City of SACRAMENTO

and

SACRAMENTO AREA

LOCAL 522

FIRE FIGHTERS

Labor Agreement
Covering Employees
in the Fire Department Unit

2014-2018
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PREAMBLE

This AGREEMENT, hereinafter referred to as the Agreement, entered into by the CITY OF SACRAMENTO, hereinafter referred to as the City, and SACRAMENTO AREA FIRE FIGHTERS, LOCAL 522, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE FIGHTERS, AFL-CIO, hereinafter referred to as the Union, has as its purpose the promotion of harmonious labor relations between the City and the Union, establishment of an equitable and peaceful procedure for the resolution of differences and the establishment of wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment.

ARTICLE 1 – RECOGNITION

1.1 RECOGNITION

a. The City hereby recognizes the Union as the exclusive bargaining agent for all employees in the Fire Department Unit, as defined in the City's Employer-Employee Relations Policy, and agrees to meet and confer and otherwise deal exclusively with the Union on all matters relating to the scope of representation pertaining to the said employees as authorized by law.

b. The Union will not object to the State Mediation and Conciliation Service or the American Arbitration Association conducting any election pursuant to the City's Employer-Employee Relations Policy.

ARTICLE 2 – PREVAILING RIGHTS

2.1 PREVAILING RIGHTS

a. The parties agree that this Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and concludes meeting and conferring on any subject, except as mutually agreed upon herein, or as otherwise mutually agreed upon, whether included in this Agreement or not.

b. The City reserves the right to make organizational changes with notification to the Union. If the result of such changes affects wages, hours and/or conditions of employment, the City agrees to meet and confer regarding the impact of such changes.

c. No alteration or variation of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by the parties hereto, and no oral understanding or agreement not incorporated here shall be binding on any of the parties hereto.

d. If any provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid by operation of law, or by any tribunal of competent jurisdiction or, if compliance with or enforcement of any such provision should be restrained by any said tribunal, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby.
ARTICLE 3 – CITY RIGHTS

3.1 CITY RIGHTS

The City retains the exclusive rights, among others, provided by and in accordance with and subject to applicable laws, civil service, City Charter and other regulations, and the provisions of this Agreement, including the grievance procedure herein: (a) to direct employees of the Fire Department; (b) to hire, promote, transfer and assign employees in positions within the Department consistent with applicable classification specifications; (c) to dismiss employees because of lack of work or for other reasonable and just cause; (d) to reprimand, demote, suspend or discharge employees for proper cause; (e) to determine the mission of the Department, its budget, its organization, the number of employees, and the methods and technology of performing its work; and (f) to take whatever action may be appropriate to carry out its mission in situations of emergency.

ARTICLE 4 – UNION AND EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

4.1 USE OF OFFICIAL CITY PAID TIME FOR CONDUCTING ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST TO UNION

a. Time Off to Participate in Scheduled Meeting and Conferring Sessions With City Management Representatives

In accordance with California Government Code 3505.3, and Article 4 of the City's Employer-Employee Relations Policy, the Union's duly designated "meet and confer" representatives shall be released from their duty assignments without loss of pay or other employment benefits, and without the obligation to furnish replacement personnel, in order to attend such scheduled "meet and confer" sessions with the City's management representatives.

b. Union Time Off at City Expense

Effective April 29, 2008, the Union shall be provided a "pool" of up to four thousand (4,000) hours per fiscal year for participating in activities not prohibited by law subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Such time off may be utilized by employees who are members of the Union.

(2) There shall be no limitation on the number of hours that may be used by one person nor on the times during which these hours may be used.

(3) Employees shall no later than twenty-four (24) hours before the use of pool hours notify the Fire Chief or his designated representative in writing thereof.
(4) The members of the Union using such time shall charge their
downtime to Cost Center 8132.

(5) Should the Union exceed the four thousand (4,000) allowable under
Cost Center hours, the Union shall reimburse the City no later than
the 10th day following the completion of the bi-weekly payroll period
in which time is used for all hours away from the job on Union
business, at the rate of 1.30 times the employee’s regular bi-weekly
hourly rate of pay for such hours.

c. **Time Off for Principal Executive Officer of IAFF #522**

In addition to the provision previously set forth in this Article, the City agrees
to allow the Principal Executive Officer of IAFF #522 unlimited shift trades with unlimited
waivers by members so trading. In connection with shift repayments and waivers for the
Principal Executive Officer time, the Union hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold
the City and its agents harmless for liability, suits, and costs incident to such replacement
and waiver to the extent authorized by law.

(1) The employee shall no later than twenty-four (24) hours before the
use of such time notify the Fire Chief or his designated representative
thereof.

(2) Time traded shall be in increments of a minimum of twenty-four (24)
hours.

(3) This Article shall not apply to any employee serving a probationary
period. Said employee shall have permanent status in either of the
following ranks: Firefighter, Fire Prevention Officer I and II, Senior
Fire Prevention Officer, Fire Investigator I and II, Fire Engineer, Fire
Captain, or Fire Battalion Chief.

4.2 **PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS**

a. In addition to continuing existing payroll deductions under plans to which the
City now is or shall hereafter be a contracting party, the City agrees to establish payroll
deductions for members of the Union for: (1) the normal and regular monthly Union
membership dues; (2) monthly insurance premiums for plans sponsored by the City or the
Union, not to exceed three (3) insurance deductions per member; and (3) charitable
contributions for the Firefighters Burn Institute.

b. All the above payroll deductions shall be subject to the following conditions:

(1) Such deductions shall be made pursuant to the terms and conditions
set forth in authorization forms approved by the City. Such forms
shall be those which are currently used. (Refer to Exhibits A-1 and A-
2.) Any changes or modifications shall be agreed upon between the
City and the Union.
4.3 BI-WEEKLY WARRANTS AND DEDUCTIONS

a. Except for payroll deductions requested by the employee in writing and duly authorized by the City as hereinafter provided, or required to be deducted by law or court order, the employee's entire pay warrant shall be made payable to the employee.

b. Salaries shall be paid on a bi-weekly basis. No changes in the specific bi-weekly period or the corresponding payday now in effect shall be instituted by the City without first meeting and conferring with the Union.

c. Changes in salary shall be reflected in the second regularly-issued pay warrant following the effective date of the change.

d. The City shall mail the pay warrant to an employee if the employee (1) submits to the designated Fire Department payroll clerk in writing a signed request to the effect which shall include the following statement: "I hereby indemnify and hold the City, its officers, agents and employees harmless against any claim made or any loss or liability I or others incur on account of this request"; and (2) the employee provides the payroll clerk with a stamped, self-addressed 9-1/2 x 4 inch envelope in which to mail the pay warrant.

4.4 BULLETIN BOARDS

The Union may, at its own expense, place one bulletin board not to exceed approximately 2' x 3' in size, in each fire station for the purpose of communicating normal and usual Union business to the membership. Specific placement of such boards within a station shall be subject to the approval of the Fire Chief. The officially designated Union representative in each station shall be responsible for maintaining such board. The Fire Chief reserves the right to prohibit the posting, and order the removal of, material that he reasonably concludes will be disruptive of the operations of the Fire Department. Claims of arbitrariness on his part in this regard shall fall under the grievance procedure.
hereinafter provided. The Union will keep the Fire Chief notified in writing of the names of its designated representatives in each station.

4.5 COMMUNICATION SYSTEM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements of Union meetings and official business will be allowed over the communication system of the Fire Department. Such announcements will be held to a minimum and preferably made at noontime. Requests for such announcements will be made with ample time in writing to the Department. If time is a factor, requests may be made orally.

4.6 AGENCY SHOP

a. General

As a condition of continued employment, all career employees who are paid one (1) or more hours salary (including injury-on-duty time under the City Charter) during a bi-weekly pay period shall be a member of the Union or pay an agency shop service fee to the Union in an amount determined as set forth in subsection (b) below. No employee shall be required to pay the service fee during the first sixty (60) calendar days of employment. The inclusion of the classifications of Fire Battalion Chief, Fire Captain, Fire Investigator II, and Senior Fire Prevention Officer under this Section shall not be presented as evidence by either party in any future unit determination dispute before a neutral administrative body, an arbitrator, or a court of competent jurisdiction.

The provisions of this Section shall remain in effect during the term of this Agreement and any mutually agreed upon extension of that term.

b. Service Fee

The service fee required in subsection (a) shall be an amount not to exceed the Union's uniformly-applied standard initiation fee, periodic dues and general assessments. In computing such amounts, the Union shall exclude expenditures for members-only benefits and Union expenditures for political and ideological purposes unrelated to collective bargaining, contract administration and grievance adjustment. Any dispute as to the service fee or the amount thereof shall be directed solely to the Union, and the City shall not be a party to the dispute.

Both the service fee and the Union dues may be paid to the Union through payroll deductions as set forth in Section 4.2. There is no obligation on the part of the City to provide payroll deduction for the three (3) organizations listed in subsection (c).

c. Religious Objection

Any employee otherwise required to pay a service fee under this Section, and who is a member of a bona fide religion, body or sect which has historically held conscientious objections to joining or financially supporting public employee organizations shall not be required to join or financially support any public employee organization as a
condition of continued employment. Such an employee shall be required as a condition of 
continued employment, in-lieu-of the service fee, to pay a sum equal to the service fee 
otherwise payable under this Section to a non-religious, non-labor charitable fund exempt 
from taxation under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). Upon request of the Union, 
such employee shall be required to submit to the Union proof of payment of the in-lieu-of 
service fee. For purposes of this Section, such employees shall choose from the following 
three (3) organizations:

United Way  
Combined Health Agencies Drive  
Firefighters Burn Institute

Employees claiming a religious exemption shall be required to file a written 
statement under oath or affirmation with the Union, which identifies the religious 
organization by name, if any, and which provides in detail that the employee and the 
organization meet all of the requirements for claiming the religious exemption.

d. Disclosure and Reporting

The Union shall keep an adequate itemized record of its financial 
transactions and shall make available annually, to the City and to the employees covered 
by this Section within sixty (60) days after the end of its fiscal year, a detailed written 
financial report thereof in the form of a balance sheet and an operating statement, certified 
as to accuracy by its President and Treasurer or corresponding Principal Officer, or by a 
certified public accountant. The Union, if required to file financial reports under the Labor-
Management Disclosure Act of 1959 covering employees governed by this Agreement, or 
if required to file financial reports under Section 3546.5 of the Government Code, shall 
instead provide the City with a copy of such financial reports.

e. Hold Harmless

The Union shall promptly refund to the City any amounts paid to the Union in 
error under this Section.

The Union expressly agrees to indemnify and hold the City harmless from 
any and all claims, demands, costs (including any costs incurred by the City in defense of 
a lawsuit), expenses, damages or other monetary losses arising out of or in any way 
connected with any action or inaction of the City in the adoption or administration of this 
Section. This hold harmless and indemnity agreement shall include but not be limited to 
employee legal actions of any sort or nature against the City based upon or related to this 
Section. Further, in the event that the City undertakes disciplinary action against an 
employee pursuant to this Section, this hold harmless and indemnity agreement shall 
cover all costs and expenses, including any costs incurred by the City in defense of a 
lawsuit.
f. **Change in Law**

In the event there is a change in the law whereby any provision hereof becomes invalid or if for any reason any provision of this Section is rendered unlawful by any published appellate court decision, this Section shall be forthwith deemed amended to comply with the change or decision in question.

g. **Discipline Procedure**

No employee shall be terminated under this Section unless:

1. The Union first has notified the employee by letter, explaining that he/she is delinquent in not tendering the required service fee, or payment in-lieu-of service fee pursuant to subsections (c) and (d) above, specifying the current amount of the delinquency, and warning the employee that unless such service fee, or payment in-lieu-of service fee, is tendered within thirty (30) calendar days, the employee will be reported to the City for termination as provided in this Section; and

2. The Union has furnished the City with written proof that the procedure of subsection (1) above has been followed, or has supplied the City with a copy of the letter sent to the employee and notice that he/she has not complied with the request. The Union must further provide, when requesting the City to terminate the employee, the following written notice:

   "The Union certifies that [employee's name] has failed to tender the agency shop service fee, or payment in lieu of service fee, required as a condition of employment under this Agreement and that under the terms thereof, the City shall terminate the employee."

No employee who is on injury-on-duty time under the City Charter shall be terminated under this Section.

h. **Duty of Fair Representation**

The Union shall accord fair representation in all matters to all employees in the unit without regard to whether the particular employee is a member of the Union. The duty of fair representation shall include but not be limited to all matters related to collective bargaining, discipline, contract administration, and grievance processing.

i. **Employee Rights**

Employees covered by this Agreement shall have all rights specified in Government Code Section 3502.5(b).
ARTICLE 5 – GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

No matter shall be considered as a grievance under this Article unless it is presented in writing within thirty (30) calendar days after occurrence of the events on which the grievance was based. With the consent of the City's third step representative the thirty (30) day time limit for filing grievance may be extended.

5.1 PURPOSE

a. This grievance arbitration procedure shall be the exclusive process to resolve grievances as that term is defined under subsection (a) of Section 5.2 below.

b. The purposes of this procedure are:

(1) To resolve grievances informally at the lowest possible level.

(2) To provide an orderly procedure for reviewing and resolving grievances promptly.

5.2 DEFINITIONS

a. A grievance is a good faith complaint of one or a group of employees, or a disagreement between the City and the Union, regarding the interpretation, application or enforcement of the express terms of this Agreement, or such provisions of the City's ordinances, resolutions and Civil Service Rules, and such directives of the Fire Department, as fall within the scope of representation, except to the extent that the City Charter vests jurisdiction elsewhere, in which event only such Charter-provided procedure may be used; and provided that disputes as to whether a matter is subject to this procedure shall not be determined pursuant to the provisions of this procedure.

b. As used in this procedure the term "immediate supervisor" means the individual who assigns, reviews and directs the work of an employee.

c. As used in this procedure the term "party" means an employee, the Union, the City or their authorized representatives.

5.3 TIME LIMITS

a. Each party involved in a grievance shall act quickly so that the grievance may be resolved promptly. Every effort should be made to complete action within the time limits contained in the grievance procedure, but with the written consent of all parties the time limitation for any step may be extended.

b. If the City does not meet time limits, the Union may process the grievance to the third step of the grievance procedure, and a hearing will be held within seven (7) calendar days. If no answer to a third step grievance is forthcoming within the appropriate time limits and no mutual agreement to extend the time limits in writing has been made, then the grievance will be granted in favor of the Union at the third step.
5.4 PRESENTATION

An employee and/or the Union representatives, may present a grievance while on duty, provided such use of on-duty time shall be kept to a reasonable minimum.

5.5 EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

The employee retains all rights conferred by Sections 3500 et seq., of the Government Code or Civil Service Rules and Regulations of the City unless waived by such employee.

5.6 APPLICATION

Grievances as defined in Section 5.2 shall be brought through this procedure unless the City Charter vests jurisdiction elsewhere.

5.7 INFORMAL DISCUSSION

The grievance initially shall be personally discussed between the grievant and his/her immediate supervisor. The grievant may have in attendance, and be represented by, the Union representative. Within seven (7) calendar days, the immediate supervisor shall give his/her decision or response.

5.8 FORMAL GRIEVANCE - STEP 1

If after discussions with the immediate supervisor, the grievant does not feel the grievance has been properly adjusted, the grievance may be reduced to writing, on the prescribed form. The grievance statement shall include the following:

a. A statement of the grievance clearly indicating the question raised by the grievance and the article(s) and section(s) of this Agreement, or such City ordinances, Resolutions, Civil Service Rules and such Fire Department directives that apply as applicable under Section 5.2(a) above.

b. The remedy or correction requested of the City.

c. The grievance form shall be signed by the grievant, the date and time of presentation affixed thereto, and signed as received by the Fire Deputy Chief in charge of Human Resources or designee. If the grievant is to be represented by the Union, the President of the Union or his designee shall also sign the grievance form to substantiate acceptance of such representation.

d. The Fire Assistant Chief shall assign the first level review to the employee's Fire Battalion Chief, or Fire Assistant Chief if applicable, who will give his/her answer in writing to the grievance within seven (7) calendar days from the time he/she received the grievance in writing. The written statement shall include:
(1) A statement of the Fire Battalion Chief’s, or Fire Assistant Chief if applicable, position and the facts upon which it is based.

(2) The remedy or correction which has been offered, if any.

5.9 FORMAL GRIEVANCE - STEP 2

a. If the grievant is not satisfied with the decision rendered pursuant to Step 1, he/she may appeal the decision within seven (7) calendar days to the Fire Chief, or his designee. The hearing of the grievance will be held within seven (7) calendar days of the second step appeal. The grievant may be represented by the Union representative. The grievant, the Union representative, and designated Department representative will meet in an effort to settle the matter.

b. Within fourteen (14) calendar days of the second step hearing, the Fire Chief, or his designee, shall respond in writing to the grievant.

c. If the grievant is not satisfied with the decision rendered pursuant to Step 2, he/she may appeal the decision within seven (7) calendar days to the City's Office of Labor Relations.

5.10 FORMAL GRIEVANCE - STEP 3

a. The Union's representative and the designated representative of Labor Relations will meet to hear a grievance appealed to the third step. A grievance appealed to the third step of the grievance procedure shall be heard within fourteen (14) calendar days after the appeal to the third step of the grievance procedure.

b. A written answer will be made within ten (10) standard workdays after the hearing, stating the City's position.

5.11 ARBITRATION - STEP 4

a. If the City's designated representative fails to respond in writing as provided in Step 3, or if the response is not satisfactory to the grievant, the grievant shall have the right to refer matters to binding arbitration. Such referral shall be made by written demand submitted to Labor Relations within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of the third step answer.

b. An arbitrator may be selected by mutual agreement between the Union representative and the City's representative.

c. Should the representatives fail to mutually agree on an arbitrator they shall make a joint request to the American Arbitration Association, or the State Mediation and Conciliation Service, for a list of five (5) qualified arbitrators. The parties shall each strike two (2) names from the list and the remaining person shall be accepted as the arbitrator. The first party to strike will be determined by the flip of a coin.
d. It is understood that the arbitrator will only interpret this Agreement or documents as cited in Section 5.2(a) above, and will in no instance add to, delete from, or amend any part thereof. The arbitrator's decision shall be final and binding on the City, the Union and grievant.

e. All fees and costs of the arbitrator and court reporter, if any, will be borne equally by the parties.

f. Either party to this Agreement shall, upon receipt of a written grievance, have the right to refuse to handle such grievance if the aggrieved party has not followed the steps outlined in this Article for processing a grievance.

5.12 GENERAL

a. The Union representative shall have the authority to settle grievances for the Union or employees at the respective steps of the grievance procedure.

b. At each step of the formal grievance procedure, a copy of the written decision shall be sent to the Union or other authorized representative at the same time as the decision is sent to the grievant.

ARTICLE 6 – SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

6.1 2014-2015 SALARIES

Effective December 27, 2014, the salary for the classifications listed below shall be adjusted as follows:

- Firefighter 5%
- Fire Engineer 5%
- Fire Captain 5%
- Fire Investigator I/II 4%
- Fire Battalion Chief 4%
- Fire Prevention Officer 3%
- Senior Fire Prevention Officer 3%

6.2 2015-2016 SALARIES

Effective December 26, 2015, the salary for the classifications listed below shall be adjusted as follows:

- Firefighter 4%
- Fire Engineer 4%
- Fire Captain 4%
- Fire Investigator I/II 3%
- Fire Battalion Chief 3%
- Fire Prevention Officer I/II 2%
Senior Fire Prevention Officer 2%

6.3 2016-2017 SALARIES

Effective December 24, 2016, the salary for the classifications listed below shall be adjusted as follows:

- Firefighter 3%
- Fire Engineer 3%
- Fire Captain 3%
- Fire Investigator I/II 2%
- Fire Battalion Chief 2%
- Fire Prevention Officer I/II 2%
- Senior Fire Prevention Officer 2%

6.4 2017-2018 SALARIES

There shall be no scheduled salary increases during Fiscal Year 2017-18. The parties agree to meet and discuss salary increases for FY2017-18 no later than January 31, 2017. Any modification must be by mutual written consent and the discussions are not subject to the Charter impasse procedures.

ARTICLE 7 – SALARY ADMINISTRATION

7.1 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT COMPENSATION RATE

The rate of compensation upon original appointment shall normally be Step 1, as applicable. However, if the City Manager or designee finds that the appointee has extraordinary qualifications, or that a higher step is necessary in order to recruit, appointment at any step in the range may be made. This provision shall apply to original appointments to career positions and appointments to non-career positions.

7.2 ADVANCEMENT IN RATE OF COMPENSATION

a. Advancement in Steps

(1) Upon successful completion of twenty-six (26) weeks (1,040 hours or 1,456 hours for suppression) of service, an employee shall be advanced to the next higher step of the salary range of the classification. Employees who thereafter maintain a normally satisfactory level of performance shall be advanced automatically at fifty-two (52) week (2,080 hours or 2,912 for suppression) intervals to succeeding steps of the assigned salary range.

(2) Time spent on leave of absence without pay of ten (10) or less consecutive workdays (four (4) shifts for suppression) shall not affect the step increase eligibility date. For such leaves in excess of ten
(10) consecutive working days or four (4) shifts, all leave time shall not count toward step increases.

(3) An employee who has completed the required probationary period in his/her current classification and who is at a salary step lower than top step may be advanced to any higher step in the salary range for that classification at any time. Such step advancement under this provision shall not be subject to the grievance procedure and shall be at the sole discretion of the Department Head.

(4) This Section shall not apply to non-career employees.

b. Denial of Step Increase and Reduction in Grade

Employees who do not maintain a satisfactory level of performance may be denied advancement, and may be reduced within grade upon approval of the appointing authority. Employees in the civil service who are denied advancement, or who are reduced in grade, shall have the right to appeal to the Civil Service Board in accordance with its rules and regulations. (This subsection shall not apply to non-career employees.)

c. Effective Date of Step Increases/Payroll Changes

All payroll changes shall be effective on the first day of the bi-weekly pay period following the date the employee became eligible for a pay increase, which bi-weekly pay period shall begin at 12:01 a.m. Saturday of the first week, and end at 12:00 midnight on the Friday of the second week.

d. Effective Date of Salary Step Increase Upon Extension of Probationary Period

(1) If the probationary period is extended due to light duty, sick leave, or injury-on-duty time, the salary step increase will be delayed for the period of the extension. However, the probationary period shall only be extended if the time exceeds thirty (30) consecutive calendar days.

(2) For an employee in a classification with a six (6) month probationary period who successfully completes the extended probationary period, the period of the extension shall be included in determining the eligibility date for the salary step increase. For example, an employee is appointed on January 4, 1986, and works in the regular assignment until April 11, 1986. On April 12, 1986, the employee is on injury-on-duty time until July 4, 1986, and returns to the regular assignment on July 5, 1986. The employee successfully completes the probationary period on September 26, 1986. The effective date of the salary step increase is July 5, 1986, because the period April 12, 1986, to July 4, 1986, is included in determining the salary step eligibility date.
(3) When the probationary period is extended for an employee in a classification with a twelve (12) month probationary period who has successfully completed less than twenty-six (26) weeks of service, the employee shall be eligible for a salary step increase upon successful completion of twenty-six (26) weeks of service, excluding the period of the extension. The period of the extension, however, shall be included in determining the eligibility date for the salary step increase. The effective date of the salary step increase is determined in accordance with the example given above.

(4) When the probationary period is extended for an employee in a classification with a twelve (12) month probationary period who has successfully completed more than twenty-six (26) weeks of service and who successfully completes the extended probationary period, the period of the extension shall be included in determining the eligibility date for the next salary step increase. The effective date of the salary step increase is determined in accordance with the example given above, except fifty-two (52) weeks is required rather than twenty-six (26) weeks.

(5) If a probationary period is extended due to an unpaid leave of absence, the period of such extension is excluded in determining the eligibility date for a salary step increase.

7.3 EFFECT OF CLASSIFICATION CHANGE ON RATE OF COMPENSATION

a. Movement to a Higher Classification

When an employee moves from one classification to another which has a higher salary, through examination, appointment to an exempt position, temporary appointment in the absence of an eligible list, or reallocation, the employee shall receive an increase at least equal to a full in-grade salary step five percent (5%) or Step 1, as applicable, of the higher classification, whichever is greater, but not to exceed the maximum rate of the higher classification.

When a Firefighter receiving Paramedic License Pay, pursuant to Article 15.2(b)(2), is promoted to a Fire Engineer or Fire Captain, the step placement shall recognize the reduction of the Paramedic License Pay and salary shall be set to cover that reduction as well as an increase of approximately five percent (5%), but not to exceed the maximum rate of the higher classification.

b. Movement to Another Position in the Same Classification or to a Classification With the Same Salary Range

When an employee moves to another position in the same classification or to another classification with the same salary range, the employee shall maintain the same salary and same anniversary date.
c. **Movement to a Lower Classification**

When an employee's position is reallocated to a classification with a lower salary range, the employee shall suffer no reduction in salary, and the Y-rate provisions of this Agreement shall apply. The salary of an employee who voluntarily demotes shall be that salary step nearest but does not exceed such salary paid in the previous classification.

7.4 **EFFECT OF CHANGE OF SALARY RANGE UPON COMPENSATION**

Whenever the salary range of a classification is adjusted upward, the salary rate of each employee in the classification shall be adjusted to the step in the new range which corresponds to the step received in the former range, and the employee shall retain the current anniversary date for further increases within the new range.

7.5 **RATE OF COMPENSATION UPON RETURN TO CITY SERVICE**

a. An employee recalled after layoff, reinstated after a leave of absence, or reemployed in the same classification after resignation shall return to the same salary step paid at the time of departure.

b. If the employee is reemployed after resignation to a classification lower than that in which last employed, the employee may receive any step, but not to exceed the salary of the classification in which last employed. If that step is other than the maximum step of the salary range, the anniversary date for subsequent in-grade adjustments shall be twelve (12) months from the date of reemployment and each year thereafter until the maximum step of the salary range is reached.

7.6 **RATES HIGHER THAN STEP TOP STEP (Y-RATE)**

Whenever the salary of an employee exceeds the top step of the salary range established for a classification, such salary shall be designated as a "Y-rate". During such time as an employee's salary remains above the top step, the employee shall not receive further salary increases, except that upon promotion to a higher classification, the employee shall immediately advance to the step of the range of the higher classification next above the "Y-rate", and be eligible for advancement to succeeding steps in the range as outlined in this Agreement. In the event an employee is "Y-rated" below top step, as applicable, the employee shall be permitted to advance to the maximum step of the original range.

7.7 **LONGEVITY PAY**

Employee eligibility for longevity pay shall be determined as provided in Section 108 of the City Charter. The amount to be paid annually on the second check in July after twenty (20) years of City service shall be one hundred dollars ($100), and after twenty-five (25) years of City service, an additional two hundred dollars ($200), for a total of three hundred dollars ($300).
ARTICLE 8 – HEALTH AND WELFARE

8.1 CONTRIBUTION TO FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME CAREER EMPLOYEES

a. The City agrees to make contributions (City dollars) as defined below. Except as provided herein, the City dollars shall be applied first to the employee contribution to retirement, and then through the IRS Section 125 Plan toward premiums for City-sponsored medical, dental, disability, and/or life insurance covering the eligible employee; and union-sponsored short-term disability, long-term disability, cancer, health, dental and accidental death and dismemberment insurance. One-half (1/2) of such contributions will be made to eligible employees on each of the first two (2) paydays in a calendar month for insurance coverage the first and second halves of that month, respectively.

b. Eligible employees shall receive a City contribution for each such pay period if the employee is paid for one or more hours of salary. Employees who are paid less than one (1) hour salary per payday may continue elected coverage limited to the City's medical, dental, and life insurance plans for up to six (6) months, by personal remittance or other arrangement for payment of the full premiums of any insurance elected to be continued.

c. All terms and conditions of medical, dental, disability, and basic life insurance sponsored by the City will be as outlined in certificates of coverage and related insurance contracts. Eligible career employees may apply the City contribution for the City's disability plan or the Union-sponsored disability income protection plan, but not both.

8.2 CONTRIBUTION TO NON-CAREER EMPLOYEES

a. The City agrees to contribute City dollars as provided below, on either a 100% or 50% basis, for non-career (+1,040) employees. Except as provided herein, the City dollars shall be applied toward the premiums for City-sponsored medical and dental insurance plans for eligible employees and qualified dependents, if any. The amount of City contribution for each of the first two (2) pay periods of each month shall be based on the number of hours for which the employee was paid in that bi-weekly pay period: 64 or more hours paid (89.6 hours for suppression) = 100% contribution; 40-63.9 hours paid (56-89.5 hours for suppression) = 50% contribution.

b. To be eligible for City dollars under this Section, the non-career employee must be paid for a minimum of forty (40) hours (fifty-six (56) for suppression) of work on each payday. If the employee fails to be paid for the minimum forty (40) hours (fifty-six (56) hours for suppression) necessary to receive the City contribution, the City shall deduct from the employee's paycheck the amount needed to pay for the insurance plans which the employee has selected. If this deduction from the employee's paycheck cannot be made in its entirety, it is the responsibility of the individual employee to pay for the remaining amount. Failure to do so before the end of the calendar month including such
paycheck(s) shall automatically drop the employee from the City-sponsored insurance program until the next open enrollment period.

8.3 AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTION

a. Employees Enrolled in an Account-Based Health Plan (ABHP)

(1) The ABHP is a combination of a High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) and a Health Savings Account (HSA).

(2) Employees enrolled in an ABHP shall receive City contributions as defined below. To the extent that the premium for the ABHP is less than any City contributions outlined below, any remaining City contribution shall be credited to the employee’s HSA, to the extent allowed by law. If the excess contribution exceeds the annual HSA amount allowed by law, the employee will receive cash payment for the difference.

(3) Career employees who enroll for the first time in an ABHP no later than December 31, 2014, shall have an HSA credited with a one-time City contribution of $2,000 on or before January 31, 2015. This provision applies to employees who have never received the City contribution of $2,000.

b. Employees Not Enrolled in an ABHP

(1) Employee Only

(a) For full-time employees enrolled in a City-sponsored health plan for employee only, the City contribution shall be up to $460 per month or a contribution equal to lowest cost City health and dental rate, whichever is greater.

(b) Effective January 1, 2015, for full-time employees enrolled in a City-sponsored health plan for employee only, the City contribution shall be $721 per month.

(2) Employee Plus One Dependent

(a) For full-time employees enrolled in a City-sponsored health plan for employee plus one dependent, the City contribution shall be $850 per month.

(b) Effective January 1, 2015, for full-time employees enrolled in a City-sponsored health plan for employee plus one dependent, the City contribution shall be $883 per month.

(3) Employee Plus Two or More Dependents
(a) For full-time employees enrolled in a City-sponsored health plan for employee plus two dependents, the City contribution shall be $1200 per month.

(b) Effective January 1, 2015, for full-time employees enrolled in a City-sponsored health plan for employee plus two dependents, the City contribution shall be $1243 per month.

c. Part-time employees shall be prorated as indicated in 8.2(a).

d. The City will eliminate the out-of-area health plans for unit employees effective plan year 2015.

e. Parity on Amount of Contribution with Sacramento Police Officers Association (SPOA)

   (1) Any increase in the monthly City contribution to health and welfare benefits given to the bargaining unit represented by SPOA with effective dates during the period January 1, 2015, through and including June 22, 2018, shall be given to employees in the Fire Department Unit.

   (2) This subsection (e) shall terminate on June 22, 2018, regardless of the status of negotiations of a successor agreement with the Fire Department Unit.

   (3) This subsection (e) will not be considered part of the status quo in the absence of a successor agreement and will not be extended beyond June 22, 2018, absent the written agreement of the parties.

8.4 COVERED DEPENDENTS

a. An employee who has a domestic partner, and has a notarized City-provided affidavit, may cover the domestic partner under the employee’s City-sponsored health plan. The employee will pay for the premium difference for the domestic partner coverage as an out-of-pocket employee cost. In no event will the City's monthly health and welfare contribution be used to pay for the cost of the domestic partner's coverage.

b. An employee who has a domestic partner, and is registered with the Secretary of State of the State of California, may cover the domestic partner and/or the domestic partner's children, under the employee’s City-sponsored health plan. Employees with registered State of California domestic partners shall receive the City contributions as specified in Section 8.3.

c. The definition of dependent child for purposes of health insurance shall be as determined under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). The definition of dependent child for purposes of dental and vision insurance shall be as outlined in certificates of coverage and related insurance contracts. As of the date of this
Agreement, that definition includes an adult child up to age 26, grandchildren living in the employee grandparent’s home, disabled children, step-children, adopted children, wards and foster children provided they qualify as the subscriber’s or subscriber’s lawful spouse’s dependent under IRS rules and regulations.

8.5 CASH-BACK LIMITS

a. The cash-back of City dollars from the IRS Section 125 Plan shall be limited to $200 per month for career employees who waive City-sponsored health insurance. Part-time employees shall be pro-rated as indicated in 8.2(a).

b. New employees or employees who are not receiving the cash back as of January 1, 2016, shall not be eligible for the cash-back option.

c. Employees transferring to classifications in the Fire Department Unit who are receiving cash-back at the time of transfer may maintain the cash-back option as long as they continuously waive City-sponsored health insurance.

8.6 LIFE INSURANCE

The City will provide basic life insurance in an amount of $15,000 to each eligible career employee at no charge if the employee is paid one (1) or more hours of salary per payday on the same basis as in Section 8.1(b). The use of the City contribution for the purchase of additional life insurance shall not exceed a total of $35,000 City-sponsored term life insurance.

8.7 UNION REPORTING

The Union agrees to furnish to the City, on request, information on each employee's enrollment in union-sponsored insurance to which the City contribution under Section 8.3(a) of this Article may be applied. This information shall be furnished so that the proper amounts of City contribution and employee contribution toward insurance premiums can be clearly distinguished. Such information may include, but not limited to, types of coverage, individual premiums, copies of enrollment cards or application for coverage, premium rate schedules, and/or copies of itemized premium billings.

8.8 FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNTS

The City shall offer a Flexible Spending Accounts (FSA) to employees as permitted by Internal Revenue Service Regulations. The City shall provide a summary of IRS rules on flexible spending during each open enrollment period.

8.9 RETIREES OR SURVIVOR DEPENDENTS

Eligible City retirees or survivor dependents shall receive City-paid health insurance contributions for health, dental, and vision insurance benefits under the following provisions:
a. **Retiree Insurance Contribution**

Retirees shall be eligible to receive the total of the lowest cost health plan for one, the lowest cost dental plan and twenty-five dollars ($25).

b. **Employees Hired Before January 14, 2015, and Retiring On or After July 1, 1992**

For employees retiring on or after July 1, 1992, the following terms apply:

(1) Except as provided below, to be eligible for the City retiree insurance contribution for retiree only, the employee must retire from active service with a minimum of ten (10) full years of City service for a service, ordinary disability retirement, or deferred retirement, and age 50.

(2) Employees retiring with thirty (30) or more years of City service shall be eligible for the City's retiree insurance contribution effective with the date of retirement without regard to age.

(3) The City's retiree insurance contribution shall be as follows:

   (a) Employees with a minimum of ten (10) full years of City service but less than fifteen (15) full years of City service shall be eligible to a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the City's retiree insurance contribution identified in subsection (a) above.

   (b) Employees with a minimum of fifteen (15) full years of City service but less than twenty (20) full years of City service shall be eligible to a maximum of seventy-five percent (75%) of the City's retiree insurance contribution identified in subsection (a) above.

   (c) Employees with a minimum of twenty (20) full years of City service shall be eligible for up to one hundred percent (100%) of the City's retiree insurance contribution identified in (a) above.

(4) There shall be no City retiree insurance contribution for retirees with less than ten (10) full years of City service.

c. **Employees Hired On or After January 14, 2015**

(1) Retirees shall be eligible to receive up to $774 from the date of retirement until the retiree reaches Medicare eligibility age.

(2) Retirees shall be eligible to receive up to $387 from the date the retiree reaches Medicare eligibility.
d. Contribution to Retiree Health Benefit

(1) The City will set up a post-employment health trust for members of the Fire Department Unit (“Trust”).

(2) Effective June 27, 2015, the City shall pay $45 per month, per employee, and all employees shall pay $45 per month into the Trust for the benefit of members of the Fire Department Unit.

(3) The employees’ contributions will be deducted on a pre-tax basis to the extent permitted under state and federal law. The City makes no representation as to the taxable nature of this deduction. The City and each employee shall retain liability for their respective tax obligations.

e. Retiree Insurance Contribution Exclusion

Retirees who participate in another group health plan as an employee or dependent spouse shall not be eligible for the City contribution outlined above.

f. Industrial Disability or Death in Line of Duty Survivors

Retirees who receive industrial disability pensions or death in-line-of-duty survivors will be entitled to one hundred percent (100%) of the City retiree insurance contribution for retirees regardless of years of service.

g. Survivor Dependents Benefits

Survivor dependents of eligible employees or retirees shall be entitled to the same benefit amount as the employee was eligible to at the time of death.

h. Medicare Supplement

In order to maintain eligibility for the City retiree insurance contribution, each eligible retiree and dependent shall enroll in Medicare Parts A and B immediately after becoming eligible for such benefits.

8.10 RETIREES HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

During the term of the Agreement, the parties agree to meet and discuss the establishment of Retiree Health Savings Accounts pursuant to Internal Revenue Service Code Section 125. Any modification must be by mutual written consent and the discussions are not subject to the Charter impasse procedures.
ARTICLE 9 – WORKING CONDITIONS FOR FIRE SUPPRESSION PERSONNEL

9.1 DAILY HOUR VALUE

The hour value of a leave day for vacation, sick leave or other leave shall be determined by dividing the average number of regularly-scheduled weekly hours by five (5), which result provides the ratio of hours of all weekly hour schedules to the 5 day-40 hour per week employee. The value of an hour for the 5 day/40 hour schedule shall be 1.4 and a day shall be 11.2 hours. The value of an hour for the 4 day/10 hour schedule shall be 1.4 and a day shall be 14 hours.

9.2 WEEKLY ANNUAL REPORT

It is agreed that the gross annual hours for Firefighters, Fire Engineers, Fire Captains and Fire Battalion Chiefs assigned to the fire duty schedule shall be 2,912 hours (56 hours per week times 52 weeks) for each fiscal year.

9.3 HOLIDAYS

a. Firefighters, Fire Engineers, Fire Captains and Fire Battalion Chiefs who are assigned to the fire suppression schedule shall receive fourteen (14) holidays per calendar year (14 holidays times 11 hours and 12 minutes per holiday equals 156 hours and 48 minutes). Holiday hours will be credited and/or paid off over twenty-four (24) bi-weekly pay periods.

b. The one hundred fifty six (156) hours and forty-eight (48) minutes of holiday hours shall be credited to each employee in equal bi-weekly accruals of six (6) hours and thirty-two (32) minutes.

c. After twenty-four (24) hours of holiday hours have accrued, the remaining one hundred thirty two (132) hours and forty-eight (48) minutes shall be paid off in equal bi-weekly payments over the remaining applicable pay periods.

d. Holiday hours shall be credited to an employee’s leave accrual bank provided the employee is in paid status.

e. Employees who are hired into a classification listed in (a) above any time after the first pay period of each calendar year, shall accrue less than the total of one hundred fifty six (156) hours and forty-eight (48) minutes of holiday hours, but will be credited with six (6) hours and thirty-two (32) minutes each applicable pay period. Twenty-four (24) hours of holiday hours will be reserved before employees begin receiving pay for the remaining holiday hours.

f. Holiday hours shall be used to offset vacation time off as follows:

(1) Employees earning 10 vacation days per year: Holiday Earned = 1:36/shift

(2) Employees earning 15 vacation days per year: Holiday Earned = 3:00/shift
(3) Employees earning 20 vacation days per year: Holiday Earned = 1:36/shift

(4) Employees earning 20 vacation days per year and who sell back 1 week in lieu of vacation: Holiday Earned = 3:00/shift

9.4 SCHEDULE AND HOURS

a. Under the existing duty schedule, Firefighters, Fire Engineers, Fire Captains and Fire Battalion Chiefs report for duty at 8:00 a.m., and go off duty at 8:00 a.m. the following morning, and are scheduled to be on duty four (4) 24-hour periods and off-duty eight (8) 24-hour periods in a 12-day cycle. The duty schedule is as follows:

"X" denotes work day or duty shift

"O" denotes day off or shift off duty

X-X-O-O-O-O-X-X-O-O-O-O

b. Payroll records will correctly reflect the above work schedule of the said shift employees commencing with the first pay period that begins after the effective date hereof. Example: A twenty-four (24) hour shift beginning at 8:00 a.m. on a Monday and ending at 8:00 a.m. on a Tuesday will show sixteen (16) hours on-duty time on Monday and eight (8) hours on-duty time on Tuesday.

c. The basic daily work schedule shall be from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. However, it is recognized that department operations and training needs may require schedules other than 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Where possible and feasible all training and work of a non-emergency nature will be performed between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and will conform to the job classification specifications as defined by Civil Service Board Rules and Regulations.

ARTICLE 10 – WORKING CONDITIONS FOR FIRE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIGNMENT

This Article goes into effect June 27, 2015, and applies to the classifications of Firefighter, Fire Engineer, Fire Captain, and Fire Battalion Chief while working in an administrative assignment.

10.1 ASSIGNMENT TO ADMINISTRATION

a. Recruitment notices for administrative assignments must include the job duties and expectations, desired qualifications, and a description of the application and evaluation process. The notice shall be posted for a minimum of ten (10) calendar days before the application closing date.

b. At a minimum, the evaluation process will consist of a review of applicant resumes and interviews with all qualified candidates.
c. In the event of two (2) or more qualified applicants with equal knowledge, skills, abilities, and experience, seniority will be the tie-breaking factor.

d. Management shall attempt to fill all administrative assignments with qualified applicants. If no qualified applicants are available, vacancies shall be filled by reverse classification seniority of qualified, permanent employees.

e. Administrative assignments have a two (2) year term. Management may shorten or extend this term after thirty (30) days written notification to the employee.

10.2 WORKWEEK

a. The workweek for employees covered by this Section shall begin at 12:01 a.m., Saturday and end at 12:00 Midnight the following Friday. The employees' workweek shall consist of eight (8) consecutive hours per day for five (5) consecutive days for a total of forty (40) hours.

b. An alternative workweek schedule for employees on administrative assignment may established consisting of forty (40) hours in increments of four (4) ten (10) hour workdays or five (5) eight (8) hour workdays, or a 9-80 workweek schedule consisting of four (4) nine (9) hour workdays, four (4) nine (9) hour workdays, and one (1) eight (8) hour workday during an eighty (80) hour bi-weekly period. Management retains the right to determine days off on the schedule and agrees to discuss the schedule with the Union thirty (30) days in advance of changes to the 9-80 workweek schedule. Upon receipt of the written notice, the alternative workweek schedule will be terminated on a date mutually acceptable to the City and the employees or thirty (30) calendar days from the date of written notice, whichever occurs first.

10.3 HOLIDAY BENEFIT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIGNMENT PAY

a. The following shall be the recognized holidays for employees covered by this Article:

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b. Employees on administrative assignment shall not be eligible for additional holiday benefits pursuant to Section 9.3.

c. To be eligible for holiday pay, the employee shall work the scheduled workday before and after the recognized holiday. Paid time on vacation, sick leave, or CTO shall be considered hours worked for the purpose of holiday pay eligibility.

d. If the recognized holiday falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be considered the employee's holiday.

e. If the recognized holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be considered the employee's holiday.

f. **Floating Holidays**

   (1) **Accrual**

   In addition to the recognized holidays provided in Section 10.2(a) above, an employee hired shall receive the equivalent of two (2) floating holidays per fiscal year on an accrual basis at the rate of forty (40) minutes per pay period for twenty-four (24) pay periods per year. The employee shall accrue floating holiday credit for each pay period for which the employee is paid one or more hours of salary.

   (2) **Administration**

   (a) The scheduling of floating holiday time must be approved in advance by the appointing authority or designated representative.

   (b) An employee may carry-over from the preceding calendar year a maximum of eight (8) hours of floating holiday accrual. Except for the eight (8) hours carry-over, all accumulated floating holiday hours accrued and not used by the end of the pay period which includes January 8 shall be paid to the employee in cash at the straight-time rate on the payday covering that pay period.

10.4 **CONVERSION OF LEAVE BALANCES**

   a. When an employee fills an administrative assignment all leave balances accrued or earned on a suppression schedule shall be converted by dividing the current balances by the daily hour value of 1.4.

   b. While on an administrative assignment, all leave balances shall be accrued or earned based on a forty (40) hour workweek.
c. When an employee returns to a suppression schedule from an administrative assignment all leave balances shall be converted by multiplying the current balances by the daily hour value of 1.4.

10.5 OVERTIME

a. When an employee on administrative assignment fills a suppression assigned position of equal rank, the employee shall receive the suppression overtime rate of pay for the position plus incentive pay.

b. When an employee on administrative assignment fills a suppression assigned position of lower rank, the employee shall receive the suppression overtime rate of pay for that position at the maximum hourly rate of pay plus incentive pay.

c. The daily hour value shall apply to overtime worked on the administrative 5/8 or 4/10 schedule, but shall not apply to suppression schedule hours or overtime hours worked.

d. Incentive pay shall be additive and not compounded.

ARTICLE 11 – WORKING CONDITIONS FOR FIRE PREVENTION PERSONNEL

This Article, unless a classification is not referred to or specifically excluded, applies to the classifications of Fire Investigator I and II, Senior Fire Prevention Officer, Fire Prevention Officer I and II, and Fire Prevention Officer Trainee.

11.1 FIRE PREVENTION OFFICERS

This Section applies to the Senior Fire Prevention Officer, Fire Prevention Officer Trainee, and Fire Prevention Officer I and II classifications in the Fire Department.

a. **Workweek**

The workweek for employees covered by this Section shall begin at 12:01 a.m., Saturday and end at 12:00 Midnight the following Friday. The employees’ workweek shall consist of eight (8) consecutive hours per day for five (5) consecutive days for a total of forty (40) hours.

b. **Shift Differential**

(1) Employees covered by this Section, who work five-eighths (5/8) or more of their regular shift in the period extending from 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., shall be compensated by payment for the entire shift of an additional five percent (5%) of their base pay for that shift. Said employees, who work less than five-eighths (5/8) of their regular work shift in the period extending from 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., shall be compensated for those hours worked (to the nearest one-half hour)
within this period by payment of an additional five percent (5%) of their base pay for such hours.

(2) An employee shall not receive night-shift premium pay when on vacation or other authorized leave of absence with pay.

c. **Vacation Administration**

The maximum number of Fire Prevention Officer I/II's scheduled to be on vacation, CTO, PTO, holiday credit accrued, or a 9/80 day off each working day shall not exceed fifty percent (50%) of the filled FTEs in each Fire Prevention Unit.

d. An alternative workweek schedule consisting of four nine (9) hour workdays, four nine (9) hour workdays, and one eight (8) hour workday during an eighty (80) hour bi-weekly period shall be established for Fire Prevention Officers. Management retains the right to determine days off on the schedule and agrees to discuss the schedule with the Union thirty (30) days in advance of changes to the 9-80 workweek schedule. Management reserves the right to discontinue such schedule upon thirty (30) days' notice if after joint review and concurrence it is determined that staffing, workload, or services are impaired.

11.2 **FIRE INVESTIGATOR I**

This Section shall apply only to the Fire Investigator I.

a. **Work Schedule**

   (1) The work schedule for Fire Investigator I shall consist of a 10-hour (0800-1800 hours) day shift, a 14-hour (1800-0800 hours) night shift and a 24-hour (0800-0800 hours) shift:

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   T = 24 Hour Shift
   D = Day Shift
   N = Night Shift
   X = Day Off

   (2) The Fire Investigator I shall rotate in consecutive order of Schedule 1, 2, 3, and 4.
(3) The 10-hour, 14-hour, and 24-hour work shifts shall be considered regular work hours paid at straight time.

b. Holidays

(1) It is agreed that Fire Investigators I shall receive fourteen (14) holidays per year.

(2) There shall be 112 (14 x 8.0) holiday hours paid in cash in twenty-four (24) bi-weekly increments of 4 hours and 40 minutes.

c. Vacation Credit

Vacation credit shall be taken in the calendar year following the calendar year in which it is earned.

d. Vacation Administration

The vacation schedule shall operate on straight seniority based on the date the employee entered the Fire Department. The employee will select either his/her vacation or his/her splits the first time around. After the complete list has been gone through, then the second and third choice will be made under the same procedures.

e. Shift Trades

Shift trades may be permitted at the discretion of the Fire Marshal.

11.3 FIRE INVESTIGATOR II

Workweek

The workweek for employees covered by this Section shall begin at 12:01 a.m., Saturday and end at 12:00 Midnight the following Friday. The employees' workweek shall consist of eight (8) consecutive hours per day for five (5) consecutive days for a total of forty (40) hours.

11.4 OVERTIME COMPENSATION

a. The City agrees that it will compensate employees for overtime pay at one and one-half (1-1/2) times their regular rate of pay when employees are required to work in excess of a regularly scheduled work shift, forty (40) hours per workweek, or on a recognized holiday. All paid time shall count as time worked for the purposes of calculating overtime. Effective June 27, 2015, all paid time shall count as time worked for purposes of calculating overtime with the exception of sick leave. The Fire Investigator I shall not receive overtime on a recognized holiday.
b. Overtime shall be paid in cash, except an employee may request compensating time off (CTO) as the method of payment. The City reserves the right to deny the CTO request.

c. Both the cash payment and the CTO shall be computed at the rate of time and one-half the number of overtime hours worked. Any CTO must be approved by the Fire Marshal.

d. Employees may accrue up to eighty (80) hours of CTO up to the last pay period in June of each year. All CTO not used by this time will be paid to the employee. Any hours of CTO not used by this time will be paid in cash. This cash payment will be included in the second paycheck in July.

11.5 HOLIDAY BENEFIT

a. Except for the Fire Investigator I, the following shall be the recognized holidays for employees covered by this Article:

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b. To be eligible for holiday pay, the employee shall work the scheduled workday before and after the recognized holiday. Paid time on vacation, sick leave, or CTO shall be considered hours worked for the purpose of holiday pay eligibility.

c. If the recognized holiday falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be considered the employee's holiday.

d. If the recognized holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be considered the employee's holiday.

e. Floating Holidays

(1) **Accrual**
In addition to the recognized holidays provided in (a) above, an employee hired shall receive the equivalent of two (2) floating holidays per fiscal year on an accrual basis at the rate of forty (40) minutes per pay period for twenty-four (24) pay periods per year. The employee shall accrue floating holiday credit for each pay period for which the employee is paid one or more hours of salary.

(2) Administration

(a) The scheduling of floating holiday time must be approved in advance by the appointing authority or designated representative.

(b) An employee may carry-over from the preceding calendar year a maximum of eight (8) hours of floating holiday accrual. Except for the eight (8) hours carry-over, all accumulated floating holiday hours accrued and not used by the end of the pay period which includes January 8 shall be paid to the employee in cash at the straight-time rate on the payday covering that pay period.

(c) An employee who leaves City employment or who has been granted a leave of absence without pay for a period exceeding ninety (90) calendar days shall be paid for all accrued floating holiday time at the straight-time rate.

11.6 VACANCIES

a. When the Fire Marshal is absent, and with the approval of the Fire Chief, if a qualified Senior Fire Prevention Officer or Fire Investigator II is assigned to, and performs substantially all of the administrative and other responsibilities of the Fire Marshal, and does so for a minimum of two (2) consecutive hours, the employee working out-of-classification will be entitled to out-of-classification compensation as per Section 18.1 of this Agreement.

b. When a temporary vacancy exists in the position of Fire Investigator II and Fire Investigator I is assigned to, and performs substantially all of the administrative and other responsibilities of the Fire Investigator II and does so for a minimum of two (2) consecutive hours, the Fire Investigator I working out-of-classification will be entitled to out-of-classification compensation as per Section 18.1 of this Agreement.

c. When a temporary vacancy exists in the position of Senior Fire Prevention Officer and a Fire Prevention Officer I/II is assigned to, and performs substantially all of the administrative and other responsibilities of the Senior Fire Prevention Officer and does so for a minimum of two (2) consecutive hours, the Fire Prevention Officer I/II working out-of-classification will be entitled to out-of-classification compensation as per Section 18.1 of this Agreement.
d. When a vacancy occurs within a job assignment due to expansion, retirement, death, removal, resignation, promotion, or demotion, such job assignment shall be subject to bid by members in the Fire Prevention Bureau under the same provision expressed in Section 21.1 of this Agreement.

11.7 MEAL TIME (8-HOUR DAY)

a. Time allocated for meals will be uninterrupted. Every employee will have a regular unpaid meal period of one hour which shall be scheduled generally in the middle of the work shift.

b. In the event the meal period is interrupted for Fire Department business, at the option of the employee, approved by the Fire Marshal, the employee shall be:

   1. paid time and one-half for the entire meal period;
   2. given an alternate meal period;
   3. allowed to leave the shift early.

11.8 LOCKERS

Except for Fire Prevention Officer classifications, clothes lockers will be provided for turnout gear.

11.9 COVERALLS

The City shall provide one pair of coveralls to employees. The employees shall be responsible for cleaning and maintaining these coveralls.

11.10 SAFETY SHOES

a. For Fire Prevention Officers, the City shall reimburse said employees for the cost of an acceptable safety shoe up to a maximum of $125.00 per pair, or up to a maximum of $175.00 per pair if special order is required, and normally no more than two (2) pair per fiscal year. When needed employees may purchase and request to be reimbursed for two pairs of safety shoes at the same time. To be eligible for this reimbursement, the employee must obtain prior authorization from his/her supervisor before purchasing safety shoes and must submit the receipt to the supervisor to verify the cost and substantiate the reimbursement.

b. The City maintains the right to specify the type of required safety shoe.

c. The City shall seek to contract for provision of safety shoes consistent with current Fire practice and the limitations provided herein.
11.11 VOLUNTARY WORK FURLough PROGRAM

Pursuant to the Furlough/Reduced Work Week Policy, the City may establish for full-time career employees a voluntary work furlough/reduced work week consisting of a full day of unpaid leave on a variable schedule or a work schedule which is modified on a regular fixed basis to less than forty (40) hours per week. Employees shall apply for participation in the program pursuant to the conditions set forth in the rules and procedures governing this citywide program.

ARTICLE 12 – ROLL CALL AND CALL-BACK

12.1 ROLL CALL PREambLE

Roll Call is designed to facilitate staffing for Fire Suppression, Advanced Life Support (ALS) services, and specialty assignments. To that end, the process requires early assignment to vacancies and limits changes once assignments are made. Vacancies will be filled as early as possible to avoid hold-overs and unnecessary moves. The priority is to fill specialty assignments first.

12.2 PROJECTED AND DAY OF VACANCIES

a. All projected full shift and partial shift vacancies created by absences of employees that have been scheduled in advance shall be filled in advance of the shift on which the absence is to occur.

b. Projected and unprojected vacancies will be filled consistent with the roll call manual.

c. All unfilled projected and day of vacancies will be filled from the Mandatory List prior to the on-duty callback shift being relieved.

12.3 MAXIMUM WORK PERIODS

a. Employees, including those on mandatory callback, may work up to a maximum of seventy-two (72) hours without a break in service.

b. Upon reaching the maximum allowable work period, employees shall be required to remain off-duty for a minimum of twelve (12) hours before being assigned to duty.

12.4 AMBULANCE VACANCIES

a. Firefighters assigned to the medic rotation, while on rotation, shall only shift trade with other Firefighters able to fill the medic position. Firefighters assigned to a medic rotation, while on medic rotation, are not eligible for HAZMAT, Rescue, Boat, or any other specialty, or acting assignments.
b. Flex Medic Unit(s) shall be staffed by utilizing an available paramedic(s) or a paramedic and EMT who are unassigned after minimum staffing has been completed. Thereafter, the procedures for overtime callback apply.

c. **Ambulance Bid Process**

(1) Probationary firefighters will complete fifty percent (50%) of their one-year probation on the ambulance.

(2) Except for probationary assignments, ambulance program assignments shall be awarded according to seniority.

(3) The ambulance program will be open for bid October 1 of each year and shall close October 15 each year. Assignment bids shall be awarded by December 31 of that same year, to be effective the first day of the first full FLSA period effective January 1 or later.

(4) Requests for bidding into the ambulance program shall be submitted via Telestaff beginning the open period mentioned above.

   (a) The EMS Division shall assign open ambulance vacancies using reverse seniority of firefighters on shift who are off probation until the list of qualified employees has been exhausted or the remaining vacant positions are filled.

   (b) This process shall occur on December 15 and effective the first day of the first full FLSA period effective January 1 or later.

   (c) Employees assigned to the unbid positions may give up the assignment as qualified lesser seniority non-probationary employees become available.

   (d) This process shall not be considered a displacement pursuant to 12.4(e).

(5) Each bid for ambulance assignment shall consist of a specific shift, team and station.

(6) Based on seniority, if the first open assignment on an ambulance team is bid by an EMT-I, the remaining assignment shall be open to a paramedic exclusively.

(7) Based on seniority, if the first open assignment on an ambulance team is bid by an EMT-P, the remaining assignment shall be open to an EMT-I or EMT-P.
(8) Personnel with a current suppression assignment shall retain their spot only if bidding on their current shift. Should that person bid to another shift, they will lose their current suppression assignment.

(9) There are no bumping rights for personnel who request to change shifts.

(10) Personnel who bid and win a medic assignment shall remain in the ambulance program for a commitment of one year. The program commitment will reset in January of each year. Exceptions to the program commitment will be promotion or removal of personnel from the ambulance by the EMS Division for cause. Any employee leaving their ambulance assignment for any reason, other than listed above, will forfeit their ability to bid for one (1) year.

(11) Vacancies will be filled by the bid process.

d. Requirements and Eligibility

(1) Firefighter EMT-I and Firefighter EMT-P who are off probation at the time of the bid shall be eligible to bid into the ambulance program.

(2) Firefighter EMT-I and Firefighter EMT-P shall meet all requirements set forth in the Sacramento Fire Department Manual of Operations, Section XI, Subject 70.

(3) The requirements set forth in the Manual of Operations XI shall be reviewed and agreed upon by the Fire Department and Union as needed.

e. Displacements

(1) Personnel without a suppression assignment that are displaced by probationary employees shall fill available vacancies on their respective ambulance rotation prior to relief team members.

(2) Personnel with both suppression and medic assignments that are displaced by probationary employees shall return to their suppression assignment for the duration of the medic displacement. If by seniority the member would be in the relief team, they will be utilized as a relief team member.

(3) Probationary employees who are assigned to the medic units shall not receive the medic assignment pay. The medic assignment pay shall remain with the employee who is displaced and owns the assignment pursuant to Article 15.
12.5 OVERTIME AND CALL-BACK PAY

a. Day of call-back staffing will begin at 6:00 a.m. If Fire Administration is unsuccessful in the first attempt to contact an off-duty employee by computerized tracking telephone for call-back purposes, Fire Administration shall proceed to the next name on the call-back list. Such employee shall be charged for the overtime work as a refusal.

b. All paid time shall count as time worked for the purposes of calculating overtime. Effective June 27, 2015, all paid time during the two-week pay period shall count as time worked for purposes of calculating overtime with the exception of sick leave.

c. When employees are called out of their homes at times they are not regularly scheduled to report to duty, they shall be paid at their straight time base rate of pay or time and one-half, consistent with (b), above, from the time they report to duty at the location they were ordered to report to until relieved at that location from such unscheduled assignment, plus travel time enroute from their home to such location up to a maximum of sixty (60) minutes, except that in no event shall they be compensated for less than three (3) hours for such call-out from their homes.

d. When it becomes necessary to call employees in to replace employees in non-emergency situations, employees of equal rank to the position which caused the recall shall be called for replacement. This shall occur only after existing eligible register on that shift has been exhausted, except however, that callback to fill the position of Firefighter shall not recognize rank. When an employee of higher rank is called to fill the position of Engineer or Firefighter, the employee so called shall receive overtime at the maximum hourly rate of pay for the position the employee fills. Travel time provided under subsection (c) shall not apply to employees in fire suppression who are recalled and work sixteen (16) hours or more and forty (40) hour per week employees who are recalled and work six (6) hours or more. In no event shall employees be compensated for less than three (3) hours for each such call-out from their homes.

e. The Fire Battalion Chiefs are exempt from the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA). The City agrees to pay Fire Battalion Chiefs at their straight time base rate of pay or overtime at the rate of time and one-half, consistent with (b), above, for all hours worked beyond their regularly scheduled twenty-four (24) hour shift or the regularly scheduled fifty-six (56) hour workweek.

12.6 NOTIFICATION OF ROLL CALL CHANGES

The City reserves the right to make roll call and callback changes with notification to the Union prior to the change. If the result of such changes affects wages, hours and/or conditions of employment, the City agrees to meet and confer regarding the impact of such changes.
ARTICLE 13 – SHIFT TRADING

13.1 SHIFT TRADING

a. Consistent with the operational requirements of the Fire Department to maintain public health and safety, employees may trade twenty-four (24) hour shifts or incremental portions of four (4) hours. The Department reserves the right to deny shift trades for operational or public health and safety reasons.

b. Trades shall be permitted subject to the following terms and conditions:

(1) Unless approved by the Fire Chief or designee, trades shall only be permitted between career employees with at least six (6) months of Firefighter level service with the Sacramento Fire Department and of the same rank and ability.

(2) All shift trades shall be entered in Telestaff at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the trade and reviewed by the employee's immediate supervisor.

(3) Fire Battalion Chiefs shall be responsible for the coordination and scheduling of shift trades for themselves.

(4) Fire Captains shall supervise and be responsible for the coordination and scheduling of shift trades for themselves and their assigned personnel.

(5) Employees on the Fire Battalion Chief, Fire Captain, Fire Engineer, and Fire Investigator eligible list must notify Roll Call of all shift trades by telephone and/or email as early as possible prior to the trade.

(6) The employee replacing the assigned employee shall be responsible for shift coverage. In the event the replacement employee fails to complete the shift trade as arranged, such employee shall work off, at no cost to the City, all hours worked by an employee assigned by Fire Administration to cover the position, as follows:

(a) The replacement employee shall schedule for completion a repayment period with Fire Administration for the time period missed within one hundred twenty (120) days.

(b) These hours worked off by the replacement employee shall not be considered hours worked for pay purposes and shall not be recorded on the timecard.

(c) If the replacement employee fails to complete the trade due to an authorized use of sick leave, such employee shall have the option to work off the time period missed within one
hundred twenty (120) days or, if the employee has sufficient sick leave hours accrued, to charge sick leave hours to cover the time period missed.

(7) If the Department transfers an employee to another shift and as a result of such transfer, a conflict arises relative to the application of this Article, the employee will be required to effect completion, correction, or cancellation if the trade is in excess of thirty (30) days from date of notice of transfer. Thirty (30) days or less from date of notice of transfer will be the responsibility of the City.

(8) If an employee is to be off work due to a duty injury, he/she will assume the responsibility for completion, corrections, or cancellation of shift trades that are scheduled beyond the fifteenth (15th) day from the date of injury.

(9) A leave of absence authorized to an employee automatically defers all shift trade activity within the duration of the leave.

(10) An employee is not eligible to work a shift trade while on light duty or limited duty assignment.

(11) The Union shall indemnify, defend, and hold the City harmless against claims, liability, and suits which may arise as a result of this Section.

ARTICLE 14 – UNIFORMS AND COVERALLS

14.1 UNIFORMS

a. **Uniform Allowance**

Effective January 24, 2015, the City shall reimburse employees in the amount of thirty-five dollars ($35.00) bi-weekly for regulation items of uniform that the Fire Department requires to be worn as a condition of employment. There shall be no change in the number, style, and color of uniforms without agreement by the Union.

b. **Uniform Replacement**

(1) Reimbursement for the cost of replacing irreparable uniforms damaged in the line of duty, and not due to ordinary wear and tear, shall be made only under the following conditions:

   (a) Damage must be reported during the same shift to the employee’s immediate supervisor who shall: (1) verify that the damage occurred in the line of duty, and (2) make an entry in the station log (written statement for assignments
outside Fire Suppression) to that effect. Disputed claims of damaged items not reported on the same shift but reported within seven (7) calendar days of occurrence shall be resolved in accordance with Section 14.1(b)(4).

(b) The employee must confirm the damage in writing to his/her immediate supervisor within seven (7) calendar days from the date of occurrence.

(c) The claim for replacement reimbursement must be submitted to the Fire Department for review. The Fire Department shall make a determination as to whether the claim should be approved or disapproved in an expeditious manner.

(d) Proof of purchase of the replacement article, which includes the employee’s name, date of purchase, item of clothing and price, shall be provided with the reimbursement claim.

(2) Uniform repair and maintenance shall be the responsibility of the employee.

(3) Reimbursement for replacement shall be at the discretion of the Fire Chief or designee and shall not be subject to the grievance procedure.

(4) Disputes shall be resolved by a committee consisting of one representative each from Fire Administration, Labor Relations, and the recognized employee organization.

14.2 COVERALLS FOR EQUIPMENT SERVICING ACTIVITIES

The City shall provide and maintain coveralls for those employees in the Fire Department Unit whose assigned duties include the mechanical servicing and repair of trucks and engines.

ARTICLE 15 – INCENTIVE PAY

15.1 FIRE EDUCATIONAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM

a. Fire Battalion Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Engineers, Fire Investigators I and II, and Firefighters shall receive incentive compensation in addition to the base rate of pay for the following:

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(2) Bachelor’s Degree – 5%  

b. Employees who do not possess an EMT certificate shall be reduced ten percent (10%) (two steps) in base salary on or after the date the Fire Department implements an EMT Certificate training and license testing procedure. Employees who do not possess an EMT certificate prior to the date of implementation shall be reduced seven and one half percent (7.5%) in base salary.

c. The Fire Department reserves the right to insure the work force is capable of performing necessary duties associated with the possession of EMT certificates by a sufficient number of employees needed to deliver Emergency Medical services to the public.

d. Employees eligible for the Fire Science incentive on July 4, 1987, shall continue to be eligible for such incentives.

e. Senior Fire Prevention Officer, and Fire Prevention Officer I and II shall receive nine and one-half percent (9.5%) incentive compensation in addition to the base rate of pay for possession of a Fire Technology Certificate (FT) from a California Community College/State Board of Fire Services approved Fire Technology program and three and one-half (3-1/2) years of seniority with the Sacramento Fire Department. Such employees shall also receive a two and one half percent (2.5%) incentive compensation for an Associate Degree with seven (7) years of service in the classification; a five percent (5%) incentive compensation for possession of a Bachelor’s Degree from an accredited university or college; and a five percent (5%) incentive compensation for an EMT Certificate.

f. Employees hired on or after the effective date of this Agreement must possess a Fire Technology Certificate from a California Community College/State Board of Fire Services approved Fire Technology program and three and one-half (3-1/2) years of seniority with the Sacramento Fire Department in order to be eligible for the Fire Science certificate (FS) incentive.

g. Incentive pay rates shall not be compounded.

h. Employees who earn a Certificate or Degree and meet the seniority requirements set forth above shall place their Certificate(s) on file with the Fire Department Administration, who will verify and process for appropriate incentive compensation.

i. The City may authorize bilingual pay when it is determined to be necessary for the operation. The City shall determine what languages are appropriate for such pay and the number of employees to be certified. To be eligible for bilingual pay, the employee must be determined to be verbally proficient, and if necessary for the assignment, proficient in the written language. The City will arrange the certification and testing process and authorize the bilingual pay. Bilingual pay shall be paid at the rate of twenty dollars ($20) bi-weekly for any pay period in which the employee is certified. An
employee who is receiving bilingual pay may be required to provide assistance to any City operation.

15.2 PARAMEDIC LICENSE PAY AND ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT (ALS) ASSIGNMENT

The following terms and conditions shall apply to those employees who are eligible to and/or assigned paramedic duties:

a. Firefighter/paramedics shall be required to possess a Sacramento County EMT-Paramedic License as a condition of continued employment for two (2) years from the date they were appointed to the career Firefighter classification and began probation. Failure to maintain the required Paramedic License during the initial two (2) years of career service shall constitute just cause for disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

b. **Paramedic License Pay**

   (1) Employees in the classifications of Fire Engineer and Fire Captain shall receive license incentive compensation for possession of the EMT-Paramedic License. The incentive shall be at the rate of four percent (4%) of base pay.

   (2) Employees in the classification of Firefighter shall receive license incentive compensation for possession of the EMT-Paramedic License. The incentive shall be at the rate of ten percent (10%) of base pay.

   (3) The Paramedic License pay is in addition to any other incentives.

   (4) Each employee receiving such Paramedic License pay may be assigned to paramedic duties on an ambulance, except that the assignment of an on-duty Fire Captain or Fire Engineer will only be made when there is no available paramedic on duty and the mandatory overtime call-back list has been exhausted.

c. **Medic Assignment Pay**

   (1) Effective June 21, 2008, employees in the classification of Firefighter who are regularly scheduled to work on the ambulance shall receive an additional seven and one-half percent (7½ %) incentive on top of the base pay.

   (2) Effective May 31, 2014, employees in the classification of Firefighter who are on the Medic Relief Team shall receive an additional seven and one-half percent (7-1/2%) incentive on top of base pay for all regular duty hours worked on the ambulance.
(3) These incentives shall be additive and not compounded with any other incentive.

d. Preceptor Duty Pay

(1) The City will assign preceptor duties and responsibilities to Firefighter (Paramedic) for the purpose of monitoring paramedic interns completing a paramedic internship and to otherwise evaluate new employees during the eight (8) shift “sign-off” period prior to assignment to the medic rotation.

(2) A qualified Firefighter (Paramedic) preceptor shall oversee the medical duties of the paramedic intern for a minimum of four hundred and eighty (480) hours, or until the intern is released from the program. The preceptor may be assigned to precept additional hours when the preceptor demonstrates to Fire Administration that additional hours by the paramedic intern will be necessary so as to complete his/her paramedic internship. Fire Administration will determine and authorize the additional number of hours the preceptor will be assigned to assist the paramedic intern in his/her completion of the internship.

(3) A Firefighter (Paramedic), once assigned to perform preceptor duties and who has performed those duties for ninety-six (96) hours or more, shall not be eligible to volunteer out of the assignment until after completion of precepting the paramedic intern, except in emergency situations and by mutual agreement between the Fire Department and the Firefighter (Paramedic). Firefighter (Paramedics) who have performed less than the minimum ninety-six (96) hours may volunteer out of the assignment if, based on seniority, they are eligible to rotate off the required Medic assignment teams.

(4) The City retains the right to discontinue the Preceptor Program at any time by providing five (5) days written notice to the Union. A Firefighter (Paramedic) who has performed preceptor duties for two (2) consecutive internships, shall not be assigned to precept again without a break of a minimum of six hundred (600) hours.

(5) Effective March 1, 2008, Firefighter (Paramedics) who are assigned to precept an intern and to evaluate new employees during the eight (8) shift “sign-off” period prior to assignment to the medic rotation, shall be paid at the rate of nine and one-half percent (9-1/2%) for each hour assigned to perform preceptor duties and responsibilities which shall be added to the base rate of pay. Preceptor Duty Pay is additive and is not compounded with any other type of pay or incentive.
e. A qualified Firefighter (PAR) preceptor shall have held, in good standing, a Sacramento County EMT-Paramedic accreditation for no less than three (3) consecutive years, and, shall have served as a paramedic for no less than two (2) years with the Fire Department.

f. Qualified employees assigned to precept shall be made from volunteers. Seniority shall be a consideration for preceptor assignments.

15.3 CONTINUING EDUCATION AND LICENSE FEES

a. The City will make available continuing education (CE) requirements for the EMT and EMT-Paramedic license while the employee is on duty, and to the extent practicable give notice of the training classes prior to the scheduling of vacations. If an employee fails to attend such CE training, the employee shall be responsible for obtaining the requisite CEs at their own expense and on their own time.

b. The City shall reimburse employees upon proof of payment for EMT-Paramedic License and Accreditation fees:

(1) EMT-Paramedic License State fee: $200 every other year.

(2) EMT County fee: Sacramento County EMS (SCEMS) $25 application fee and State of California recertification fee $37.

c. This Section does not apply to Fire Prevention Officer I/II or Senior Fire Prevention Officer.

15.4 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (HAZMAT) INCENTIVE


b. A California State-certified hazardous materials specialist regularly assigned to a HAZMAT company shall receive an assignment pay of five percent (5%) which shall be added to the base rate of pay. This assignment pay shall include the certificate pay in subsection (d) below.

c. A California State-certified hazardous materials specialist who works at a HAZMAT company on a temporary, intermittent, call-back, shift trade or detailed basis shall receive a five percent (5%) assignment pay for all hours actually worked on the HAZMAT company. This assignment pay shall include the certificate pay in subsection (d) below.

d. In addition to those regularly assigned in subsection (b) above, up to a maximum of sixty (60) employees, on a ratio of 1 Fire Captain, 1 Fire Engineer and 2 Firefighters, who are California State-certified hazardous materials specialists, shall receive a certificate pay of two and one-half percent (2-1/2%) which shall be added to the base rate of pay.
e. In addition to those regularly assigned in subsections (b), (c) or (d) above, additional employees who are California State-certified hazardous materials specialists shall receive five percent (5%) for hours worked.

f. The Fire Department will continue to provide one HAZMAT training course each year, as practicable. The Department will send as many employees as feasible, consistent with the budget, and will maintain a goal of twenty (20) employees per class. Seniority shall be a primary consideration for enrollment and may only be passed over for cause.

15.5 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIGNMENT PAY

When Fire Administration assigns a suppression employee to an administrative assignment for a period of more than thirty (30) working days, the employee shall receive nine and one-half percent (9-1/2%) in addition to the regular rate of pay. This shall not be applicable to employees on modified or light duty or employees being accommodated from their regular suppression assignment.

15.6 RESCUE INCENTIVE

a. Employees who are regularly assigned to a Department designated Rescue company and who are qualified as defined below to perform Rescue Operations shall receive an assignment pay of five percent (5%) which shall be added to the base rate of pay.

b. This incentive shall be additive and not compounded.

c. Employees qualified as defined below and assigned to a Department designated Rescue company on a temporary basis shall receive the incentive compensation for all hours worked at the Rescue company.

d. Effective June 21, 2008, up to fifty (50) employees who have received the required training for rescue certification and are not regularly assigned to a Rescue company shall receive a certification pay of two and one-half percent (2-1/2%) which shall be added to the base rate of pay. The ratio of these fifty (50) employees shall be fifty percent (50%) Firefighters, twenty-five percent (25%) Fire Engineers and twenty-five percent (25%) Fire Captains.

e. Qualified employees as mentioned above are those employees who have obtained the California State-certified Rescue Systems (RS) I and RS II certificate. Only those employees who hold an active RS I and RS II certificate will be assigned to a Rescue company as mentioned above. The Fire Department shall maintain a “detail pool” of employees eligible for assignment to a Rescue company who have presented an original copy of their RS I and RS II certificates to Fire Department administration.

f. Employees who promote or transfer out of a Rescue company shall no longer be eligible to receive the Rescue assignment pay, except as provided in (c) above.
g. Employees who no longer possess an active RS I and RS II certificate shall not be eligible to receive the Rescue assignment or certification pay and shall be reassigned.

h. To be eligible for future assignment at a Rescue company upon promotion or transfer, only those employees who possess an active RS I and RS II certificate shall be eligible. Seniority shall be a primary consideration and an employee may only be passed over for cause.

i. Shift trades into a Department designated Rescue company may be accomplished only by equal rank and only by those employees who possess an active RS I and RS II certificate.

15.7 BOAT INCENTIVE

a. Effective June 20, 2009, employees who are regularly assigned to a Department designated Boat company and who are qualified as defined below to perform Boat Operations, shall receive an assignment pay of two and one-half percent (2-1/2%) which shall be added to the base rate of pay.

b. This incentive shall be additive and not compounded.

c. Employees who promote or transfer out of a Boat company mentioned above shall no longer be eligible to receive the Boat assignment pay.

d. Employees who no longer possess an active Boat Operator certificate shall not be eligible to receive the Boat Operations assignment pay and shall be reassigned.

e. To be eligible for future assignment to a Boat company upon promotion or transfer, only those employees who possess an active Boat Operations certificate shall be eligible. Seniority shall be a primary consideration and an employee may only be passed over for cause.

f. Shift trades into a Boat company may be accomplished only by equal rank and only by those employees who possess an active Boat Operations certificate.

15.8 MEDICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING PAY

a. Employees in the classification of Firefighter (PAR) assigned by the Department to support the Emergency Medical Service (EMS) program shall be paid Medical Quality Assurance Pay. The incentive shall be at the rate of nine and one-half percent (9-1/2%) of base pay.

b. Employees assigned to Medical Quality Assurance Training shall be responsible for providing guidance, instruction, training, remediation and evaluation of Department EMT and Paramedic personnel as directed by the Department.
15.9 AGREEMENT TO DISCUSS SPECIALTY PAYS

The parties agree to meet no later than January 1, 2016, to discuss all specialty pays (Article 15 – Incentive Pay). Any modifications of the agreement must be by mutual written consent and the discussions are not subject to Charter impasse procedures.

ARTICLE 16 – PHYSICAL PERFORMANCE EXAMINATIONS

16.1 PHYSICAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT/PROGRAMS

Employees hired on or after June 30, 1990, shall be required, as a condition of continued employment, to participate on an annual basis in a physical performance assessment or participate in the department’s Fitness in the Firehouse Program. Refusal to participate shall subject such employee to disciplinary action, up to and including termination. The physical performance assessment and the Fitness in the Firehouse Program will be conducted during on-duty time only. This provision does not apply to Fire Prevention Officers.

ARTICLE 17 – LEAVE BENEFITS

17.1 SICK LEAVE

a. Accrual and Usage

(1) A full-time employee shall accumulate sick leave credits at the rate of one day per month (5 hours, 36 minutes for fire suppression personnel and 4 hours for all other employees in 24 pay periods on the first two paydays of each month) of employment which may be used at the discretion of the employee in the event of illness or injury which is not job-related. In accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Board, one-third (1/3) of accrued sick leave may be used after exhaustion of injury-on-duty time; however, the combination of temporary disability payments and sick leave shall not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the employee’s regular rate of pay.

(2) An employee in active service of the City eligible to accumulate sick leave credits may in January each year, receive a cash payment for twenty-five percent (25%) of the unused portion of sick leave credits accumulated during the preceding calendar year from January 1 through December 31, provided the employee shall have to his/her credit on December 31, immediately preceding the date for payment, a total of at least sixty (60) sick leave days accumulated. The employee shall be paid for such percentage of sick leave accumulation at the rate of pay which the employee was receiving on January 1 of each year in which payment is made. The amount of
time for which an employee is paid shall be deducted from the employee's total accumulation.

(3) An eligible employee may elect to receive cash payments for accumulated sick leave by notifying the Payroll Section, Department of Finance in writing of such election no later than January 1 of each year.

b. Sick Leave Cash-Out/Conversion to PERS

(1) PERS

(a) PERS members hired prior to January 14, 2015, with more than twenty (20) years of City service, shall be eligible to cash out sick leave and/or convert sick leave to PERS service credit as follows:

(i) Eligible employees, or persons entitled by law to the possession of the estate of a deceased employee, may receive payment for thirty-three and one-third percent (33-1/3%) of the sick leave credits accumulated (to the nearest full day) by the employee on the date of such retirement, resignation, layoff, or death.

(ii) In the alternative, eligible employees may convert any or all of their total sick leave credits accrued as of the date of their retirement pursuant to the PERS contract with the City. If the employee converts less than the full balance of sick leave to service credit, the employee may receive payment for thirty-three and one-third percent (33-1/3%) of the remaining sick leave credits after conversion to PERS.

(b) PERS members hired on or after January 14, 2015, shall not be eligible for payment of any portion of accumulated sick leave credits, though employees may convert the sick leave balance to service credit pursuant to the PERS contract with the City upon separation of employment for retirement.

(c) No employee whose services are terminated by reason of discharge for cause shall be eligible for payment of any portion of accumulated sick leave credits.

(2) SCERS

Upon termination of any employee eligible to accumulate sick leave credits for reasons of retirement, resignation, or layoff after service for a period of not less than two (2) years, or death, such employee (or
those entitled by law to the possession of the estate of a deceased employee) shall receive payment for thirty-three and one-third percent (33-1/3%) of the total sick leave credits accumulated (to the nearest full day) by the employee on the date of such retirement, resignation, layoff, or death. No employee whose services are terminated by reason of discharge for cause, or by reason of resignation or layoff prior to the completion of two (2) years of service, shall be eligible for payment of any portion of accumulated sick leave credits.

c. Reinstatement of Sick Leave After Return From Layoff

An employee who is laid off and receives payment for thirty-three and one-third percent (33-1/3%) of his/her total accumulated sick leave credits shall be credited with the remaining sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66-2/3%) of his/her accumulated sick leave credits if and when said employee is recalled. If said employee thereafter leaves City service after being recalled and is entitled to payment of his/her accumulated sick leave credits under this Section, said employee shall only receive payment for thirty-three and one-third percent (33-1/3%) of those sick leave credits which accrued after the date of recall.

d. Except as provided herein, no payments made or sick leave credits accumulated shall be construed or deemed to constitute retirement benefits payable to employees of the City.

e. The Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Board relating to the administration of sick leave privileges and benefits shall apply to all eligible employees.

17.2 VACATION ADMINISTRATION

a. These rules attempt to accomplish two primary things:

(1) Control number of employees off at any given time;

(2) Assure all employees of the best possible vacation dates available.

b. The vacation schedule shall operate on straight seniority (when the employee entered the Fire Department Unit). The employee will select either his/her vacation or his/her splits the first time around. After the complete list has been gone through, then the second and third choice will be made under the same procedures.

c. Seniority will be in the complete platoon.

d. The employee will select vacation at a minimum of one full shift (24 hours) for the current vacation year. Each vacation pick shall be made in consecutive shifts. Prior year vacation will be selected after all current year vacation selections have been completed. Employees with Personal Time Off (PTO) will select after all vacation calls are completed.
e. **Vacation Allowances**

1. During the first calendar year of employment, and after the completion of at least six (6) months of service, employees shall be entitled to a vacation allowance on a pro rata basis of ten (10) days (112 hours for suppression) per year for the number of months worked prior to the beginning of the first calendar year.

2. Upon the completion of one calendar year and continuing thereafter through the fifth calendar year of employment, all employees shall be entitled to a vacation allowance of ten (10) days (112 hours for suppression) per year.

3. Upon the completion of five (5) calendar years and continuing thereafter through the fifteenth calendar year of employment, all employees shall be entitled to a vacation allowance of fifteen (15) days (168 hours for suppression) per year.

4. Upon the completion of fifteen (15) calendar years of employment and continuing thereafter, all employees shall be entitled to a vacation allowance of twenty (20) days (224 hours for suppression) per year; provided, further that such employees so qualified to receive twenty (20) days (224 hours for suppression) of yearly vacation shall have the option to be exercised not later than the first day of December each year, to receive pro rata payment for five (5) days (56 hours for suppression) of such vacation in lieu of using such five (5) days (56 hours for suppression) for vacation purposes.

f. The value of a vacation day is as set forth in Section 9.1 of this Agreement.

1. Trading vacation periods will not be permitted.

2. The maximum number of fire suppression employees scheduled to be on vacation each shift shall be fifteen (15). The maximum of fifteen (15) shall be adjusted by one each November 1 thereafter for each change of twenty-five (25) budgeted positions in the bargaining unit in fire suppression, with four hundred eighty nine (489) as the base number.

g. An employee who is on industrial injury during the scheduled vacation period shall have the right to select a new vacation period upon return to work as determined by the employee's seniority rights during the past annual vacation sign-up. If a mutual agreement cannot be reached, the employee shall be allowed to reschedule said vacation during a time in the remainder of the year, of which said employee would have available by seniority, during the normal course of vacation scheduling or said employee shall be allowed to reschedule his/her vacation during the course of the following year after all normal vacations have been scheduled. Said employee's choice of rescheduled vacation time shall be that of which his/her seniority would have provided during the previous year.
The intent of this provision is to give the affected employee another opportunity to select a
new vacation period without placing that employee at a seniority advantage or
disadvantage.

h. Where a career employee sustains an injury covered by workers’
compensation and has utilized all of the one (1) year "Section 4850 time," and
consequently is receiving straight workers' compensation temporary disability payments,
the employee will be allowed to utilize (while off work) accrued vacation time in partial day
increments in addition to receiving workers' compensation temporary disability payments
with the total aggregate payment of temporary disability and vacation pay not to exceed
one hundred percent (100%) of the employee's regular rate of pay. As a condition of
using such accrued vacation, however, the employee is required to continuously utilize
accrued vacation until accrued vacation is exhausted or he/she returns to work. This
provision also applies to any accrued leave with the exception as noted in Section 17.1,
Sick Leave.

17.3 COURT LEAVE

a. General

(1) When an employee is absent from work to serve on a jury or to report
for jury duty examination, the employee shall be granted pay for those
hours which the employee is absent for such reason. The City may
require the employee to elect to be on telephone alert and remain on
the job until such time as called to serve jury duty. Fire suppression
personnel who are required to be on telephone alert and who are
directed to report to work at a fire station shall not be required to
respond to calls between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. An
extra fire suppression employee shall be added to the fire station
during the period when an employee is on telephone alert and is not
required to respond to calls or when called to jury duty. Pay for such
work time lost shall be computed at the employee's regular rate of
pay at the time of such absence. The employee shall return all jury
remuneration received, less transportation allowance, to the City.

(2) To receive pay for work time lost, an employee must provide the City
with a statement signed by an official of the court certifying the
employee’s service as a juror or appearance in court for that purpose,
the date or dates of attendance, and the time released from
attendance.

b. 40-Hour Week Personnel

If a swing shift or graveyard shift employee has served in excess of four (4)
hours on jury duty, he/she will notify his/her supervisor in advance of his/her start time so
he/she can be excused from his/her shift. If the employee is on jury duty less than four (4)
hours, he/she will be required to work.
c. **24-Hour Shift Personnel**

(1) If the jury duty occurs on the same day as the employee's scheduled duty assignment for the Fire Department, the employee will report same to his/her immediate superior and report directly to the assigned jury duty location. Upon release from jury duty for the day, the employee will report to his/her assigned duty station for the remainder of the shift.

(2) If the employee is required to report for jury duty on the day following his/her assigned Fire Department duty shift, he/she shall be released from duty ten (10) hours prior to the end of his/her assigned duty shift for the purpose of assuring rest and alertness in the performance of jury duty.

(3) When an employee is on jury duty for the entire day, is released from jury duty by the court after 4:30 p.m. and is scheduled to return to jury duty the following day, the employee shall not be required to report to his/her assigned duty station for the remainder of the shift. If, however, the employee is released by the court prior to 4:30 p.m. the employee shall report to his/her assigned duty station and shall thereafter be released from duty ten (10) hours prior to the end of his/her assigned duty shift for the purpose of assuring rest and alertness in the performance of jury duty on the following day.

17.4 **COURT LEAVE - NON-DUTY RELATED**

a. When an employee is absent from work to respond to a subpoena from a court of competent jurisdiction to serve as a witness in a matter in which the employee is not a party, the following release provisions shall apply.

b. The employee is to notify their supervisor of the subpoena on the next regularly scheduled shift after receipt of the subpoena and to contact the subpoenaing party to determine the date and time it is necessary to be present in court to testify. The employee will notify the supervisor of the time scheduled to testify and will be released as follows.

c. The employee shall return all witness fees and remuneration received, less transportation allowance, to the City.

d. Non-twenty-four (24) hour shift personnel will be released from duty at the time they are scheduled to appear to testify. If the employee is assigned to a swing or grave shift, release time shall be considered on a case-by-case basis. It is the intent of this Section to ensure the employee receives sufficient time to be properly rested in order to appear in court.
e. **Twenty-Four (24) Hour Shift Personnel**

(1) Twenty-four (24) hour shift personnel shall report to their assigned duty station at the beginning of the shift unless the subpoena requires the employee’s attendance in court at a time near the beginning of the shift. In such cases, the employee may be excused from reporting to his/her assigned duty station by the Department on a case-by-case basis.

(2) Twenty-four (24) hour shift personnel shall be released from responding to calls and provided reasonable travel time in order to arrive at the court at the specified time. An extra fire suppression employee shall only be added to the fire station if the employee is expected to be absent for more than four (4) hours.

(3) If the employee is required to appear to testify on the day following a duty shift, the employee will be released from duty at 8:00 p.m. the night before he/she is scheduled to appear.

17.5 **PREGNANCY DISABILITY LEAVE**

Effective April 1, 1996, the pregnancy disability benefit shall be applicable to female employees as follows:

a. Full-time career non-suppression employees who are pregnant shall be eligible for a maximum City-paid pregnancy disability leave of four (4) weeks consisting of up to one hundred-sixty (160) hours of continuous paid time off. Full-time career suppression employees who are pregnant shall be eligible for up to two hundred twenty-four (224) hours of continuous City-paid time off during the four (4) week pregnancy disability leave. Part-time career employees who are pregnant shall be eligible for up to eighty (80) hours of continuous City-paid time off during the four (4) week pregnancy disability leave. Unused parental leave shall have no cash value. Non-career employees are not eligible for the four (4) weeks of City-paid pregnancy disability leave.

b. To be eligible for the paid leave the employee must have completed at least 2,080 hours of service (2,912 hours of service for fire suppression employees) from the most recent date of hire preceding the request for pregnancy disability leave.

c. To obtain pregnancy disability leave, the employee shall submit a request for time off and verification of medical disability for the duration of such leave.

d. Upon return from pregnancy disability leave on the date previously authorized, employees shall be reinstated in the former department and in the classification last held.

e. In addition to pregnancy disability leave, an eligible female employee may request parental leave for a maximum four (4) months by utilizing accrued and available hours of vacation, CTO, holiday, sick leave, and/or unpaid leave.
17.6 CATASTROPHIC LEAVE PLAN

a. A benefit-qualified employee may donate to or receive from an unrepresented employee, or a represented employee whose bargaining agreement provides for such donation or receipt, usable vacation, floating holiday, management leave, or CTO hours. Participation in this plan shall be voluntary. Sick leave may not be donated under this plan.

b. All donations shall be made and accepted in writing using City-provided forms.

c. The donation in any category must be a minimum of eight (8) hours of usable time.

d. Donations shall be on an hour-for-hour basis, regardless of the pay rates of the donor and recipient, except hours transferred between employees on the Fire Suppression (56 hours) schedule and the non-Fire Suppression (40 hours) schedule shall be adjusted by a factor of 1.4 to 1.

e. Hours to be donated shall be kept in a pledge status until used. As needed, pledged hours shall be debited from the donor’s leave balance and credited to the recipient’s usable vacation accrual balance. Once credited, the donation becomes irrevocable. A donor terminating for any reason shall be paid for pledged but unused leave time.

f. Management employees may only receive donations from management employees. A non-management employee may not receive donations from a subordinate employee where a direct supervisor/subordinate relationship exists. Any exception to this paragraph must be approved by the City Manager or designee.

g. To be eligible to use donations, an employee must:

(1) be incapacitated and unable to work due to a prolonged catastrophic non-industrial illness or injury which is estimated to last for at least thirty (30) calendar days;

(2) have exhausted all usable balances, including sick leave;

(3) be on an approved leave of absence.

h. All donated hours must be used on a continuous and uninterrupted basis and will be paid at the rate of pay and normal work schedule of the recipient, along with all usable hours accrued, until the earliest of the following events occurs:

(1) All leave balances, including both donated and accrued leave, are exhausted; or

(2) The employee returns to work at his/her normal work schedule; or
(3) The employee’s employment terminates.

i. Donations received while a recipient is still utilizing previously donated and related accrued leave time may be used immediately thereafter. Hours donated subsequent to exhausting all donated hours shall be accumulated and utilized along with related accrued leave hours in amounts equal to the recipient’s normal bi-weekly work hours.

j. Used donated leave time shall count toward the application of City service and benefits in the same manner as when the employee is on paid vacation leave.

k. Used donated leave time shall be subject to the recipient’s normal payroll deductions.

17.7 PERSONAL LEAVE

a. Full-time career employees who have completed ten (10) full years of service shall be credited with twenty-four (24) hours of personal leave or forty-eight (48) hours for suppression. Part-time career employees shall be credited with a prorated amount of time based on their regular schedule.

b. Personal leave shall be posted in January of each applicable year. After the vacation bid process, a PTO bid process will take place. A list of available PTO for the upcoming year shall be provided prior to November 1.

c. Personal leave shall not accumulate from calendar year to calendar year and shall have no cash value. If an employee is unable to use all of the time by the end of the calendar year based on operational need, the department may approve carry-over to the next year. In all other cases the time shall be forfeited.

d. An eligible employee who wishes to use accrued personal leave shall submit a request to use their personal leave no later than a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours in advance. Personal leave may be used at the employee’s discretion in the fiscal year on days when the maximum vacation allotment is not exceeded. Vacation requests shall be considered first. Personal leave requests will be approved based on dates available after vacation approval.

17.8 BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

An employee may receive up to twenty-four (24) hours or two (2) suppression or investigator shifts, as applicable, of City-paid leave for bereavement based on the death of the employee’s spouse, parent, sibling, child, grandchild or grandparent as defined herein. The employee may use sick leave as authorized by Civil Service Rule 16, Sick Leave, for additional time off or to attend to other death, bereavement or funeral needs.
ARTICLE 18 – SPECIAL ALLOWANCES

18.1 OUT-OF-CLASSIFICATION

a. When a temporary vacancy or vacancies arise above the classification of Firefighter, and it has been predetermined that said vacancy or vacancies will not exceed four (4) hours, the Fire Chief may make out-of-classification assignments to the higher classification from personnel within the affected station. During such out-of-classification assignments the individual so assigned shall receive the salary of the first step of that higher classification or five percent (5%) of the employee's regular base salary, whichever is greater but not to exceed the maximum of the higher classification.

b. Vacancies exceeding four (4) hours shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of Section 12.5, Overtime and Call-Back Pay. Employees of equal rank to the position, which caused the recall, shall be assigned for replacement before an out-of-classification assignment.

c. For the purposes of training the classification of Firefighter only, vacancies exceeding eight (8) hours shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of Section 12.5, Overtime and Call-Back Pay.

18.2 MILEAGE

a. When employees are ordered by the City to drive their own four-wheeled vehicles on details or assignments, and they so utilize their own vehicles in traveling directly and uninterruptedly from one assigned work location to another assigned work location, they shall be compensated at the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) rate.

b. The City shall provide parking at the parking lot behind the 13th and "I" Building for Fire Suppression employees assigned to Station #2.

18.3 TUITION REIMBURSEMENT

The City agrees to reimburse career employees for the cost of tuition, books, fees, excluding parking, up to a maximum of $1500.00 per calendar year, pursuant to the City’s existing policy for such education reimbursement. This provision shall not apply to employees eligible for an education incentive program.

ARTICLE 19 – LAYOFFS

19.1 DEFINITIONS

a. Layoff A layoff shall be defined as the dismissal or displacement of at least one employee due to lack of work, lack of funds, abolishment of position, or for other reasons not reflecting discredit on an employee.
b. Seniority

(1) Classification Seniority: Classification seniority shall be defined as the effective date of probationary appointment to the employee's present job classification including any time spent in a higher job classification, but less any time spent in a lower job classification due to a downgrade. The term higher classification shall mean a job classification in which the top rate of pay is greater than the top rate of pay of the employee's present job classification. For any employee who has not served a probationary period in his/her present job classification, or any employee whose position has been reallocated in accord with applicable Civil Service Board Rules and Regulations, classification seniority shall be mutually established by the City and Union. For those classifications which have flexible staffing as defined in the Civil Service Board Rules and Regulations and provided for in the classification specifications, classification seniority shall be defined as the effective date of probationary appointment to the lowest classification in the classification series. Since Fire Recruits are not part of the Fire Department Unit, time served in the training academy as a Fire Recruit does not apply to classification seniority date. For an employee who has downgraded, computation of classification seniority for a job classification lower than that in which the employee holds permanent status, the following seniority shall be counted:

(a) classification seniority in any higher classification, and

(b) previous classification seniority in the job classification in which the employee is currently working, and

(c) present time spent in the job classification in which the employee is currently working.

For a part-time career employee, classification seniority shall be prorated.

(2) City Service Seniority: City service seniority shall be defined as the effective date of appointment to the employee's first permanent career position, or as the effective date of appointment to the employee's first full-time position (or positions) which immediately preceded an appointment to a permanent career position, whichever is greater.

For a part-time career employee, City seniority shall be prorated.

(3) Fire Department Unit Seniority: Fire Department Unit seniority shall be defined as the date first placed on the payroll of the Fire Department as a full-time employee in the Fire Department Unit.
For a part-time career employee, Fire Department Unit seniority shall be prorated.

(4) Hire Date Seniority: Hire date seniority shall be defined as the employee's first date of hire to any position with the City.

(5) Seniority Adjustments: Classification seniority, City service seniority, and Fire Department Unit seniority shall be adjusted (reduced) in calendar days to reflect time spent on layoff from City service. There shall be no adjustment for time spent on an approved leave of absence.

(6) Termination of Seniority: Termination of classification seniority, City service seniority, and Fire Department Unit seniority shall occur upon:

(a) Resignation, except that any employee who is appointed from a reemployment list and completes the required probationary period in the position to which he/she was reemployed may count the seniority which he/she accumulated prior to resignation.

(b) Discharge.

(c) Retirement.

(d) Layoff in excess of five (5) consecutive years out of the City service.

(e) Failure to comply, report, or respond to a recall notice within thirty (30) calendar days from the date of postmark on the recall notice.

c. Downgrade/Bump: The term downgrade or bump may be used interchangeably throughout this Agreement. A downgrade shall be defined as a change in job classification to which the top rate of pay is the same or less than the top rate of pay of the employee’s present classification, due to a layoff. A downgrade shall only be allowed to a previously held position in the Fire Department Unit.

19.2 LAYOFFS

a. In the event layoffs (reduction in force) are made pursuant to Article 3 of this Agreement, such layoffs shall be based on the inverse order of classification seniority as provided in the Fire Department seniority list. Dismissals hereunder shall be on a classification seniority basis so that employees with the least seniority shall be laid off first. Provided however that employees laid off in the classifications of Fire Battalion Chief, Fire Captain, Fire Engineer, and Fire Investigator II and I shall have the right to "bump" employees in the lower classification having less seniority and in which such Fire Battalion Chief, Fire Captain, Fire Engineer, and Fire Investigator II and I had held status; and
provided further that employees laid off in the classifications of Senior Fire Prevention Officer and Fire Prevention Officer I/II shall have the right to "bump" employees in the Fire Prevention classifications having less seniority and in which such Senior Fire Prevention Officer or Fire Prevention Officer I/II had held status. Classification seniority for the purpose of bumping shall be based on the date of appointment to the lower classification to which an employee has bumping rights. For those classifications which have flexible staffing as defined in the Civil Service Rules and provided for in the classification specifications, classification seniority shall be defined as the effective date of probationary appointment to the lowest classification in the classification series. No employee shall have bumping rights into a classification from which he/she has been demoted. An employee who bumps to a lower classification shall be assigned to a fire station as determined by Fire Administration.

b. An employee may accept layoff in lieu of the opportunity to bump by notifying Labor Relations within forty-eight (48) hours of receiving notice of layoff. Where the employee accepts a layoff in lieu of a bump, said employee shall forfeit all recall rights except to a vacancy within the same classification from which the employee was laid off.

c. In the event of a layoff, the City shall send by certified mail a layoff notice to all affected employee(s). Such notice shall be postmarked at least fourteen (14) calendar days in advance of the effective date of layoff. Such layoff notice shall be mailed to the employee's address currently printed on the employee's paycheck and shall be deemed appropriate notice. The employee(s) who is on a paid or unpaid leave shall be affected by the layoff in accordance with the provisions of this Article in the same manner as all other employees.

d. Employees laid off shall be paid sick leave, vacation, holiday accrual, longevity, and similar benefits per applicable ordinances and rules. Employees being recalled shall have the uncompensated portion of their sick leave balance restored. Employees laid off who are enrolled in City insurance programs may continue elected coverage limited to the City's medical and dental plans for a period up to six (6) months or the period of time permitted by Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA), whichever is greater, by advanced personal remittance for each month's total premium for the cost of such coverage at the time of layoff.

19.3 RECALLS

a. When vacancies occur within five (5) years thereafter, such reduced and/or laid off employees shall be recalled to their former classification from the established layoff eligibility list on the basis of classification seniority and prior to the employment of any new employees in the classification; provided, however, that such reduced or laid off employees meet the physical and other qualifying standards in effect at the time they had been previously appointed to the classification into which they seek to be returned. When a recall list exists and an employee is on a reinstatement list due to a medical leave of absence, the employee will be merged with employees on the established layoff eligibility list based upon seniority. If any such reduced or laid off employees fail to report for duty within thirty (30) days after the mailing to him/her of a written notice by registered mail to
the last known address, he/she shall lose his/her right to be rehired or advanced hereunder.

b. Employees who are laid off in the classifications of Fire Battalion Chief, Fire Captain, Fire Engineer, Fire Investigator I and II, Senior Fire Prevention Officer, Fire Prevention Officer I and II, and Firefighter shall have a physical examination prior to, or at the time of layoff, and upon his/her recall, if in excess of six (6) months. If the employee's physical condition at the time of layoff is such that it does not require termination or retirement, the employee being recalled shall meet the same physical condition which he/she was in, as judged by a physical examination, at the time of layoff. The employee laid off or recalled may appeal any adverse decision by presenting to the Department of Human Resources the written opinion of another physician which contradicts the findings and conclusions of the City physician. The cost of this second medical report shall be borne entirely by the employee. Upon receipt of a timely appeal in proper form, the Department of Human Resources shall refer the matter to a third physician mutually agreed upon by the employee and the Department of Human Resources. The decision of the third physician shall be final and binding. The cost of the third medical examination shall be borne by the City. The Director of Human Resources may, upon recommendation of any of the above-mentioned physicians, grant a reasonable period in which to clear up, cure, or remove any condition which is temporary or curable in nature.

c. An employee who voluntarily demotes shall have no bumping or recall rights to the classification from which he/she demoted.

d. A probationary Firefighter who is recalled within six (6) months from the date of layoff shall be required to serve the balance of the probationary period. A probationary Firefighter who is recalled between six (6) months and twenty-four (24) months from the date of layoff shall be required to serve the balance of the probationary period or a six (6) month probationary period, whichever is greater. A probationary Firefighter who is recalled between twenty-four (24) months and within five (5) years from the date of layoff shall be required to serve a new probationary period of twelve (12) months.

e. Probationary employees in the classifications of Fire Battalion Chief, Fire Captain or Fire Engineer who are laid off or downgraded in lieu of layoff shall be recalled the same as permanent career employees in the classification, pursuant to subsection (a) above.

f. When a laid off or downgraded probationary employee in the classification of Fire Battalion Chief, Fire Captain or Fire Engineer is recalled to the classification from which he/she was laid off, if the employee is recalled within six (6) months from the date of layoff, he/she shall be required to serve the balance of the probationary period; if recalled between six (6) months and twenty-four (24) months from the date of layoff, he/she shall be required to serve the balance of the probationary period or three (3) months, whichever is greater; and if recalled between twenty-four (24) months and within five (5) years from the date of layoff, he/she shall be required to serve a new probationary period of six (6) months.
g. The City or the Union shall have the right, at any time during the term of this Agreement, to initiate discussions on possible alternatives to layoff to correct any adverse impact a proposed layoff would have on minorities and women employees in the Unit. If such discussions are initiated but the parties fail to reach agreement, the present layoff procedure shall continue in full force and effect.

ARTICLE 20 – DEPARTMENT SENIORITY LIST

20.1 DEPARTMENT SENIORITY LIST

a. Employees shall be placed on the classification seniority list in accordance with Article 19. When two (2) or more employees are assigned to the payroll on the same date, preference in placement on the list shall be given based on relative standing on the eligibility list for the applicable rank in the case of firefighting personnel.

b. Lateral employees shall begin accruing classification seniority based on the date of appointment to the classification and shall include time spent in the training academy. In the event a classification seniority tie must be resolved, the tie shall be broken based on the scores established and assigned to the employee on the eligible list used to offer employment and to make the appointment of the lateral hire. If two (2) or more employees were assigned identical scores on the eligible list, the tie shall be broken by a coin toss.

c. Employees taken over by the City from other fire departments as a result of absorbing such department shall be placed on the seniority list in accordance with the date they were first placed on the payroll of such fire department as full-time employees. City agrees that it will not take over on a permanent basis more employees from an acquired department than the number that can reasonably be absorbed to perform the work that will within a reasonable time be available after acquisition of the department. If under this provision two (2) or more employees shall have identical seniority, preference in placement on the list shall be determined by chance method.

d. A copy of the seniority lists shall be available on the common drive and updated within fourteen (14) days of any change in staffing that affects seniority.

ARTICLE 21 – TRANSFERS

21.1 REQUESTS FOR TRANSFER

The station transfer policy shall be as follows:

a. It shall be within the discretion of the Fire Chief or his designee to make any station transfer as in his judgment will best meet the organizational, operational and personnel needs of the Department and the stations and shifts involved. All permanent transfers shall be in writing and, except for emergencies, there shall not be less than twelve (12) calendar days between an employee's receipt of written notification and the
effective date of a permanent transfer from one permanently-assigned fire station and/or
shift to another.

b. Provided, however, that the Chief or his designee shall not exercise this right in an arbitrary and capricious manner, and provided further that with respect to a vacancy caused by retirement, death, removal, resignation or promotion, a notice of any such vacancy shall be published at least two (2) weeks before such vacancy shall be regularly filled. Employees qualified for such vacancy may then make a request through the chain of command to the Chief or his designee to be assigned to such vacancy, which requests shall be considered in making the assignment. Seniority in rank shall be the prime factor in transfer assignments.

c. A vacancy or vacancies resulting from an assignment made hereunder shall not be subject to this procedure.

ARTICLE 22 – DETAIL POOL

22.1 DETAIL POOL

a. The detail pool shall consist of personnel arranged by seniority. The detail assignments shall be made in order of reverse seniority.

b. After completing basic recruit training, probationary employees shall be assigned on a rotating basis to a specific crew for increments not to exceed four (4) months during the first year for proper training and evaluation. When a permanently assigned employee is displaced by a temporarily assigned trainee, the permanent employee will be assigned on a temporary duty assignment to another company for a period not to exceed two (2) months. At the end of this assignment, the permanent employee will return to his/her original assignment. For purposes of this Article, no company on any given shift shall be utilized for training of probationary employees in excess of four (4) months during any twelve (12) month period. After the completion of their probationary period, employees would enter the detail pool for normal operations and in order of reverse seniority.

c. The personnel in this pool shall be housed by seniority according to Company priority. The employees with the least seniority shall be housed at the Company with the lowest priority. Once through the detail pool, personnel will not normally be detailed.

d. Personnel who have completed probation have the right to bid vacant spots and be removed from the detail pool.
ARTICLE 23 – SAFETY AND HEALTH

23.1 SAFETY

a. The City shall continue to provide for the safety of employees during the hours of their employment. In this regard, the City agrees that it will receive and consider written recommendations with respect to unsafe working conditions or other safety ideas in the areas of working conditions from any employee or the Union; and the employees and the Union agree that they will afford their safety recommendations and ideas to the City.

b. The City shall take all reasonable and readily available precautions when employees’ assigned duties are performed under generally known extraordinarily life endangering conditions not normally associated with firefighting and fire safety and prevention activities.

c. To the extent reasonably ascertainable by the City, firefighting equipment provided and maintained by the City shall be reasonably safe and adequate for its normal and intended use. Provided however that nothing herein is to be construed to mean that the City assumes the liability of any other party, or waives any rights, defenses to liability or causes of action that it may have in law or equity.

23.2 JOB-RELATED INJURIES

a. When an employee incurs a job-related injury and is examined or treated by a physician, all subsequent examination/treatment shall be scheduled on the employee's duty time, or the employee shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half for a minimum of three (3) hours pay.

b. Exceptions to this policy are limited to the following: (1) while the employee is disabled from said injury and is unable to perform his/her assigned duties; (2) while the employee has control of the choice of physician or schedule; or (3) when the employee requests or arranges a non-duty time appointment.

23.3 LIGHT OR LIMITED DUTY

In the event an employee is unable to perform his/her duties as a result of an injury, he/she shall be assigned to "light or limited" duty as authorized to do so by a physician, and upon the needs of the department. In no event, however, shall an employee return to "light or limited" duty in connection with an off-the-job injury or illness unless authorized to do so by a physician. When assigned to "light or limited" duty, he/she shall be assigned to such duties that he/she is capable of performing during a forty (40) hour week, Monday through Friday. In no event shall such assigned employee be required to work more hours per week than on his/her regularly assigned shift.
23.4 DISPUTES: ON-THE-JOB INJURIES

a. In the event the employee disagrees with the opinion of the City-assigned physician to either return the employee to work on a "light or limited" duty basis or not to return on a "light or limited" duty basis, he/she shall have the right to have an examination by another physician of the employee's choice.

b. In the event that the two physician's opinions are in conflict, a third opinion shall be obtained by a physician mutually acceptable to both parties. The third opinion shall be binding.

23.5 GENERAL

a. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as adding to, or subtracting from, any rights or provisions given the employee by the State Labor Code.

b. Costs of all examinations shall be borne by the City only in connection with the injuries incurred on the job. In cases where the employee is directed to a City-assigned physician, costs of such examination shall be borne by the City.

23.6 EXPOSURE TO CONTAGIOUS DISEASE IN THE COURSE AND SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT

When an employee has been exposed to a contagious disease during the course and scope of his/her employment, the nature and circumstances of such exposure shall be promptly reported through the Fire Captain to the Fire Battalion Chief, who after such medical investigation as he/she deems appropriate, shall advise the Fire Captain whether the employee should be requested to remain off-duty for an appropriate period of quarantine. In such event the employee will be compensated for his/her regularly-scheduled shifts in the normal manner and will not be charged for sick leave.

23.7 MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

a. If the City institutes disability retirement without the consent and concurrence of the employee or reassigns the employee out of the Fire Department or otherwise acts to terminate, reduce in rank, remove or otherwise significantly adversely change his/her conditions of employment because of medical reasons, such employee shall be granted reasonable time off with pay for medical examination by a doctor of the employee's choice at the employee's expense.

b. If the City expressly requires an employee to secure other than a Class C driver's license, the related medical examination shall be scheduled during the employee's on-duty time.
ARTICLE 24 – RETIREMENT

24.1 PERS RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION

a. Member Contribution to PERS Retirement Plan – Classic Members

(1) Effective December 29, 2012, classic members shall pay nine percent (9%) of the employer’s contribution to the PERS retirement plan.

(2) Effective December 27, 2014, classic members shall pay ten and one-half percent (10-1/2%) of the employer’s contribution to the PERS retirement plan. If necessary, the contract with PERS shall be amended to reflect the proper allocation of funds.

(3) Effective December 26, 2015, classic members shall pay twelve percent (12%) of the employer’s contribution to the PERS retirement plan. If necessary, the contract with PERS shall be amended to reflect the proper allocation of funds.

(4) To the extent permitted by law, the employee payments in this Article will be deducted on a pre-tax basis and applied toward the employer’s contribution pursuant to IRS Code Section 414(h)(2) and Government Code Section 20516 and maintained in the employee’s PERS account.

(5) The parties agree to use their best efforts to promptly effectuate the cost-sharing provisions of this Article so that bargaining unit members’ payment of the employer’s contribution shall be applied towards the employee’s retirement account.

(6) In the event that the employees fail to ratify the cost share agreement described in this Article, or other PERS requirements are not met, the parties agree that the employee’s cost share will be deducted from the employee’s pay via a payroll deduction on a pre-tax basis to the extent permitted by law. Deduction via this approach will not be maintained in the employee’s PERS account. The tax status of this deduction shall be based on IRS requirements. The City makes no representation as to the taxable nature of this deduction. The City and each employee shall retain liability for their respective tax obligations.

(7) In the event there is a change in California law requiring employees to pay the member contribution to PERS, the employee’s cost-sharing agreement shall decrease in an amount equal to the required employee contribution to PERS.
b. **Member Contribution to PERS Retirement Plan – New Members**

New members shall be in the PERS on terms consistent with the Public Employees’ Pension Reform Act (PEPRA). New members shall contribute fifty percent (50%) of the total normal cost of the PERS retirement plan.

24.2 **PERS RETIREMENT PLAN**

Fire safety employees are covered by the following Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) plans:

**Tier I**

- Modified 3% at age 55
- One-year highest compensation
- 2% COLA
- 50% survivor continuation
- 50% industrial disability
- Military service credit
- Peace Corps service credit
- Employer Paid Member Contribution by resolution
- Sick leave conversion

**Tier II**

- Modified 3% at age 55
- One-year highest compensation
- 3% COLA
- 50% survivor continuation
- 50% industrial disability
- Military service credit
- Peace Corps service credit
- Employer Paid Member Contribution by resolution
- Sick leave conversion

**Tier III**

- Modified 3% at age 55
- One-year highest compensation
- 2% COLA
- 50% survivor continuation
- 50% industrial disability
- Military service credit
- Peace Corps service credit
- Employer Paid Member Contribution by resolution
- Sick leave conversion
Tier IV: Applicable to “New Members” Defined in Government Code Section 7522.04

- Modified 2.7% at age 57
- Final compensation calculated on 36 consecutive months
- 2% COLA
- 50% survivor continuation
- 50% industrial disability
- Military service credit
- Peace Corps service credit
- Sick leave conversion

ARTICLE 25 – TRANSPORTATION

25.1 SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT (SRTD)

Full-time career employees who utilize the Sacramento Regional Transit District (SRTD) for home-to-work transportation are eligible for an eighty percent (80%) price discount on an SRTD monthly pass. Part-time career employees shall be eligible for a fifty percent (50%) price discount. The employee must notify the Revenue Division on or before the fifth day of the month to obtain the monthly pass discount for that month.

25.2 OTHER BUS TRANSPORTATION

Eligible full-time career employees as described above, who regularly utilize other bus or mass transportation services regulated by the Public Utilities Commission (i.e. buses, vanpools, rail) for home-to-work commuting are eligible for up to eighty percent (80%) of the cost of the monthly pass. Eligible part-time employees, as described above, shall be eligible for a fifty percent (50%) monthly reimbursement. The employee must present the required proof of purchase to the Revenue Division by the fifth day of the month to obtain reimbursement. The amount of monthly reimbursement shall not exceed one hundred and twenty dollars ($120).

25.3 DOWNTOWN PARKING SUBSIDY

The City shall provide a ninety dollar ($90) per month parking subsidy to eligible full-time career employees who are regularly assigned to work in the downtown area who do not have free parking. Eligible part-time career employees who are regularly assigned to work in the downtown area will receive a sixty dollar ($60) per month parking subsidy. The subsidy will be included in the employee’s bi-weekly paycheck, subject to applicable state and federal taxes.

25.4 DISCOUNTED PARKING RATES

Discounted parking will be available to employees, on a first-come, first-serve basis, for parking spaces in the Memorial Garage, located at 14th and H Streets, at
seventy percent (70%) of the regularly monthly Lot “I” rate. This means that the employee discounted rate is thirty percent (30%) off the full monthly rate. This provision will remain in effect until further notice by the City.

25.5 DRIVER LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

a. Employees shall possess valid California driver licenses and endorsements as required by the job specifications. Employees are responsible for maintaining a valid report of medical examination on file with the CA Department of Motor Vehicles in order to maintain valid Class A, B or C firefighter endorsed licenses. Failure to maintain a proper driver's license shall subject employees to disciplinary action pursuant to the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Board.

b. Employees who work overtime in a classification having a higher driver license requirement and/or endorsements must have such license and endorsements in order to be eligible for the overtime work, which requires completing and signing an authorization form allowing their enrollment in the California Department of Motor Vehicles Employer Pull Notice System.

ARTICLE 26 – DISCIPLINE

26.1 EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

This section recognizes that the Firefighters Procedural Bill of Rights Act (California Government Code 3250 et seq) applies to Firefighters, Fire Engineers, Fire Captains and Fire Battalion Chiefs; that the Public Safety Officers Procedural Bill of Rights Act (California Government Code 3300 et seq) applies to Fire Investigators; and that Fire Prevention Officers are covered under applicable State and Federal law.

When an employee is the subject of an investigation or fact-finding that could lead to discipline, consistent with those rights mentioned above the interview/interrogation of that employee shall be conducted under the following circumstances:

a. The employee shall be advised that he/she has the right to Union representation at the interview/interrogation and shall be given a reasonable amount of time to contact and obtain representation. The representative shall not be a person subject to the same investigation. This section shall not apply to any interview of an employee in the normal course of duty, counseling, instruction, or informal verbal admonishment by a supervisor, or an investigation concerned solely and directly with alleged criminal activities.

b. The interview/interrogation shall be conducted at a reasonable hour, preferably when the employee is on duty, and if during off-duty hours the employee shall be paid overtime unless the employee waives such overtime to accommodate his/her representative.
c. The employee shall be informed of the nature of the investigation or fact-finding part of the interview so that the employee may prepare for it.

d. The employee being interviewed/interrogated shall not be subjected to offensive language or threatened with discipline except to be informed that failure to answer questions directly related to the investigation or fact-finding may result in disciplinary action for insubordination.

e. The interview/interrogation of an employee may be recorded by the Department and/or by the employee or representative and shall have the right to bring their own recording device and record any and all aspects of the interview. The employee shall have access to the tape if any further proceedings are contemplated or prior to any further interview at a subsequent time.

f. If, prior to or during the interrogation of a firefighter, it is contemplated that he or she may be charged with a criminal offense, he or she shall be immediately informed of his or her constitutional rights. The Department shall provide to the firefighter a formal grant of immunity from criminal prosecution before he or she may be compelled to respond to questions related to a criminal offense.

g. No employee shall have any adverse comment entered into his/her personnel file without the opportunity to read and sign it. The employee shall have 30 days to file a written response to any adverse comment and the written response shall be attached to the adverse comment.

h. No employee shall be compelled to submit to a polygraph examination.

i. Lockers or other space for storage that are owned or leased by the Department are subject to search, although no employee shall have their locker, or other space for storage that may be assigned to them searched except in their presence, or with their consent, or unless a valid search warrant has been obtained or where the employee has been notified that a search will be conducted.

j. With certain exceptions, no punitive action, nor denial of promotion on grounds other than merit, shall be undertaken for any act, omission, or other allegation of misconduct if the investigation of the allegation is not completed within one year of the department’s discovery by a person authorized to initiate an investigation of the allegation of an act, omission, or other misconduct.

k. No employee shall be subjected to punitive action, or denied promotion, because of the exercise of the rights listed above.

l. Nothing in this section shall constitute a waiver, limitation or reduction of any member’s rights under Federal law, California law, or City and Departmental policies.
26.2 REMOVAL OF DISCIPLINARY RECORDS

a. It shall be the policy of the Sacramento Fire Department that all records of disciplinary action contained in personnel files be removed as follows subject to the following criteria:

   (1) Documented counseling - after twelve (12) months.

   (2) Letters of reprimand - after eighteen (18) months from date of effect.

   (3) Suspensions [two (2) shifts or less] - after five (5) years from date of effect. Includes withholding of in-grade increase, grade reduction and paid time-off taken in lieu of suspension.

   (4) Suspensions [three (3) shifts or more] - after ten (10) years from date of effect. Includes withholding of in-grade increase, grade reduction and paid time-off taken in lieu of suspension.

   (5) Demotions - after ten (10) years from date of effect.

b. It is understood that time periods described in subsection (a) above shall restart the removal date if the employee has any further disciplinary action.

c. It is understood that disciplinary documentation placed in the employee’s personnel file shall be subject to the removal provisions of this Article.

d. The provisions of this Article will be subject to all requirements as described in government codes, City codes and resolutions.

26.3 APPEAL OF LETTERS OF REPRIMAND

A letter of reprimand issued shall not be appealable to the Civil Service Board, except the employee shall have an administrative review of the reprimand by submitting a request in writing within seven (7) days of issuance to the Director of Human Resources. The Director or designee will schedule a private meeting within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the written request to hear the employee’s response. A final written decision will be rendered by the Director or designee within seven (7) calendar days of the meeting. Time limits may be extended by mutual agreement between the Director or designee and the Union. This Section shall not be subject to the grievance procedure. For removal of Letters of Reprimand refer to Section 26.2.

26.4 DISCIPLINE APPEALS REFERRED TO ACCELERATED ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS OR FORMAL ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS

a. This arbitration process shall be the exclusive appeal procedure applicable to employees who have completed the probationary period.
b. The term “parties” as used in this Agreement are the City and the Union. If an individual employee covered by this Agreement files an appeal of discipline to the Civil Service Board, and the Union does not pursue such appeal, the appeal process shall default to an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) hearing under the Civil Service Board Rule 12.10. An employee rejecting the ALJ hearing and choosing to pursue their appeal through the arbitration process will assume all of the rights and responsibilities of the Union in the appeal process pursuant to this agreement, including but not limited to the cost of the arbitrator and the court reporter if used as outlined in subsection (c) below.

c. The fees of the arbitrator, the court reporter, if used, and the transcript shall be shared equally between the City and the Union or the employee if the employee is pursuing the appeal on his/her behalf. If the arbitrator requests a copy of the transcript, the cost shall be shared equally between the City and the Union or the employee if the employee is pursuing the appeal on his/her behalf.

d. The parties may participate in mediation in an attempt to settle the case before a hearing is scheduled with the arbitrator. Either party may request mediation. If the parties agree to mediation, they will request a mediator from the State Mediation and Conciliation Service. All mediation proceedings shall be private. The mediator shall make no public recommendation nor take any public position at any time concerning the issues.

e. The Director of Human Resources or designee, and the Union President or designee, shall meet each month at a regularly scheduled time to review the appeals which the Union desires to arbitrate. The parties shall discuss the merits of all appeals and strive to identify those appeals the parties mutually agree should be resolved through the Accelerated Arbitration Process, and the appeals that should be resolved through the Formal Arbitration Process. Appeals that will be heard through the arbitration process shall be in writing and shall include the issue(s) submitted, stipulation of facts, modifications of the hearing procedures, if any, and the date of arbitration.

26.5 ACCELERATED ARBITRATION PROCESS

a. Accelerated Arbitration shall consist of a three-member panel, the Union President or designee, the Director of Human Resources or designee, and a neutral arbitrator which shall be mutually selected by the parties.

b. The mutually agreed upon neutral arbitrator shall serve a one-year term. In the event of the mutually selected neutral arbitrator’s resignation or continued unavailability, the parties shall meet promptly to agree upon a successor. Either party may request a change in arbitrator by giving a sixty (60) day notice in writing to the other party. Each party may only request a change of arbitrator once in a one-year period.

c. The Accelerated Arbitration Panel shall meet monthly at a regularly scheduled time, on such days as may be scheduled by mutual agreement, to resolve cases which have been referred to Accelerated Arbitration. Hearings shall alternate between City and Union offices or at a mutually agreed-upon neutral location.
d. The Accelerated Arbitration Panel shall hear whichever case(s) the parties mutually agreed to schedule for that hearing date. In the event the parties begin, but do not complete a case scheduled for a particular hearing date, the Arbitration Panel at the next regularly scheduled Accelerated Arbitration hearing shall complete such case. Any case which cannot be initiated at the scheduled date shall be rescheduled by mutual agreement.

e. The hearing shall be conducted pursuant to the procedures of Rule 12.1 through 12.8 of the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Board. The Accelerated Arbitration Panel shall have no authority to modify, vary, alter, amend, add to or take away from, in whole or in part, any of the terms or provisions of the Agreement. The Accelerated Arbitration Panel may only sustain, modify, or deny the discipline appealed.

f. The parties agree that the decision of the majority of the Accelerated Arbitration Panel shall be final and binding on both parties. The parties agree that the Accelerated Arbitration Panel's decision shall become the jointly recommended proposed decision to the Civil Service Board. Any dispute of the jointly recommended proposed decision to the Civil Service Board shall be limited to the grounds specified in Sections 1286.2 of the California Code of Civil Procedure.

g. The Hearing Process

1. Each party shall have one and one-half (1-1/2) hours to present its case, including whatever time it takes to reserve for rebuttal, unless otherwise modified by the parties in writing in advance of the hearing or as so modified by the neutral arbitrator. The presentation of evidence shall be made by submitting a statement of facts stipulated by the parties and/or the presentation of witness and documentary evidence. A court reporter shall transcribe the proceedings, but a transcript shall be prepared only upon the request of either party. After the parties have presented the evidence, each party shall have an opportunity for oral argument before the Accelerated Arbitration Panel for a period of not more than fifteen (15) minutes. No written briefs shall be submitted.

2. Following each case, the Accelerated Arbitration Panel shall meet in executive session. The neutral arbitrator shall moderate the discussion with the objective of achieving agreement between the parties. If the parties cannot agree, the neutral arbitrator shall determine the award.

3. The neutral arbitrator shall announce the award orally to the parties, including the grievant. The award shall be documented at the hearing but shall not include a written opinion. A court reporter shall transcribe the proceedings, but a transcript shall be prepared only upon request of either party.
The award shall be final and binding upon both parties, but shall not be used as a precedent in any other case. The parties shall share the fees and expenses of the neutral arbitrator, court reporter if used, and transcripts equally. The City agrees that employees shall not suffer loss of compensation for time spent as a witness at a discipline arbitration hearing held pursuant to this procedure. The Union agrees that the number of witnesses requested to attend and their scheduling shall be reasonable.

26.6 FORMAL ARBITRATION PROCESS

a. The Formal Arbitration Board shall consist of three (3) persons, one appointed by the Union and one appointed by the City. The two (2) so appointed shall mutually select a qualified arbitrator. Such appointments shall be made and each party shall notify the other of their respective appointment within ten (10) calendar days from the date the matter was appealed to the Formal Arbitration Board. If the parties fail to select an arbitrator within ten (10) days after the appeal is filed with the board, the parties shall prepare a joint request to the State Mediation and Conciliation Service for a list of five (5) qualified arbitrators. The parties shall each strike alternately two (2) names from the list and the remaining person shall be accepted as the arbitrator. The first party to strike will be determined by the flip of a coin.

b. The issue to be submitted to the Formal Arbitration Board shall be limited to the appeal submitted in writing and the response of the City thereto, and unless otherwise agreed in writing, the jurisdiction of the Formal Arbitration Board shall be limited to the determination of said issue. The Formal Arbitration Board shall have no authority to modify, vary, alter, amend, add to or take away from, in whole or in part, any of the terms or provisions of the Agreement.

c. The rulings of the Formal Arbitration Board with respect to the procedure and all objections to the exclusion or inclusion of evidence shall be binding on the parties.

d. The hearing shall be held at a mutually agreeable location, which shall be determined by the parties. The City shall make available appropriate facilities for such hearings.

e. The hearing shall be conducted pursuant to the procedures of Rule 12.1 through 12.8 of the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Board.

f. The Formal Arbitration Board’s decision, and opinion if any, shall be in writing and shall be submitted within ten (10) calendar days from the conclusion of the hearing unless such time is extended by a majority of the Formal Arbitration Board. The decision of the majority of the Formal Arbitration Board shall be final and binding on the parties.

g. The parties agree the arbitrator’s decision becomes the basis for a settlement agreement which shall be prepared within ten (10) days of receipt of the
arbitrator’s decision, and which shall withdraw and resolve the appeal consistent with the award.

26.7 TRIAL PERIOD

a. An employee or a former employee appointed to a career classification as a non-career employee shall serve a trial period. A former employee is a person who was previously employed with the City but terminated such employment for any reason including the expiration of a limited-term appointment.

b. The trial period shall be a six (6) month period beginning with the first day the employee reports to work or until the employee has worked one thousand forty (+1,040) straight-time hours, whichever occurs last.

c. A non-career employee may be released from his or her position at the discretion of the appointing authority at any time during the trial period without right of appeal to the Civil Service Board. Such release shall be confirmed in writing.

d. This provision shall not be used to circumvent the civil service system in respect to the City’s testing practices.

26.8 EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE COUNSELING

a. The Fire Department shall have the right to conduct performance counseling of employees at top step on a trial period basis. The trial period will run through December 31, 1992, and will be extended on an annual basis unless either party serves written notice of intent to terminate on the other party thirty (30) calendar days prior to December 31 of any year starting in 1992.

b. Employees shall be counseled at least annually.

c. A career employee who disagrees with a performance counseling may within ten (10) workdays from the date of the counseling:

(1) Write a rebuttal statement for attachment to the performance counseling form; or

(2) Informally appeal to the supervisor of the reviewer, but in no case higher than the department head.

d. Performance counselings are not subject to the grievance procedure.

e. The performance counseling form shall be maintained in the personnel file of the employee’s Fire Battalion Chief or equivalent for one (1) year from the date of the counseling meeting. Thereafter, it shall be removed and returned to the employee.

f. Performance counseling reports shall not affect terms and conditions of employment.
26.9 PROBATIONARY PERIOD EXTENSION

a. If, prior to the completion of the probationary period of a new employee, a problem is identified which would result in a decision by the Department to release the employee from the probationary position, the Department may, at its discretion, extend the probationary period for a fixed period of time, not to exceed an additional six (6) months.

b. If the Department elects to extend the probationary period, the specific problem(s) that are the basis for the Department’s decision not to pass the employee on probation shall be provided to the employee in writing. The Department shall provide the employee appropriate remedial training and sufficient time to correct the deficiencies.

c. The Department shall notify the Union of the decision to extend the probationary period.

ARTICLE 27 – MISCELLANEOUS

27.1 NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Union and the City agree not to discriminate against any employee for Union activity, race, color, age, sex or national origin under the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

27.2 REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF DAMAGED ITEMS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

The City agrees to reimburse employees in the Fire Department Unit for the repair or replacement of personal property damaged in the course of employment and performance of their assigned duties without fault or negligence on the part of employees, in accordance with the Policy provisions attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit “B”.

27.3 SAVINGS CLAUSE

If any Article or provision of this Agreement or any portion thereof is in conflict or inconsistent with applicable laws or is otherwise held to be invalid or unenforceable by any tribunal of competent jurisdiction such Article or provision or portion thereof shall be suspended and superseded by such applicable law and the remainder of such Article, provision or portion thereof of the Agreement shall not be affected thereby.

27.4 FIRE RECRUIT

The City shall have the right to establish a non-career, unrepresented classification of Fire Recruit.
27.5 PAYROLL ERRORS

a. In the event an error has been made in the payment of an employee's salary, overtime payment or leave accruals, balances or usages, the City shall, for purposes of future compensation, adjust such compensation to the correct amount, giving written notice to the employee.

b. In the event an employee received an overpayment in wages, reimbursement to the City shall be accomplished by:

   (1) Lump sum payment by the employee;

   (2) A one-time deduction from usable vacation or holiday credit balances equivalent to the overpayment at the employee's current hourly rate;

   (3) A repayment schedule through payroll deduction; and/or

   (4) Other means, as may be mutually agreed between the parties.

No repayment schedule shall exceed fifty-two (52) pay periods in duration, except that if the employee does not agree to a voluntary repayment schedule, the overpayment collection shall not exceed twenty-six (26) pay periods.

c. No action shall be taken to enforce repayment of an overpayment, or to correct an underpayment, unless action is taken within two years from the ending date of the pay period in which the error is discovered. "Action is taken" as used in this Section shall mean written notice to the employee in the case of an overpayment, or written or oral notice to the City in the case of an underpayment error.

27.6 STATION EXPENSES

a. Effective January 2015 the City will fund the annual station expense account (481230) based on the following:

   (1) two hundred dollars ($200) per year for each budgeted Battalion Chief, Captain, Engineer and Firefighter position assigned to Fire Suppression;

   (2) three hundred dollars ($300) for each single company house;

   (3) The total of (1) and (2), above, will be multiplied by 130% and the amount will be budgeted in the station expense account (481230).

b. The total station expense account will be paid out annually in equal shares to all Battalion Chiefs, Captains, Engineers, and Firefighters who are employed as of the last day of the first pay period in January. The annual payment will be made to those employees on the first paycheck in February.
c. The intent of the annual payment to firehouse staff is to cover furnishings, and household items not provided by the City for the fire stations.

d. The City shall continue to provide the following furnishings and household items for the firehouses:

(1) Beds and Mattresses.

(2) Dining Room Table and Chairs.

(3) Major kitchen appliances (stove, four (4) refrigerators per station, dishwasher, garbage disposals) as existing in the firehouses on (date of contract agreement) or as originally constructed for stations not in existence as of the date of this agreement.

(4) Exercise equipment (treadmill, elliptical machine, kettleballs and rubber bumper plates as purchased by Wellness Grant). These items will only be maintained as one time funds become available, i.e. grants and carryover.

(5) Non-riding gas powered lawn-mowers and other yard maintenance equipment as currently identified in FiPs identified in Exhibit C.

(6) All current station supplies, including: cleaning, maintenance, office, and general hygiene supplies as currently provided in FiPS identified in Exhibit C.

e. As of January 13, 2015, all existing items previously purchased with station expense funds will continue to be utilized for the life of the item(s) and will not be maintained, reimbursed or replaced with City funds.

f. The current unobligated funds for FY2014/15 as of January 13, 2015, in City account 481230 will be dispersed as two separate, one-time payments in the following amounts:

(1) The first one-time payment of $149,370 ($114,900x130%) will be paid in equal shares to all Battalion Chiefs, Captains, Engineers, and Firefighters who are employed as of the last day of the first pay period in January 2015. The first one-time payment will be made to those employees on the first paycheck in February 2015.

(2) The second one-time payment will be calculated at 130% of the remaining balance of account 481230 after all payments have been dispensed for the purchase of department approved turn out lockers; and paid in equal shares to all Battalion Chiefs, Captains, Engineers, and Firefighters who are employed as of the last day of the first pay period in January 2015. The second one-time payment will be made
in a reasonable time after all final payments for approved purchases are processed.

27.7 TERM

   a. This Agreement shall remain in full force from January 13, 2015, to and including June 22, 2018, or until such time as it is superseded by a new Agreement between the parties, whichever occurs later.

   b. The provisions of this Agreement shall be effective on the effective date stated above except as otherwise specifically provided.

DATED: January 13, 2015

Sacramento Area Fire Fighters Union
Local #522
International Association of Fire Fighters, AFL-CIO

BY: [Signature]
Brian Rice
President

City of Sacramento

BY: [Signature]
Geri Hamby
Director of Human Resources

Christopher Andrew
City Vice President

Shelley Banks-Robinson
Labor Relations Manager
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EXHIBIT A-1 – Employee Payroll Deduction Authorization And Request

EMPLOYEE PAYROLL DEDUCTION AUTHORIZATION AND REQUEST
FOR FIREFIGHTERS UNION LOCAL 522

(Front side of form to be completed and executed by employee and Secretary-Treasurer)

I, ___________________, hereby request and authorize the City of Sacramento to deduct from my earnings and transmit to the Secretary-Treasurer of Firefighters Union Local 522, 3720 Folsom Boulevard, Sacramento, California, the amount per month required for payment of the items initialed below, which amount, and any subsequent changes therein, shall be certified to the Director of Human Resources of the City of Sacramento in writing by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Union:

___ LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUMS  ___ DISABILITY INSURANCE PREMIUMS
___ MEDICAL/HOSPITAL INSURANCE PREMIUMS  ___ CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION
___ DENTAL INSURANCE PREMIUMS  ___ AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE PREMIUMS

I understand that this authorization is subject to the terms and conditions as indicated on the reverse side hereof. I further understand that this authorization may be used by the Union as its authorization to represent me in matters concerning the terms and conditions of my employment with the City.

Employee Signature ________________________ Classification ________________________ DATE ____________

Firefighters Union Local 522 agrees to and does hereby, indemnify, defend, and hold the City, its officers, agents, and employees harmless against any claims made, liability incurred, and any suits instituted against them or any one of them on account of the payroll deduction herein authorized and requested.

Accepted on behalf of Firefighters Union Local 522: By: ________________________________
Secretary-Treasurer

(Payroll Deduction Authorization and Request)
I understand and agree that:

1. Neither the City of Sacramento, nor any of its officers, agents or employees, make any representations of any kind or nature concerning such insurance plan or plans; or charitable programs; and that the City of Sacramento is simply providing payroll deductions as a benefit to those eligible employees who choose to avail themselves of this service and who have decided that they wish to be covered by a plan or plans.

2. The City of Sacramento, and its officers, agents and employees assume no liability on account of payroll deductions made or any action taken or not taken pursuant to this authorization and request.

3. The City of Sacramento will not make the herein authorized and requested deduction from my earnings in the event that my earnings for the pay period from which the said deduction would ordinarily be made are not sufficient after other legally required deductions are made, nor will the City in such event make the said payroll deduction for such period at a later date, nor will the City accept a deposit from me of my contribution for such period for transmittal to the Union.

4. This authorization and request shall remain in full force and effect throughout the duration of this Agreement, and that if I wish to revoke this authorization during this period, I must do so in writing, properly delivered or mailed to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Union, with a copy of such revocation delivered to the City's Director of Labor Relations. Provided however, that this authorization shall be automatically revoked when my present employment with the City of Sacramento terminates for any reason, or when this payroll deduction benefit is no longer included in an effective Agreement between the Union and the City, or when the Union ceases to be certified as a recognized employee organization under applicable City law, whichever occurs first.

5. PLEASE NOTE: It is my responsibility to check my payroll stub to verify that the proper payroll deductions I am hereby authorizing and requesting have in fact been made.
EXHIBIT A-2 – Employee Payroll Deduction For Union Dues/Agency Shop

SACRAMENTO AREA FIRE FIGHTERS, LOCAL 522
EMPLOYEE PAYROLL DEDUCTION FOR UNION DUES/AGENCY SHOP
(Fire Department Unit)

(This Side To Be Completed and Executed by Employee.)

I, ___________________________ (print name), hereby request and authorize my employer, the City of Sacramento, to deduct from my earnings an amount sufficient to pay, based upon my designation below, the current rate of monthly dues of the Sacramento Area Fire Fighters, Local 522, or the current monthly service fee, or the charitable contribution in-lieu-of the service fee. I understand that the amount necessary to pay such monthly dues, service fee, or charitable contribution shall be certified to the Director of Human Resources of the City by a duly authorized officer of Sacramento Area Fire Fighters, Local 522. I also understand and agree:

1. I must meet the requirements as specified in the labor agreement for my designation of a charitable contribution to be considered as a valid substitute for the required service fee.
2. The City of Sacramento, and its officers, agents and employees, assume no liability on account of payroll deduction made or any action taken or not taken pursuant to this authorization and request.
3. This authorization and request shall remain in effect until terminated by me in writing properly delivered or addressed to the Director of Human Resources of the City of Sacramento or until my present employment with the City of Sacramento terminates for any reason, or until the Sacramento Area Fire Fighters, Local 522 ceases to be certified as a recognized employee organization under applicable City law, whichever occurs first.
4. The City of Sacramento will not make the herein authorized and requested deduction from my earnings in the event that my earnings for the pay period from which the said deduction would ordinarily be made are not sufficient after other legally required deductions are made, nor will the City in such event make the said payroll deduction for such period at a later date, nor will the City accept a deposit from me of my contribution for such period for transmittal to the payee.
5. **Please Note:** It is my responsibility to check my payroll stub to verify that the proper payroll deduction I am hereby authorizing and requesting has in fact been made.

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Employee Signature ___________________________ Social Security No. ____________ Date ______________

(Employee Deduction For Union Dues/Agency Shop)
UNION MEMBERSHIP ONLY

(To be completed by an authorized officer of the Sacramento Area Fire Fighters, Local 522.)

The City will deduct the regular monthly employee organization dues in accordance with the employees’ authorization, subject to the following terms and conditions:

(i) The employee’s earnings must be regularly sufficient after other legal and required deductions are made to cover the amount of the appropriate employee organization dues. When a member in good standing of the appropriate employee organization is in a non-pay status for an entire pay period, no withholding will be made to cover that pay period from future earnings nor will the member deposit the amount with the City which would have been withheld if the member had been in a pay status during that period. In the case of an employee who is in a non-pay status during only a part of the pay period, and the salary is not sufficient to cover the full withholding, no deduction shall be made. In this connection, all other legal and required deductions have priority over employee organization dues.

(ii) A duly authorized officer of Sacramento Area Fire Fighters, Local 522 shall certify to the City in writing the amount of the regular current rate of monthly dues, and subsequent changes therein and the name, title, address and authority of the employee organization representative to whom dues withheld are to be transmitted.

(iii) Sacramento Area Fire Fighters, Local 522 agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold the City, its officers, agents and employees harmless against any claims made and against any suits instituted against them or any one of them on account of the checkoff of employee organization dues.

Accepted on behalf of the Sacramento Area Fire Fighters, Local 522:

BY: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Title ____________________________
EXHIBIT B – Repair or Replacement of Damaged Personal Property

1. **Policy**
   a. Employees will be reimbursed for the loss, repair or replacement of personal property damaged in the course of employment and performance of their assigned duties.
   b. The option to repair or replace damaged items, and to determine whether replaced property will be returned to the employee, rests with the City.
   c. The intent of this regulation is to permit reimbursement for the repair or replacement of such items as eyeglasses, hearing aids, dentures, watches or personal professional equipment if necessarily worn or carried by the employee in the course of his/her employment. Reimbursement shall be authorized only when the damage is caused by extraordinary circumstances which arise out of the employment, and not from normal hazards or ordinary wear and tear. This policy extends to both field and office personnel.

2. **Exclusions:** This Policy shall not apply to:
   a. Losses of precious or semi-precious stones from settings in watches, eyeglasses and other normally utilitarian items or losses to pieces of personal jewelry.
   b. Losses to any automobile, vehicles, trailer, motorcycle or any equipment thereto.
   c. Losses to employee's property while in the care, custody and control of others.
   d. Losses to the property of others while in the care, custody and control of the employee.
   e. Losses of money.
   f. Losses resulting from acts of negligence or deliberate destructive acts on the part of the employee.
   g. Losses resulting from ordinary wear and tear incidental to normal use and employment.

3. **Misrepresentation**
   The provisions of this policy shall not apply if the employee has concealed or misrepresented any material fact or circumstance concerning the subject of the loss, his/her interests therein, or in the case of any fraud or false statements by the employee relating thereto.
4. **Valuation**

Upon acceptance of a claim, the City shall not be liable beyond the actual cash value of the employee's property at the time any loss or damage occurs, and the loss or damage shall be ascertained or estimated according to such actual cash value with proper deduction for depreciation, however caused, and shall in no event exceed what it would then cost to repair or replace the same with material of like kind or quality.

5. **Recovery**

If in the event of any loss or damage, the employee shall acquire any right of action against any individual, firm or corporation for loss or damage to property covered by this policy, the employee assigns and transfers to the City, at the City's option, all such rights of action to the extent of the amount paid, and will permit suit to be brought in the employee's name under the direction of and at the expense of the City.

6. **Insurance**

In the event the employee has insurance covering a loss to which this policy applies, the benefits afforded by this policy shall apply only as excess benefits over such others as are paid under such insurance.

7. **Liability Limits**

Notwithstanding any of the above, an individual employee shall recover no more than $200 in any calendar year as a result of this policy. Items of theft, or mysterious disappearance, shall be reported to the Police Department prior to the preparation of any loss claim.
EXHIBIT C – City Provided Items Per Article 27.6, Station Expenses

1. Electrical - #20327 – 7 Watt – CF7DS/827, EA
2. Electrical - #20329 – 9 Watt – CF9DS/827, EA
5. Electrical - #20683 – 18Watt – CD18DD/E/827, EA
7. Electrical - #39380 – F32TBX840/AMP, EA
8. Electrical – 50Watt, 50R20/DFL, EA.
10. Electrical – Appliance Bulb, (Oven), -40 Watt, EA
11. Electrical – Bulbs – 1 Watt, blue, LED, EA
12. Electrical – Bulbs – 1 Watt, Red, LED, EA
13. Electrical – Bulbs – 100 Watt, EA
15. Electrical – Bulbs – 60 Watt, EA
16. Electrical – Bulbs – 75 Watt, EA
17. Electrical – Bulbs – 90 Watt, EA
18. Electrical – Cord, Extension, 50 ft, EA
19. Electrical – Fluorescent, 27 Watt CFL, 4 Prong, EA
20. Electrical – Fluorescent Rnd, FC8T9/CW (Van), EA
22. Electrical – Fluorescent – 36” – FO25/735/ECO
24. Electrical – Halogen- 300Watt, EA
25. Electrical – Halogen – 500 Watt, EA
26. Electrical – Par 56 – 300 Watt, EA
27. Electrical – PL-C, 18 Watt (27), G24DZ, EA
28. Electrical – PL-S, 7 Watt (27), G23, EA
29. Electrical – PLC*15MM/22W/27, EA
30. Electrical – SATCO – 50 Watt, Mr 16, GX 5.3, Bi-Pin, EA
31. Flagpole Halyard, EA
32. Flags, EA
33. Garden/Weed Killer, Round-Up/Ranger Pro, Pre-Mix, Per Gallon
34. Garden/Yard – Hornet & Wasp Spray, EA
35. Garden/Yard – Garden Rake (Roadrake), EA
36. Garden/Yard – Hand Hedge Trimmer, EA
37. Garden/Yard – Hand Pruner, EA
38. Garden/Yard – Hoe, EA
39. Garden/Yard – Loppers, EA
40. Garden/Yard – Nozzles, Spray Trigger, ¾” EA
41. Garden/Yard – Shovel, Round Point, EA
42. Garden/Yard – Shovel, Square Point, EA
43. Garden/Yard – Yard Rake, EA
44. Garden/Yard - Garden Hose, EA
45. Janitorial Supplies – Ajax with Bleach, 21 oz can, Ea
46. Janitorial Supplies – Bleach, Gallon, EA
47. Janitorial Supplies - Blocks, Deodorant, for urinals, EA
48. Janitorial Supplies – Blocks, Deodorant, wired for bowls, ea
49. Janitorial Supplies - Bottle, Plastic, Trigger Spray, EA
50. Janitorial Supplies – Broom, Floor, 18”, Without handle, EA
51. Janitorial Supplies – Broom, house, Janitor, (Corn Broom), EA
52. Janitorial Supplies – Brush, Toilet bowl, EA
53. Janitorial Supplies – Counter Brush, EA
54. Janitorial Supplies – Disinfectant, Formulation 64-YL. (Replaces Lemon), Per gallon
55. Janitorial Supplies – Dust Mop Frame – 24 In, EA
56. Janitorial Supplies – Dust Mop Handle, EA
57. Janitorial Supplies – Dust mop heads – 24 in. EA
58. Janitorial Supplies – Floor Broom handle, Metal Threads, EA
59. Janitorial Supplies – Floor Stripper, Gallon, EA – not for stations 5,20,30,43
60. Janitorial Supplies – Floor Wax, Gallon, EA – not for stations 5,20,30,43
61. Janitorial Supplies – Glass, Non-streaking, gallon, EA
62. Janitorial Supplies – Kleen Screens (Urinal Screens) EA
63. Janitorial Supplies – Liners, Garbage, large, 42”x47”, per box
64. Janitorial Supplies – Liners, Garbage, medium, 33”x39”, 33 gallon, per box
65. Janitorial Supplies – Liners, Garbage, Small, 24”x23”, 7-10 gallon per box
66. Janitorial Supplies – Liquid, multi-purpose (ph), for the floors, stations 5,20,30 only per gallon
67. Janitorial Supplies – Mop bucket and wringer, per unit
68. Janitorial Supplies – Mop head, Cotton, 6”, EA
69. Janitorial Supplies – Multi-fold towel dispense, EA
70. Janitorial Supplies – NAB toilet cleaner, per 32 oz. Bottle
71. Janitorial Supplies – Odor eliminator, per qt
72. Janitorial Supplies – Pan, Dust, #10, Plastic , EA
73. Janitorial Supplies – Plunger, Type Force Cups, EA
74. Janitorial Supplies – Sanitaire Vacuum Cleaner belt, EA
75. Janitorial Supplies – Soap, Liquid, Hand, Pink, per gallon
76. Janitorial Supplies – Soap, Liquid, TKO, per gallon, (replaces LAVA)
77. Janitorial Supplies – Spic & Span, per box – not for station 43
78. Janitorial Supplies – Sponges, Cellulose, EA
79. Janitorial Supplies – Sponges, Scrub, Abrasive, EA – not for station 43
80. Janitorial Supplies – Tissue, Toilet Seat Covers, ½" fold, per box
81. Janitorial Supplies – Tissue, Toilet, --per roll—
82. Janitorial Supplies – Towels, Paper, Multi-fold, white, --per box—
83. Janitorial Supplies- Towels, Paper, Single-fold, Brown, -- per box—
84. Janitorial Supplies – Wet Mop, Handle EA
85. Janitorial Supplies – Z-Green (Replaces simple green), per gallon
86. MP HD Metal protector, Per can
87. Polish, Furniture, per can
88. Protector, Eye, Clear, EA
89. Silicone Spray, Per Can
90. Spray Grease, Red, Per Can
91. 2 Cycle Oil, EA
92. Battery- 12V, A23, 2 per pack, order per pack, for garage door openers
93. Battery, 9V Per box of 12 EA
94. Battery, AA, Per box of 24 EA
95. Battery, AAA, per box of 24 EA
96. Battery, C, Per box of 12 EA
97. Battery, D, per box of 12 EA
98. Chain Saw Grease, EA
99. Cleaning Supplies- 10" Scrub Brush, EA
100. Cleaning Supplies – Auto Wax, EA/Gallon Container
101. Cleaning Supplies- Bucket Utility, EA
102. Cleaning Supplies- Car Was & Wax, EA/Per gallon Container
103. Cleaning Supplies – Car Wash Brush, EA
104. Cleaning Supplies – Fender Brush, EA
105. Cleaning Supplies- Floor Broom handle, Metal Threads, EA
106. Cleaning Supplies – Galaxy Tire Dressing, EA/Gallon Container
107. Cleaning Supplies- Leather Cleaner, EA/QT Container
108. Cleaning Supplies – Orange – E (Replaces Power Foam), per gallon
109. Cleaning Supplies – Rags, Per bag
110. Cleaning Supplies- Sleek, EA/QT
111. Cleaning Supplies – Steel (Wire) Brush, EA
112. Cleaning Supplies – Super Shine – Blue, per Bottle
113. Cleaning Supplies – Super Shine – Green, per bottle
114. Cleaning Supplies- Wash Mitts, EA
115. Duct Tape, Per Roll
116. Flares, per box of 72 EA
117. Foam – Fire Ade Class :A"/AFFF Foam, EA/5 Gallon Container
118. Freeway broom tapered handle, EA
119. Freeway broom without handle, EA
120. Fuel Stabilizer, EA
121. Gas Can – 2.5 Gallon, Poly EA
122. Gas Can – 3 Gallon Safety, EA
123. Oil – Chain & bar, EA
124. Painting Supplies- Aerosol – Flat Black, EA
125. Painting Supplies – Aerosol – Gloss Black, EA
126. Painting Supplies- Aerosol – Primer, EA
127. Painting Supplies – Color Code & number: ______, per PT (Enter Paint Code#)
128. Painting Supplies- Emery Cloth – course – EA
129. Painting Supplies – Emery Cloth – fine, EA
130. Painting Supplies- Emery Cloth – Medium, EA
131. Painting Supplies- Paint Brush – 1" Throw away, EA
132. Painting Supplies- Paint Brush – 2" Throw away, EA
133. Painting Supplies – Paint Brush – Artist, EA
134. Painting Supplies – Sandpaper, 120G, EA
135. Painting Supplies – Sandpaper, 180G, EA
136. Painting Supplies – Sandpaper, 80G, EA
137. Painting Supplies – Steel Wool - #0, per bag
138. Painting Supplies – Steel Wool - #00, per bag
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141. Painting Supplies – Steel Wool - #2, per bag
142. Painting Supplies – Steel Wool - #3, per bag
143. Painting Supplies – Tape, Masking 1 inch, per roll
144. Painting Supplies- Tape, Masking 2 inch, per roll
145. Pig – Epoxy Stick, repair putty, per stick
146. Plug & Dike, per oz. (16 oz-32oz-64oz)
147. Sheeting – Clear Polyethylene – 12ft x 100ft, per roll
148. Tape, Fire Line, EA
149. Water Cooler, 3 Gallon, EA
150. WD-40, EA
151. Wescodyne – 1 Pt. (Scott Multiwash)