# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

# **BAKERSFIELD POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION**

# **AND**

CITY OF BAKERSFIELD

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2025

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# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF MANAGEMENT FOR THE CITY OF BAKERSFIELD AND

## BAKERSFIELD POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

## 01.00.00 **RECITALS**

01.01.00 Th

The Bakersfield Police Officers Association (hereinafter, Association) is recognized as the exclusive representative, as provided in the City's Employer-Employee Relations Resolution for all employees assigned to the Police Bargaining Unit in the following classifications and any other classification which is subsequently determined to be included in the Police Bargaining Unit.

Police Officer Senior Police Officer Administrative / Training Officer I/II Detective Police Sergeants (Returned to Association effective

July 3, 2021)

01.02.00

Representatives of Management for the City of Bakersfield and representatives of the Association have met on a number of occasions and have conferred in good faith exchanging a number of proposals concerning wages, hours, fringe benefits and other terms and conditions of employment of employee-members represented by the Association.

01.03.00

The representatives of Management for the City of Bakersfield and the representatives of the Association have reached an understanding as to certain recommendations to be made to the City Council for the City of Bakersfield and have agreed that the parties hereto will jointly urge changes in wages, hours, fringe benefits and other terms and conditions of employment contained in these joint recommendations.

01.04.00

The parties hereto shall jointly recommend to the City Council of the City of Bakersfield that one or more salary resolutions be adopted effectuating the following changes in salaries, fringe benefits and other terms of employment for the employeemembers represented by the Association.

#### 02.00.00 MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

O2.01.00 The City shall have the exclusive right to determine the mission of the Police Department, set levels of service to be performed, direct its employees, schedule personnel, set watches, exercise control and discretion over the Police Department and operations, and determine the methods, means and personnel by which the Police Department's operations are to be conducted, and the levels of service met; provided, however, that the exercise of such rights does not preclude employees or their representatives from meeting and consulting with Management or filing grievances about the consequences that decisions on these matters may have on wages, hours and other terms and conditions of employment.

02.02.00 Prevailing rights, rules of conduct, benefits and all other working conditions within the scope of representation in effect at the date of this Agreement and not inconsistent herewith shall be continued.

#### 03.00.00 NON-DISCRIMINATION

O3.01.00 The City and the Association agree not to discriminate against any employee because of membership or non-membership in the Association or because of any activities or lack of activities on behalf of the Association. The City and the Association further agree not to discriminate, harass, or retaliate against any employee as a result of the exercise of their rights under this Agreement, or under Section 3500 et seq., of the Government Code of the State of California.

## 04.00.00 SALARIES AND OVERTIME

04.01.00 Effective July 8, 2019, the City shall provide a 3.25% increase in for all salary ranges in effect for unit classifications.

Effective the pay period including July 1, 2020, the City shall provide an increase for all salary ranges in effect for unit classifications equal to the increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all urban consumers in the west region for the 12 months ending in the December preceding the adjustment However, regardless of the CPI, the increase shall not be greater than 2.5% or less than 1%.

Effective the pay period including July 1, 2021, the City shall provide an increase for all salary ranges in effect for unit classifications equal to the increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all urban consumers in the west region for the 12 months ending in the December preceding the adjustment. However,

regardless of the CPI, the increase shall not be greater than 2.5% or less than 1%.

Effective the pay period including July 1, 2022, the City shall provide an increase for all salary ranges in effect for unit classifications equal to the increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all urban consumers in the west region for the 12 months ending in the December preceding the adjustment However, regardless of the CPI, the increase shall not be greater than 4.0% or less than 2.0%.

Effective the pay period including July 1, 2023, the City shall provide an increase for all salary ranges in effect for unit classifications equal to the increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all urban consumers in the west region for the 12 months ending in the December preceding the adjustment However, regardless of the CPI, the increase shall not be greater than 4.0% or less than 2.0%.

Effective the pay period including July 1, 2024, the City shall provide an increase for all salary ranges in effect for unit classifications equal to the increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all urban consumers in the west region for the 12 months ending in the December preceding the adjustment However, regardless of the CPI, the increase shall not be greater than 4.0% or less than 2.0%.

In addition to the across-the-board increase set forth above, effective July 8, 2019, the City shall provide a 2.5% increase to the Senior Officer classification.

Effective July 5, 2021, the City shall provide a 5.0% increase to the Police Sergeants classification.

All covered members appointed and active as of July 1, 2021, shall receive a one-time recognition bonus of \$5,000. Payable following ratification of the extended agreement, dated October 20, 2021.

Members with 25 years, or more, of sworn service with the Bakersfield Police Department will receive a one-time longevity bonus in the amount of \$15,000. Payable following ratification of the extended agreement, dated October 20, 2021.

04.01.01 Detective Pay. Detective Pay shall be approximately 10% above Sr. Officer. Consequently, as a result of the July 8, 2019 increase

to the Senior Officer classification, Detective Pay shall also increase by 2.5%.

- 04.01.02 The City and Association agree to explore in good faith the possible discontinuance of City payment of the employee's PERS payments in exchange for an equivalent wage increase.
- Overtime. Overtime language is included in the Municipal Code Sections 2.84.180, 190, 200, 210, 220, 240, 250. These provisions, unless modified by this MOU, are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. Travel time for required training will be paid in accordance with Federal and State law to include that all travel time for training or other department operational needs shall be considered hours worked for the purpose of calculating overtime.
- 04.02.01 <u>Minimum Time or Pay for Callbacks.</u> Minimum time or pay for callbacks shall be as provided for in Municipal Code Section 2.84.260. Effective December 16, 2013 minimum time or pay was increased to 3 hours. Effective upon ratification the minimum time of pay is increased to 4 hours at time and one half the employee's regular rate.

#### 05.00.00 HEALTH INSURANCE

- O5.01.00 The City and Association have agreed that all future meeting and conferring and decisions regarding the structure of medical/dental insurance coverages shall take place through the Joint City/Employee Medical Insurance Committee. The Committee shall consist of representatives from each Unit and the City. There shall be a good faith effort to make all decisions by October 31 of each year. Discussions as to the City's contribution toward medical/dental insurance shall continue to be determined through the formal meet and confer process between the City and the individual units.
- 05.02.00 <u>Medical and Dental Benefits.</u> The City and employees shall share bi-weekly contributions towards medical, vision, and dental plans for all employees of this Unit as follows:

		HMO Dental		Dental HMO	Employee
	Fee Health	HMO Health	HMO Health	Fee Health	<u>Contribution</u>
Employee Only	80%	80%	80%	80%	20%
Employee +1	80%	80%	80%	80%	20%
Family	80%	80%	80%	80%	20%
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- 05.03.01 Retiree Medical Employees hired before April 1, 1998
  - a) Only employees with a minimum of fifteen (15) years accumulated permanent service shall be eligible for participation in the retiree medical insurance program. The fifteen-year minimum shall be waived for employees retiring because of a job related disability. Employees retiring because of a job related disability shall be credited with either eight (8) years or their actual accumulated service time, whichever is greater for the purpose of calculating the retiree medical allowance under the City's adopted formula.
  - b) Any employee eligible to receive retiree medical insurance coverage who is eligible for Medicare coverage (Part A), whether through the City of Bakersfield, other employers, spouse coverage, or for any other reason, shall be required to obtain and utilize such coverage as a condition for receiving coverage under the City's plan.
  - c) <u>City Contribution Formula.</u> The City's contribution to retiree premiums shall be based on the lower of the Health Maintenance Organization or Fee-for-Service, single-party rate. The City's contribution to retirees will be 3% per year of service to a maximum contribution of 90% of the premium for 30 years of service.
  - d) 42% Contribution for "Fee for Service". 42% of the actual premium for the "Fee-for-Service" Retiree Health Plan shall be paid by the City in addition to the amount paid under the City Contribution Formula.

- 05.03.02 <u>Retiree Medical Employees hired after April 1, 1998.</u> Employees hired after April 1, 1998, will be eligible for retiree medical under the following conditions:
  - a) Participation in the City retiree medical insurance plan will be offered to those employees who retire following twenty (20) years accumulated permanent service or retire due to disability. Such retirees will receive a premium subsidy based upon 3% per year of service up to a maximum of 30 years (90%), of the lower of the HMO or Fee-For-Service Single rate. In no case shall a retiree in this class receive more than 90% of their applicable rate structure (i.e. single without medicare rate, single with medicare rate, etc.) in subsidies from the City.
  - b) Any employee eligible to receive retiree medical insurance coverage who is eligible for Medicare coverage (Part A) whether through the City of Bakersfield, other employers, spouse coverage, or for any other reason, shall be required to obtain and utilize such coverage as a condition for receiving coverage under the City's retiree medical plan.
  - c) Employees hired after April 1, 1998, shall not be eligible to receive the 42% Fee-For-Service plan subsidy.
- Medicare Risk Plan. The City has established a Medicare Risk option with the City contributing the cost of the Medicare Risk premium and a flat dollar amount up to the Medicare part B monthly premium at the 1996 rate (\$42.50). In no case would this contribution exceed 90% of the lowest single rate. The City reserves the right to modify or eliminate this practice in the future in response to changes in medical plans by providers, the changes to the Medicare program by the federal government, or changes to economic or legal conditions, subject to the meet and confer requirements under the law with labor organizations.
- O5.03.04 Retirement Health Savings Accounts. The ICMA Vantage Care Retiree Health Savings Account program (RHSA) will be implemented for all unit employees. Police Sergeants will be reenrolled on, or after, January 3, 2022.

The City assumes no liability for adverse tax rulings by the IRS relative to this program.

05.03.05 Employees hired after May 24, 2006 will not participate in either of the retiree health subsidy programs set forth in this section. In

lieu, the City will match up to one (1%) percent of the employee's mandatory contributions to their Retirement Health Savings account commencing the beginning of their sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) year of employment.

### 06.00.00 RETIREMENT

Pension contributions shall remain unchanged for the term of this agreement.

- o6.01.00 For employees hired prior to January 1, 2011 the City has implemented the 3% @ 50 Retirement Program. Plan options are unchanged. Employees shall pay 1% of the employee retirement contribution. The City will pay the remaining 8% for the employee retirement contribution. Such payments by the City shall be reported as normal contributions and shall be credited to the employee's accounts pursuant to Government Code Section 20615. This PERS pickup is done pursuant to Section 414(H) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- 06.02.00 Employees hired on or after January 1, 2011 but prior to January 1, 2013 or who are transferred from a PERS agency or have a break in service of less than six months (legacy status under PEPRA) shall be covered by the 2% @ 50 Retirement Program with the 36 highest consecutive month final compensation period. Employees shall pay the 9% employee retirement contribution.
- Pursuant to the PEPRA, employees hired on or after January 1, 2013 without PEPRA legacy status will be covered by the 2.7% @ 57 retirement formula with the 36 highest consecutive months final compensation provision. Employees shall pay one half of the normal cost for the retirement program pursuant to State law.
- 06.04.00 CalPERS Post-Retirement Optional Settlement 2 Death Benefit GC § 21548. Has been implemented and is a recognized CalPERS benefit.
- 06.05.00 <u>1959 Survivors Benefit.</u> The 4<sup>th</sup> level Survivors Benefit is in place for all retirement formulas.

#### 07.00.00 OTHER COMPENSATION

07.01.00 <u>Uniform Allowance</u>. The uniform allowance for unit employees shall be One Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$1,300.00) per year. Motorcycle officers shall continue to receive an additional One Hundred Dollars (\$100) per year in uniform allowance. The

uniform allowance will be paid on a 26 week bi-weekly basis. At least two uniform suppliers will be designated. The City will meet and confer if new uniforms are required or if major uniform changes are mandated.

O7.02.00 Standby Pay. The City and the Association agree that when an employee is officially designated by management to remain available to return to work at any time during specific hours outside of normal working hours the employee shall receive forty dollars (\$40) per each four (4) hours, or fraction thereof, on standby or sixty dollars (\$60) if the employee is on stand-by for over four (4) hours. Such pay shall be in addition to any call-back compensation. To the extent feasible the parties agree that standby shall be assigned on an equitable basis to all eligible employees.

O7.03.00 <u>Longevity Pay</u>. Those employees who received longevity pay as of January 7, 1985 shall continue to receive the dollar amount received as of that date for so long as they would have retained eligibility under longevity pay rules. For all other employees the longevity pay program has ended.

O7.03.01 <u>Longevity Bonus</u>. In acknowledgement of the current difficulties in recruitment and retention efforts of sworn personnel a longevity bonus is established in recognition of member service effective July 1, 2022, in the amounts of:

Tier 1; 5 years of continuous service – \$3,000

Tier 2; 9 years of continuous service – \$7,000

Tier 3; 14 years of continuous service – \$9,000

Tier 4; 20 years of continuous service – \$15,000

Tier 5; 25 years or more of continuous service – \$20,000

Payments will be considered compensation earnable for Classic members. Members are only eligible for a longevity bonus or performance retention bonus, not both. Payments will be processed per qualifications outlined below:

- Hired on or before December 31, 2012;
- Complete years of service based on service date to a sworn position for the Bakersfield Police Department;
- No retroactive payments. Payments are made at the timeof-service qualification following program effective date (i.e., in 2022 if a member has 13 years of service their 1st payment would be Tier 3 at year 14);
- Payments are one-time only based on service and tiers are not repeating (i.e., tier paid in qualifying year only);

- Payments are made on the employee's current service date in the qualifying year. A onetime consideration of service dates of January June 2022 will be paid in July 2022;
- Incumbents must work at least 1,040 regular hours, inclusive of hours designated by the Chief of Police, in year preceding qualification;
- Failure to qualify will delay payment of bonus tier until hours worked are satisfied."

7.03.02 <u>Performance Retention Bonus.</u> In efforts to retain and develop qualified sworn personnel a retention bonus is established, effective July 1, 2022, as follows:

Tier 1; 5 years of continuous service – \$3,000

Tier 2; 9 years of continuous service – \$7,000

Tier 3; 14 years of continuous service – \$9,000

Tier 4; 20 years of continuous service – \$15,000

Tier 5; 25 years or more of continuous service – \$20,000

Payments will not be considered compensation earnable for members. Members are only eligible for a longevity bonus or performance retention bonus, not both. Payments will be processed per qualifications outlined below and not be:

- Hired on or after January 1, 2013;
- Incumbents must be in good standing with the department exhibited by a satisfactory or above performance evaluation in the qualifying year;
- Complete years of service based on service date to a sworn position for the Bakersfield Police Department;
- No retroactive payments. Payments are made at the time-of-service qualification following program effective date (i.e., in 2022 if a member has 13 years of service their 1st payment would be Tier 3 at year 14).
- Payments are one-time only based on service and tiers are not repeating (i.e., tier paid in qualifying year only);
- Payments are made on the employee's current service date in the qualifying year. A onetime consideration of service dates of January June 2022 will be paid in July 2002;
- Incumbents must work at least 1,040 regular hours, inclusive of hours designated by the Chief of Police, in year preceding qualification;
- Failure to qualify will delay payment of bonus tier until hours worked are satisfied."

- O7.04.00 <u>Hazard Pay.</u> Hazardous duty pay for, <u>SWAT</u>, Bomb Squad, and assigned Narcotic Lab members shall continue at One Hundred Forty Dollars (\$140.00) per month. Effective the pay period following ratification, dated October 20, 2021, assigned Civil Disturbance Team (CDT) members will be eligible for hazard pay.
- 07.05.00 <u>Deferred Compensation Plan.</u> Employees in the unit shall be entitled to participate in the City's Deferred Compensation Plan.
- 07.06.00 <u>Minimum Court Call-Back.</u> Employees called back for court appearances shall receive a minimum four (4) hours compensation at the appropriate rate of pay.
- O7.07.00 Educational Incentive Pay. Unit employees in possession of an Intermediate POST certificate shall receive an additional five (5%) percent of base and holiday pay. Unit employees in possession of Advanced POST certificates shall receive an additional five (5%) percent of base and holiday pay (total of 10%).
- O7.08.00 <u>Bilingual Pay.</u> Police Unit employees capable of speaking Spanish and other languages as approved by the Chief of Police shall be eligible to receive an additional One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars per pay period. To be eligible, an employee must; 1) Pass the test demonstrating conversational fluency in the approved language; 2) Pass periodic retests in language skills; 3) Serve as translators as required.

Notwithstanding the above, all personnel shall utilize any language skills they possess to the best of their ability in handling their responsibilities. In case of an emergency, all employees will use whatever language skills they possess to assist to the maximum extent possible.

O7.09.00 <u>K-9 Compensation.</u> Officers assigned by the Chief of Police as K-9 Officers shall receive an additional five (5%) percent pay. It is understood that this payment constitutes compensation for the additional time spent caring for the assigned animal (two hours per week of straight time). The five (5%) percent shall be added to base pay consistent with the treatment of other incentive pays.

K-9 compensation shall end when officers are reassigned to other duties.

07.10.00 Pay for Temporary Assignments to Higher Classifications.

Language is included in Municipal Code Section 2.84.150. These

provisions unless modified by this MOU, are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

- O7.10.01 Senior Police Officers assigned to administrative duties, as designated by the Chief, shall be paid at the Detective salary level for the term of their assignment. Police Officers assigned to administrative duties, as designated by the Chief, shall be paid at the Senior Police Officer salary level for the term of their assignment
- 07.10.02 <u>Motorcycle Officer Compensation</u>: Employees assigned motorcycle responsibilities shall be paid two (2) hours per week of straight time overtime pay. This compensation is for the time spent by officers on their off-duty time cleaning and generally maintaining their assigned motorcycles.
- O7.10.03 Per Diem Reimbursement: Employees shall be eligible for expense reimbursement pursuant to the Administrative Rules and Regulations Numbers 1, 7. Single occupancy lodging will be provided for all POST reimbursed training.

## **08.00.00** LEAVES

- 08.01.00 <u>Personal.</u> Employees in the unit may utilize up to one (1) day per year of earned sick leave for personal business.
- O8.02.00 <u>Holidays.</u> Shift employees in the unit will be entitled to thirteen (13) holidays per fiscal year. Holiday pay will be paid on a 26 week bi-weekly basis. Effective January 3, 2022 all Detectives will be paid holidays as shift employees.

The following thirteen days of each year are designated holidays for non-shift employees.

January 1 – New Year's Day
Third Monday in January – Martin Luther King's Birthday
Third Monday in February – President's Day
Last Monday in May – Memorial Day
July 4 – Independence Day
First Monday in September – Labor Day
November 11 – Veteran's Day
Fourth Thursday in November – Thanksgiving Day
Friday after Thanksgiving Day
December 25 – Christmas Day
Three Floating Holidays, (Two of which may be allocated to fixed days depending on the calendar).

When a holiday falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be observed. When a holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed. Except with the prior approval of the Chief of Police or designee, non-shift personnel shall take holidays as scheduled above.

08.03.00 Vacation. The vacation accrual schedule shall read:

<u>Years</u>	<u>Days</u>
0 - 4	10
5 - 13	15
14 +	20

Pursuant to the schedule above, employees accrue vacation at the rate of .83 days per month from the date of initial employment through the fourth year of continuous service (48 months). Beginning with the first month of the employees fifth year of service (49th month), the employee begins to accrue vacation at the rate of 1.25 days per month. This continues until the beginning of the employees fourteenth year of service (157th month), when the employee begins to accrue vacation at the rate of 1.67 days per month.

Other vacation provisions shall be as included in the Municipal Code Sections 2.84.330, 340, 350, 360, 370, 380, 390, 400, 420, 430, 440, 450, 460. These provisions unless modified by this MOU, are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

The municipal code has been modified to allow employees accruing vacation at the twenty (20) day per year level (1.67 days per month) to maintain a maximum of 552 hours of vacation accumulation.

08.04.00

Sick Leave Conversion. Police Unit employees accrue sick leave at the rate of twelve (12) days per calendar year, with a maximum accrual of one hundred twenty (120) days. An employee who has an accrued balance at the end of the calendar year, which exceeds one hundred twenty (120) days will receive 100% of his/her accruals in excess of 120 days as vacation and may convert and be paid for up to 75% of that amount of vacation. The amount to be converted must be designated by the employee no later than the following January 31st, which will be paid to employee the second pay day in February. Employees receiving the above conversion

will not receive any sixty (60) to one hundred twenty (120) day conversion of sick leave for that calendar year.

08.05.00

Sick Leave Pay-Out. The Bakersfield Police Officers Association and the City of Bakersfield mutually acknowledge that the large majority of Unit retirements take place as disability, not service retirements. The parties consider this practice problematic. The parties agree that service retirements, when practical, are preferable and create the possibility of significant savings for the City and the taxpayers. For this reason, for the term of this Agreement, the parties agree that individuals retiring with a service retirement shall be entitled to a premium sick leave pay-out. Specifically, individuals shall receive an additional 25% of accrued sick leave at the time of retirement beyond that provided for in Municipal Code Section 2.84.570. This payment shall not be considered gross remuneration for purposes of retirement.

Except as provided below, any employee converting the service retirement to a disability retirement within five (5) years of the date of retirement shall refund this premium sick leave payment to the City. If repayment is required, a reasonable repayment schedule shall be established between the employee and the City. Exceptions to the repayment requirement may be made as follows:

- 1. No repayment shall be required if an employee dies after retirement and the survivor's allowance is converted to a disability allowance.
- 2. The City Manager will waive repayment in the event of a catastrophic event resulting in substantial disability from heart attack, stroke or cancer for the employee. Substantial disability is defined as a disability which would have required the retirement of the employee if still in active service.

08.06.00 <u>Jury Duty.</u> Jury duty shall be as provided for in Municipal Code Section 2.84.620E and City Administrative Rules and Regulations Number 3.4.

## 09.00.00 MISCELLANEOUS

09.01.00 Residency Requirement. The residency requirement shall be sixty (60) minutes normal driving time from City Hall. Normal driving time shall be defined as driving at the posted speed limit, absent any accidents, traffic jams, etc. Provisions for waiver of the requirement by the Chief of Police shall continue unchanged.

09.02.00 <u>Assignments.</u> The City and Association agree that the Department shall consider the following factors in making assignments, including shift assignments:

- a. special skills
- b. experience
- c. seniority
- d. accommodation of educational schedules
- e. other factors, as determined by the Chief of Police

The City and Association specifically acknowledge the need to balance experienced and inexperienced officers on all shifts. Appointments shall be made at the sole discretion of the Department.

O9.03.00 Supervisors Working Files. Materials in Supervisors Working Files (3" x 5" cards) which are used in preparing performance reports, counseling employees, etc. may be kept for up to fifteen (15) months, without being placed in a formal evaluation or otherwise formally recorded.

09.04.00 <u>Physical Assessment Program.</u> At least once during each fiscal year the City will offer each unit employee the opportunity to receive a comprehensive physical assessment and follow-up counseling session. The assessment will measure:

Cardiovascular fitness

**Blood Pressure** 

Blood composition (cholesterol, etc.)

Body composition

Muscular endurance

Flexibility

PSA (for employees 45 years of age and older, upon specific request).

Where indicated by initial results, follow-up testing will be performed. Results of the assessment will be confidential and for the individual employee's use only. The City will receive composite data to be used in evaluating the need for training seminars, etc. The program will be provided on work time and will be voluntary.

The Association will provide input to the City concerning the selection of providers.

- 09.05.00 Pay Changes. All pay rate changes (step increases, salary range changes, etc.) will be implemented at the start of the nearest pay period.
- 09.06.00 <u>Existing Benefits and Practices.</u> The parties recognize that there are existing ordinances, resolutions and policies relating to benefits and other terms and conditions of employment and the same are not affected by this Agreement, except as recommended herein.
- 09.07.00 The City will continue to comply with the Peace Officers Bill of Rights
- 09.08.00 Employer and Employee rights are set forth in Code Section 2.76.
- 09.09.00 <u>Committees.</u> The Association will be entitled to representation on the City's Insurance Committee.
- O9.10.00 <u>Grievance Procedure.</u> The grievance procedure shall be as set forth in Municipal Code Section 2.72.310 which is incorporated herein by reference. However, prior to the final step of the grievance procedures, the City and Association agree to include a mediation step utilizing a mediator from the State Mediation and Conciliation Service. The mediator shall meet with the parties to the grievance and attempt to arrange a mediated settlement acceptable to both parties. The mediator shall make no public recommendations nor shall there be any public disclosure of mediation discussions in further proceedings in the grievance procedure.

Requests for mediation shall be made within the same time limits as the request for movement of a grievance to the final step of the grievance process. Once the request is made, time limits of the grievance procedure are waived until such time as the mediation process ends. Thereafter, the regular time limits shall apply.

- 09.11.00 <u>Compensatory Time off Maximum Accrual.</u> The compensatory time off accrual maximum shall be one hundred and sixty (160) hours.
- 09.12.00 <u>Night-Shift Differential.</u> A shift differential of \$. 90 per hour shall be paid any employee for the hours worked between the hours of 7 p. m. and 7 a.m.
- 09.13.00 <u>Hours of Work.</u> The Police Department shall continue the 4-10 program for the term of this Agreement unless otherwise determined by the Chief of Police. If the Department wishes to

cancel the 4-10 program, it shall provide thirty (30) days notice of cancellation to the Association.

Prior to the cancellation, the City shall meet and confer on aspects of any proposed schedule change falling within the scope of representation.

- 09.14.00 With Department approval, employees in the same rank and assignment may exchange shifts. Shift exchanges must be completed (paid back) no later than the pay period following the initial exchange.
- O9.15.00 Body Armor. The City agrees to provide an individual bullet resistant vest for all sworn employees. These employees are entitled to receive a new bullet resistant vest every five (5) years from the date of manufacture. The City will develop a list of optional bullet resistant vests which the employee may choose from up to and including the Level III (a) wrap around, fitted with removal cover criteria. Current vest will be replaced on their five (5) year replacement cycle.
- 09.16.00 The City and Association agree to meet and review the City's nepotism policy.
- 09.17.00 Line of Duty Death Benefits

Including the prescribed death benefits defined in Labor Code Section 4701 et. al, the City shall pay all reasonable funeral and burial expenses to a maximum of \$20,000 for a Bakersfield Police Officer who dies as the direct result of an on-duty related injury

09.18.00 Critical Incident Paid Leave

The City and Association agree to continue discussions regarding the possible creation of a Critical Incident PTSD Program for emergency responders.

## 10.00.00 PEACEFUL PERFORMANCE

10.01.00 During the term of this Agreement, neither the Association nor its agents or any employee covered by this Agreement, for any reason, will authorize, institute, aid or engage in work slowdown, work stoppage, strike, or picketing on matters within the scope of representation, or any other interference with the work and statutory obligations or functions of the City.

The Association agrees to notify all of its officers and members of their obligation and responsibility for maintaining compliance with this section, including the responsibility to remain at work during any activity which may be caused or initiated by others, and to encourage employees violating this section to return to work.

No lock out of employees shall be instituted by the City or its agents during the term of this Agreement.

## 11.00.00 DRUG TESTING

- 11.01.00 <u>Authority for Testing.</u> Only Chief Officers may order a drug test.
- 11.02.00 <u>Conditions Allowing for Testing.</u> Employees may be subjected to drug testing if the City has a reasonable suspicion that the employee is using (1) illegal drugs; (2) prescription drugs without or contrary to a prescription; or (3) alcohol on duty (except in small amounts used in cooking).

Reasonable suspicion shall mean an articulable and specific state of facts and/or circumstances which would lead a reasonable person to believe an individual was using unlawful drugs/narcotics, alcohol, or prescription drugs without or contrary to a prescription.

No information or knowledge obtained through application of this policy/procedure may be used for other than administrative purposes.

## 11.03.00 Testing procedures shall:

- 1. Positively identify employees prior to testing.
- 2. Provide for employee privacy and security of samples.
- 3. Establish any drugs being taken legitimately (e.g. under medical supervision).
- 4. Develop a two-step test. Any specimen testing positive in the urinalysis shall be subject to confirmation by a second test using a different technology. No notification shall be given of initial positive tests until confirmation by the second test has been completed and is positive. At the time the samples are drawn, a second set of samples shall be taken and sealed. Should the original samples show positive, the second sealed set of samples shall be retained

for six months to allow for further testing in the event of dispute.

5. The laboratory selected to conduct the analysis must be experienced and capable of quality control, documentation, chain of custody, technical expertise and demonstrated proficiency. The Association shall be given the opportunity to provide input on the selection of the laboratory.

#### 12.00.00 TOTAL AGREEMENT

12.01.00 This Memorandum of Understanding constitutes a full and complete agreement by the parties and contains all of the matters upon which the parties reached agreement. Therefore, except as provided in this Agreement, the City and Association for the duration of this Agreement each voluntarily and unqualifiedly waives the right and each agrees that the other should not be obligated to bargain collectively with respect to any subject or matter whether or not referred to or covered in this Agreement.

12.02.00 Should any section, clause or provision of this Agreement be declared illegal by final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidation of such section, clause or provision shall not invalidate the remaining portions hereof, and such remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect for the duration of this Agreement. In the event of such invalidation, the parties agree to meet and confer concerning substitute provisions for provisions rendered or declared illegal.

#### 13.00.00 TERM

13.01.00 The term of this Agreement is from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022. If the Association desires to negotiate a successor agreement, the Association shall serve upon the City its written request to begin negotiations. Negotiations shall begin within, but not later than thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the notice. This Memorandum is entered into upon ratification and acceptance by the City Council of the City of Bakersfield. This Agreement shall become effective upon ratification by the City and Association.

13.01.01 Through the 2021 reopener process both parties mutually agreed to amend and extend the expiration terms. The Agreement will expire on June 30, 2025, Successor agreement protocol is outlined in 13.01.00.

13.02.00 Reopeners. Effective July 2020 and July 2021 both the Association and the City will have the right to reopen negotiations on 5 items within the scope of representation, however the City will not make proposals which would decrease total compensation. A party exercising its right to reopen shall notify the other party by April 1 and negotiations will commence no later than May 1<sup>st</sup> on reopener issues.

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