



## RESOLUTION 2011-041

**A RESOLUTION TO RATIFY THE CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHERWOOD AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES (AFSCME); AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE SUCCESSOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHERWOOD AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES (AFSCME)**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Sherwood and AFSCME members and have been agreed to roll over the current AFSCME Contract with one modification to the contract and reached tentative agreement in April 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of the City of Sherwood and AFSCME have tentatively agreed to a package settlement of all outstanding issues relating to collective bargaining between the parties; and

**WHEREAS**, AFSCME ratified the tentative agreement in April 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, the agreement will remain tentative until ratified by the Sherwood City Council and will be effective upon execution and remain in effect through June 30, 2013; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF SHERWOOD RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** This agreement is approved and ratified by the Sherwood City Council and is approved for adoption. The Agreement is attached as "Exhibit A".

**Section 2:** The City Manager is hereby authorized to sign the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Sherwood and AFSCME.

**Section 3:** This Resolution shall be effective upon its approval and adoption.

**Duly passed by the City Council this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 2011.**

  
Keith S. Mays, Mayor

Attest:

  
Sylvia Murphy, CMC, City Recorder

**COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT**

**BETWEEN**

**CITY OF SHERWOOD**

**AND**

**AFSCME LOCAL 1777**

**July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2013**

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## **PREAMBLE**

This Agreement is entered into between the City of Sherwood, Oregon, hereinafter referred to as the "City" and the City of Sherwood Employees Local 1777, Council 75 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, hereinafter referred to as the "Union". The purpose of this Agreement is to set forth the full and complete Agreement between the parties on matters relating to employment relations.

## **ARTICLE 1 - RECOGNITION**

Section 1. The City recognizes the Union as the sole and exclusive bargaining agent for the purpose of collective bargaining for all full-time regular employees and for all part-time regular employees working an average of 20 hours or more per week and excluding managerial, supervisory and confidential employees and employees in the police department bargaining unit.

## **ARTICLE 2 – DUES DEDUCTION**

Section 1. All members of the bargaining unit who are members of the Union as of the effective date of the agreement or who subsequently voluntarily become members of the Union shall continue to maintain membership status in the Union during the term of the Agreement except as expressly modified below.

Section 2. The City will provide for payroll deduction of Union dues and fees upon written authorization by the employee. Payroll deduction authorization cards must be received by the City by the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day of the month to be recognized as effective for the subsequent month. The City shall deduct from the end-of-the-month paycheck the amount of dues and initiation fees as certified by the Union and transmit to the designated officer of the Union the total amount deducted. The form of such authorization shall be as follows:

I hereby request and authorize deduction from my earnings an amount sufficient to provide for the regular payment of current monthly union dues, as established by Local Union No. 1777, Oregon AFSCME and as certified by it. Any change in that amount shall likewise be so certified. The amount to be deducted shall be monthly remitted to Oregon AFSCME Council 75 and this authorization shall remain in effect during my employment by the entity to which this authorization is directed, as a contract between myself and all other members of the Local Union, unless revoked by me in writing with a copy to the union.

Section 3. Indemnification. The Union shall indemnify, defend, and hold the City harmless from all suits, actions, proceedings and claims against the City or persons acting on behalf of the City, for any relief sought, where liability arises from the sole application of this Article. In the event that any part of Article 2 shall be declared invalid or that all or any portion of the monthly

service fee must be refunded to any non-member, the Union and its members shall be solely responsible for such reimbursement.

Section 4. The City agrees to notify the Union of all new hires in the bargaining unit within two (2) weeks after their date of hire, furnishing the Union with the new employee's name, mailing address, telephone number and position for which they were hired. The City will allow a union representative to meet with new employees for up to fifteen (15) minutes on the new employee's orientation day.

### **ARTICLE 3 - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

Section 1. For the purpose of this agreement, a grievance is defined as any one of the following:

- a. A claim by an employee covered by this agreement concerning the meaning or interpretation of a specific provision or clause of this agreement as it affects such employee;
- b. A claim by the Union concerning the application of a specific provision or clause of this agreement as it affects a specific member of the Union.

An individual employee who does not wish the Union to pursue a disciplinary grievance (under Section 1(b) hereof) may notify the Union in writing at any time. Such notice shall preclude the union from challenging the disciplinary action in any forum. A grievance which is resolved after an individual's exercise of the right to withdraw consent hereunder shall not constitute a precedent with regard to the substance of the grievance in question.

Section 2. Informal Grievance Adjustment. The City and the Union desire to adjust grievances informally -- both supervisors and employees are expected to make efforts to resolve problems as they arise. The informal step in the grievance process -- Step 1 -- may be waived in writing by mutual agreement of the City and the employee and/or the Union. Unless so waived, a grievance shall be filed at Step 1 as follows:

Step 1: To commence resolution of a grievance, the employee and/or the Union shall notify the appropriate supervisor that the employee believes a problem exists and shall identify the affected parties. Such notification must occur within seven (7) calendar days of the occurrence which gave rise to the problem, not including the day of the occurrence. For purposes of this section, the appropriate supervisor is defined as the lowest level supervisor/manager delegated authority by the City to deal with the specific problem or concern. The parties involved shall meet to discuss the issues involved and attempt to resolve the problem by developing a solution that all parties can support. If the grievance is resolved, it shall be reduced to writing, signed by all parties involved in the discussion, with a copy to the City Manager and the Union. If a solution is not reached at the meeting, the Union may advance the grievance to Step 2.

Section 3. Formal Grievance Adjustment. The following steps shall be followed in submitting and processing a formal grievance, only after the informal grievance procedures have been completed without reaching a resolution:

Step 2: If the grievance is not settled at Step 1, the employee and/or the Union shall submit the grievance in writing to the Department Head, within fourteen (14) calendar days from the date of the occurrence which gave rise to the problem. The Department Head shall issue a response in writing within fourteen (14) calendar days from the date of presentation, not including the day of presentation, after attempting to resolve the matter.

Step 3: If the grievance is not settled at Step 2, the employee and/or the Union shall present the grievance to the City Manager or his/her designee within seven (7) calendar days from the date of response from the Department Head, or the date such response was due, not including the day of response. The City Manager or his/her designee shall attempt to resolve the grievance and report in writing the decision within fourteen (14) calendar days from the date it is submitted to the City Manager, not including the day of presentation.

Step 4: If the grievance is not settled at Step 3, the Union may pursue the grievance further by filing a written notice of intent to arbitrate the grievance with the City Manager within fourteen (14) calendar days of the date the decision of the City Manager is received, not including the day of receipt. The parties shall request a list of nine (9) Oregon/ Washington arbitrators from the Employment Relations Board. If the parties cannot mutually agree to an arbitrator, they will alternately strike names and the last one will be the arbitrator.

Section 4. The arbitrator shall set a hearing date and shall render a decision within thirty (30) calendar days after the conclusion of the hearing. His or her decision will be subject to the preponderance of the evidence standard. The power of the arbitrator shall be limited to interpreting this Agreement, determining if it has been violated, and to resolve the grievance within the terms of this Agreement. The arbitrator has no authority to add to, delete from, amend, or modify any terms of this Agreement or make a finding in violation of law. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on both parties. Each party shall be responsible for costs of presenting its own case to arbitration. Costs incurred in connection with the arbitration hearing will be divided equally, provided that the losing party shall be responsible for the arbitrator's fee and expenses.

Section 5. If at any step of the grievance procedure the grievant fails to comply with the time limits or procedures set forth in this Article, the grievance shall be deemed abandoned and non-arbitrable. If at any step of the grievance procedures the City fails to issue a response within the time limits set forth in this Article, the grievance will be advanced to the next step. Processing of the grievance and the time limits referred to in this Article may be waived or extended by mutual agreement in writing.

Section 6. All disciplinary action imposed upon an employee in excess of a verbal reprimand may be protested as a grievance through the regular formal grievance procedure, up to and

including binding arbitration. Disciplinary grievances shall be initiated at Step 2 of this procedure, within fourteen (14) calendar days of the occurrence.

#### **ARTICLE 4 - PERSONNEL FILE**

Section 1. The City, subject to prior notification, shall provide an employee the opportunity to review the employee's personnel file. Copies of the contents of this file requested by the employee shall be provided at the employee's own expense. The official personnel file shall be maintained by the City.

Section 2. The employee may respond in writing, within thirty (30) calendar days, to any item placed in his personnel file and such response shall also be placed in the employee's personnel file. Materials received prior to the date of employment with the City shall not be subject to the provisions of this Article.

Section 3. All letters of warning and reprimands may be removed from an employee's personnel file upon request of the employee and approval of their department manager. If such request is denied, the employee may appeal the decision to the City Manager.

Section 4. Employees shall have the opportunity to review and shall sign any personnel document which reflects any adverse personnel action, prior to such document being entered into the employee's personnel file.

#### **ARTICLE 5 – POSTING AND FILLING OF VACANCIES**

Section 1. Posting of Vacancies. The City will normally post on its website, for not less than five (5) days, notices of job vacancies offered by the City of Sherwood for which employees may apply. The most senior qualified applicant shall be selected when, in the determination of the City, the overall qualifications and abilities of the top two or more applicants are equal. Exceptions to this article include promotions when there is only one employee within a classification series who would qualify for the promotion, vacancies of limited duration or demotion of an employee which is either voluntary or disciplinary.

Section 2. Lateral Transfers. Vacancies may be filled by the voluntary lateral transfer of qualified employees within the City service. Lateral transfers are defined as a transfer of a qualified employee within the same pay range.

Section 3. Reclassification. Positions which are reclassified into higher classifications may be given to the incumbent employee in the position which is to be reclassified.

Section 4. Intent. Nothing in this article is intended to circumvent the layoff and recall process as outlined in Article 10.

## **ARTICLE 6 - HOURS OF WORK**

**Section 1. Work Week / Work Day.** The work week shall begin on Sunday at 12:01 A.M. and end 168 consecutive hours later at midnight on the following Saturday.

The regular work day consists of eight (8) or ten (10) consecutive work hours plus an unpaid meal period within any twenty four (24) hour period.

**Section 2. Work Schedules.** The work schedule shall be determined by the City based on the needs of the City and services to the public. Employees may work the following schedules:

- a. A 5-8 work schedule, which shall consist of five (5) consecutive days of eight (8) work hours each, or
- b. A 4-10 work schedule shall consist of four (4) consecutive days of ten (10) work hours each.
- c. A "flexible" work schedule, based on mutual Agreement between the employee and the City, with notification to the union prior to the implementation of the flexible work schedule. Such flexible work schedule will be equal in total hours worked during the pay period to that of a "5-8" employee but shall have no maximum or minimum number of work hours per day or work days per week, or
- d. A "regular part-time" schedule shall be any schedule to work twenty (20) hours or more per week but less than forty (40) hours per week, or the equivalent on a flexible schedule as set forth in subsection (c) above.
- e. The City may, based on operational need, establish alternative work schedules. The parties specifically agree that an alternative 36/44 schedule may be utilized at the discretion of the Public Works Director for the Public Works Department. The parties agree that if such schedule is utilized, the work week will begin on the middle of the Friday shift for purposes of equalizing the work week to 40 hours per week. Notice of such schedule change will be provided consistent with the labor agreement.

**Section 3. Regular Hours.** All shifts shall have an established starting and quitting time and that schedule shall be determined by the Department Head.

**Section 4. Work Schedule Changes.** When the City has knowledge of the need for a change in work schedules, including starting and quitting times, the City shall provide affected employees written notice of the change fourteen (14) days in advance of the change, unless the City lacks knowledge or in instances of unforeseen emergency outside the City's control, in which case the City will provide as much advance notice as possible.



Section 5. Pay for Emergency Schedule Change. The parties agree that employees working in the case of an unforeseen emergency outside the City's control pursuant to Section 4, above, shall be paid time and one-half the employee's regular rate for hours worked outside of the employee's regular hours, as established under Section 3, above. The parties further agree that this overtime premium payment will not pyramid with any other overtime an employee may work during the same workweek.

Section 6. Rest Periods. To the extent possible and consistent with operating requirements of the City, a rest period of fifteen (15) minutes shall be permitted all employees during each scheduled four (4) hour block of work, which shall be scheduled by the City in accordance with specific operating requirements of each employee's duties, and shall be considered on-duty working time. The rest period shall be permitted as nearly as possible to the midpoint of each scheduled four (4) hour block of work.

Section 7. Meal Periods. Employees shall be granted either a thirty (30) or sixty (60) minute unpaid meal period during each work day which shall not be considered on-duty working time. The meal period shall be scheduled as nearly as possible to the midpoint of the employee's scheduled work hours, to the extent possible and consistent with operating requirements of the City.

Only those part-time employees who work more than five (5) hours are entitled to a meal period.

## **ARTICLE 7 - CALL BACK**

Section 1. Whenever an employee is called back to perform emergency or unscheduled work, the employee shall receive a minimum of two (2) hours pay.

## **ARTICLE 8 – OVERTIME/COMPENSATORY TIME**

Section 1. An employee shall be paid time and one-half the employee's regular rate for authorized work in excess of forty (40) hours in a workweek, and for emergency schedule changes in accordance with Article 6, Section 5, provided that there shall be no pyramiding of such overtime. Overtime shall be calculated to the nearest quarter hour. Paid time off (excluding holidays) shall not count toward hours worked for purposes of overtime eligibility.

Section 2. Department managers and supervisors in charge of a shift, are the only employees authorized to require or authorize overtime by employees. Employees will be subject to discipline, up to and including discharge, for unauthorized overtime work.

Section 3. All authorized overtime work by employees, except for exempt classified employees, may be compensated for time off in lieu of pay, at the employees option and upon approval by the City. The compensation rate will be one and one-half (1 ½) hours for each hour of employment worked in excess of the employee's regular forty (40) hour workweek. The maximum accrual is forty (40) hours of compensation time. Such non-exempt employees shall

receive cash payment for all unused compensation time off upon resignation, layoff or dismissal. Such excess of unused compensation overtime shall be paid at the employee's regular rate of pay.

## **ARTICLE 9 - SENIORITY AND PROBATION PERIOD**

**Section 1. Seniority.** Seniority shall be defined as the total length of continuous service within a classification in the bargaining unit. Continuous service shall be service unbroken by separation from City service, except time spent on military leave as a member of the National Guard or other reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States shall be included as continuous service.

Seniority shall be terminated if an employee quits, is discharged for just cause, is laid-off and fails to respond to written notice as provided herein, fails to report to work at the termination of a leave of absence, or is retired.

**Section 2. Probationary Period.** All appointments, including initial, promotional and lateral transfer appointments, shall be tentative and subject to a probationary period. Initial probationary appointments shall be no more than six (6) months of consecutive service.

In unusual cases where the responsibilities of a position are such or performance is such, that a longer period is necessary to demonstrate an employee's qualifications, the City may extend the probationary period up to six (6) additional months of consecutive service, as long as such extension is not arbitrary or capricious. The employee and the union shall be notified in writing of any extension and the reasons therefore.

Upon satisfactory completion of the probationary period, the employee shall be considered as having satisfactorily demonstrated qualifications for the position, shall gain regular status, and shall be so informed by the appropriate supervisor.

During the initial probationary period, an employee may be terminated at any time without appeal. In the case of promotional appointments, the promoted employee may, at the City's discretion, be returned at any time during the probationary period to the employee's previous classification. During the first thirty (30) days of such probationary period, the employee may elect to return to the previous classification. In the event no vacancy exists, the employee will be placed on a recall list and subject to the recall procedures of Article 10, Section 3. In either case, the employee will be returned without loss of seniority to the applicable rate of pay for the previous classification.

## **ARTICLE 10 – LAYOFF AND RECALL**

**Section 1.** A layoff is defined as an involuntary separation from the City for reasons that do not reflect discredit upon the employee. If a layoff is implemented, layoffs shall be made within each job classification on the basis of merit and fitness, which shall be derived by documented

performance evaluations and other documented performance criteria. If the employees' merit and fitness is not an overriding factor, as determined by the City Manager, who shall not act in an arbitrary or capricious manner, the least senior employee in the affected job classification shall be laid off first.

Section 2. Advance notice will be provided to employees the City intends to layoff as soon as plans are finalized.

Section 3. An employee will remain on the layoff list and be eligible for recall for twelve (12) months.

Employees laid off for a period of more than twelve (12) months lose all seniority credits. Employees recalled within twelve (12) months of their date of layoff shall be recalled in the inverse order of layoff. No new employees shall be hired for a classification of work until employees laid off in that classification have been offered an opportunity to return to work at equal pay or similar classification, by certified mail. It shall be the employee's responsibility to ensure that the employee's current address and telephone number is on file at the time the recall occurs. An employee so recalled by the City shall have five (5) working days in which to accept the assignment, and two (2) weeks to report if employed elsewhere. If the employee does not accept the assignment or report to work within the times specified, the employee will lose all recall and other seniority rights.

Section 4. No regular employee shall be laid off while temporary employees are retained by the City in the classifications of the employees proposed to be laid off. Temporary employees for purposes of this section are limited to employees hired for the express purpose of performing work created as a result of the layoff, and don't include seasonal or other limited duration employees hired to perform projects distinct from the work created as a result of the layoff.

## **ARTICLE 11 – WORKING OUT OF CLASSIFICATION**

Section 1. When an employee is notified in writing that they will be assigned for a limited period to act in capacity in a higher level of classification for more than a total of ten (10) consecutive or nonconsecutive working days (eight (8) hours or any portion thereof), that employee shall be paid premium pay of five percent (5%).

An employee performing duties out of classification for training and development purposes shall be so informed in writing, and it shall be mutually agreed to by the supervisor and employee. The notice shall state the purpose and length of assignment. During the training, there shall be no extra pay for the work. A copy of the notice shall be placed in the employee's file.

## **ARTICLE 12 – BOOT REIMBURSEMENT**

Section 1. Employees required to wear protective boots shall be reimbursed up to \$150 per year for such boots upon presentation of a receipt.

Section 2. The City will supply to Public Works Utility Workers any OSHA/OSHA required safety equipment, raingear, rubber boots, gloves, coveralls, winter coats or jackets, and uniform pants and shirts (long and short sleeve).

Section 3. Upon supervisory approval, the City will provide rain gear to employees who demonstrate a regular and consistent need for protection from exposure to weather in the performance of their official duties, including but not limited to: Code Compliance, Senior Planner, Associate Planner, Inspectors, Engineering Associate and Senior Project Manager.

### **ARTICLE 13 - PAID TIME OFF**

Section 1. Description. The City shall provide a program of earned time off for regular full and part time employees, which can be used to meet the employees' needs or desires for paid time off from work. The program was implemented in 1998 with the intent of providing employees with the discretion to use PTO for absences due to illness, medical appointments and other personal health needs of the employee or members of his/her family. To accomplish this intent, sick leave accrual was reduced by three (3) days per year and added to PTO accrual. Use of such days are subject to employee discretion.

Section 2. PTO Accrual. PTO accrual rates are determined by a regular employees' length of continuous service with the City. Full time employees shall accrue PTO each pay period at the following rate:

<b>Yrs of Continuous Service</b>	<b>Accrual Rate of Pay Period</b>	<b>Yearly Accrual Rate</b>	<b>Maximum Accrual</b>
< 3 years	5.23 hours	17 days	26 days
=>3 years	5.85 hours	19 days	29 days
=> 6 years	6.46 hours	21 days	32 days
=> 9 years	7.08 hours	23 days	35 days
=> 12 years	7.69 hours	25 days	38 days
=> 15 years	8.31 hours	27 days	41 days

Part time employees shall accrue PTO at a prorated rate of full time employees. Eligible employees are paid hours up to the actual scheduled hours worked for the particular day in which time off is requested.

Section 3. Trial Employees. PTO and sick leave accrued during the first six (6) months of continuous service shall not be credited as earned PTO and sick leave until the employee completes the initial probationary period.

Section 4. Maximum Accrual. Leave benefits which are earned may be accrued to a maximum of one and one half (1 ½) times the employee's annual accrual rate (rounded up). Employees will not accrue or be paid for any leave in excess of one and one half times. However, the City may approve temporary accruals and carryovers of more than the maximum allowable amount

when the employee is unable to take time off due to City staffing and work load requirements, or other legitimate reasons, that in the opinion of the Department Head, make use of accrued paid time off benefits unfeasible. Temporary accruals in excess of the allowable amount shall be approved in writing by the City Manager.

Section 5. Procedure for Use of PTO.

- a. To schedule days off other than for illness or injury, an employee must submit a request to the immediate supervisor as far in advance as possible. All requests will be granted on a "first come, first served" basis. If two or more time off requests are received at the same time, then resolution of the conflicting time off request shall be based on seniority. PTO leave request, except in emergency situations, should be made at least two (2) weeks in advance. The immediate supervisor shall respond with the approval or denial within one (1) week of receipt of the request. All requests must be made in writing to be considered. Requests may be denied based upon staffing and workload requirements of the City. Approval of requests will not be unreasonably withheld.
- b. Employees must indicate in writing the number of PTO hours for which payment is requested. The combined total of hours worked and PTO hours cannot exceed the normal working time in any given pay period, except for authorized overtime.
- c. For illness or injury, the employee must notify the immediate supervisor as soon as possible. If the illness extends beyond one (1) day, daily calls must be made to keep the supervisor informed, unless otherwise arranged between the supervisor and the employee.

Section 6. Cash Out. Regular employees shall be paid in one (1) lump sum for any accrued but unused PTO benefits only upon layoff, resignation or dismissal, unless the employee fails to provide the required notice, if any.

Section 7. Sick Leave Accrual. Full time employees shall accrue eight (8) hours of sick leave per month, which may only be used for absences resulting from injury or illness in excess of one (1) day, or emergency leave. Part time employees shall accrue sick leave at a prorated rate of full time employees. Sick leave will be accrued in a separate bank and employees will not accrue or be paid any sick leave in excess of 720 hours.

Section 8. Applicability. Sick leave benefits may be used by regular employees for absences due to personal injury, illness or temporary disability in excess of one (1) day, which keeps the employee from performing their regular duties. Sick leave benefits may also be used for absences occasioned by the illness or injury of an immediate family member, or for reasons associated with the Family Leave Act.

Section 9. PTO Usage with Sick Leave. If an employee misses one day of work for an injury, illness or temporary disability, the first day of paid leave shall come from the bank of accrued PTO leave unless the employee provides notice from a health care provider justifying the need for the leave, in which case an employee may access sick leave accrual immediately. Any

additional leave necessary for an injury, illness or temporary disability in excess of the first day of PTO shall come from the bank of accrued sick leave. When an employee is absent on more than one occasion for the same occurrence, only one day of PTO is required prior to utilizing paid leave from the employees' accrued bank of sick leave.

Section 10. On-the-Job Injury. When an employee is absent from work because of an on-the-job injury, time off will not be charged to sick leave except as provided below. The employee may select one of the following options:

- a. The employee may elect to receive only his/her workers' compensation payments.
- b. The employee may voluntarily turn in their first and all subsequent worker's compensation payments and will, in turn, receive their regular gross wages, and the following will occur:
  1. Employees shall use available sick leave for integration with their workers' compensation payments in order to receive their regular gross wages. In this situation a check for full gross wage will only be received if the employee has available sick leave. Deduction to sick leave shall be proportional to the difference between the workers' compensation payments and regular gross wages.
  2. In the event an employee withholds any of his/her workers' compensation payments, compensation will fall into the integration of sick leave formula described above from the first day of injury. In the event this occurs, the City can automatically deduct any overpayment in full from the employee's next paycheck, or any subsequent checks if there is not a sufficient amount in the next paycheck.

Section 11. Exempt Employees' Administrative Leave. Bargaining unit members who are exempt employees shall receive forty (40) hours of administrative leave each year on January 1<sup>st</sup> or upon hire in which case the amount of the leave credited will be pro-rated. This administrative leave may be used as soon as it is credited and may not be carried over to the next calendar year.

In consideration of the fact that exempt staff work hours in excess of forty (40) per week, exempt staff will be allowed to flex their schedules upon supervisory approval.

## ARTICLE 14 - HOLIDAYS

Section 1. All full-time employees shall be entitled to the following holidays:

New Year's Day	January 1
Martin Luther King's Birthday	3rd Monday in January
Memorial Day	Last Monday in May

Independence Day	July 4th
Labor Day	1st Monday in September
Veteran's Day	November 11th
Thanksgiving Day	4th Thursday in November
Day after Thanksgiving	4th Friday in November
Christmas Day	December 25th

Section 2. Holiday Pay. Regular full time employees who do not work on a holiday shall receive eight (8) hours holiday pay at their regular rate of pay, provided they have worked or been paid for their last scheduled workday before and their first scheduled workday after the holiday. Regular part time employees working twenty (20) hours or more a week who do not work on a holiday shall receive a portion of the eight (8) hours holiday pay at their regular rate of pay equivalent to the percentage of their hours worked to a full forty (40) hour work week, provided they have worked or been paid their last scheduled workday before and their first scheduled workday after the holiday. An unexcused absence from scheduled work on a holiday will result in loss of holiday pay for that holiday. Employees who work on a holiday will receive their holiday pay in addition to regular pay for work on the holiday or additional time off within the work week in which the holiday falls.

Section 3. Except for employees regularly scheduled to work on a Saturday or Sunday, when a holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be deemed to be a holiday in lieu of the day observed. When a holiday falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be deemed to be a holiday in lieu of the day observed.

## **ARTICLE 15 - SPECIAL AND EMERGENCY LEAVE**

Section 1. Jury Duty. Employees who are called to serve on a jury, or served with a subpoena as a witness in any court proceeding concerning a matter which is not personal to the employee, shall be allowed time off from work without loss of pay or accrued benefits. Any fees received shall be endorsed over to the City for deposit in the City's General Fund, provided, however, that any fees received for such duty occurring on days that are not regular workdays for the employee shall be retained by the employee. Employees excused from jury duty or court proceedings are expected to work the remainder of their regular workday.

Section 2. Military Leave. Military leave shall be granted in accordance with state and federal law.

Section 3. Leave with Pay. Except as otherwise established by this agreement in the form of paid time off, holidays, jury duty, emergency leave, in-service training, and the other forms of leave and training specifically identified, leave with pay is not allowed, except by express authorization of the City Manager.

Section 4. Family Medical Leave. Consistent with City policy, an employee may be eligible for Family Medical Leave to care for a spouse, parent, parent-in-law or child with a serious health condition as defined under federal and state law, or sick child requiring home care, for the

employee's own serious health condition as defined under federal and state law, or for parental leave for the birth of a child or for placement of a child under 18 years of age for adoption or foster care. As a general rule, such leave shall not exceed twelve (12) weeks within any twelve (12) month period, except as otherwise required by law. An employee may qualify for more than twelve (12) weeks of leave under OFLA and FMLA.

Where practicable, and subject to the approval of the treating health care provider, the employee shall make a reasonable effort to schedule health care treatment or supervision to minimize disruption of the employer's operations.

An employee returning from a FMLA or OFLA leave will have reinstatement rights pursuant to federal and state law.

#### Section 5. Emergency Leave.

- a. Generally. When a death or serious illness occurs in an employee's immediate family, the employee may request up to three (3) workdays paid emergency leave, which will be deducted from the employee's sick leave balance. Emergency leave pay shall be that amount the employee would have earned had the employee worked their regular work schedule. All emergency leave shall be approved in writing by the Department Head, setting out the terms, conditions, and length of said leave.
- b. Benefit. Emergency leave may not exceed three (3) workdays in any calendar year unless approved by the City Manager. Emergency leave in excess of three (3) workdays not approved by the City Manager shall be treated as PTO pursuant to the Paid Time Off section, or be treated as leave without pay should all PTO be exhausted.
- c. Definition. "Immediate family" for purposes of this section is defined as spouse, children, grandchildren, parents, grandparents, siblings, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother or sister-in-law, or any relative residing in the employee's immediate household.

Section 6. Union Leave. One authorized Union representative, upon written request from the Union given 30 days in advance, may be given a short-term leave of absence of up to one week per fiscal year without pay to transact business for this bargaining unit of the Union. The Union will cooperate with the Employer by making requests for such leave in a manner which will minimize interference with the Employer's operations. The Union agrees to reimburse the City for the costs of any benefits the employee earned or enjoyed during the period of unpaid union leave (such as PERS, PTO accrual, sick leave accrual, health insurance benefits, etc.).



## **ARTICLE 16 - LEAVE WITHOUT PAY**

Section 1. Leave without pay may be granted to any regular employee by the City Manager for any period of time up to twelve (12) months for personal, professional, or family reasons, or for time beyond the medically certified period of temporary disability following childbirth. The City Manager shall have the discretion to grant leaves without pay for other reasons consistent with the best business interest of the City.

Section 2. Authorization. All leave without pay must be requested by the regular employee in writing as soon as the need for such leave is known. All written requests shall state the reason for the leave and the amount of leave time needed. Written requests shall be submitted to the employee's department head, and referred to the City Manager with the department head's recommendation. All leave without pay shall be approved in writing by the City Manager setting out the terms, conditions, and length of said leave. The City Manager has the discretion to reduce or deny the leave without pay request when the reduction or denial is in the best business interest of the City.

Section 3. Return to Work. Failure to return from any leave without pay on or before a designated date, will be considered a voluntary resignation and cause for denying re-employment within the City. Employees on leave without pay may return to work early, provided notice is given to their department head at least two (2) regular City workdays in advance.

Section 4. Benefits. Paid time off and sick leave benefits are not earned while an employee is on leave without pay. Unless otherwise required by law, the City will not pay any portion of the employee's group medical and life insurance premiums while the employee is on leave without pay, though the employee may elect to personally continue such coverage as provided under the terms of such policies. At the City Manager's discretion, an employee may be required to use any earned but unused paid time off and holiday benefits before a leave without pay is granted.

Section 5. Re-employment. Employees returning from an approved leave without pay are entitled to return to their same position or a similar position in the same class and pay step. Provided, however, if the employee's anniversary date fell during a leave without pay period, the employees' anniversary date shall be adjusted accordingly for the time away on leave, unless otherwise required by law.

Section 6. Certificates. Employees who are granted a leave without pay for medical or disability reasons must exhaust all accrued sick leave benefits prior to commencing leave without pay. Any employee returning from a leave without pay due to medical or disability reasons must provide a qualified health care provider's certification of the employee's ability to return to work. If the employee was placed on leave without pay status pursuant to the terms of the Physical Examinations section the certificate shall, if possible, be from the health care provider who previously examined the employee.

## **ARTICLE 17 - RETIREMENT**

Section 1. PERS Enrollment. After six (6) full calendar months of employment, all employees scheduled to work at least six hundred (600) hour per year shall participate in the State of

Oregon Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) or the Oregon Public Service Retirement Plan. Provided, however, that individuals actively enrolled in PERS as a result of prior employment shall be immediately re-enrolled upon hire. The City shall pay the employee's contribution in addition to the employer's share of the cost of the retirement plan for each employee. Employees do not have the option of receiving this pick up as salary and paying their contribution directly.

## **ARTICLE 18 - BULLETIN BOARDS**

Section 1. The City agrees to allow the union to furnish and maintain a bulletin board in each City facility in which bargaining unit members work. The Union shall use the boards only for notices and bulletins concerning Union matters.

## **ARTICLE 19 – STEWARDS**

Section 1. Employees selected by the Union to act as Union representatives shall be known as "stewards". The names of employees selected as "stewards" and the names of other Union representatives who may represent employees shall be certified in writing to the City by the Union.

Section 2. An authorized Union representative and employee(s) directly involved in a particular grievance shall be allowed to attend meetings with representatives of the City without loss of regular pay. The Union shall advise the City as to which employee(s) will attend such meeting. It shall be the responsibility of each individual employee to provide advance notice of the meeting to his/her immediate supervisor.

The employer agrees that accredited representatives of AFSCME may have access to employees in the bargaining unit during business hours, provided the employee and the representative are not on City time and the representative has received managerial approval to be in City facilities. Such access may be permitted on a case by case basis without loss of pay when the City determines, in its sole discretion, that such access is in the best interests of the City and does not interfere with the normal operations of the department.

## **ARTICLE 20 – INSURANCE**

Section 1. Effective upon execution of this Agreement, the City will provide group medical, dental, and vision insurance coverage for all regular full-time employees and regular part-time employees who work 20 or more hours per week. The terms, conditions, and extent of the City's group insurance programs may be modified or canceled at any time by action of the City Council or the insuring agency. The City will pay 87% of the premium cost of the PPO Plan option in place for each tier of coverage for full-time employees. City contributions for part-time employees shall be pro-rated in accordance with City policy. Employees electing alternative plan options made available by the City may apply these contribution amounts towards such

coverage and are responsible for any remaining premium costs. Any premium costs not covered by the City shall be paid by the enrolled employee through automatic payroll deduction.

Section 2. During the term of this Agreement, the City will provide group term life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment for each regular, full time employee at one and one-half (1 ½) times the employee's annual salary, \$75,000 maximum. The City will also provide \$2,000 life insurance coverage for dependents.

Section 3. Regular, full time employees may enroll in a program of long term disability insurance at 50% of monthly salary up to a maximum monthly benefit of \$3,000. Premium for this plan are paid 50% by the City and 50% by the employee.

Section 4. An optional accidental death and dismemberment plan for all regular, full time employees shall be offered by the City which is equivalent to the current Transamerica AD&D plan. Premiums for this plan will be paid for by the employee.

Section 5. The City shall provide to employees in the bargaining unit an Internal Revenue Code Section 125 Flexible Spending Plan with pre-tax health and dependent benefits.

Section 6. The group medical, dental, and vision insurance coverage provided in Section 1 above will be subject to annual review and recommendations by an insurance benefit committee consisting of an equal number of represented and non-represented committee members.

## **ARTICLE 21 - DISCIPLINE AND DISCHARGE**

### **Section 1. Discipline.**

- a. Disciplinary action shall include only the following: Oral reprimand; written reprimand; suspension without pay; demotion; or discharge.
- b. Disciplinary action may be imposed upon an employee only for just cause. Disciplinary action is usually progressive in nature, but may be imposed at any level if supported by just cause and based upon the seriousness of the offense and the particular circumstances of the employee. It is recognized by the parties that each situation calling for possible disciplinary action is unique to its particular circumstances and that appropriate disciplinary action will be considered in the context of such circumstances.
- c. Disciplinary action imposed upon an employee, other than oral reprimand, may be processed as a grievance through the regular grievance procedure.

## **ARTICLE 22 -- COMPENSATION**

**Section 1. Wage Scales.** Effective July 1, 2011, increase the wage scale across the board (by applying percentage increase to first step and maintaining 2.5% between steps), by a percentage equal to the CPI-W, West Index, (Annual Average), minimum 0%, maximum 4%.

**Section 2. Salary Steps.** All step increases within the salary matrix established in Exhibit "A" shall be contingent upon satisfactory performance as indicated in an employee's written performance evaluation. This annual evaluation will also include a review of the employee's job description for completeness and accuracy. A performance evaluation may be grieved under Article 3 through Step 3 of the grievance procedure if an employee receives an evaluation which "Does Not Meet Standards." If an employee does not receive his/her annual performance evaluation within two months after the employee's anniversary date, the evaluation will be presumed satisfactory and any step increase due will be granted retroactively to the employee's anniversary date.

**Section 3. Two-Step Increments.** Employees who have satisfactorily completed five (5) years within the City will receive two-step increments for their anniversary adjustments upon receipt of a satisfactory performance evaluation.

**Section 4.** Unless otherwise prohibited by law, the anniversary date and performance evaluation period of an employee taking a leave without pay of thirty (30) calendar days or longer, shall be postponed until the employee has returned to work and completed as many days of continuous employment as the length of the leave without pay period.

**Section 5.** Mileage and expense reimbursement will continue pursuant to existing City policy.

**Section 6.** The costs of obtaining City required licenses, certifications and physical exams shall be reimbursed consistent with existing City policy.

**Section 7. Promotion.** Upon promotion, an employee will advance to the new salary range and to the step in the new salary which provides at least a 5% increase from the employee's former salary step. A new anniversary date will be established upon the effective date of promotion.

**Section 8. Reclassification.** When an employee's position is reclassified upward the employee shall be placed on the new salary range at the first step equal to or higher than the employee's former salary step.

**Section 9. Probationary Employees.** Upon completion of initial trial service or promotional probation, an employee shall be granted a step increase. A new anniversary date will be established upon the date of the successful completion of trial service or promotion probation.

## **ARTICLE 23 – SAVINGS CLAUSE**

Section 1. Should any article, section, or portion of this Agreement or supplement thereto be held unlawful or unenforceable by an opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Oregon, be finally adjudged by the Supreme Court, or other court of appropriate jurisdiction, or any administrative agency of the State of Oregon having jurisdiction over the subject matter, to be in violation of any state or federal law, then such portion or portions shall become null and void, and the balance of this Agreement remains in effect, except those remaining provisions which are so essential, connected and dependent upon the unlawful or unenforceable part that it is apparent that such remaining provisions would not have been agreed to without such other parts and the remaining provisions which, standing alone, are incomplete and incapable of being executed in accordance with the intent of this Agreement. Both parties agree to immediately renegotiate any part of this Agreement found to be in such violation, and to bring it into conformance. The parties agree that the labor agreement will not serve to restrict the City's obligation to comply with the federal and state law concerning its duty to accommodate individuals with disabilities.

Section 2. Funding. The parties recognize that revenue needed to fund the wages and benefits provided by the agreement is subject to established annual budget procedures. The wages and benefits provided herein may not be cut unilaterally, but the parties recognize that, if there are insufficient funds to maintain the level of wages and benefits provided herein, the parties will meet and confer on that subject on request of either party. The City cannot and does not guarantee any level of employment in the bargaining unit covered by this agreement. The City makes no guarantee as to passage of budget requests, approval thereof, or necessary sources of revenue.

## **ARTICLE 24 – MANAGEMENT RIGHTS**

Section 1. The Union recognizes and agrees that responsibility for management of the City and direction of the various departments rests solely with the City, and the responsible department heads. Except where abridged by specific provisions of this Agreement, the Union recognizes and agrees that in order to fulfill this responsibility, the City shall retain the exclusive right to exercise the regular and customary functions of management, including, but not limited to: directing the activities of the City and its Departments; determining standards and levels of service and methods of operation, including subcontracting, where Union members are not denied work opportunities as a result; the introduction of new technology and equipment; hiring, promoting, transferring and laying off employees; disciplining and discharging employees for just cause; promulgating policies and procedures; determining work schedules; assigning work; and, with no less than sixty (60) days advance notice to the Union, modifying how employees are paid or the dates employees are paid.

Management rights and prerogatives, except where abridged by a specific provision of this Agreement, are not subject to the grievance procedure specified in Article 10. The City retains

all rights, powers and privileges not expressly specified in this section and not specifically abridged by this Agreement or statute.

Section 2. Nothing in this Agreement, or in this Article, will be construed to prevent the City from initiating any program or change which is not contrary to an express provision of this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 25 – CONTINUITY OF SERVICES**

Section 1. During the term of this Agreement the Union's membership will not participate in any strike against the City under any circumstances. For the purpose of this Agreement, "strike" is defined as any concerted stoppage of work, slow down, speed up, sit-down, absence from work upon any pretense that is not found in fact, or any interference which affects the normal operation of the City.

Employees in the bargaining unit, while acting in the course of their employment, shall not honor any picket line established in the City by the Union or by any other labor organization when called upon to cross a picket line in the line of duty.

Section 2. In the event of a strike, work stoppage, slowdown, picketing, observance of a picket line or other restriction of work in any form, either on the basis of individual choice or collective employee conduct, the Union will immediately upon notification attempt to secure an immediate and orderly return to work. This obligation and the obligations set forth above shall not be affected or limited by the subject matter involved in the dispute giving rise to the stoppage or by whether such subject matter is or is not subject to the grievance and arbitration provision of this Agreement.

Section 3. In the event of a violation of this provision by the Union or members of the Union, the City may discipline or discharge any employee involved in such activity.

## **ARTICLE 26 – CLOSURE**

Section 1. Pursuant to their statutory obligations to bargain in good faith, the City and the Union have met in full and free discussion concerning matters of employment relations as defined by ORS 243.650 (et. seq.). This contract incorporates the sole and complete agreement between the City and AFSCME Council 75 resulting from these negotiations.

Section 2. This Agreement is subject to amendment, alteration or addition only by subsequent written agreement between, and executed by, the City and AFSCME Council 75 where mutually agreeable.

**ARTICLE 27 – TERM OF AGREEMENT**

Section 1. This agreement shall be effective on July 1, 2011, and shall remain in full force and effect until June 30, 2013.

Section 2. This agreement shall automatically be renewed from year to year thereafter unless either party shall notify the other, in writing, by December 1st that it wishes to modify the Agreement.

**FOR AMERICAN FEDERATION OF  
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## APPENDIX A

**Effective to June 30, 2011, the pay scale for the employees in the bargaining unit will be as follows:**

Position	Group	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7	Step 8	Step 9	Step 10	Step 11
Library Page 1	1	10.39	10.65	10.91	11.18	11.46	11.75	12.04	12.35	12.65	12.97	13.30
Recreational Assistant												
Library Page 2	2	12.15	12.46	12.77	13.09	13.41	13.75	14.09	14.44	14.81	15.18	15.56
Admin Asst I	3	13.98	13.98	13.98	13.98	13.98	13.98	13.98	13.98	13.98	13.98	13.98
Library Asst I												
Recreation Specialist												
Admin Asst II	4	15.79	16.18	16.59	17.00	17.43	17.86	18.31	18.77	19.24	19.72	20.21
Library Asst II												
Maint Wkr I												
Admin Asst III	5	17.52	17.96	18.41	18.87	19.34	19.83	20.32	20.83	21.35	21.89	22.43
Maint Wkr II												
Engineering Tech I												
Finance Tech	6	19.28	19.76	20.25	20.76	21.28	21.81	22.36	22.92	23.49	24.08	24.68
Code Compliance/Evid Tech												
Department/Program Coord												
Maint Wkr III												
Permit Specialist												
Public Works Tech												
Mechanic												
Assistant Planner	7	21.01	21.54	22.08	22.63	23.20	23.78	24.37	24.98	25.60	26.24	26.90
Librarian												
Maintenance Worker Lead												
Accountant												
Court Administrator												
Associate Planner	8	22.90	23.48	24.06	24.66	25.28	25.91	26.56	27.22	27.90	28.60	29.32
CADD/GIS Tech												
Engineering Associate I												
Inspector I												
Inspector II	9	24.74	25.36	25.99	26.64	27.31	27.99	28.69	29.41	30.14	30.90	31.67
Senior Accountant												
System Technician												
Business System Analyst	10	26.47	27.14	27.82	28.51	29.22	29.95	30.70	31.47	32.26	33.06	33.89
Senior Planner												
Sr. Project Manager	11	28.32	29.03	29.76	30.50	31.26	32.04	32.85	33.67	34.51	35.37	36.26

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