaluation. Once approved, at-home work schedules are subject to periodic review and may be discontinued at the discretion of the Department Head, with fourteen (14) days notice to the employee.

**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING POLICY
FOR
GENERAL UNIT EMPLOYEES**

**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING POLICY
FOR GENERAL UNIT EMPLOYEES**

This policy sets forth the rights and obligations of the covered employees. You should familiarize yourself with the provisions of this policy BECAUSE COMPLIANCE WITH THIS POLICY IS A CONDITION OF YOUR EMPLOYMENT.

If you are an employee covered by this policy, you should be aware that you are still required to comply with the provisions of the City's Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy (ATTACHMENT A) that was adopted by the City Council on August 21, 1990. The obligations and requirements set forth below are in addition to existing obligations and requirements set forth in the Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy.

A. EMPLOYEE QUESTIONS

Employees shall refer any questions regarding rights and obligations under this policy to Human Resources or to the union.

B. COVERED EMPLOYEES

Employees in the job classifications represented by SEIU, Local 620 in the General Employees Bargaining Unit that are not covered under the CITY OF SANTA BARBARA DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING POLICY PURSUANT TO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REGULATIONS

C. PROHIBITIONS

The following conduct is prohibited and may result in discipline, up to and including termination:

1. The use, possession, manufacture, dispensation or distribution of drugs and alcohol is prohibited:
 - a. in the workplace;
 - b. while on City time;
 - c. in City vehicles or facilities except as defined in City's facilities use policies;
 - d. prior to coming to work, so that the employee's performance is impaired.
2. Reporting for duty or remaining on duty while having an alcohol blood concentration level of 0.08 or greater.
3. Being on duty or operating a vehicle on duty while possessing alcohol.
4. Using alcohol while on duty.
5. Reporting for duty or remaining on duty when the employee used any controlled substances, except if the use is pursuant to the instructions of a physician who has advised the employee that the substance does not adversely affect the employee's ability to perform their job.
6. Reporting for duty or remaining on duty if the employee tests positive for controlled substances.
7. Refusing to submit to any alcohol or controlled substances test required by this Policy. A covered employee who refuses to submit to a required drug/alcohol test will be treated in

the same manner as an employee who tested 0.08 or greater on an alcohol test or tested positively on a controlled substances test.

A refusal to submit to an alcohol or controlled substances test required by this Policy includes, but is not limited to:

- a. A refusal to provide a urine sample for a drug test;
- b. An inability to provide a urine sample without a valid medical explanation;
- c. A refusal to complete and sign the breath alcohol testing form, or otherwise to cooperate with the testing process in a way that prevents the completion of the test;
- d. An inability to provide breath or to provide an adequate amount of breath without a valid medical explanation;
- e. Tampering with or attempting to adulterate the urine specimen or collection procedure;
- f. Not reporting to the collection site in the time allotted by the supervisor or manager who directs the employee to be tested (the time allotted shall be reasonable. In most cases the City will provide transportation to and from the collection site.);
- g. Leaving the scene of an accident without a valid reason as to why authorization from a supervisor or manager who shall determine whether to send the employee for a post-accident controlled substances and/or alcohol test was not obtained.

D. CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING WILL BE IMPOSED ON COVERED EMPLOYEES.

1. Pre-Employment Testing

All applicants for City employment may be required to submit to pre-employment/pre-duty drug testing. This applies to initial appointment as a classified employee only, and not to promotion within the service.

Note: there is no pre-employment alcohol test.

2. Post-Accident Testing

Post-accident drug and alcohol testing will be conducted on employees following an accident.

Alcohol: Post-accident alcohol tests shall be administered within two hours following an accident and no test may be administered after eight hours.

Drug: A post-accident drug test shall be conducted within eight (8) hours following the accident

An accident occurs when as a result of an incident involving a vehicle operated by a covered employee:

- (1) any individual(s) receives an injury(s) requiring immediate hospital treatment ,or
- (2) there is a recommendation by an on scene paramedic or medical professional that individual(s) involved in the accident should see a physician for injury(s) arising out of the accident.

3. Return To Duty / Follow-up Testing:

A covered employee who has violated any of the prohibitions of this policy (See Section C) may be required to submit to a return to duty test before he/she may be returned to his/her position. The test result must indicate an alcohol concentration of less than 0.08 or a verified negative result on a controlled substances test.

E. EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITIES

An employee must notify his/her department head of all alcohol or criminal drug statute convictions no later than 5 days after such conviction.

An employees must notify his/her supervisor, before beginning work, when drugs (prescription or non-prescription) may interfere with the safe and effective performance of duties or operation of City equipment (See Attachment A, Article III, Section 3).

Any employee who thinks he/she may have an alcohol or drug use problem is urged to voluntarily seek free confidential assistance from the City's Employee Assistance Program (EAP) counselor. It is the responsibility of each employee to seek assistance before alcohol or drug problems lead to job related performance problems.

F. MANAGERS' AND SUPERVISORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Managers and supervisors are responsible for enforcement of this policy and will inform the Department Head and the Human Resources Manager of any violations.
2. Employees who may have a suspected alcohol or drug use problem should be encouraged to voluntarily seek confidential assistance from the City's Employee Assistance Program (EAP).
3. When an employee is involved in an accident, managers and supervisors shall prevent the employee from engaging in further work, remove the employee from the workplace, and then send the employee for a drug and/or alcohol tests within the timelines outlined in Section D. 2 above.
4. When it is suspected that an employee may have illegal drugs or is under the influence of illegal drugs, managers and supervisors may notify the appropriate law enforcement agency.

G. PROCEDURES TO BE USED FOR DETECTION OF DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

1. Alcohol Testing:

Alcohol testing will be conducted by using an evidential breath device (EBT) approved by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. (Non-EBT devices may be used for initial screening tests.)

A screening test will be conducted first. If the result is an alcohol concentration level of less than 0.02, the test is considered a negative test. If the alcohol concentration level is 0.02 or more, a second confirmation test will be conducted. A positive test for alcohol means a confirmed alcohol concentration of 0.08 or more.

The procedures that will be utilized by the collection and testing of the specimen shall be the same as those required under the City Of Santa Barbara Drug And Alcohol Testing Policy Pursuant To Department Of Transportation Regulations (49 CFR 40).

2. Drug Testing:

Drug testing will be conducted pursuant to the same requirements as those required by the City Of Santa Barbara Drug And Alcohol Testing Policy Pursuant To Department Of Transportation Regulations (49 CFR Part 40).

- a. The urine specimen will be split into two (2) bottles labeled as: "primary" and "split" specimen. Both bottles will be sent to the lab;
- b. A positive test means a test that is positive for controlled substances under the Federal D.O.T. Urine Specimen Testing Levels (Current levels ATTACHMENT B). If the urinalysis of the primary specimen tests positive for the presence of controlled substances, the employee has seventy-two (72) hours to request that the split specimen be analyzed by a different certified lab at the employee's cost.
- c. The urine sample will be tested for the following: marijuana, cocaine, opiates, amphetamines, and phencyclidine;
- d. If the test is positive for one or more of the drugs, a confirmation test will be performed using gas chromatography/mass spectrometry analysis;
- e. All drug results will be reviewed and interpreted by a physician before they are reported to the employee and then to the City;
- f. With all positive drug tests, the physician (a.k.a. Medical Review Officer) will first contact the employee to determine if there is an alternative medical explanation for the positive test result. If documentation is provided and the MRO determines that there was a legitimate medical use for the prohibited drug, the test result may be reported to the City as "negative."

3. Confidentiality:

The confidentiality of records shall be maintained in the same manner as set forth in the City Of Santa Barbara Drug And Alcohol Testing Policy Pursuant To Department Of Transportation Regulations.

H. CONSEQUENCES OF FAILING/REFUSING AN ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG TEST:

FAILING A PRE-EMPLOYMENT DRUG TEST WILL BE GROUNDS FOR REJECTION FROM EMPLOYMENT.

UPON FAILING A POST-ACCIDENT ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG TEST THE EMPLOYEE:

1. Will be removed from driving or operating any heavy or dangerous equipment;
2. May be disciplined up to termination. Failing/refusal to take a controlled substances/alcohol test may result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination.
3. May be allowed to sign a last chance agreement as an alternative to discipline which could require the employee to undergo treatment to cure his/her alcohol or drug abuse and be tested periodically. Generally, an employee who tests positive and has not been found to be using alcohol or drugs on-duty will be offered a last chance agreement. The City does not pay for this examination or any treatment. However, if the exam and/or treatment is covered by the employee's insurance policy, the employee may use the insurance policy to (help) pay for the covered expenses.

4. The employee may use accumulated vacation, personal leave, overtime or leave without pay while undergoing treatment/rehabilitation
5. The employee may use sick leave only when participating in a medically supervised/approved residential rehabilitation program or during the first ninety (90) days of a medically supervised/approved outpatient rehabilitation program.
6. May not be returned to his/her position until the employee submits to a return-to-duty controlled substances and/or alcohol test (depending on which test the employee failed) which indicates an alcohol concentration level of less than 0.08 or a negative result on a controlled substances test;
7. May be required to submit to unannounced follow-up testing after he/she has been returned to his/her safety-sensitive position.

J. EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP)

The City has established an Employee Assistance Program to help employees who need assistance with alcohol and controlled substance abuse. Employees are encouraged to contact the City's Benefits Office for the number of the current EAP provider.

RESOLUTION NO. 90-141

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA, ADOPTING A DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE WORKPLACE POLICY.

WHEREAS, The Federal Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988 requires the adoption of a drug free workplace policy, and

WHEREAS, the presence of drugs and alcohol on the job, and the influence of these substances on employees during working hours jeopardizes the safety of employees, the public, and the efficiency of City operations; and

WHEREAS, the City wants to establish a drug and alcohol free workplace;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA:

That the attached Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy be adopted.

Adopted August 21, 1990

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE WORKPLACE POLICY

I. PURPOSE

The City of Santa Barbara, in its efforts to provide a drug and alcohol free environment, has adopted this Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy. It is the purpose of this policy to eliminate alcohol and drug abuse by City Employees and its effects in the workplace. The presence of drugs and alcohol on the job and the influence of these substances on employees during working hours jeopardizes the safety of employees, the public, and the efficiency of City operations. It is the intent of the City, in adopting this policy, to meet the requirements of the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. Section 701-707).

II. POLICY

In recognition of the duties entrusted to the employees of the City of Santa Barbara and with knowledge that drugs and alcohol hinder a person's ability to perform job related duties safely and effectively, the City of Santa Barbara adopts the following policy:

1. The use, possession, manufacture, dispensation or distribution of drugs and alcohol is prohibited:
 - a. in the workplace;
 - b. while on City time;
 - c. in City vehicles or facilities except as defined in City's facilities use policies;
 - d. prior to coming to work, so that the employee's performance is impaired.
2. The City is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to those employees whose drug or alcohol problem classifies them as handicapped, under federal law.
3. The City has established a voluntary Employee Assistance Program (EAP) to assist those employees who voluntarily seek help for alcohol or drug problems (as well as for a variety of other personal problems). Employees may seek confidential assistance from the EAP counselor.

III. APPLICATION

1. This policy applies to all full time, part time and temporary employees, and to all applicants for positions with the City. This policy applies to alcohol and all substances, drugs or medications, legal or illegal, which impairs an employee's ability to effectively and safely perform his/her job duties.
2. A copy of this policy will be provided to all City employees.
3. A drug-free awareness program will be established to inform employees of the dangers and penalties of drug use in the workplace and of available counseling, rehabilitation and employee assistance programs.

4. Violations of the policy may result in disciplinary action being taken, up to and including termination, in addition to possible criminal penalties or refusal to hire an applicant.

IV.EMPLOYEES RESPONSIBILITIES

An employee:

1. Must not report to work, or be subject to scheduled duty while his/her ability to perform job duties is impaired due to on or off duty alcohol or drug use.
2. Must not use, possess, manufacture, dispense or distribute drugs or alcohol
 - a. in the workplace;
 - b. on City time;
 - c. in City vehicles or facilities except as defined in City's facilities use policies;
 - d. prior to coming to work, so that the employee's performance is impaired.
3. Must notify his/her supervisor, before beginning work, when drugs (prescription or non-prescription) may interfere with the safe and effective performance of duties or operation of City equipment. In the event there is a question regarding an employee's ability to safely and effectively perform assigned duties while using prescribed drug, authorization from a qualified physician may be required.
4. Must notify his/her department head of any criminal drug or alcohol statute conviction, for a violation occurring in the workplace, no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
5. A safety employee must notify his/her department head of all alcohol or criminal drug statute convictions, no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
6. Who thinks he/she may have an alcohol or drug use problem is urged to voluntarily seek free confidential assistance from the City's Employee Assistance Program (EAP) counselor. It is the responsibility of each employee to seek assistance before alcohol or drug problems lead to job related performance problems.

V. MANAGERS AND SUPERVISORS RESPONSIBILITIES AND GUIDELINES

1. Managers and supervisors are responsible for enforcement of this policy and will inform the Department Head and the Human Resources Manager of any violations.
2. Employees who may have a suspected alcohol or drug use problem should be encouraged to voluntarily seek confidential assistance from the City's Employee Assistance Program (EAP).
3. When it is suspected that an employee is under the influence of drugs or alcohol at the workplace, managers and supervisors shall prevent the employee from engaging in further work, remove the employee from the work place, consult with another manager or supervisor to confirm their suspicions, and then, take appropriate action. The employee shall be informed that a union representative or shop steward could be notified, at the employee's request. Managers and supervisors may notify the appropriate law enforcement agency.
4. When it is suspected that an employee may have illegal drugs or is under the influence if illegal drugs, managers and supervisors shall notify the appropriate law enforcement agency.

5. For employees working on programs receiving federal grant money, the City shall:
 - a. notify the Federal contracting agency within ten (10) days after receiving notice of an employee's criminal drug statute conviction occurring in the workplace. (41 U.S.C. Section 701-717)
 - b. impose a sanction, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program for any employee who is convicted of a criminal drug statute violation occurring in the workplace. (41 U.S.C. Section 701-707)

Federal D.O.T. Urine Specimen Testing Levels
From 49 CFR Part 40 Subpart F

All cutoff concentrations are expressed in nanograms per milliliter (ng/mL). The table follows:

Type of Drug or Metabolite	Initial Test	Confirmation Test
(1) Marijuana metabolites (i) Delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol-9-carboxylic acid (THC)	50	15
(2) Cocaine metabolites (Benzoylecgonine)	300	150
(3) Phencyclidine (PCP)	25	25
(4) Amphetamines (i) Amphetamine (ii) Methamphetamine	1000	500 500 (Specimen must also contain amphetamine at a concentration of greater than or equal to 200 ng/mL.)
(5) Opiate metabolites (i) Codeine (ii) Morphine (iii) 6acetylmorphine	2000	2000 2000 10 Test for 6-AM in the specimen. Conduct this test only when specimen contains morphine at a concentration greater than or equal to 2000 ng/mL.



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA ADMINISTRATIVE
POLICIES:**

Appendix D
Policy No. TBA

9/80 WORK SCHEDULE POLICY

Issued by: Barbara Barker, Human Resources Manager

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PURPOSE:

To set forth the City of Santa Barbara's policy and procedures governing the establishment and administration of an alternate work schedule commonly referred to as "9/80's".

This policy is intended to complement the provisions of the City of Santa Barbara's "FlexWork Policy" and "Child Care Personnel Policies". However, in the event of a conflict between those provisions and this policy, this policy shall control for all purposes.

POLICY:

The 9/80 alternate work schedule may be the standard assigned schedule for a position or work unit, or may be granted, at the employee's request, as an alternative work schedule under the City's FlexWork Program or Childcare Personnel Policies (also called "Family Friendly Policies"). The guidelines set forth in this policy will apply to any employee working a 9/80 schedule.

DEFINITIONS:

1. 9/80 Alternate Work Schedule

The 9/80 alternate work schedule shall consist of eight (8) work days of nine (9) hours and one work day of eight (8) hours for a total of eighty (80) hours during two (2) consecutive work weeks. For non-management employees, the eight (8) hour work day must be on the same day of the week as the employee's regular Flex Day Off (FDO). Under the 9/80 schedule, one calendar (e.g, Saturday-Friday) week shall consist of 44 work hours (four 9-hour days and one 8-hour day) and the alternating calendar week will consist of 36 work hours (four 9-hour days and one day off).

2. Flex Day Off

The Flex Day Off (FDO) shall be an eight (8) hour day and may occur on any day of the week. For non-management employees, the FDO must be the same day of the week as the employee's 8-hour work day that occurs in the preceding and subsequent work weeks (e.g. if the employee's regularly scheduled Flex Day Off is each alternate Friday, then the employee shall be scheduled to work eight hours the preceding and subsequent Fridays).



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9/80 WORK SCHEDULE POLICY

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3. 9/80 FLSA Workweek

Under the Fair Labor Standards Act, the workweek is defined as “a fixed and regularly recurring period of seven consecutive 24-hour periods (168 hours).” When an employee is assigned to a 9/80 schedule, the 9/80 work week begins on the employee’s 8 hour day, at exactly four (4) hours after the scheduled start time and ends 168 hours later, at the same time on the same day during the following week. This results in 40 straight time hours per FLSA workweek, and 80 straight time hours per pay period.

4. City Pay Period

The City’s pay period begins at 12:00 a.m. (midnight) on Saturday, and ends immediately before the same time on Friday two weeks later. This is different than the FLSA work period for an employee on a 9/80 schedule, whose FLSA workweek may span 2 pay periods.

5. Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)

The Fair Labor Standards Act is a Federal law that sets minimum wage, overtime pay, equal pay, recordkeeping, and child labor standards for employees that it covers.

6. Non-Exempt Employee

A non-exempt employee is an employee who, because of the type of duties performed, the usual level of decision making authority, and the method of compensation, is subject to the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act. Nonexempt employees are generally required to account for all hours worked and must be compensated at not less than time-and-one half at the regular rate for all hours worked over 40 in one FLSA workweek.

APPROVAL:

Scheduling of a 9/80 Work Schedule including the selection of the work days, work times, and the FDO, shall be done by management based on business needs, subject to the requirements of the applicable M.O.U. and/or sideletter governing the 9/80 Work Schedule.

The City and the Union agree that under certain circumstances, alternative work schedules (9/80, 4/10, and/or modified starting or ending times) may be beneficial to both employees and the City. Employees may request , upon their own initiative, consideration of an alternate schedule and/or FDO based on childcare, alternative commute, school, or other personal issues through the FlexWork Policy or Childcare Personnel Policies.



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CHANGES TO SCHEDULE LIMITED:

1. Changing the Flex Day Off

Once the FDO is designated, working on the FDO may incur overtime in one or more FLSA workweeks, therefore working on the FDO or making changes to the FDO requires management approval.

Temporary changes to the FLSA workweek and/or the FDO to avoid overtime are not permitted.

2. Working on the 8 Hour Day

Once the 9/80 schedule begins, working an alternate schedule on the 8 hour work day may incur overtime liability* in one or more FLSA workweeks. Therefore, altering an employee's schedule on the 8 hour day requires management approval. (*e.g., if an employee scheduled to work from 8-5 comes in 7-4 instead, one work week will incur 1 hour of overtime, and the employee will be short an hour in the next work week and need to use leave balances.)

HOLIDAYS, PERSONAL TIME OFF AND JURY DUTY:

1. Holidays

Employees on a 9/80 work schedule who are eligible for holiday pay will be entitled to the same Holiday pay as employees on a 10/80 (40 hour) work schedule. Paid holiday time is awarded based on regularly scheduled work day hours per holiday.

When the holiday is observed on the employee's FDO, the employee will accrue an additional 8-hour holiday day off. If required under the applicable M.O.U., such day off shall be taken within thirty (30) calendar days or shall be compensated at straight pay after the 30th day.

2. Personal Leave and Bereavement Leave

Employees on a 9/80 work schedule who are eligible for personal and/or bereavement leave will be entitled to the same Personal Leave and/or Bereavement pay as employees on a 10/80 (40 hour) work schedule. Personal Leave and Bereavement pay are granted to full-time employees in amounts equivalent to 8 hour days (e.g., the employee will be eligible for a total of up to 32 hours of personal leave and up to 40 total hours of bereavement leave). Personal Leave and Bereavement pay are charged at nine (9) hours for time taken on a scheduled nine hour day and (8) hours for time taken



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on a scheduled eight hour day.

3. Vacation, Sick, Compensatory Time, PTO, etc.

Time off from work using accrued vacation, sick, PTO, or other paid leave banks will be charged at nine (9) hours for time taken on a scheduled nine hour day. Time off from work on the eight (8) hour work day will be charged at eight (8) hours.

4. Jury Duty

An employee shall not be entitled to jury duty pay, or to overtime pay or compensatory time off for jury duty on the FDO. However, an employee on an absence exceeding one week for jury duty, military duty, etc. may request to temporarily switch back to a regular 10/80 schedule. The transition guidelines below will apply to approval of such request to transition to the 40-hour schedule (Section F2, below) or back from the 40-hour schedule (Section F1, below).

OVERTIME:

1. Overtime Earned

When an overtime-eligible employee is on a 9/80 work schedule, overtime for hours exceeding 40 in a workweek, both under the FLSA and as provided under any applicable M.O.U., will be based on the FLSA workweek. In other words, employees who are eligible for overtime shall receive overtime pay or compensatory time off for hours worked in excess of 36 or 44 hours in their respective scheduled (e.g., Sunday-Friday) calendar workweek.

Employees may also be eligible for overtime or compensatory time for other hours in excess of the regular 9/80 work schedule, as provided under the applicable M.O.U.

2. Overtime Paid

The 9/80 FLSA workweeks will not generally correspond with the City's pay periods. Therefore, where adjustments to overtime compensation cannot be calculated until the completion of the employee's workweek (e.g., when they occur in the last half of the 8 hour day), a one pay period's delay in the employee receiving the additional compensation may occur.



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TRANSITIONING TO OR FROM A 9/80 WORK SCHEDULE

When an employee transitions from a 10/80, 4/10, or other 40-hour per week work schedule to a 9/80 work schedule, there will be a change to the beginning of the FLSA workweek. This results in a situation in which 4 hours fall in both the old workweek and the new workweek. The following procedures are designed to avoid an overtime obligation during this change. Any deviation from these procedures must be approved in advance by management.

1. Transitioning to a 9/80 Work Schedule

For a non-management employee, the transition to a 9/80 work schedule will be set to begin during a 36-hour calendar workweek, when an FDO occurs. Four hours in the new FLSA workweek will overlap with the prior 40 hour calendar work week, but because the following calendar week will contain 36 hours, this will result in 40 hours of straight time in the first new FLSA work week.

2. Transitioning to a normal 40 hour Work Schedule

For a non-management employee, the transition back to a normal 40-hour work week (e.g. "10/80" or "4/10") from a 9/80 work schedule will be set to begin the week following a 36-hour calendar work week. This will result in 40 hours of straight time in both the prior FLSA 9/80 work week and the new regular FLSA calendar work week.

While this change will not lead to overtime, this will result in the employee working only 72 hours in the pay period in which the change occurs. Employees must use 4 hours from their available leave banks to make up this time not worked. [To avoid this result, management would need to approve the employee to work an additional 4 hours during that pay period, recognizing that those hours will be paid at the overtime rate.]

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA (“THE CITY”) AND THE SANTA BARBARA CITY EMPLOYEES’ ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 620 SERVICE EMPLOYEES’ INTERNATIONAL UNION, AF OF L, CIO (“THE UNION”) REGARDING TERM AND COMPENSATION OF RESIDENT PARKS CARETAKERS

Whereas, City owns several residential units on City park property that serve as caretaker residences;

Whereas, City wishes to lease such residential units to qualified City employees (“The Caretakers”);

Whereas, City and Union wish to document the terms and conditions of the employer-employee relationship incidental to these residential leases;

Now, therefore, City and Union enter into this agreement concerning the terms and conditions of employment of City park caretakers who are represented by Union.

1) **Lease Agreement.** Any Caretaker who is required or allowed to occupy a residential unit on City park property shall execute a lease agreement with the City. The lease agreement shall govern the landlord-tenant relationship between the City and the Caretaker. Any rent charged for the residential unit shall not exceed the maximum monthly amount allowed under section 10 of California Wage Order 4-2001, or any successor wage order (. Nothing in this Agreement or any Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the Union shall interfere with the enforcement of any of the provisions of the lease agreement between the City and the Caretaker. City and Union do hereby agree that City is not obligated to meet and confer with Union prior to enforcing any provision of the lease agreement including, but not limited to, termination of the lease. Furthermore, the Caretaker shall not have grievance rights regarding the terms, conditions and covenants of the lease agreement.

2) **Letter Agreement.** This Agreement shall govern the employer-employee relationship between the City and Caretaker. The terms of this Agreement shall supplement the terms of any adopted Memorandum of Understanding between City and Union applicable to the Caretaker’s employment. The terms of the Lease Agreement do not govern the employer-employee relationship. Incident to their residence in City parks, Caretakers may be required or allowed to perform miscellaneous services (“Caretaker Services”) including, but not limited to:

- a. Skofield Park – opening and closing park entrances, custodial services in park restrooms, park monitoring, special event monitoring and responding to security violations by observing and reporting incidents of fire, accidents, vandalism, illegal dumping, unauthorized camping or other illegal or unauthorized activity; protecting park property from damage and receiving comments and complaints from neighbors and park users. Caretaker to conduct a daily site walk of the property and maintain a log of all time spent on caretaker services.
- b. Franceschi Park – opening and closing park entrances, custodial services in park restrooms, park monitoring, and responding to security violations by observing and reporting incidents of fire, accidents, vandalism, illegal dumping, unauthorized camping or other illegal or unauthorized activity; protecting park property from damage and receiving comments and complaints from neighbors and park users. Caretaker to conduct a daily site walk of the property and maintain a log of all time spent on caretaker services.
- c. Douglas Family Preserve – park monitoring, and responding to security violations by observing and reporting incidents of fire, accidents, vandalism, illegal dumping, unauthorized camping or other illegal or unauthorized activity; protecting park property from damage and receiving comments and complaints from neighbors and park users. Caretaker to conduct a daily site walk of the property and maintain a log of all time spent on caretaker services.

3) **Services Only Required During Work Hours, No Standby Time.** All required Caretaker Services shall be assigned as part of the Caretaker's normal work hours. Outside the Caretaker's normal work hours, the Caretaker shall not be required to be on the park property or to be available to perform Caretaker Services at any time. Time spent on park property outside the Caretaker's normal work hours shall not be considered hours worked and shall not be subject to standby pay.

4) **Services Outside Normal Work Hours Permitted.** Notwithstanding the assignment of work hours in section 3 above, if the Caretaker is on the park property outside the Caretaker's normal work hours and the Caretaker becomes aware of a situation that requires immediate attention in order to protect public safety or public or private property, the Caretaker may, but is not required to, attend to the situation. Any such work shall be compensated in accordance with the wage specified in section 5 below. The Caretaker is not entitled to call-back time or shift differential pay for the services described in this section. City reserves the right to prospectively limit the number of hours spent on such caretaker duties outside of normal work hours.

5) **Pay for Services Outside Normal Work Hours.** If the Caretaker performs any Caretaker Services outside the Caretaker's normal work hours, the Caretaker shall be compensated at minimum wage for caretaker services. Overtime will be calculated as required by law based on the employees "weighted average" rate which is determined by dividing total earnings for the workweek, including earnings during overtime hours, at the straight time rate, by the total hours worked during the workweek, including the overtime hours. For example: 40 hours at \$10.00 an hour for regular employment plus 2 hours at \$6.75 an hour as a Caretaker yields an overtime rate of \$9.85 per hour (\$413.50, divided by 42 hours).

6) **Compensation for Services Outside Normal Work Hours Applied First Against Rent.** All compensation for Caretaker Services Outside Normal Work Hours described in Sections 4 and 5 shall first be applied as a credit against the rental value of the Caretaker residence (currently \$381.20). If the rent credit for any calendar month is exhausted, the Caretaker will be compensated for the additional Caretaker Services as a cash payment. If the Caretaker does not perform Caretaker Services equaling the rental value of the Caretaker residence, the remainder of rent will be forgiven by the City.

7) **Caretaker Services Log.** The Caretaker shall keep a detailed log of all Caretaker Services performed. Caretaker shall present a copy of this log to the Caretaker's supervisor monthly.

8) **Three Year Assignment.** Union agrees that the Caretaker assignment (and tenancy) shall generally be limited to a three-year term. At the conclusion of the three-year term, the Parks and Recreation Director may replace the Caretaker with another qualified Parks and Recreation Department employee who is able to perform the essential caretaker functions, or the City and the incumbent tenant may enter into a new three-year assignment and Lease Agreement. **[This section will not apply to Steve Spencer]**

**Appendix F
HOLIDAY CLOSURE PLAN
General Unit**

The City may implement a holiday closure for some or all operations with employees using paid leave, unpaid time, or working, consistent with the plan included below.

Employees will receive pay for normal legal holidays (Christmas Day and New Year's Day) as usual. The City reserves the right to cancel the Holiday Closure, and/or to call some or all available employees back to work in the event of a crisis or emergency.

EFFECT ON EMPLOYEES:

Employees in operations that close for the holiday closure period will have several options for their normal workdays. They may choose to:

- 1) **Take accrued paid leave.** Employees may use accrued leave from their vacation, personal leave, or compensatory time balances.
- 2) **Take voluntary leave without pay.** Employees who prefer leave without pay for all or part of the time may have the portion of time they were on unpaid leave spread over the remaining pay periods paid in the fiscal year, beginning the first pay period in which the unpaid leave is taken. As with all unpaid leaves of absence, some benefits (such as paid time off and retirement contributions) will not accrue during the unpaid leave. However, the Holiday Closure will not affect monthly health, life or disability insurance premium contributions.

Employees who opt to spread leave without pay over the remaining pay periods in the fiscal year, will be required to reimburse the City upon termination of employment if the full value of the time off has not been recouped.

- 3) **Work.** Employees may choose to work one or more days during the Holiday Closure. Employees who wish to work during the Holiday Closure must advise their Manager no later than November 15th

Work assignments during the Holiday Closure period may or may not fall within the employee's normal job duties, hours, or location. However, consideration will be given to the employee's normal job functions in making assignments, and such assignments will not be made for arbitrary or capricious reasons. Employees reassigned during the closure will receive a minimum of two weeks notice of the location and job function of the reassignment, and management will make reasonable efforts not to change such assignments thereafter, consistent with the needs of the City.

Some employees may be required to work during the closure. Management will make reasonable efforts to allow those employees who wish to take time off to be able to do so. Employees who wish to be off will not be denied the use of accrued paid leave unless an insufficient number of qualified volunteers are available to perform essential services.