

# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

**BETWEEN AND FOR THE**

**CITY OF FRESNO**

**AND**

**INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS,  
LOCAL UNION 100**

**(Non-Supervisory Groups and Crafts – Unit 7)**

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## ARTICLE I

### PREAMBLE

#### A. PURPOSE

This Memorandum of Understanding, hereinafter MOU, entered into between the City of Fresno, hereinafter referred to as the City, and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union 100, hereinafter referred to as IBEW, has as its purpose the establishment of wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment.

#### B. GOVERNING LAWS

The legal relationship between the City and its employees (employer/employee) and the City and IBEW is governed by Chapter 10 of Division 4 of Title 1 of the Government Code (Section 3500 *et seq.*, commonly known as the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act (MMBA)), applicable provisions of the Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) and Article 6 of Chapter 3 of the Fresno Municipal Code, hereinafter FMC, as may be amended from time to time. In the event of conflict between said laws and this MOU, said laws shall govern.

## ARTICLE II

### EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

#### A. EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

Except as otherwise provided in this MOU, the rights of employees include those set forth in FMC Section 3-604. Execution of this MOU shall not be deemed a waiver of any Union or employee right unless the right is clearly or explicitly modified or restricted herein.

#### B. EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITIES

All employees in this Unit acknowledge that the City shall consider the positions and proposals of IBEW as the meet and confer positions and proposals of all employees, individually and collectively, in said Unit.

#### C. SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS IN WORKPLACE LOCATIONS

The Union agrees that the City has a legitimate interest in the use of video-only surveillance cameras, including in workplace locations, for purposes related to safety and security of employees and City property and, within the restrictions described herein, to monitor work progress. (This agreement is limited to installed video-only surveillance, and is not intended to apply to installed surveillance video involving sound recording.)

The City agrees to provide advance notice before any additional surveillance cameras are installed in areas in which bargaining unit employees work or congregate. In no event will such cameras be installed in locations in which bargaining unit employees have a reasonable expectation of privacy, such as washrooms, locker rooms, or dressing areas.

The parties further agree that the information obtained by use of such cameras may be used for the purpose of addressing safety violations, criminal conduct, or conduct in violation of established City policies. The information obtained by the use of such cameras will not be used to evaluate an employee's work output, or for general performance evaluations, nor will the information be used for the purposes of initiating disciplinary measures unless such discipline is based on safety violations, the commission of criminal acts, or the violation of established City policies. In the event that disciplinary action is proposed consistent with this Agreement, the City agrees to share the information obtained by the use of the surveillance camera(s) with the employee or with a representative of Local 100, if so requested by the employee in writing.

## ARTICLE III

### CITY RIGHTS

#### A. GENERAL

1. The rights of the City include those rights enumerated in FMC Section 3-605, as may be amended from time to time, specifically:
  - “a. The exclusive rights of the City include, but are not limited to, the right to
    - (1) determine the mission of its constituent departments, divisions, commissions, and boards;
    - (2) set standards of service and municipal fees and charges;
    - (3) determine the procedures and standards of selection for employment, assignment, transfer and promotion;
    - (4) direct its employees;
    - (5) take disciplinary action;
    - (6) relieve its employees from duty because of lack of work or for other legitimate reasons;
    - (7) maintain the efficiency of governmental operations;
    - (8) determine the methods, means, and personnel by which government operations are to be conducted;
    - (9) determine the content of job classifications;
    - (10) take all necessary actions to carry out its mission in emergencies;
    - (11) exercise complete control and discretion over its organization and the technology of performing its work.”
2. All other rights formerly or presently claimed by or vested in the City on the effective date of this MOU and not mentioned in Subsection 1. (a) are retained by and reserved to the City unless explicitly waived by the City by resolution of the Council or by Council-approved MOU.

## ARTICLE IV

### RECOGNITION

#### A. RECOGNITION OF UNIT DESCRIPTION

The non-supervisory groups and crafts unit, hereinafter Unit, consists of all employees holding a permanent position, as defined in FMC Section 3-202 (p)(4), in one of the classes (hereinafter collectively referred to as employee unless otherwise specified) contained in Exhibit 7 of the Salary Resolution, listed below, provided that such Unit may be modified from time to time in the manner designated in the FMC Sections 3-613 and 3-614.

- Air Conditioning Mechanic
- Airports Electrician
- Concrete Finisher
- Electrician
- Industrial Electrician
- Painter
- Plumber

#### B. UNION RECOGNITION

The City acknowledges IBEW as the recognized employee organization representing the Unit, and therefore, shall meet and confer in good faith promptly upon request by IBEW, and continue for a reasonable period of time in order to exchange freely information, opinions, and proposals. MOU negotiations may be initiated at the request of either party as early as five months preceding the expiration of the MOU. The City shall accept proposals from IBEW as early as June 1 of the calendar year in which the MOU expires.

#### C. CITY RECOGNITION

IBEW recognizes the City Manager of the City, or such other person as may be designated in writing, as the designated representative of the City, and shall meet and confer in good faith promptly upon request by the City and continue for a reasonable period of time in order to exchange freely information, opinions, and proposals, and to endeavor to reach agreement on matters within the scope of representation.

#### D. RECOGNITION OF MUTUAL OBLIGATION

IBEW and the City recognize and acknowledge their mutual obligation and responsibility to effectuate the purposes set forth in, and to adhere to the conditions and clauses set forth, in this MOU.

E. LOCKOUT AND STRIKE

1. No lockout of employees shall be instituted by the City during the term of this MOU.
2. No unlawful strike or work stoppage by City employees, as defined in FMC Section 3-624, or State bargaining laws, shall be caused, instigated, encouraged, condoned, participated in, or honored by IBEW or its members during the term of this MOU.

F. UNILATERAL ACTION

In the event the meet and confer process for a successor MOU results in an impasse, as defined in the FMC, the City shall not take unilateral action regarding wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment prior to the completion of the impasse procedure as required by the MMBA.

G. EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS

1. Each City department shall have the right, at a minimum, to conduct annual employee performance appraisals on a department-wide basis for all employees at the discretion of the appointing authority.
2. Supervisors shall complete quarterly evaluations on probationary employees. Two (2) evaluations shall be conducted during the first six (6) months and two (2) during the second six (6) months.
3. An employee who disagrees with a performance evaluation may within ten (10) calendar days from the date of receipt of the performance evaluation:
  - a. Write a rebuttal statement for attachment to the performance evaluation form; and/or
  - b. Request further review with the supervisor of the reviewer, but in no case higher than the department head.
4. Employee performance evaluations are not subject to the grievance procedure.



#### H. HIRING HALL NOTIFICATION

The City agrees to provide IBEW a copy of all job announcements for permanent positions in Unit 7.

The City also agrees to provide IBEW a copy of all job announcements for temporary employment for classifications in Unit 7.

Provision of such notices to IBEW does not obligate the City to hire from IBEW or any other groups and crafts hiring hall. The City reserves the right to consider qualified applicants via the City's temporary applicant pool before opening a recruitment for temporary employment.

#### I. NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION

The Personnel Services Department (PSD) provides a new employee orientation program to all new City employees (i.e., NEO). PSD will notify the Union at least 10 days' in advance of a scheduled NEO, and at the end of the work week immediately preceding the NEO if the NEO will include any individuals who will be represented by the Union, unless the City is unable to reasonably do so because of an unforeseeable urgent need critical to City operations.

A representative of the bargaining unit will be invited to the NEO meeting room immediately prior to a session to be conducted by the bargaining unit and will be introduced by a City staff member. The bargaining unit will be provided an opportunity to meet with new bargaining unit members at the last session of the NEO. The session will be scheduled for twenty (20) minutes. This session will not be held if there are no new bargaining unit members attending the NEO or if the bargaining unit representative is not available.

#### J. EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

The City will provide the employee information it has on file in compliance with AB 119 for all new hires in the bargaining unit within 30 days of hire, as well as all employees represented by the Union at least once per quarter.

Pursuant to Government Code §3358 (in AB 119), employees may opt out of releasing the following information to the Union: home address, home and personal cellular telephone numbers, and personal email addresses. The City of Fresno's Dues Deduction Authorization shall be modified to include the opportunity for the employee to opt out of releasing the above information, and notification that the City will furnish Unit required information pursuant to AB 119.

K. BY-LAWS

Local 100 will provide a copy of its By-Laws to the Labor Relations Division. An updated copy of the By-Laws will be provided to Labor Relations whenever the By-Laws are changed.

## ARTICLE V

### DUES DEDUCTION

#### A. DUES CHECK-OFF

1. The City shall deduct the dues or benefit premiums, or both, following receipt of notice from IBEW that authorization has been provided to IBEW by an employee who desires a dues deduction in this Unit. The City shall stop dues deductions or benefit premium deductions, or both, upon receipt of notice from IBEW that authorization has been provided to IBEW by employees in the Unit. Should there be a dispute regarding the deduction of dues, IBEW shall provide the City with a copy of the authorization(s) signed by the employee.
2. IBEW, in consideration for and as a condition of the City withholding and transmitting payroll and benefit deductions authorized by this Section and in compliance with SB 866, shall hold harmless the City of Fresno, its officers, and employees from any liability that may result from making, canceling, or changing requested deductions.
3. Dues deductions will be terminated when an employee leaves the bargaining unit.
4. Any disputes regarding the interpretation of this Section shall be resolved through the grievance procedure unless another established appeal procedure exists.

#### B. EXCEPTIONS TO DUES DEDUCTION AUTHORIZATION

An employee's earnings must be sufficient after other legal and required deductions are made to cover the amount of the dues deduction authorization. When an employee is in a non-pay status for an entire pay period, no dues deduction shall be made from future earnings to cover that pay period, nor may the member be required to deposit, nor may the member deposit with the City Controller, the amount which would have been deducted if the member had been in a pay status during that period. In the case of a member who is in a non-pay status during only a part of the pay period and whose salary is insufficient to cover other legal and required deductions, no dues deduction or deposit shall be made.

#### C. DUES DEDUCTION

The deductions shall be transmitted at least monthly by electronic funds transfer to an account designated by the Union.

## ARTICLE VI

### GRIEVANCES

#### A. GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

1. A grievance is a dispute concerning the interpretation or application of any existing City rule or regulation governing personnel practices or working conditions, including this MOU. A grievance involves the claimed misapplication or misinterpretation of a rule or regulation relating to an existing right or duty. This procedure shall not apply to any dispute for which there is another established resolution procedure, including but not limited to, appeal to the Fresno Civil Service Board, Retirement Public Employee Relations Board (PERB) unfair employee-employer relations charge or fact-finding procedures, or as outlined below.
2. A written grievance must set forth the rule or regulation claimed to have been violated, describe the specific incident or circumstances of the alleged violation, and specify the remedy sought. Any dispute between the parties as to the grievability of an issue or as to whether the requirements of this procedure have been met shall be presented to the Grievance Advisory Committee ("Committee"). The Committee shall rule on the dispute before proceeding with the hearing. (See Article VI, A-5 below).
3. IBEW may represent employees covered by this MOU on grievances under the grievance procedure.
4. The procedure and sequence in filing and processing a grievance shall be as follows:
  - a. The grievant and/or IBEW representative shall discuss the grievance with the grievant's immediate supervisor before a written grievance may be filed.
    - (1) If the grievance is not settled through this discussion, it either may be discussed with the next higher supervisor or a written grievance may be filed with the grievant's immediate supervisor. A written grievance must be filed within twenty (20) calendar days from the time the employee becomes aware or should have become aware of the issue or incident giving rise to the problem.
    - (2) Upon receipt of a written grievance, the immediate supervisor shall give the grievant a written reply within ten (10) calendar days.

- b. Should the grievant not be satisfied with the answer received from the immediate supervisor, the grievant may within ten (10) calendar days from receipt of the answer file an appeal with the department director. The department director shall have fourteen (14) calendar days after receipt of the appeal to review the matter, investigate and provide a written answer to the appeal, explaining clearly the decision or proposed action and reasons thereof. The department director may confer with the grievant and appropriate supervisors in an attempt to bring about a harmonious solution.
- c. The City and IBEW may mutually agree to waive steps 1 and 2 and proceed directly to hearing by the Committee when the issue is one in which the grievant's supervisor or department director has no jurisdiction.
  - (1) If the grievant is not satisfied with the decision of the department director, the grievant may within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of the written reply, file a request for a review of the department director's decision to the Grievance Advisory Committee, with a copy sent to Labor Relations. The review/appeal to the Grievance Advisory Committee shall be reviewed and approved by the IBEW Business Agent or designee before it is delivered to Labor Relations.
  - (2) The City and IBEW may agree to seek resolution of the grievance through mediation using the services of the State Mediation and Conciliation Service, prior to hearing by the Grievance Advisory Committee. Time limits for processing of grievances are automatically extended while mediation is in process.
  - (3) From the date a grievance otherwise meeting all criteria for the filing and processing of a grievance reaches the Labor Relations office pursuant to Subsection A. 4. c. (1) above, the Grievance Advisory Committee shall be convened within thirty (30) calendar days in order to hear the grievance.
  - (4) All time limits in this Article may be extended by mutual agreement of the parties.
  - (5) The Grievance Advisory Committee shall conduct a hearing and make a recommendation to the City Manager within thirty (30) calendar days of their last meeting.

- d. The City Manager shall review the decision of the department director and recommendations of the Grievance Advisory Committee and shall render a written decision to the grievant within twenty (20) calendar days after receipt from the Grievance Advisory Committee.
  - e. Failure of the grievant to file an appeal within the specified time limit for any step of the procedure shall constitute abandonment of the grievance. Failure of the responsible supervisor or official of the City to render a decision within the specified time limit established by this procedure shall automatically move the grievance to the next higher level for action, without action required of the grievant. Failure of the City Manager to render a decision within the specified time limit will default to the Grievance Advisory Committee or neutral decision.
5. The Grievance Advisory Committee shall be comprised of three (3) members: One selected by IBEW, one selected by the City, and the Chairperson. The Chairperson may be chosen either by mutual agreement of IBEW and the City, or by the “strike” method from a list of neutrals provided by the State Mediation and Conciliation Service. If the Chairperson is selected by the strike method from the list of neutrals provided by the State Mediation and Conciliation Service, then the Grievance Advisory Committee shall be comprised exclusively of the selected neutral.
- a. The neutral and Grievance Advisory Committee shall be bound by the language of the MOU, City Administrative Orders, ordinances, rules and regulations, and department rules and regulations consistent therewith in considering any issue properly before them. The neutral and Grievance Advisory Committee shall be expressly confined to the precise issues submitted and shall have no authority to consider any other issue not so submitted. The neutral and Grievance Committee may not recommend changes in established wages or benefits, nor recommend the payment of back wages or benefits to a date prior to the date of the incident.
  - b. Fees and expenses of the neutral shall be paid half by the City and half by IBEW; provided, however, that the Committee may recommend that the City or IBEW pay the total of such fees and expenses should it find that, but for the unreasonableness of that party’s posture, the convening of the Committee would not have been necessary. The City and IBEW shall select a chairperson or request a list of neutrals within twenty (20) calendar days of the receipt of a grievance requesting review by a Grievance Advisory Committee by Labor Relations.

## ARTICLE VII

### COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

#### A. SALARIES

1. **In the regular paycheck on December 24, 2021, active employees in a permanent position on December 6, 2021, shall receive a one-time lump sum payment equivalent to three percent (3%) of actual base wages earned while the employee was in a permanent position in this Unit from September 14, 2020 through December 5, 2021. For purposes of this section, actual base wages earned will include the hours an employee was absent without pay due to a statutorily protected leave such as, but not limited to, leaves taken under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), the California Family Rights Act (CFRA), Pregnancy Disability Leave (PDL), and Military Leave, but shall not include hours an employee was absent due to unprotected leave without pay status (e.g., on disciplinary suspension, etc.). The employee shall bear responsibility for any and all individual income tax consequences resulting from this lump sum payment. The lump sum payment shall be compensable for retirement purposes.**
2. **Effective December 6, 2021, the base rate of pay of all employees in this unit \* \* \* will be increased by three percent (3%) as reflected in Exhibit 1, Table 1, attached hereto and incorporated by reference.**
3. **Effective June 20, 2022, the base rate of pay of all employees in this unit will be increased by three percent (3%) as reflected in Exhibit 1, Table 2, attached hereto and incorporated by reference.**
4. **Effective June 19, 2023, the base rate of pay of all employees in this unit will be increased by three percent (3%) as reflected in Exhibit 1, Table 3, attached hereto and incorporated by reference.**

#### B. RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION

Employees hired into a permanent position in the City on or after September 5, 2016, in Unit 7, shall make an additional contribution equal to one and one half percent (1.5%), of their pensionable compensation to the City of Fresno Employees Retirement System, reducing the City contribution by a corresponding amount. In accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 414(h)(2) and related guidance, the City shall pick-up and pay the contribution by salary reduction in accordance with this provision to the City of Fresno Employees Retirement System. The employee shall have no option to receive the one and one half percent (1.5%) contribution in cash. The one and one half percent (1.5%)

contribution paid by the employee will not be credited to an employee's accumulated contribution account, nor will it be deposited into a member's Deferred Retirement Option Program ("DROP") account. Employees hired by the City prior to September 18, 2017 who enter Unit 7 on or after September 18, 2016 and were paying an additional one and one half percent (1.5%) of their pensionable compensation immediately prior to entering Unit 7, shall continue to pay the additional one and one half percent (1.5%) of their pensionable compensation to the City of Fresno Employees Retirement System, reducing the City contribution by a corresponding amount.

The parties agree to a limited reopener of this provision in regard to the possible revision of Normal Contributions to the Employee Retirement System for those employees paying an additional one and one half percent (1.5%).

### C. OVERTIME (OT) AND PREMIUM PAY

#### 1. Overtime:

Work performed in excess of eight (8) hours a day, (or ten (10) hours a day for a 4-10 schedule) forty (40) hours a week, or on an employee's first scheduled day off in a week, shall be compensated at the rate of one and one half (1 1/2) the straight time hourly rate. Work performed on the employee's second scheduled day off in a work week on a 5-8 schedule shall be compensated at two (2) times the straight time hourly rate. For employees on a 4-10 schedule: (1) work on the first and second scheduled days off in a work week shall be compensated at the rate of one and one half (1 1/2) the straight time hourly rate; (2) if an employee works on the third day off in a work week, the third day will be compensated at two (2) times the straight time hourly rate. There shall be no pyramiding of overtime or hazardous duty premium rates and two times the straight time rate of pay shall be the maximum compensation for any hours worked. Employees on vacation who are involuntarily recalled to work by the department shall be compensated at the overtime rate set forth in this paragraph in addition to the employee's vacation.

A list will be established in each work unit with employees in Unit 7 for those employees to volunteer for overtime. Employees who wish to work voluntary overtime may add or remove their name at any time from the list. Work units shall endeavor to distribute overtime work as equally as practicable within the work unit, with the understanding that many business related factors, including, for example, a job that requires special skills that can be objectively verified, job location, and employee availability, can and will influence overtime assignments.



2. Premium Pay:

a. Commercial Drivers License (CDL)

Employees whose job specifications indicate that a Commercial Drivers License (CDL) may be required, and are assigned to duties that require a CDL; shall receive one hundred dollars (\$100) per month in premium pay.

b. Hazardous Duty

- (i) Electricians working on poles, towers, trees, or on any equipment at a height of fifty (50) feet or more shall be compensated at two (2) times the straight time rate for the actual hours worked at such heights. Work performed on poles, towers, trees, or on any equipment at a height of fifty (50) feet or more, or on trees at any height on an employee's scheduled days off shall be compensated at two (2) times the straight time rate for the actual hours worked.
- (ii) Painters working at a height of thirty (30) feet or more, or as a spray operator, sandblaster or pipe painter, or when constructing or removing scaffolding at a height of twelve (12) feet or more when a guardrail is not in place shall receive an additional four percent (4%) of the straight time rate of pay for the actual hours worked.
- (iii) Employees specifically assigned to work in a Permit-Required Confined Space, as defined under Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 5157, shall receive a differential of \* \* \* **\$1.90** per hour for each hour or portion thereof while working in the space as assigned.

c. Call Back Pay

An employee called in to work after completing the employee's regular shift and having left the property, or during hours the employee was not regularly scheduled to work, will be paid a minimum of two (2) hours at time and one-half the employee's base rate of pay commencing from the time the employee leaves for the worksite after receiving the call and ending when the employee returns home. An employee called in to work on the employee's second day off will be paid a minimum of two (2) hours at two (2) times the base hourly rate of pay commencing from the time the employee leaves for the worksite after receiving the call and ending

when the employee returns home. Notwithstanding the above, an employee shall not receive pay for more hours than the time for which an employee is assigned standby. Employees on a 4-10 schedule will get time and one half (1 ½) on the employee's first and second day off, and will receive two times the base salary on the third day off.

In the event an employee receives a second or subsequent call prior to completing a two (2) hour call-back, the employee shall be compensated at the rate of pay set forth in this subsection for the time actually spent correcting the problem(s), which exceeds the two (2) hour minimum.

However, an employee shall be compensated the two (2) hour minimum every time the employee is called in and required to leave the employee's residence and report to work.

Permanent employees occupying classes of Electrician, Industrial Electrician, Air Conditioning Mechanic, or Plumber who are assigned by Management to perform diagnostic and/or corrective work from an off-site location via lap-top computer and modem, or telephone, after having completed their regular shift or on a day the employee was not scheduled to work, will be paid a minimum of two (2) hours at time and one-half of their base rate of pay. Employees who perform such work on their scheduled day off will be paid in accordance with the overtime provisions in Subsection C.1. above, commencing from the time the employee receives the call. In the event an employee receives a second or subsequent call prior to completing the assigned diagnostic and/or corrective work within two (2) hour call-back minimum, the employee shall be compensated at the rate of pay in this subsection for the time actually spent correcting the problem(s), which exceeds the two (2) hour minimum.

d. Standby

Standby duty is defined as all time outside of an employee's normal/regular scheduled work shift where management requires an employee to be available to respond to work related problems. Employees may be assigned to standby duty on a rotating basis, however, employees shall not be assigned to standby duty during periods of approved leave. Additionally, requested leave shall not be unreasonably denied due to standby duty. An employee assigned to standby will be required to carry a City pager and/or City cell phone (if available), and shall not consume alcohol during the standby period or any substance which may impair the employee's ability to

perform all required duties. Employees on standby are required to respond and shall report to their division/section or the work site within one (1) hour of being contacted.

(a) Compensation - Standby premium pay for all assigned hours shall be \* \* \* **\$1.65** per hour. Standby premium pay for all assigned hours on a City recognized and observed holiday that fall on a regularly scheduled work day, shall be \* \* \* **\$1.90** per hour.

(i) Time spent on standby duty shall not be hours worked.

(ii) In the event an employee on standby duty is required to and does report to the work site, the employee will be paid as set forth in Subsection c. above, in addition to the standby pay.

(b) Off-Site Diagnostic/Corrective Work - Permanent employees occupying the classes of Electrician, Industrial Electrician, Air Conditioning Mechanic or Plumber who are assigned to standby duty by Management and who perform diagnostic and/or corrective work from an off-site location after having completed their regular shift or on the first day an employee is not scheduled to work, will be paid a minimum of two (2) hours at time and one-half of their base rate of pay. Employees who perform such work on their scheduled day off will be paid in accordance with the overtime provisions in Section C.1. above commencing from the time the employee receives the call. In the event an employee receives a second or subsequent call prior to the end of the two (2) hour period the employee shall be compensated at the applicable rate of pay for the time actually spent correcting the problem(s), if the two (2) hour minimum is exceeded.

(i) An employee who receives any other calls between shifts or on a non-scheduled work day after the first two (2) hour call period has ended, shall be paid a minimum of eighteen (18) minutes at the appropriate rate for the first or second day off, as stated above, for each additional incident thereafter, or for the time actually spent correcting the problem(s) which exceeds the eighteen (18) minute minimum. If the employee reports to the job site, call-back pay shall be paid pursuant to Section C. 2. c. above.

e. Shift Differential

Each employee who is regularly assigned/scheduled (including as is provided for in Article VII, Section G. Subsection 7.) to work a "swing shift" between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. shall receive swing shift premium pay in addition to the employee's base rate of pay. If one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) or more of an employee's regularly scheduled shift hours fall between 5:00 p.m. and midnight, the swing shift premium pay will be \$1.00 per hour for all actual hours worked that shift. If one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) or more of an employee's regularly scheduled shift hours fall between midnight and 8:00 a.m., the night shift premium pay will be \$1.50 per hour for all actual hours worked that shift. If a shift fits the definition of both swing shift and night shift, the premium pay will be \$1.50 per hour.

f. Show Up Time

An employee who reports to work at the regular starting time and for whom no work is provided, shall be paid for two (2) hours, unless the employee was notified one (1) or more hour(s) prior to starting time not to report.

An employee who reports to work and for whom less than eight (8) hours work is provided shall be paid only for actual hours worked that shift.

g. Temporary Assignment Pay

Employees who are assigned leadworker functions and responsibilities shall receive an additional ten percent (10%) above their applicable base rate of pay for any workday the employee is assigned leadworker functions and responsibilities. All hours worked performing leadworker functions and responsibilities in excess of eight (8) hours in a day, or forty (40) hours in a workweek, shall be paid at one and one-half ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) times the applicable classes' leadworker temporary assignment rate of pay. Employees who perform leadworker functions on their scheduled day off will be paid in accordance with the overtime provisions in Section C.1. above, using the leadworker rate of pay. Actual hours worked performing leadworker functions on an employee's first day off in a workweek shall be compensated at one and one-half ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) times the applicable classes' leadworker temporary assignment rate of pay, and for a second day off in a workweek at two (2) times the applicable classes' leadworker temporary assignment rate of pay. Employees on a 4-10 schedule shall receive one and one-half ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) the applicable

classes' leadworker temporary assignment rate of pay for hours worked on the first and second days off, and will receive two times the applicable classes' leadworker temporary assignment rate of pay on the third day off. Employees may not elect to accrue compensatory time off in lieu of cash payment for actual hours worked as a leadworker. Performing leadworker functions and responsibilities is a temporary assignment, not a promotion, which is determined solely by management.

h. Bilingual Certification Program

The bilingual certification program consists of a City administered examination process whereby employees may apply for bilingual examination, and if certified by the examiner, receive bilingual premium pay for interpreting and translating. Bilingual premium pay is not pensionable unless otherwise required under law.

1. Bilingual certification examinations will be conducted as necessary. Examination applications will be available at the Personnel Services Department and City department personnel units. In order to remain eligible to receive bilingual premium pay, employees must take and pass the certification examination once every five (5) years. Employees will be notified of the need to recertify.
2. Department Directors or their designee shall designate those classes and positions or assignments in which bilingual skill is needed.
  - a. In order to qualify for the examinations, applications must be signed by the Department Director or designee and provided to the Personnel Services Department.
  - b. Bilingual examination application deadlines are not appealable or grievable.
  - c. Bilingual certification examinations are conducted for languages as listed in the Salary Resolution.
  - d. Employees who have passed the bilingual examination and who are receiving bilingual premium pay may not refuse to translate while on the job.
  - e. Employees who are bilingual but who have chosen not to participate in the Bilingual Certification Program

shall not be required to translate on the job except in an emergency.

f. The bilingual premium pay rate for certified permanent employees will be fifty dollars (\$50) per month regardless of how many languages for which an employee is certified.

3. There shall be no pyramiding or duplication of overtime or premium rates, except as set forth in Article VII. Employee schedules shall not be changed solely for the purpose of avoiding the payment of overtime.

#### D. SAFETY SHOES

**\*\*\* Safety shoes for employees in Unit 7 shall be governed by the City of Fresno Illness and Injury Prevention Program (IIPP) and shall meet the Cal OSHA General Industry Safety Order Foot Protection standards outlined in Title 8, Section 3385. \*\*\* The City will provide a voucher for employees in this Unit who are authorized or required to wear safety shoes for two hundred dollars (\$200) for the purchase of safety shoes, or the value of one pair of approved shoes, whichever is less. \*\*\* Employees in the Airports Electrician, Electrician, and Industrial Electrician classes who require Electrical Hazard rated safety shoes \*\*\* may be authorized for a voucher of up to two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) for the purchase of one pair of safety shoes per voucher. In either event, the employee shall pay any cost in excess of the amount of the voucher. Depending upon department practice, management may authorize the issuance of toe guards or authorize a voucher of up to twenty dollar (\$20) for the purchase of one set of authorized toe guards for safety shoes provided under this provision**

Employees provided with safety shoes, which shall be used for the express purpose of City business, may request a voucher for replacement safety shoes when the safety shoes are no longer serviceable as verified by the supervisor. When the employee obtains new safety shoes, the safety shoes that are no longer serviceable shall be turned in to the employee's immediate supervisor.

#### E. FRESNO CITY EMPLOYEES HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST

1. The City and IBEW agree that the Fresno City Employees Health and Welfare Trust has the sole authority to determine the benefits that will be provided during the term of this MOU. The sole responsibility of the City under this clause is to provide a set dollar amount to be contributed to the Trust on behalf of the employees represented by IBEW.

2. Effective July 1, 2014, the City's contribution will be seventy-five percent (75%) of the employee's health and welfare premium. After July 1, 2014,

the cost of any future increases in the health and welfare premium will be shared equally between the City and the employee, with fifty percent (50%) to be paid by the City and fifty percent (50%) to be paid by the employee except that employees will be required to pay no more than thirty percent (30%) of the premium established by the City of Fresno Employees Health and Welfare Trust Board. At such time as the employee share is thirty percent (30%), the City shall pay seventy percent (70%). Employees may opt to contribute the amount necessary to make up the difference through payroll deductions, or accept a reduced coverage option.

3. Should any other represented bargaining unit in the City negotiate a successor MOU, or extend the period of an MOU with terms imposed resulting in a greater contribution by the City, upon the Union's written request, the City will match that benefit.
4. The parties also agree to work collectively in conjunction with their Board representatives to research and recommend potential cost-saving measures, which may include a choice of health program options based on individual need or preference, including a reduced option equivalent to the City's premium contribution; a separate rate for single employees with no dependents, or other flex plan programs; mandatory generic mail order drug maintenance for employee who require prescription drug therapy for any period of 90 days or more; or other measures that may be identified as this work progresses.

## F. LEAVES

1. Holidays and Birthday Leave:
  - a. Except as may be modified in this section, Holidays shall be governed by Fresno Municipal Code Section 3-116:
    - January 1
    - The third Monday in January
    - The third Monday in February
    - The last Monday in May
    - July 4
    - The first Monday in September
    - November 11
    - Thanksgiving Day in November
    - The Friday after Thanksgiving Day in November
    - December 25
    - Employee's Birthday
    - **Two (2) \* \* \*** personal business days (eight hours to be credited on July 1<sup>st</sup> **January 1<sup>st</sup>** of each year). Should any other non-



safety City bargaining unit receive an additional holiday\* \* \* in a successor MOU, the parties agree to a reopener of the MOU on this issue.

- Any day or part of a day declared by the Council, by ordinance or resolution, to be a holiday.
- b. If January 1, July 4, November 11, or December 25 falls upon a Sunday, then the Monday following will be observed as the holiday, in lieu of Sunday.
- c. All employees will receive eight (8) hours compensation at the straight time rate for the above holidays with the following exceptions:

- (1) If an employee is required to work on a holiday specified in subsection (a), above, **which is a scheduled workday**, the employee shall receive the employee's regular salary (i.e. base pay rate) for the hours worked on that day, and will be credited with eight (8) hours of **Holiday Leave** except as provided for in Article VII, Section C., Overtime and Premium Pay.

Employees on a 4/10 work schedule, who work ten (10) hours on a holiday, which is a scheduled workday, shall receive the employee's regular salary (i.e., base pay rate) for the hours worked on that day, and will be credited with eight (8) hours of **Holiday Leave**. If the employee worked less than ten (10) hours, the employee will be credited with hours equivalent to the amount of hours worked (up to eight (8) hours) of holiday leave. The balance of the holiday hours will be paid up to eight (8) hours. The employee may elect to take an additional two hours from a leave bank other than Sick Leave, or may elect to receive two (2) hours of leave without pay (LWOP).

- (2) When a holiday falls on a regularly scheduled day off, employees will be credited with eight (8) hours of **Holiday Leave**.
- (3) In addition to the holiday credit in Subsection (2) above, employees who are called in or scheduled to work a holiday, which is their regularly scheduled day off, will be compensated at the appropriate rate for a minimum of two (2) hours, or for actual hours worked, whichever is higher.



- (4) Eight (8) hours of leave time shall be added to an employee's **Holiday Leave** balance \* \* \* **in the \* \* \* pay period in which the employee's birthday occurs.**
- (5) Employees who are absent from duty on \* \* \* leave without pay **or suspension without pay** at the end of a shift before the **recognized** holiday \* \* \* **will not receive compensation for the holiday, unless they actually work the holiday.**
- d. **Holiday Leave** may be taken in increments of less than eight (8) hours.
- e. Effective September 5, 2016, employees will have all holiday accruals put in a **Special Holiday Leave** bank. Employees may request payment and be compensated for up to forty-eight (48) hours or twenty-five percent (25%) of their **Special Holiday Leave** balance, whichever is greater, each fiscal year between July 1 and December 31. All remaining balances in the **Special Holiday Leave** bank shall be paid to employee upon separation from City service.

Any holiday leave accruals earned after September 5, 2016, may be cashed out at any time. **Holiday Leave** will be accrued until it reaches forty eight (48) hours; thereafter, any additional **Holiday Leave** earned will be cashed out. Any **Holiday Leave** balance for any employee leaving City service will be cashed out.

## 2. Sick Leave:

- a. Employees shall accrue sick leave at the rate of eight (8) hours for each completed calendar month of employment\* \* \*. Except for Administrative Order 2-20 Sick Leave Policy, \* \* \* City FMC, AO's, policies, procedures, rules and regulations concerning sick leave usage and administration shall continue to apply. An Attendance Policy for Unit 7 is attached hereto as Exhibit 2 and is incorporated by this reference and shall apply. Employees shall not accrue additional sick leave once their balance reaches nine hundred (900) hours. Employees with sick leave balances that exceed five hundred (500) hours as of June 16, 2014, shall have all hours over five hundred (500) placed in a special sick leave account. The account may be used by the employee for any purpose sick leave is authorized to be used, but such usage shall not affect the accrual of regular sick leave.

- b. **All employees \* \* \* may use up to \* \* \* half of their annual Sick Leave accrual \* \* \* consistent with California Labor Code Section 233. \* \* \***

**Protected Sick Leave, as described above, may be used under the following circumstances, and may be designated as protected time pursuant to state law at the employee's discretion:**

- **Diagnosis, care, or treatment of an existing health condition of, or preventative care for, an employee.**
- **Diagnosis, care, or treatment of an existing health condition of, or preventive care for an employee's parent (a biological, adoptive, or foster parent, stepparent, or legal guardian of an employee or the employee's spouse or registered domestic partner, or a person who stood in loco parentis when the employee was a minor child), child (a child, which for purposes of this article means a biological, adopted, or foster child, stepchild, legal ward, or a child to whom the employee stands in loco parentis - this definition of a child is applicable regardless of age or dependency status), spouse, registered domestic partner, sibling, grandparent, or grandchild; or,**
- **For an employee who is a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, the purposes described in Labor Code Section 230(c) and Labor Code Section 230.1(a).**

**Employees who terminate City employment and return within one year of such termination will be entitled to reinstatement of their Sick Leave balances at the time of termination from City employment, up to a total of 48 hours.**

**Any leave taken under these provisions which would also apply to other Sick Leave provisions (e.g., Protected Sick Leave and/or family and medical leave) would also count toward those provisions.**

3. **Vacation:**

Employees accrue vacation leave hours for each completed calendar month of employment as reflected in the table below. Employees with less than 10 years of continuous employment are allowed to accrue 340 hours

of vacation leave, and employees with 10 years or more of continuous employment are allowed to accrue 420 hours of vacation leave.

Years of Continuous Employment	Accrual Rate (hrs./mo.)
1 – 4 years	8
5 – 7 years	10
8 – 19 years	11.33
20 or more years	14.66

If on October 31 of each year, an employee has a balance of two hundred forty (240) or more hours of vacation, the employee may in November of that year request a cash payment of up to forty (40) hours of any vacation accrual that employee has acquired prior to the December payroll period.

An employee who, in accordance with the Attendance Policy attached to this Memorandum of Understanding as Addendum I, has incurred anything greater than the 4<sup>th</sup> incident at the point in time in which the cash out is available is ineligible to receive a cash out.

4. Leave Approval:

When an employee completes and submits a request for leave on a form provided by their department at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the leave, paid leave shall not be unreasonably denied. The employee's supervisor shall return the form to the employee within seven (7) calendar days indicating whether the requested leave is approved or denied.

5. State Disability Insurance (SDI)/Paid Family Leave (**PFL**):

- a. Employees who are in bargaining Unit 7, Non-Supervisory Groups and Crafts, represented by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 100 (IBEW) shall be enrolled in the State Disability Insurance (SDI) coverage plan.
- b. Employees shall file claims in the same manner as required under the SDI Plan.
- c. The City shall maintain SDI through employee payroll deductions to be funded by employee contributions.
- d. All employees with an approved SDI/\* \* \* (**PFL**) claim must notify the City within fourteen (14) calendar days of their claim date and fill out a form made available by the City indicating whether or not the

employee desires to integrate leave with the claim. Extension beyond fourteen (14) calendar days due to exigent circumstances, such as the employee being incapacitated, may be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Director of Personnel Services or designee.

- e. Employees who are absent from duty because of illness or injury as a result of non-work related injuries who are eligible to use accrued leave, shall be eligible to integrate the payment of SDI/PFL benefits with such City-paid leave benefits.
- f. Integrating leave balances is defined as the SDI/PFL benefit and the monetary value of the employee's leave balances added together to provide a regular bi-weekly net income.
- g. An employee who has elected to integrate leave balances with SDI/PFL benefits will be considered to be on paid status. \* \* \* **An employee on SDI who has exhausted their Sick Leave bank has the option of requesting use of other accrued leave. Request of and approval of other accrued leave will be per City policy requiring management's approval. Employees on PFL for baby bonding who elect to integrate leave must use available leave banks other than Sick Leave, unless used on the day of the birth of their child in accordance with FMC 3-107(g).**
  - (1) An employee who is integrating leave and has exhausted all other leave balances may apply for donated time in accordance with City policies. Use of donated time shall be in accordance with the provisions of this section.
  - (2) If the employee chooses not to integrate leave or has no available balances, the employee will be in a Leave Without Pay (LWOP) status.
- h. Employees who elect to integrate must provide Payroll with a copy of the Notice of Computation from the State of California Employment Development Department (EDD) within fourteen (14) calendar days of the issue date, and are required to authorize EDD to share benefit computations with the City when filing the initial claim form(s). Extension beyond fourteen (14) calendar days due to exigent circumstances, such as the employee being incapacitated, may be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Director of Personnel Services or designee.

- (1) An employee who has made a timely election to integrate leave with SDI/PFL benefits shall be paid a biweekly amount, using appropriate accumulated leave, which, when added to SDI/PFL benefits shall approximately equal the employee's net pay after taxes (excluding overtime).
  - (2) If an employee does not provide information on SDI/PFL benefits within fourteen (14) calendar days of the issue date of the Notice of Computation, no integration will occur. Integration will not be provided for any period before the City receives notification of SDI/PFL benefits, including retroactively, and the employee provides signed notification that the employee wants to integrate.
  - (3) If elected as described above, integration will end upon notification from the employee that SDI/PFL benefits have terminated, the employee exhausts all leave balances and/or donated time resulting in LWOP status, the employee's return to work, or the employee's separation from City employment; whichever comes first in time.
  - (4) Any period of absence during which an employee is receiving SDI/PFL benefits but is not receiving leave payments shall be deemed a leave of absence without pay.
  - (5) Service credits toward seniority, step increase eligibility, and probation periods shall be in accordance with the MOU and City policies/procedures.
  - (6) If an employee exhausts all available leave balances \* \* \* **while** receiving SDI/PFL benefits, \* \* \* **integration** shall cease, **and the employee will be converted to leave without pay status.**
- i. The City shall continue contributions toward the employee's health and welfare benefits and retirement contributions in accordance with established laws and practices during the pay periods that include leave payments by the City. The employee shall be responsible for payment of premiums required to maintain health and welfare benefits when City contributions cease in accordance with established laws, policies and practices.
  - j. In the event the City determines that legislative, administrative or judicial determinations cause changes which in any way restricts,

reduces or prohibits any provision of this Agreement, the parties shall immediately meet to discuss necessary amendments and/or modifications.

6. Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)

The City currently maintains a Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) that qualifies as a "health reimbursement arrangement" as described in Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Notice 2002-45 and other guidance published by the IRS regarding HRAs. The City agrees to maintain the HRA such that it will continue to qualify as a "health reimbursement arrangement" for the term of the MOU.

At separation from permanent employment with the City of Fresno by service retirement or at a disability retirement if the employee is otherwise eligible for service retirement, employees who have used eighty (80) hours or less of **Sick Leave** or any other leave used for sick time (excluding hours used for Workers' Compensation benefits, any protected leave - e.g\* \* \* **leave taken under California Labor Code 233**, Family & Medical Leave, or Bereavement Leave) in the 24 months preceding their date of retirement, will be credited with an account for the employee under the HRA to be used \* \* \* to pay premiums for medical insurance (including COBRA premiums) **and qualified medical expenses pursuant to the City of Fresno Retiree HRA Plan Document**. The "value" of the account shall be determined as follows:

- The number of accumulated **Sick Leave** hours in excess of 240 hours at the time of retirement multiplied by \* \* \* **80%** of the employee's then current hourly base rate of pay.
- The hourly base rate of pay shall be the equivalent of the monthly salary for an employee as reflected in \* \* \* **the Salary Resolution**, multiplied by twelve (12) months then divided by 2,080 hours.

At the employer's option, the HRA accounts may be book accounts only – no actual trust account must be established for any employee. Each HRA book account shall be credited on a monthly basis with a rate of earnings equal to the yield on the City's Investment Portfolio (provided that such yield is positive) but not to be below zero.

The HRA accounts shall be used \* \* \* to pay premiums for medical insurance (including COBRA premiums) **and qualified medical expenses pursuant to the City of Fresno Retiree HRA Plan Document** covering the participant, the participant's spouse (or surviving spouse in the event of the death of the participant), and the participant's dependents. Once a participant's account under the HRA has been reduced to \$0, no further

benefits shall be payable by the HRA. If the participant, the participant's spouse, and the participant's dependents die before the participant's account under the HRA has been reduced to \$0, no death benefit shall be payable to any person by the HRA.

While this provision is in effect employees shall not be allowed to cash out any accumulated or accrued **Sick Leave** at retirement.

#### G. WORKERS' COMPENSATION

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of FMC Section 3-118, an employee who suffers an injury in the course and scope of City employment shall receive 66.67% of average weekly earnings in the fifty-two (52) weeks prior to the injury from the City beginning on the fourth day of such absence, unless hospitalized on the first day for at least 24 hours, or unless the absence exceeds 14 days, in which case, the employee shall receive the pay provided in this Section from the first day. Except for the provision of full pay and its starting date (as modified herein), the remaining provisions of FMC Section 3-118 shall apply. Should the State mandated workers' compensation rate of payment be adjusted, the City and the Union will have a limited reopener to adjust the rate accordingly.
2. At the employee's option, in the event work related injury/illness pay is not provided during the first three (3) days of absence due to the work related injury or illness, the employee may, at the employee's option, take sick leave, vacation, Compensatory Time Off, Bonus Time Off or holiday leave for that period

#### H. HOURS OF WORK AND SCHEDULES

1. The work week for the City begins on Monday at 12:01 a.m. and ends the following Sunday at midnight.
2. The work day, starts at 12:01 a.m. and ends 24 hours later at midnight.
3. The normal work schedule shall be forty (40) hours per week consisting of five (5) days of eight (8) hours each, exclusive of a meal period. This is not intended to guarantee an employee forty (40) hours work each week. The City may release employees without pay due to reasons including, but not limited to, inclement weather or lack of work. The City will make an effort to find productive work before releasing employees without pay.
4. Work schedules are established by individual departments/divisions based upon the need to provide service to the public, and/or other City departments.



5. Employees shall receive a one (1) or one-half (2) hour meal period, without pay, each day and a fifteen (15) minute paid rest period during the first half of the work day and a second fifteen (15) minute paid rest period during the second half of the work day. Meal periods and rest periods are scheduled by departments/divisions according to the needs of the department/division. The City retains the exclusive right to control the use of City-paid break periods, and exclusive control of the use of City vehicles at all times.
6. Employees whose duties require it shall be allowed a reasonable amount of time for a personal clean-up period prior to the end of each work shift.
7. The City may, with seventy-two (72)-hour notice to the employees, temporarily modify the employee's working hours due to backlog/workload concerns. This provision is not intended to address working hours modified as a result of daylight savings hours, overtime or other established work hour changes to meet the needs of the City. This temporary modification shall not be less than one (1) week nor more than one (1) month, unless mutually agreed to by the parties. In the event of a bona fide emergency, as determined by management, shorter notification shall be allowed. Emergency modification of an employee's work schedule shall be for a period not to exceed one week.
8. Alternative Workweek Work Schedules

- a. 4/10 WORK SCHEDULE - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - STREET MAINTENANCE DIVISION

4/10 schedules will be the standard work schedule for the Street Maintenance Division. The hours for employees working a 4/10 workweek shall consist of four (4) consecutive ten (10) hour days, Monday through Thursday, or Tuesday through Friday, 6:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. unless modified by the parties. Employees may be moved from one schedule to another with fourteen (14) calendar day notice to the employee and the Union. The department may make the change without fourteen days notice in an emergency.

Except for light duty where so stated below, in order to modify this schedule, the Streets Maintenance Division must provide the Union thirty (30) calendar days notice and provide an opportunity to meet and confer over the proposed changes before any change is made.

Light Duty: An employee's work schedule may be temporarily changed if an employee is placed under a doctor's restriction that limits the amount of work an employee can do or the number of hours



the employee can work, after completion of the interactive process between the City, the employee and the employee's representative.

## I. COMPENSATORY TIME OFF (CTO)

1. An employee working approved overtime may elect to take the overtime in pay or elect to bank the overtime as Compensatory Time Off (CTO). CTO may only be used for time off and may not be cashed out, except upon separation from employment, including retirement. However, in the last pay period of each fiscal year, any unused CTO that is not carried over to the next fiscal year, pursuant to subsection 3. below, will be cashed out by the City at the employee's base rate of pay.
2. Upon mutual agreement between the appointing authority and the employee working approved overtime, the employee may take CTO in lieu of overtime pay in the same payroll period in which it is earned. All other accumulated CTO shall be requested and will be subject to approval on the same basis as vacation, except that:
  - a. Employees may elect to use CTO for medical appointments,
  - b. CTO may be requested to make up the two hours lost due to the employee's 4/10 work schedule including a regularly scheduled work day that falls on a holiday; and,
  - c. Employees working in the classification of Concrete Finisher shall be allowed to take CTO to make up for work missed due to rain.
3. An employee may accrue/bank up to a maximum of eighty (80) hours in their CTO Account. Employees may carry over a maximum of forty (40) hours of their CTO balance to the next fiscal year, except that employees working in the classification of Concrete Finisher shall be allowed to carry over a maximum of sixty (60) hours to the next fiscal year.
4. Each employee who has reached the maximum of eighty (80) hours in their CTO account may not elect to bank CTO until their CTO account has been reduced below the maximum allowable amount of eighty (80) hours.
5. CTO shall be accumulated at the applicable straight time, time and one-half, or double time rate for the time worked.

## J. SENIORITY

1. In accordance with FMC Sections 3-291 and 3-292, seniority shall be the determining factor in lay-offs and reinstatement.

2. If two or more employees were employed on the same date, in the same class, then placement on the eligible list shall be used to determine seniority order.
3. Seniority will continue to accrue during an approved leave without pay taken under the California Family Rights Act, the Federal Family Medical Leave Act and Protected Sick Leave (i.e., California Labor Code sections 233 and 245-249).

K. TRANSFERS

Permanent employees who request voluntary transfer consideration from a position classification to the same position classification in a different department or division pursuant to FMC 3-261(c) will be considered for the transfer along with all other eligible individuals who are on the eligible list for appointment. Employees shall make their voluntary transfer request for consideration by completing a transfer application via PeopleSoft Self-Service. Employees may indicate on their application which department(s) or division(s), if any, for which they do not want to be considered. Employees will be provided with an opportunity to interview for applicable transfers to the position. If selected for the appointment the transferred employee shall serve the appointment consistent with the requirements of FMC 3-261.

L. EMPLOYEE FATIGUE

Fatigue Time is allowed to afford an employee the opportunity to rest because:

1. The employee has been required to work in excess of four hours of overtime, or has been called back three or more times between shifts.

AND

2. The overtime **or qualifying call back** was completed with less than eight (8) hours before the start of the employee's next regularly scheduled shift.

Fatigue Time allows an employee at least eight (8) hours in which to rest before being required to report to the regularly scheduled shift, or to leave work early if the employee reported to work after qualifying for Fatigue Time.

\* \* \*

**The employee requesting Fatigue Time must contact their Supervisor with their request and the Supervisor shall grant the request unless extreme circumstances exist.**

**\* \* \* An employee who is authorized to take Fatigue Time\* \* \* shall \* \* \* use available hours from an applicable leave bank of their choosing for the absence \* \* \*. If the employee does not have enough leave hours available**

**for the absence \* \* \*, the employee may take Leave Without Pay \* \* \*. Employees shall not incur an incident under the Attendance Policy for use of leave for Fatigue Time.**

**M. STANDBY EQUIPMENT**

1. To make it easier and more time efficient for employees assigned to Standby Duty to respond to City requests for Call Back, City management may provide a City vehicle and cell phone, if available, for those employees on standby.
2. While on Standby Duty, permission to take a City vehicle out of the County or for personal use shall be at the discretion of the Department Director, and shall not be unreasonably withheld during special occasions such as holidays, family reunions, birthdays, anniversaries, etc.
3. **The parties agree to a limited reopener during the first year of the term of the MOU to engage in a review of the use of City vehicles assigned while on standby and alternate solutions.**

**N. EMPLOYEE INCENTIVE TIME OFF**

**The Employee Incentive Time Off Program will be discontinued effective January 17, 2021. On January 1, 2022, all active employees in the Unit shall receive a one-time credit of thirty-two (32) hours of Employee Incentive Time Off.**

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Employees \* \* \* may use \* \* \* **Employee Incentive Time Off**-\* \* \* upon approval of the employee's immediate supervisor. \* \* \* Employees may voluntarily cash out the entire balance or any portion of their Employee Incentive Time Off at any time.

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**O. CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION STUDY**

**The parties agree to a limited reopener beginning the first quarter of the term of the MOU to engage in a comprehensive classification and compensation study regarding classes represented by IBEW, including but not limited to salaries, premium and certification pays, and classification structure.**

## ARTICLE VIII

### FEDERAL DRUG POLICY (FEDERAL OMNIBUS TRANSPORTATION EMPLOYEE TESTING ACT)

1. The City maintains two separate policies, as listed below, to distinguish those specific procedures required by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA).

*“Fresno Area Express, Controlled Substances and Alcohol Testing Policy for ‘Safety-Sensitive’ Employees/Individuals Subject to Federal Transit Administration Regulations ”*, as may be amended from time to time after compliance with the applicable collective bargaining laws.

*“City of Fresno Controlled Substances and Alcohol Testing Policy for ‘Safety-Sensitive’ Employees/Applicants Subject to Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Regulations”* (“City’s FMCSA Policy”), as may be amended from time to time after compliance with applicable collective bargaining laws.

In addition to the City’s FMCSA Policy noted above, Administrative Order 2-25, the City’s City-wide drug and alcohol policy, shall apply to IBEW members.

2. Each policy, as revised, is intended to sufficiently summarize the current Federal Regulations required by the Federal Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act of 1991, as amended. Should any amendments/revisions to applicable policies occur, a copy of the amended revision will be forwarded to IBEW’s Unit Representative with an offer to meet and confer regarding any potential impact of the amendment/revisions to the affected members. The FMCSA policy will be distributed to every affected member of this Unit upon any amendments/revisions to the policy, and at the time of training and orientation.
3. The Risk/Safety Manager or designee will request an observer not subject to random testing under this policy, (designated observer) and designated, consistent with the FMCSA policy, by one of the representatives of the affected labor organizations, to be present at the time the random list is generated.
4. A Substance Dependency Advisory Committee shall be maintained and meet at the request of any member to review the impact, modification or repeal of the Federal Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act and make recommendations to the City Manager on all matters relevant to the implementation of this policy. Half of the Committee members shall be

appointed by the City and half shall be appointed by all recognized employee organizations that are subject either to the regulations promulgated by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), or the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA).

5. Any disciplinary action taken by the City as a result of this policy will be subject to the applicable provisions of current MOUs, Administrative Orders and the FMC concerning representation and appeal process/hearing. Among the factors to be considered in determining the appropriate disciplinary action include the level of the offense, the nature and requirements of the work, length of employment, current job performance, and history of past disciplinary action. Pursuant to the provisions of FMC Section 3-605 (a)(5), the City reserves the exclusive right to determine the level of disciplinary action subject to the disciplinary process referenced above, utilizing the guidelines set forth in the City's FMCSA Policy.
6. The Procedure for Random Testing is outlined in the City's FMCSA Policy.
7. Reopener

If the City proposes to change the corresponding City-wide random drug and alcohol testing policy as a result of changes to federal or state law, the parties agree to a limited reopener on the MOU policy agreement between the City and the Union.

## ARTICLE IX

### HEADINGS

#### A. HEADINGS

MOU article, provision, and paragraph headings (includes exhibits, addendums, attachments, agreements) contained herein are solely for the purposes of convenience, and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of any of the language of this MOU.

## ARTICLE X

### SAVING CLAUSE/FULL UNDERSTANDING

#### A. SAVING CLAUSE

In the event any Article, Section, or portion of this MOU should be held invalid and unenforceable in any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall apply only to the specific Article, Section, or portion thereof specified in the court's decision, and upon issuance of such a decision, the City and IBEW agree immediately to meet and confer upon a substitute for the invalidated Article, Section, or portion thereof.

#### B. FULL UNDERSTANDING

It is intended that this MOU sets forth the full and entire understanding of the parties, and any previous understanding or agreements by the parties, whether formal or informal, regarding any such matters are hereby superseded and terminated in their entirety. With respect to side letter agreements, any not attached to this MOU are hereby terminated in their entirety unless the side letter agreement expressly states an expiration date beyond the term of this MOU. This paragraph is not intended to prevent either party from relying on discussions which occurred during the meet and confer process for the purpose of clarifying the meaning of this MOU.

## ARTICLE XI

### TERMINATION

The provisions of this MOU shall be in full force and effect from \* \* \* **December 6, 2021**, to \* \* \* **June 16, 2024**, subject to the Sections (A., B., and C.) below.

- A. This MOU shall become effective only after ratification by the members of IBEW, followed by City Council approval and the expiration of the waiting period for the Mayor's action provided in Charter sections 605 and 609, and shall remain in full force and effect through \* \* \* **June 16, 2024**.
- B. During the life of this MOU, should either party desire to modify its terms or to meet and confer as to matters within the scope of representation not addressed in this MOU, the party requesting such modification shall request in writing to meet and confer on the item(s), which item(s) shall be specified in writing.
- C. During the life of this MOU, either party may refuse any request by the other to meet and confer without explanation if the item is directly considered and specifically addressed herein; or if the specific item was included in a written proposal from the party making the request during the meet and confer process which led to this MOU, or if the item is directly considered and addressed in Chapter 3, Article 1 - Personnel of the Fresno Municipal Code. It is further agreed; however, that this Section shall not prohibit the City from requesting to meet and confer on changes to federal or state statutes, in which case the request to meet and confer shall not be refused.

#### D. REOPENERS

The parties agree to meet and confer over:

1. Revisions to the Personnel provisions of the Fresno Municipal Code (FMC), Chapter 3, Article 1);
2. Revisions to the Civil Service Regulations in the FMC, Chapter 3, Article 2; and
3. Revisions to the Employer-Employee Relations provisions of the, Chapter 3, Article 6.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto set their hands this \_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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EXHIBIT 1  
SALARIES

Table 1 Effective December 6, 2021	
CLASS TITLE	SALARY
Air Conditioning Mechanic	6858
Airports Electrician	6203
Concrete Finisher	5982
Electrician	6203
Industrial Electrician	6858
Painter	5450
Plumber	6203

Table 2 Effective June 20, 2022	
CLASS TITLE	SALARY
Air Conditioning Mechanic	7064
Airports Electrician	6390
Concrete Finisher	6162
Electrician	6390
Industrial Electrician	7064
Painter	5614
Plumber	6390

Table 3 Effective June 19, 2023	
CLASS TITLE	SALARY
Air Conditioning Mechanic	7276
Airports Electrician	6582
Concrete Finisher	6347
Electrician	6582
Industrial Electrician	7276
Painter	5783
Plumber	6582

## EXHIBIT 2

### ATTENDANCE POLICY UNIT 7, REPRESENTED BY IBEW, LOCAL 100

#### PURPOSE

To establish an attendance policy for employees in Unit 7, represented by IBEW.

#### POLICY & PROCEDURES

This policy is to be construed on a rolling 12-month period. A primary requirement for continued employment is regular attendance. While the City recognizes some absences may be unavoidable, City departments and the employees have an obligation to the public that demands regular and prompt attendance.

Although it is recognized that excessive absenteeism is a proper reason for corrective/disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment, it is the policy of the City to identify problem areas by keeping proper records, exploring avenues of available assistance, and encouraging compliance with attendance standards.

This attendance policy was developed to establish uniform guidelines to further efforts to provide service to the public, and is designed to be a no-fault program. The pervasive problems stemming from inordinate absences are the focus of this policy, not the nature of the absences.

Authorized leaves and statutorily protected leaves (e.g., Family and Medical Leave Act, California Family Rights Act, military leave, jury duty, subpoenas and court appearances, bereavement leave, vacation leave, FMC leave of absences, suspension, union business, etc.) are outside the scope of this attendance policy.

In the event of a serious illness or injury to the employee requiring the employee's absence during a future period of time, or a serious illness or injury to the employee's spouse, dependent minor children, or parents requiring the employee's absence during a future period of time, the applicable City department, the employee and the Union may agree to a plan for the employee's absence(s) over a specified period of time. If such plan is agreed upon, absences under such plan shall not be subject to this policy.

#### DEFINITIONS AND RULES - SECTION I:

1. Excluding the authorized and statutorily protected leaves discussed above, an absence or absenteeism is defined as any failure to show up for or remain at work as scheduled regardless of the reason. Any employee, who fails to show up for work or remain at work as scheduled, will be charged with an incident of absence under this policy.
  - (a) Authorized leaves (i.e., scheduled leave time prearranged and approved) shall not be considered an incident.
  - (b) A day or days of continuous absence due to illness shall be considered one incident.
  - (c) Employees who are absent for an indefinite period due to illness must keep their supervisor informed as to the status of their absence, including specifying any tentative return date if requested by their supervisor or designee. An employee on extended leave for any reason may be contacted by the applicable City department to schedule a return-to-work evaluation before returning to work.
2. Employees who call in advance to give notice they will be late, and report to work within one (1) hour will be charged with a tardy and one half of an incident. However, failure to report to work within one (1) hour after their scheduled start time will result in the issuance of a second tardy. Two (2) tardies in any rolling 12-month period shall be equal to one (1) incident.
3. The City reserves the right to require an employee to report to work for the balance of the day on which tardiness occurs. Failure by the employee to report to or remain at work for the balance of the day as directed by a supervisor may be cause for disciplinary action.
4. Any employee who does not report to work in person or by telephone will be considered absent without leave, and subject to disciplinary action as provided in the applicable provisions of the Fresno Municipal Code, as the same may be amended from time-to-time.

#### CORRECTIVE/DISCIPLINE ACTIONS - SECTION II:

1. Excessive absenteeism by an employee shall subject said employee(s) to corrective/disciplinary action. Excessive absenteeism for purposes of this policy shall be defined as four (4) or more occurrences (i.e., incident) of absence within any consecutive 12-month period beginning with the effective date of this policy. The 12-month period referred to in this policy shall mean a “rolling” 12-month period.
2. The corrective/disciplinary actions under this policy are noted in the table below.

Incident	Level
4th	Verbal Warning
5th	Letter of Understanding
6th	Written Reprimand
7th	\$100 Fine
8th	\$300 Fine & 6 month prohibition on working overtime, if non-exempt, unless overtime is management directed
9th	10 Working Days Suspension
10th	Termination

The City reserves the right to deviate from this table of progressive corrective/disciplinary action under mitigating circumstances, or when there is a pattern of excessive absenteeism indicating abuse of time off. An example of a mitigating circumstance is a case where an employee with an otherwise exemplary prior history of good attendance (three [3] to five [5] years) experiences an unexpected problem, which causes inordinate temporary absenteeism, or whenever there is a pattern of abuse of time off.

An employee who has no additional incidents for 90 calendar days after receipt of an incident shall have \* \* \* **their** number of incidents reduced by one (1). The employee must have no additional incidents for an additional 30 calendar days before an additional incident is removed. If an employee receives an incident before an additional 30 calendar days has passed, then no incident will be removed until 90 calendar days after the last incident. The incident to be removed shall be the oldest in the rolling 12-month review period **at the time the employee reaches the 91<sup>st</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> days respectively.**