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Deborah K. Sander
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Honorable President

and Members of the City Council,

The attached Ordinance is to approve a Labor Agreement between the City of Omaha and the Omaha Police Officers' Association. This Agreement, if approved, will cover payroll years 2026 and 2027.

If approved, this Labor Agreement provides for the following:

1. Wages

The group will see a wage increase of 5.58% in 2026 as required by Article 37, Section 4 which was approved on April 29, 2025 and a wage increase of 6.4% or the raise required by the language in Article 37, Section 4 for 2027.

2. Health Insurance

a. The group will receive the same contributions to their Health Savings Account as other bargaining groups participating in the City's High Deductible Healthcare Plan for 2026 and 2027:

1. 2026
 - a. Single - \$2,300
 - b. Single + 1 and Family - \$4,600
2. 2027
 - a. Single - \$2,300
 - b. Single + 1 and Family - \$4,600

b. Commencing in 2026, the blended health care premium equivalency rate for Police members will be reduced from 23% to 20% for family and single + 1 coverage and from 15% to 12% for single coverage.

3. Pension

- a. Make permanent the 1.50% of payroll contributions, equally divided between the City and employee, that have been temporary since 2010. Absent agreement, the contribution obligation expired at the end of the 2025 payroll year.
- b. Eliminate the early retirement reduction that currently applies to Tier 3 Police members who retire with less than 30 years of service and prior to age 55.

- c. Modify the surviving spouse benefit percentage for retired Tier 3 Police members from 50% to 75%.
- d. Implement a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for Tier 3 Police members consistent with Milliman's analysis.
- e. The cost of funding the pension enhancements in items 2, 3, and 4 above are a cumulative 0.38% of payroll which will be funded by additional contributions of 0.19% by the City and 0.19% by the Employee.

4. Other changes and agreements.

- a. Dental insurance will be modified so that routine cleaning coverage will increase from 90% to 100% and the annual maximum paid by the City will increase from \$1,000 to \$1,750 to match other bargaining groups.
- b. Parental Leave - Provide 6 weeks of parental leave for birth, adoption, or fostering of minor child to match other bargaining groups.
- c. Members will be able to use 56 hours per year of sick leave for the benefit of a family member.
- d. Longevity pay increases in 2026 as follows:
 - a. 5 to 10 years - \$ 66 per pay period
 - b. 11 to 15 years - \$123.75 per pay period
 - c. 16 to 20 years - \$165 per pay period
 - d. 21 years or more - \$247.50 per pay period
- e. Shift differential - Starting at the beginning of 2027 payroll year, shift differential pay will increase to \$1.50 per hour from \$1.00 per hour for those on C and A shifts.
- f. All premium pay categories will be paid at 3% of top officer pay (move Training, Narc Dog Handler, Bomb Dog Handler and Clan Lab to 3% from 1.5%).
- g. Add Specialty pay of 3% for Drone operators, SROs and Mounted Patrol.
- h. HRA / 401a - Implement HRA / 401a for Police retirees.
- i. Investment committee - Formalize the advisory committee that has been set up to advise the Finance Director on investment options for the City's 457 plan.
- j. Allow one of the full-time union release positions in the OPOA to be filled by an employee at the rank of Lieutenant or below at the discretion of the OPOA

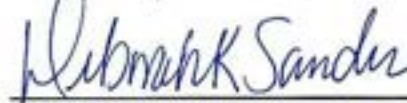
President. Currently, the individual has to be the rank of Sergeant or below.

- k. Provide take home cars to all SWAT team officers - City will make every reasonable effort to have this accomplished by the end of the 2026 payroll year.
- l. Voucher - Equipment voucher increased to \$850 annually with the ability to combine vouchers for 2 years for larger purchases (i.e. rifle). Elimination of the boot voucher.
- m. The payout of sick leave at termination of employment will be modified for those with more than 26 years of service to encourage retention:
 - (i) Employees under 26 years of service – no change (1 for 1 for first 1,200 hours and 1 for 4 for hours 1,201 to 3,200 hours).
 - (ii) Employees with 26 years of service – 1 for 1 for first 1,300 hours of sick leave and 1 for 4 for hours 1,301 to 3,200 hours.
 - (iii) Employees with 27 years of service – 1 for 1 for first 1,400 hours of sick leave and 1 for 4 for hours 1,401 to 3,200 hours.
 - (iv) Employees with 28 years of service – 1 for 1 for first 1,500 hours of sick leave and 1 for 4 for hours 1,501 to 3,200 hours.
 - (v) Employees with 29 years of service – 1 for 1 for first 1,600 hours of sick leave and 1 for 4 for hours 1,601 to 3,200 hours.
 - (vi) Employees with 30 years of service – 1 for 1 for first 1,700 hours of sick leave and 1 for 4 for hours 1,701 to 3,200 hours.
- n. Address use of AI for employees and policing.
- o. Clean up Early Deferred Retirement Option language.
- p. Incorporate language from several Memorandums of Understanding that have been approved during the term of the Contract.

The Human Resources Department recommends your approval of this Ordinance. The Personnel Board recommended approval of this Ordinance at a special meeting held on February 12, 2026, meeting.

Honorable President
and Members of the City Council
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Respectfully submitted,

 2/4/26

Deborah K. Sander
Human Resources Director

Referred to City Council for Consideration:

 2/9/26

Mayor's Office/Title

Date

Approved as to Funding:

 2/9/26

Stephen B. Curtiss
Finance Department

Approved:

 2/6/26

Bernard J. in den Bosch
Deputy City Attorney

ORDINANCE NO.

44625

AN ORDINANCE to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Omaha and the Omaha Police Officers' Association for a term of December 21, 2025 to December 18, 2027; to provide that any ordinances of the City of Omaha, and any rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, which are in conflict with the provisions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement shall not be applicable to those employees in the bargaining unit described in Article 1, Section 1, of said Collective Bargaining Agreement; and to provide the effective date thereof.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OMAHA:

Section 1. There is a need to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Omaha and Omaha Police Officers' Association for December 21, 2025 to December 18, 2027. A Copy of said Collective Bargaining Agreement agreed to between the parties is attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

Section 2. Any ordinances of the City of Omaha, and any rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, which are in conflict with the provisions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement shall not be applicable to those employees in the bargaining unit described in Article 1, Section 1 of said Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Section 3. Notwithstanding any provision of Omaha Municipal Code Section 2-35 to the contrary, the Mayor of the City of Omaha is hereby authorized to execute the Collective Bargaining Agreement on behalf of the City of Omaha, and the City Clerk is further authorized to attest her signature.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take full force and effect fifteen days after its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER

Daniel A. Berg

APPROVED BY:

John W. Buehler 3/13/26
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF OMAHA DATE

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ATTEST:

[Signature] 3/13/26
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF OMAHA DATE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature] 2/6/26
DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY DATE

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~~2022 (12/26/2021—12/24/2022)~~

~~2023 (12/25/2022—12/23/2023)~~

~~2024 (12/24/2023—12/21/2024)~~

and

~~2025(12/22/2024—12/20/2025)~~

2026 (12/21/2025 – 12/19/2026)

and

2027 (12/20/2026 – 12/18/2027)

AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE CITY OF OMAHA, NEBRASKA
AND
THE OMAHA POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

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PREAMBLE

This Agreement, by and between the City of Omaha, Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as the CITY, and the Omaha Police Officers Association, hereinafter referred to as the Association, is designed to promote and strive to maintain a working agreement between the CITY and the ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 1

ASSOCIATION-RECOGNITION AND DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1 The CITY recognizes the ASSOCIATION as the sole and exclusive collective bargaining representative of police officers, sergeants, lieutenants, and captains, but excluding the Police Chief, Deputy Chiefs, and all part-time and seasonal employees.

SECTION 2 The term "part-time employee" means an employee who works in a position which does not normally require more than twenty-eight (28) hours of work per week. Part-time employees are not allowed to work more than 1,456 hours in a year, meaning they shall work only 28 hours per week.

The term "seasonal employee" means any employee in a position of a seasonal nature, the duration of which does not exceed twenty-six (26) consecutive weeks, and no more than 1,456 hours in a year.

The term "employee" as used elsewhere in this Agreement means individuals employed in those job classifications which are included in the recognized bargaining units as set forth in Section 1 hereof.

Throughout this contract the term "working days" is used to set various time limits for the bringing of, or responding to, discipline or grievances. In that context the term "working days" means any Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday which is not a holiday as defined by this Agreement.

"Association representatives" as used in this Agreement shall mean any employee(s) who is (are) authorized by the president of the Association to represent the Association.

Any time the term "revolver" is used in this Agreement, or in any S.O.P. issued by the Police Department, such term shall include any authorized weapon where applicable.

"This Agreement" shall mean the current collective bargaining agreement between the CITY and ASSOCIATION, and all referenced attachments and any duly enacted amendments thereto.

"Base pay" or "straight time" as used in this Agreement shall mean the employee's compensation as set forth in the CITY pay scales and steps and codified in §23-178 of the Omaha Municipal Code.

"Artificial Intelligence", "AI", as used in this Agreement shall mean any automated, algorithmic or machine-learning system, software or tool that

is used to assist, replace, evaluate, predict, recommend, or make decisions affecting employees, related to but not limited to promotion, discipline, assignments, performance evaluation, surveillance, or termination.

Whenever male gender is used in this Agreement, it should include the female gender when applicable.

SECTION 3 The establishment of any promotional rank below the level of Deputy Chief will be considered a bargaining unit position and will be subject to negotiations between the parties.

SECTION 4 ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI)

There is nothing in the limited definition in Article 1, Section 2 and/or the language in this Section that is in anyway intended to interfere with the management right of the Employer to implement and use Artificial Intelligence for police operational purposes, including but not limited to predictive policy, data analysis and fusion, surveillance and identification, automated reporting or digital forensics.

The Employer shall not implement modify, expand, or rely upon any AI system, automated decision-making process, or related policy that affects or has the potential to affect employee's wages, hours, or terms and conditions of employment unless and until the Employer has provided notice and bargained with the Association as required by law.

ARTICLE 2

MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

Except where limited by express provisions elsewhere in this Agreement, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to restrict, limit, or impair the rights, powers, and the authority of the CITY as granted to it under the laws of the State of Nebraska, the Home Rule Charter of the City of Omaha, 1956, and CITY'S ordinances. These rights, powers, and authority include, but are not limited to the following:

1. The right to determine, effectuate, and implement the objectives and goals of the CITY.
2. The right to manage and supervise all operations and functions of the CITY.
3. The right to establish, allocate, schedule, assign, modify, change, and discontinue CITY operations, work shifts, and working hours.
4. The right to establish, modify, change, and discontinue work standards.
5. The right to hire, examine, classify, promote, train, transfer, assign, and retain employees; suspend, demote, discharge, or take other disciplinary action against employees for just cause; and to relieve employees from duties due to lack of work or funds.
6. The right to increase, reduce, change, modify, and alter the composition and size of the work force.
7. The right to determine, establish, set, and implement policies for the selection, training and promotion of employees.
8. The right to create, establish, change, modify, and discontinue any CITY function, operation, and department.
9. The right to establish, implement, modify, and change financial policies, accounting procedures, prices of goods or services, public relations, and procedures and policies for the safety, health, and protection of CITY property and personnel.
10. The right to adopt, modify, change, enforce, or discontinue any existing rules, regulations, procedures, and policies which are not in direct conflict with any provision of this Agreement.
11. The right to establish, select, modify, change, or discontinue equipment, materials, and the layout and arrangement of machinery.

12. The right to determine the size and character of inventories and their disposal.
13. The right to determine and enforce employee's quality and quantity standards.
14. The right to contract, subcontract, merge, sell, or discontinue any function or operation of the CITY.
15. The right to engage consultants for any function or operation of the CITY.
16. The right to sell, transfer, lease, rent, or otherwise dispose of any CITY equipment, inventories, tools, machinery, or any other type of property or service.
17. The right to establish, adopt, modify, change, and discontinue any type of licensed processes, production, maintenance, service, or distribution methods or facilities.
18. The right to control and the use of property, machinery, inventories, and equipment owned, leased or borrowed by the CITY.
19. The right to determine which products are to be processed, manufactured, or sold, and which services are to be rendered, supplied, or discontinued.
20. The right to establish, implement, change, modify, adjust, and discontinue any process, technique, method, means of manufacture or distribution, and the type of machinery or equipment to be used or operated by the CITY or any contractor or subcontractor.
21. The right to determine the location, establishment, and organization of new departments, divisions, subdivisions, or facilities thereof, and the right to determine the relocation of departments, divisions, subdivisions, locations, and the closing and discontinuance of the same.
22. The right to classify jobs and to allocate individual employees to appropriate classifications based upon duty assignments. The CITY will not abolish or change any ASSOCIATION classifications for the purpose of depriving the bargaining unit employees of their benefits under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 3

CHECK-OFF

- SECTION 1 The CITY shall deduct regular monthly ASSOCIATION dues from the pay of each employee covered by this Agreement, provided that at the time of such deduction there is in the possession of the Finance Department of the CITY a current unrevoked written assignment, executed by the employee, in the form and according to the terms of the authorization form attached hereto, marked Appendix "A", and made a part hereof. Such authorization may be revoked by the employee at any time by giving written notice thereof to the Finance Department of the CITY.
- SECTION 2 Previously signed and unrevoked written authorizations shall continue to be effective as to employees reinstated following layoff, leave of absence, or suspension not exceeding sixty (60) days; previous authorizations of other employees rehired or reinstated shall not be considered to be effective.
- SECTION 3 Such authorized deductions shall be made from each payroll period and will within ten (10) days be remitted to the duly designated ASSOCIATION official. The ASSOCIATION shall advise the Finance Department of the CITY in writing of the name of such official.
- SECTION 4 If an employee has no pay coming for the first payroll period of the calendar month, or if such pay period is the first pay period of a new employee, or if the employee has signed an authorization form during such pay period of the subsequent month, such deductions shall be limited to the amount of the current regular monthly ASSOCIATION dues, and shall not include dues for prior months or any portion thereof.
- SECTION 5 If the Finance Department of the CITY receives an employee revocation of authorization on or before the eighth day of the first payroll period of the calendar month, no deductions will be made from that payroll period or subsequent payroll periods. If such revocation is received after the eighth day of the first payroll period, a deduction will be made from such payroll but shall not be made from subsequent payroll periods.
- SECTION 6 The ASSOCIATION shall advise the Finance Department of the CITY in writing of the exact amount of regular monthly ASSOCIATION dues. If, subsequently, the ASSOCIATION requests the Finance Department of the CITY to deduct additional monthly ASSOCIATION dues, such request shall be effective only upon written assurance by the ASSOCIATION to the Finance Department of the CITY that additional amounts are regular monthly ASSOCIATION dues duly approved in accordance with the ASSOCIATION'S constitution and by-laws.

SECTION 7 The CITY shall not be liable for the remittance of any sums other than those constituting actual deductions made; and if for any reason the CITY fails to make a deduction for any employee as above provided, it shall make that deduction from the employee's next pay period in which ASSOCIATION dues are normally deducted after written notification to the Finance Department of the CITY of the error. If the CITY makes an overpayment to the ASSOCIATION, the CITY will deduct that amount from the next remittance to the ASSOCIATION. The ASSOCIATION agrees to indemnify and hold the CITY harmless against any and all claims, suits, orders or judgments brought or issued against the CITY as a result of any action taken or not taken by the CITY under the provisions of this Article.

ARTICLE 4

BULLETIN BOARDS AND BALLOT BOXES

- SECTION 1 The CITY shall permit the ASSOCIATION to use one bulletin board, designated by the Police Chief, at each assembly area, for posting notices of ASSOCIATION meetings and elections, results of such meetings and elections, and reports of ASSOCIATION committees.
- SECTION 2 Posted notices shall not contain anything political or anything reflecting adversely upon the CITY or any of its employees. Any ASSOCIATION authorized violation of this Article shall entitle the CITY to cancel immediately the provisions of this Article and prohibit the ASSOCIATION further use of the bulletin boards.
- SECTION 3 Posted notices shall be on ASSOCIATION stationery.
- SECTION 4 The CITY will permit the ASSOCIATION the use of one ballot box, designated by the Police Chief or his designated representative, at each assembly area, for use in ASSOCIATION elections. Any other use of the ballot box on CITY property must be approved by the Police Chief. No employee shall participate in any ASSOCIATION election, in any manner, during his tour of duty. Any ASSOCIATION authorized violation of this Section shall entitle the CITY to cancel immediately the provisions of this Section and prohibit the ASSOCIATION further use of the ballot boxes.

ARTICLE 5

PROHIBITION OF STRIKES

The ASSOCIATION shall neither cause nor counsel any person to hinder, delay, limit, or suspend the continuity or efficiency of any CITY function, operation, or service for any reason, nor shall it in any manner coerce, intimidate, instigate, induce, sanction, suggest, conspire with, promote, support, sponsor, engage in, condone, or encourage any person to participate in any strike, slowdown, mass resignation, mass absenteeism, or any other type of consorted work stoppage. The ASSOCIATION shall not aid or assist any persons or parties engaging in the above prohibited conduct by giving direction or guidance to such activities and conduct, or by providing funds, financial, and other assistance for the payment of strike, unemployment, or other benefits to those persons or parties participating in such prohibited conduct and activities; provided, however, that the ASSOCIATION may provide legal representation. In applying the provisions of this Article, all of the terms used herein shall be given the meaning commonly understood. The ASSOCIATION shall not be in breach of this Agreement where the acts or actions hereinbefore enumerated are not caused or authorized directly by the ASSOCIATION .

Upon notification confirmed in writing by the CITY to the ASSOCIATION that certain of its members are engaged in a wildcat strike, the ASSOCIATION shall immediately in writing order such members to return to work at once, and provide the CITY with a copy of such an order, and a responsible official of the ASSOCIATION shall publicly order them to return to work. Such characterization of the strike by the CITY shall not establish the nature of the strike. Such notification by the ASSOCIATION shall not constitute an admission by it that a wildcat strike is in progress or has taken place or that any particular member is or has engaged in a wildcat strike. The notification shall be made solely on the representations of the CITY. In the event that a wildcat strike occurs, the ASSOCIATION agrees to take all reasonable, effective and affirmative action to secure the members' return to work as promptly as possible.

The CITY agrees that it shall not lock out any employees because of a labor dispute.

ARTICLE 6

DISCHARGE AND DISCIPLINE

SECTION 1 DISCIPLINARY ACTION-CAUSE: Any action which reflects discredit upon the service or is a direct hindrance to the effective performance of the CITY government functions shall be considered good cause for disciplinary action. The following are declared to be good cause for disciplinary action against any employee, though charges may be based upon causes and complaints other than those listed:

- (a) Habitual use of alcoholic beverages or prescription medicines to excess, provided the employee has been given an opportunity to seek professional help in dealing with his problem;
- (b) Has been adjudged guilty of a crime involving moral turpitude, or infamous or disgraceful conduct;
- (c) While on duty: 1. Partaking of intoxicating beverages; 2. failing an alcohol test administered pursuant to CITY rules and regulations; or 3. intoxication while on duty;
- (d) Use of abusive or improper treatment to a person in custody, provided the act committed was not necessarily or lawfully done in self-defense or to protect the lives of others, or to prevent the escape of a person lawfully in custody.
- (e) Offensive conduct or language toward the public or toward city officers or employees;
- (f) Insubordination;
- (g) Incompetence to perform the duties of his position;
- (h) Negligence in the care and handling of CITY property;
- (i) Violation of any lawful and reasonable official regulation made or given by his superior officer, where such violation or failure to obey amounted to an act of insubordination or a serious breach of proper discipline or resulted, or might reasonably have been expected to result in loss or injury to the CITY, to prisoners of the CITY, or to the public.
- (j) Commission of acts or omissions unbecoming an incumbent of the particular office or position held, which render his admonishment, reprimand, suspension, demotion, or

discharge necessary or desirable for the economical or efficient conduct of business of the CITY or for the best interest of the City government;

- (k) Willful violation of any of the provisions of the City Charter or any of the rules promulgated thereunder;
- (l) Has induced or attempted to induce any officer or employee in the CITY service to commit an illegal act or to act in violation of any lawful and reasonable departmental or official regulation or order; or has participated herein.
- (m) Solicitation or receipt from any person, or participation in, any fee, gift, or other valuable thing in the course of work, when such fee, gift, or other valuable thing is given in the hope or expectation of receiving favor or better treatment than that accorded other persons;
- (n) Use or attempted use of political influence or bribery to secure an advantage in an examination or promotion; assignment;
- (o) Absence from duty without leave contrary to the provisions in this Agreement, or failure to report after leave of absence has expired, or after such leave of absence has been disapproved or revoked and cancelled by the proper authority;
- (p) Any cause specified in Section 23-291 of the Omaha Municipal Code;
- (q) Use of illegal controlled substances or failure of a drug test administered pursuant to CITY rules and regulations.

Violation of the provisions of this Section may be punishable by reprimand, suspension, demotion, and/or discharge.

No sworn employee shall be disciplined based solely on information gathered by Global Positioning Satellite Systems (GPS); this provision shall not apply, however, to criminal investigations.

SECTION 2

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS—REPRIMAND: Any employee may be reprimanded for cause. Such reprimand shall be in writing and signed by the employee. A copy of the reprimand document shall be transmitted to the employee. The original shall be transmitted to the Human Resources Department for inclusion in the employee's personnel file.

An employee may request that any reprimand that is greater than one year old be removed from his personnel file. This one year period begins when the reprimand is actually transmitted to the employee. The employee will be provided with the originals of such documents. No copies or notations of such documents will be maintained in the personnel file. A copy of such document will be maintained in a separate, generic, file in the Human Resources Department. Such file shall be maintained under no individual employee's name but simply under the heading "Removed Disciplinary Actions". Such documentation may be used only for purposes of litigation not relating to the employee's discipline; or in appeals, arbitration or litigation relating to the employee's discipline only for the purposes of impeachment.

SECTION 3 DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS--SUSPENSIONS: An employee may be suspended without pay for cause for a period or periods not exceeding forty (40) working days in any twelve (12) consecutive months, however, no single suspension shall be for more than twenty (20) working days. Such suspension shall be in writing and acknowledged in writing by the employee. The suspension shall include the reasons for and the duration of the suspension. The original or a copy of the suspension document shall be transmitted to the employee. A copy of this shall be transmitted to the Human Resources Department for inclusion in the employee's personnel file.

An employee may request that any suspension that is greater than five (5) years old be removed from his personnel file. The above 5 year time period shall begin when the notice of the suspension is actually transmitted to the employee. The employee will be provided with the original such documents. No copies or notations of such suspension shall be maintained in the employee's personnel file. A copy of such document will be maintained in a separate, generic file in the Human Resources Department. Such file shall be maintained under no individual employee's name but simply under the heading "Removed Disciplinary Actions". Such documentation may be used only for purposes of litigation not relating to the officer's discipline; or in appeals, arbitration or litigation relating to the officer's discipline only for the purposes of impeachment.

An employee, at his option, shall have the right to exchange annual leave and/or compensatory time leave for suspension days if such suspension is for five (5) working days (40 hours) or fewer. Such exchange shall be made on a one-for-one ratio (up to the five working day limit). Such exchange may also be made for unappealed suspensions of more than five (5) working days (40 hours).

SECTION 4 DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS--DEMOTION: An employee may be demoted for cause. A written statement of the reasons for any such

action shall be transmitted to the employee and a copy transmitted to the Human Resources Department for inclusion in the employee's personnel file. No demotion shall be made as a disciplinary action unless the employee to be demoted is eligible for employment in a lower class and shall not be made if any regular employee in a lower class will be laid off by reason of the action.

SECTION 5 **DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS-DISCHARGE:** An employee may be discharged for cause. Prior to the discharge becoming effective a written statement containing the reasons for the discharge shall be transmitted to the employee and to the Human Resources Department for inclusion in the employee's personnel file. The CITY may suspend such employee immediately and indefinitely with pay. Prior to the discharge becoming effective such employee shall be entitled to present his side of the facts surrounding the discharge to an impartial CITY decision maker.

SECTION 6 **MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS.** The CITY and ASSOCIATION have established this disciplinary matrix for motor vehicle accidents that occur in the course of an officer performing his/her duties. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, on-duty accidents involving officers will be investigated/reviewed by the Safety Review Board or the Pursuit Review Committee. In the event that the officer is determined to be negligent or in violation of a policy related to an accident and no other aggravating circumstances exist to warrant more severe discipline, the Safety Review Board and the Pursuit Review Committee will follow the progressive disciplinary matrix outlined herein:

- a. The first accident during a thirty-six (36) month period where the Safety Review Board or Pursuit Review Committee determines the officer is negligent or violated policy will result in the issuance of a letter of caution or Job Performance Interview (JPI).
- b. If an officer has a second accident within thirty-six (36) months and the Safety Review Board or Pursuit Review Committee determines that the officer was negligent or violated policy, the officer shall receive a reprimand and an assignment to the Vehicle Accident Aversion Training (VAAT).
- c. If an officer has a third accident within thirty-six (36) months and the Safety Review Board or Pursuit Review Committee determines that the officer was negligent or violated policy, the officer shall receive a one (1) day suspension.
- d. In the event of an additional accident within thirty-six (36) months or where aggravating circumstances exist, the Chief of Police may authorize an Internal Affairs investigation and administer the level of discipline that he/she determines is appropriate upon completion of the investigation. Aggravating circumstances may include, but are not limited to, incidents where the officer displayed gross negligence, involved other officer misconduct, or

caused a motor vehicle accident of such as a serious nature as to warrant more severe discipline.

- e. Nothing in Article 6, Section 6 shall prohibit an officer from challenging whether an accident arose out of the officer's negligence or asserting that aggravating circumstances may have existed to warrant a departure from the progressive disciplinary matrix.

SECTION 7

Any disciplinary action must be imposed and received by the officer within 100 calendar days from the date following the date the alleged violation occurred. This time limitation shall not apply if the disciplinary action results from or is the product of a criminal investigation. The police department shall not engage in a criminal investigation for the purpose of bypassing the 100 calendar day time limitation. Once the criminal investigation has been completed, the one hundred calendar day time limit will begin to run. A criminal investigation will be considered completed when a representative of the County Attorney's Office or a representative of the City Attorney's Office informs the Chief that the officer will not be prosecuted or when the Grand Jury announces that they will not indict an officer. An extension of the time period may be granted if mutually agreed upon by the Labor Relations Director and the ASSOCIATION. Receipt of any disciplinary action by an officer shall mean either hand delivery to the employee, or the official date of mailing by the City via certified mail to the Employee's home address.

When a citizen's complaint is not sustained for any reason (exonerated, not sustained, or unfounded) at the Departmental level, no disciplinary action will be taken against the employee unless the citizen appeals for further review within ten (10) working days of being notified that the complaint has not been sustained at the Departmental level. However, an extension on the time period may be granted when mutually agreed to by the Labor Relations Director and the ASSOCIATION. This time limitation shall not apply whenever the disciplinary action results from or is the product of a criminal investigation.

SECTION 8

An accused officer shall be informed of the nature of the investigation and shall receive a written notice of the allegations being investigated against such officer at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the formal interview by the Police Department. This twenty-four (24) hour period may be waived if the complaint alleges intoxication or drug incapacitation during on duty status. The written notice shall contain the following information: (1) the allegations of the complaint; (2) the time and date and location of the incident giving rise to the investigation, if known; (3) if the complaint is a written document from an anonymous source, such written document shall be provided to the employee. If there exists a written complaint from a City employee (sworn or non-sworn), such document shall not be provided to the accused employee.

In the event that the procedures set forth above are not followed, the charges against the officer will be dismissed without prejudice.

SECTION 9 The CITY agrees to maintain in its Human Resources Department a list of all disciplinary actions against all bargaining unit employees. Disciplinary action shall be defined as all written reprimands, demotions, suspensions and discharges. The list, to be kept current on a weekly basis, shall denominate employee and type of action taken against the employee, and shall be accessible to authorized ASSOCIATION representatives only.

SECTION 10 If, during the course of a citizen complaint investigation or an internal investigation, a violation is discovered that is unrelated to the original complaint or allegation, and the Chief or his designee determines that the violation is such that it should be dealt with in a non-disciplinary fashion, such as counseling or intervention, the findings of the investigation shall be directed back to the affected employee's immediate command for such intervention or counseling.

If such unrelated violation is discovered, and the Chief determines that such violation shall be dealt with by disciplinary action (reprimand, suspension, demotion, or termination), such disciplinary action shall be taken through Internal Affairs to the Chief.

In the event that a violation is discovered during an investigation that is not related to the original citizen complaint, the department will not disclose to the citizen any findings or the disciplinary action taken against the sworn employee.

ARTICLE 7

APPEAL PROCEDURE

- SECTION 1 Any employee who has satisfactorily completed twelve (12) months of employment following the completion of their FTO training with the CITY shall have the right to appeal to either the Personnel Board or arbitration, but not both, from a suspension, termination of employment, or reduction in classification or pay not later than ten (10) working days after receiving notice of such action. Any such employee who receives a written reprimand shall have the right to appeal only to the Reprimand Committee (Section 7 below) no later than ten (10) working days after receiving notice of such action. There shall be no right of appeal from the Personnel Board to the arbitrator or from the arbitrator to the Personnel Board.
- SECTION 2 If an election is made to appeal to the Personnel Board or the Reprimand Committee, the appeal must be in writing setting forth the reasons why such action is improper and submitted to the Human Resources Director within the ten (10) working day time period. The Human Resources Director shall cause such appeal to be placed on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled Personnel Board or Reprimand Committee meeting, provided the appeal is received at least ten (10) working days prior to the regularly scheduled meeting. Otherwise it shall be placed on the agenda of the Personnel Board or Reprimand Committee for the next regularly scheduled meeting.
- SECTION 3 The Personnel Board or arbitrator shall not have jurisdiction to terminate employment of an employee upon an appeal from a suspension.
- SECTION 4 If an employee, serving a probationary period by virtue of promotion, is terminated from employment for cause, he shall be entitled to file and process an appeal under the provisions of Section 1 or Section 2 hereof.
- SECTION 5 If an election is made to appeal to arbitration, the procedure for selection of the arbitrator shall be as set forth in Article 8, Step 3, second paragraph, of this Agreement.
- SECTION 6 An employee shall have the right to process an appeal individually, by the ASSOCIATION, and/or by an Attorney at Law, except appeals to the Reprimand Committee shall only be presented by the employee and/or a representative of the ASSOCIATION. If an employee elects not to use a representative of the ASSOCIATION or its attorney in the processing of an appeal, the decision of the Personnel Board/Reprimand Committee shall not set binding precedent on the ASSOCIATION. Neither party shall be permitted to have an attorney represent their interests during any appearance before the Reprimand Committee.

SECTION 7 The Reprimand Committee shall be comprised of three persons, including one representative chosen by the CITY, one representative chosen by the ASSOCIATION, and a mutually agreed upon third person. It is preferred but not required that the mutually selected third person be a member of the Citizen Complaint Review Board, if not, the selected third person shall be contemporaneously appointed to the Board at the time of their selection to the Committee. The scope and authority of the committee is limited to appeals of reprimands, and subsequent to the establishment of the committee it will serve as the sole and exclusive method to appeal a reprimand. Any reprimand appeals on the Personnel Board agenda at the time the committee is created will be immediately assigned to the Committee. The Committee will meet on the last Wednesday of each month at a consistently designated time unless there are no pending reprimand appeals on the Committee agenda. The case presentation for the CITY and for the employee shall be limited to no longer than one (1) hour each. The rules of evidence shall not apply to appeals before the Committee. The CITY carries the burden of proof to establish the appropriateness of the reprimand. The CITY may present a rebuttal to any testimony or case presentation by the employee. The vote tendered by a given committee member shall be confidential, and the decision of the Committee shall be by a majority vote and is a final, non-appealable ruling that is binding on the parties. The Committee shall make a ruling that the reprimand is either sustained, and uphold the discipline, or not sustained, in which case the CITY shall remove the discipline from the employee's personnel file. The Committee shall notify the City and employee of its decision within seven (7) calendar days following the hearing on the appeal.

ARTICLE 8

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

SECTION 1 "Grievance" as defined in this Agreement is a claim of an employee arising during the term of this Agreement which is limited to matters of interpretation or application of the express provisions of this Agreement and excluding discharge and disciplinary actions as provided in Article 6 hereof, which actions shall be processed in accordance with Appeal Procedure as set forth in Article 7 of this Agreement. The ASSOCIATION shall have the right to file a grievance in accordance with Article 8.

SECTION 2 The following procedure shall be used in the submission of a grievance, as defined in Section 1 hereof.

- Step 1. An employee or ASSOCIATION who has a grievance shall present the same, in writing, to the Police Chief, or his designated representative, within ten (10) working days from the date on which the employee or ASSOCIATION became aware of the grievance. The written grievance must set forth the sections and articles of this Agreement upon which the matter of interpretation or application is involved. The Police Chief, or his designated representative, shall respond to the grievant in writing within ten (10) working days from the date on which the written grievance was received.
- Step 2. In the event the employee or ASSOCIATION is dissatisfied with the response of the Chief, or his designated representative, then the employee or ASSOCIATION may, within ten (10) working days from the date of the response given by the Police Chief, or his designated representative appeal said decision, in writing to the CITY Labor Relations Director, or his designated representative. The Labor Relations Director or his designated representative shall respond to the grievant, in writing, within ten (10) working days from the date on which the grievance appeal was received. An extension on the time period may be granted when mutually agreed to by the Labor Relations Director and the ASSOCIATION.
- Step 3. If satisfactory settlement is not reached under Step 2 hereof, either the aggrieved employee, the ASSOCIATION or the CITY by and through the Labor Relations Director, or his representative shall, within twenty (20) working days from the expiration of the limits as set forth in Step 3 or any extension thereof as set forth in Section 3, by written notice to the other

party, request arbitration. The CITY shall furnish the ASSOCIATION with a copy of any such notice sent or received requesting arbitration.

The arbitration proceeding shall be conducted by an arbitrator to be mutually selected by the parties within thirty (30) calendar days after the submission of written demand for arbitration. The ASSOCIATION shall at its discretion become a party for the purpose of selecting an arbitrator. The ASSOCIATION and the grievant shall together be considered one party. If the parties are unable to mutually agree as to the selection of an arbitrator within such time limit and either party continues to demand arbitration, the parties shall jointly request the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS) to provide a list of five (5) arbitrators. Each party shall have the right to strike two (2) names from the list of arbitrators as submitted. The party requesting arbitration shall have the right to strike the first name and the other party shall then strike one name with the same process being repeated so that the person remaining on the list shall be the arbitrator.

There shall be no appeal from the arbitrator's decision. It shall be final and binding on the ASSOCIATION, if the ASSOCIATION is a party to the arbitration, the CITY, and on all bargaining unit employees who take part in or are represented in the arbitration proceeding. Where an employee elects to process a grievance without ASSOCIATION representation or assistance, the ASSOCIATION shall have the right after the arbitrator has been selected to intervene and become a party to the proceeding.

Authority of the arbitrator is defined and limited by Article 7 and Article 8 of this Agreement. In the event the arbitrator finds that he has no authority or power to rule in the case, the matter shall be referred back to the parties without decision or recommendation on the merits of the case. The arbitrator shall be requested by the parties to issue his decision within thirty (30) calendar days after the conclusion of the hearing.

Parties selecting the arbitrator shall share equally the arbitrator's expenses. Each party shall be responsible for compensating its own representatives and witnesses. If a party desires that a record of the testimony be made at the proceedings it may cause such a record to be made at its expense; provided, however, that it supplies the arbitrator and

other party or parties with copies of such record at no expense to the other party or parties.

- SECTION 3 Any time limitation provided herein may be waived or extended in writing by mutual agreement of the aggrieved employee or the ASSOCIATION and the Labor Relations Director or his designated representative. If either party fails to comply with any time limitation or extension thereof, absent written waiver of same, the grievance shall automatically be resolved in favor of the other party.
- SECTION 4 An aggrieved employee shall have the right to process his grievance individually, by the ASSOCIATION, and/or by an attorney at law.

ARTICLE 9

COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

- SECTION 1 A "Complaint" as defined in this Agreement means any suggestions or disagreements by an employee or his ASSOCIATION representative concerning the terms or conditions of his employment. A complaint does not include matters of discharge and discipline or grievances as defined in Section 1 of Article 8.
- SECTION 2 The employee or his ASSOCIATION representative shall have the right to discuss a complaint with the Police Chief or his designated representative only after having first exhausted the procedures of the Department for the processing of complaints without satisfactory resolution. The decision of the Police Chief or his designated representative shall be final and binding and not subject to review or appeal by the Personnel Board or any court of law.

ARTICLE 10

SENIORITY

- SECTION 1 Seniority shall be based on continuous length of service in classification covered by this Agreement without a break or interruption; provided, that any suspension for disciplinary purposes as provided in Section 3 of Article 6, absence on authorized leave with pay, absence on authorized leave without pay; or lay-off for thirty (30) calendar days or less, shall not constitute a break or interruption of service within the meaning of this Section.
- SECTION 2 Seniority shall commence from the date an employee enters a classification covered by this Agreement.
- SECTION 3 A list of employees arranged in order of seniority by classification and a list of employees arranged in total service with the Omaha Police Department shall be maintained and made available for examination by employees. The seniority list shall be revised and updated at the end of each fiscal year and a copy of the same shall be transmitted to the ASSOCIATION. The list of employees arranged in total service with the Omaha Police Department shall be maintained and provided for information only.
- SECTION 4 Where two or more employees in the same classification were appointed on the same date, their seniority standing shall be determined in the order of their ranking on the eligibility list from which their eligibility for appointment was determined.

ARTICLE 11

PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES

- SECTION 1 The probationary period of an employee shall consist of twelve months following the completion of the FTO program, not to exceed two years of actual employment except in a case of a promotion which period shall consist of six (6) months from the effective date of promotion. Any interruption of employment during either probationary period shall not be counted as part of the period. Approved leave does not constitute an interruption of employment; however, approved leave in excess of thirty (30) days shall extend the employee's probationary period by a like number of days. An employee rehired after termination of previous employment shall be hired as a probationary employee and such probationary period shall consist of six (6) months of actual employment within the meaning of this Article and prior service shall not be credited to such period of time.
- SECTION 2 An employee who is transferred to another position in the same or different class in the same department prior to the completion of his probationary period shall complete that service period in the latter position by adding thereto his service in the former position. Verification of satisfactory employment in the new position by the Police Chief will be deemed to constitute verification of satisfactory service also in the original position. The provisions of this Section will not apply in any case of transfer from one department to another.
- SECTION 3 At any time during the probationary period the Police Chief may remove an employee whose performance does not meet the required standards, provided that he shall report the removal and reasons therefore in writing to the Human Resources Director and to the employee concerned. Any employee removed from a position during the probationary period (provided, however, the CITY may unilaterally extend this period an additional six months upon giving notice to the employee and the ASSOCIATION of the reasons for such extension) or during the six (6) months of a promotional probationary period, except where otherwise provided in Section 4 of Article 7 shall not be entitled to appeal such removal or have the same reviewed by an arbitrator or Personnel Board. An employee removed from his position after completion of twelve months following the completion of the FTO program, not to exceed two years, shall have the right of appeal to the Police Chief, Personnel Board, or an arbitrator.
- SECTION 4 At any time during the probationary period when an employee is about to be laid off because of reduction in force, the Police Chief, with the consent of the employee, may demote such employee, in lieu of lay-off if he is otherwise eligible and work is available in a lower class. The

name of such employee shall be restored to the lists from which it was removed at time of appointment. The probationary period of an employee demoted in lieu of lay-off during that period shall include the period of probation in the higher class. No demotion of this kind shall be made if it will result in the separation of any other employees with greater length of service. An employee serving as a result of appointment from a promotional list, who is removed from the new position for reasons other than misconduct or delinquency and who was a regular employee in another position in the classified service immediately prior to his promotional appointment, shall be reinstated in his former position or one of like status and pay.

SECTION 5 At least seven (7) working days prior to the expiration of an employee's probationary period, the Police Chief shall notify the Human Resources Director in writing whether the services of the employee have been satisfactory and whether the employee will be continued in his position. A copy of this notice shall be given to the employee by the Police Chief. Upon receipt by the Human Resources Director of a favorable report, the appointment of the employee shall be made a regular employee at the expiration of the probationary period. In the absence of such a favorable report, the employee shall be terminated from employment.

SECTION 6 All probationary employees will conform to the semi-annual detail change seniority bid process at the completion of the first eighteen (18) months of employment. Promotional probationary employees will be assigned according to their seniority within that rank in compliance with Article 15, Section 6.

SECTION 7 Should the City of Omaha hire probationary employees who are already certified law enforcement officers, those officers will be assigned to an initial salary step based on the following:

- a. If a certified law enforcement officer has zero to one year of experience as a police officer, they will be placed at the "A" step.
- b. If a certified law enforcement officer has more than one year and up to two years of experience as a police officer, they will be placed at the "B" step.
- c. If a certified law enforcement officer has more than two years and up to four years of experience as a police officer, they will be placed at the "C" step.
- d. If a certified law enforcement officer has more than four years and up to six years of experience as a police officer, they will be placed at the "D" step.
- e. If a certified law enforcement officer has more than six years and up to eight years of experience as a police officer, they will be placed at the "E" step.
- f. With more than eight years of experience as a certified law enforcement officer, they will be placed at the "F" step, except

those with more than eight years of experience as a certified law enforcement officer in the Omaha Metropolitan or equivalent metropolitan area, Nebraska State Patrol, or the City of Lincoln, will be placed at the "I" step.

The parties agree that to the extent that this Section of the Collective Bargaining Agreement is inconsistent with Omaha Municipal Code Section §23-148, the parties agree that this provision supersedes that Section. For all other purposes including probationary periods, seniority benefits (shift bidding, leave bidding, longevity, etc.), leave accrual, probationary employees who are already certified law enforcement officers shall be treated the same as any other newly hired probationary employee.

SECTION 8

There are instances where employees who have previous experience as a police officer with the City of Omaha desire to return to work for the City of Omaha. Assuming that the employee is approved for reemployment by the Chief of Police, the Human Resources Director, and the Personnel Board, such employee will be subject to this paragraph. Any such rehired employee shall be subject to a six (6) month probationary period and also subject to the requirements of Article 11, Section 3. When such employee returns to City service, regardless of the rank they held prior to leaving City service, such employee shall return at the rank of police officer and be placed at the step in the pay range of the Police Officer classification as if they had worked continuously for the number of years of service that they had with the police department prior to leaving and then shall proceed through the pay steps in the normal manner. The rehired employee will have an adjusted seniority date as if they had worked continuously for the City minus the time of any breaks or interruption of service. The rehired employee would then receive the benefits of such seniority and length of service with the City, including shift bidding, leave bidding, longevity, and leave accrual. If the rehired employee lost accrued sick leave hours without pay at the time they left City service as a police officer, they will be credited with the accrued sick leave hours they lost at the time of their reappointment. If the rehired employee received a refund of his pension contributions for his previous service with the City, such employee will have the ability to recapture the pension service credit by reimbursing the system in the manner outlined in the Omaha Municipal Code. If the rehired employee desires to recapture such pension service credit, they must reimburse the pension system within six (6) months of their rehire otherwise, they will be ineligible to recapture such pension service credit. If such rehired employee does not reimburse the pension system, they will participate in the pension system in effect on the date of their rehire and only receive pension service credit for contributions made starting on that date.

ARTICLE 12

LAY-OFFS

- SECTION 1 Whenever a reduction in work force becomes necessary because of a lay off, lay-offs shall be made on the basis of seniority in classification. For purpose of this Article only, for an employee who has at anytime previously invoked the privileges accorded by Section 3 of this Article, seniority-in-classification shall mean total service as an employee of the Police Department of the CITY in all classifications above or equal to the rank to which the employee is assigned. In all other instances seniority-in-classification shall mean the numbered years employed in his particular classification as set out in Article 10.
- SECTION 2 No regular employee shall be laid off from any classification while there are provisional, probationary, part-time, or seasonal employees working in the same classification.
- SECTION 3 In the event an employee becomes subject to lay-off in his classification, and is qualified to perform duties in a lower classification, he shall be permitted to take a position in the next lower classification at that classification's rate of pay, and any employees in the lower classification subjected to lay-off by virtue of the provisions of this Section, shall be laid off in accordance with the provisions of Section 1 hereof.
- SECTION 4 In the event that an employee becomes subject to lay-off in his particular classification and a vacancy exists in a position of lower classification for which he is qualified, he may, with the approval of the Human Resources Director, or his designated representative, be appointed to such position in a lower classification on the basis of his seniority.
- SECTION 5 The names of regular employees who have been laid off shall be placed on a recall from lay-off list, maintained by the Human Resources Department, and shall be eligible for recall from layoff for a period of five (5) years, and the CITY shall rehire in the reverse order of lay-off; provided, such employees are otherwise qualified to perform the duties of the position.
- SECTION 6 Where an employee has accepted a position in a lower classification by virtue of Section 3 or 4 hereof, he shall be recalled to his former position when the same becomes available in the reverse order of reduction.

ARTICLE 13

LEAVE PROVISIONS

SECTION 1 SICK LEAVE WITH PAY: Sick leave shall be earned at the rate of 4.77 hours per pay period (124 hours per payroll year) and there will be no limit on the amount of unused sick leave an employee may accumulate. This change takes effect upon the execution of this Agreement. Any current employee employed on or before January 29, 1998, who initially reaches 800 hours of accumulated sick leave shall automatically be credited with 200 hours of additional sick leave. This credit is a one time only bonus. Should the employee subsequently use sick leave so as to fall below 1,000 hours, he must then earn back any used hours. Persons who begin employment as police officers after January 29, 1998, shall not be credited with this 200 hours of additional sick leave. Employees may with the approval of the Police Chief utilize their allowances of sick leave when unable to perform their work duties by reason of illness or injury, necessity for medical or dental care, exposure to contagious disease under circumstances in which the health of other employees or the public would be endangered by attendance on duty or for reasons related to the employee's pregnancy; or her adoption of a child (up to a maximum of 480 hours). Employees shall advise their supervisors immediately when it is necessary to be absent from work on account of sickness due to reasons listed above. The CITY may request documentation of the medical necessity, and the employee must provide such documentation for the employee's absence from work.

Employees shall keep their supervisors currently informed of their condition. Failure to fulfill these requirements may result in the denial of sick leave. Department Heads shall be responsible for verifying and administering sick leave within their respective departments. The Police Chief may require either a certificate of a physician stating that such illness or injury prevented the employee from working, or a medical examination by a physician designated by the Human Resources Director or his designated representative. Sick leave shall not accrue during any period of absence without pay in excess of five (5) working days per payroll period.

If an employee retires from CITY service; or dies; or resigns or is terminated and has served a minimum of twenty (20) years of CITY service, (except in cases where the employee has been guilty of fraud or other activities resulting in a monetary loss to the CITY), he/she shall be entitled to be paid straight-time pay at the employee's pay schedule as follows: ~~for up to and including, 1,200 hours of accumulated, unused sick leave at the rate of one (1) hour for every one (1) hour of accumulated unused sick leave, and one (1) hour for every (4) hours of accumulated unused sick leave for any hours above 1,200 up to 3,200~~

hours. Such payment shall be pursuant to the restrictions set forth above.

- a. Employees under 26 years of service – straight time pay for up to and including 1,200 hours of accumulated, unused sick leave at the rate of one (1) hour for every one (1) hour of accumulated unused sick leave, and one (1) hour for every four (4) hours of accumulated unused sick leave for any hours above 1,200 up to 3,200. Such payment shall be pursuant to the restrictions set forth above.
- b. Employees with 26 years of service – straight time pay for up to and including 1,300 hours of accumulated, unused sick leave at the rate of one (1) hour for every one (1) hour of accumulated unused sick leave, and one (1) hour for every four (4) hours of accumulated unused sick leave for any hours above 1,300 up to 3,200. Such payment shall be pursuant to the restrictions set forth above.
- c. Employees with 27 years of service – straight time pay for up to and including 1,400 hours of accumulated, unused sick leave at the rate of one (1) hour for every one (1) hour of accumulated unused sick leave, and one (1) hour for every four (4) hours of accumulated unused sick leave for any hours above 1,400 up to 3,200. Such payment shall be pursuant to the restrictions set forth above.
- d. Employees with 28 years of service – straight time pay for up to and including 1,500 hours of accumulated, unused sick leave at the rate of one (1) hour for every one (1) hour of accumulated unused sick leave, and one (1) hour for every four (4) hours of accumulated unused sick leave for any hours above 1,500 up to 3,200. Such payment shall be pursuant to the restrictions set forth above.
- e. Employees with 29 years of service – straight time pay for up to and including 1,600 hours of accumulated, unused sick leave at the rate of one (1) hour for every one (1) hour of accumulated unused sick leave, and one (1) hour for every four (4) hours of accumulated unused sick leave for any hours above 1,600 up to 3,200. Such payment shall be pursuant to the restrictions set forth above.
- f. Employees with 30 years of service – straight time pay for up to and including 1,700 hours of accumulated, unused sick leave at the rate of one (1) hour for every one (1) hour of accumulated unused sick leave, and one (1) hour for every four (4) hours of accumulated unused sick leave for any hours above 1,700 up to 3,200. Such payment shall be pursuant to the restrictions set forth above.

Employees may utilize ~~forty (40)~~ fifty-six (56) hours of sick leave in a payroll year for illness or injury to immediate family members. "Immediate" family member is defined as those family members covered by the Federal Family Medical Leave Act.

Employees shall be entitled to a credit for annual leave at the rate of two (2) hours per pay period, to a maximum of fifty two (52) hours in a payroll year conditioned on meeting the following:

The employee must:

1. Have a sick leave balance of 1,000 hours, or more; and
2. Have, in the immediate past payroll year, used 40 hours or less of sick leave. If sick leave used exclusively as family sick leave, the threshold will be 56 hours or less.

The above bonus for annual leave shall operate as follows: At the end of each payroll year, each employee who has met the above criteria shall receive the bonus for the entire ensuing payroll year pursuant to the credit schedule above, irrespective of whether that individual employee goes below that criteria during that ensuing year. If an employee does not meet that criteria on the final day of the payroll year, he/she shall not receive the bonus for the entire ensuing year irrespective of the fact that at some time during that ensuing year such employee may meet the above requirements. In other words, the concept is that the bonus is granted for a payroll year based upon the employee's sick leave usage in the prior year.

When an employee initially reaches 1,000 hours of accumulated sick leave, he shall receive the above bonus for the remainder of the year in which he reached the 1,000 hour mark irrespective of any usage for the prior payroll year. At the end of that payroll year, he shall be evaluated according to the criteria set forth above.

All hours of sick leave shall be counted against an employee's balances for the purpose of accumulation of gross numbers of sick leave. However, any sick leave usage used by an employee for her pregnancy, (up to but not exceeding 480 hours per pregnancy) shall not be counted only for the purpose of determining whether she qualifies for the annual leave bonus.

If sick leave is used by an employee for a single illness during the payroll year change period (December - January) mandating two years without bonus instead of one, the employee may request an exemption. This exemption will be applied at the sole discretion of the Labor Relations Director.

As a result of the change in accrual of sick leave for employees as ordered by the CIR, some employees were subject to retroactive reduction in their sick leave balances for 2008 and 2009. The parties agree that these employees shall not lose their sick leave hours based on any hours accrued in 2008 and 2009.

SECTION 2

ANNUAL LEAVE: Effective with the passage and legal execution of this Agreement, Annual leave shall be earned by employees at the rate of:

Year of Service	Annual Leave Hours Earned Per Year
Initial Hire to 4 years	119 (4.57 hours per pay period)
After 4 years to 5 years	148 (5.69 hours per pay period)
After 5 years to 19 years	169 (6.50 hours per pay period)
After 19 years to 24 years	189 (7.27 hours per pay period)
After 24 years or more	197 (7.58 hours per pay period)

Annual leave for such employees in excess of 320 hours shall not be carried forward from one payroll year to the next payroll year, except where an employee is not permitted to take annual leave during the year by virtue of being on Injured on Duty status.

Employees shall be provided with the opportunity to take annual leave in minimum increments of one (1) hour and the CITY shall have the exclusive right to determine the means, methods and systems by which annual leave is scheduled; provided, however, that employees shall have the right to select their annual period in the unit as prescribed by the Police Chief by virtue of their seniority as defined in Article 10.

Any employee serving a probationary period of six (6) months by virtue of a promotion shall be entitled to take annual leave in accordance with the provisions of this Section; all other probationary employees shall not have the right to use annual leave for the first twelve (12) months of employment in accordance with the provisions of this Section, but may at the sole discretion of the Police Chief, or his designated representative, be granted the opportunity to use annual leave for emergency purposes. The decision of the Police Chief, or his designated representative, in this regard is final and binding and not subject to the grievance procedure.

If an employee retires from CITY service, dies, resigns, or is terminated (except in cases where the employee has been guilty of fraud or other activities resulting in a monetary loss to the CITY), he/she shall be entitled to be paid straight time pay at the employee's pay schedule for one (1) hour for every one (1) hour of accumulated annual leave.

ANNUAL LEAVE PROCEDURES

1. Block Annual Leave is annual and/or holiday leave in which the employee will be absent from duty a minimum of six (6) consecutive days. Normal Block Annual Leave and Summer

Block Annual Leave must be requested in writing. Block Annual Leave, whether Summer Block Annual Leave or Normal Block annual leave, will prevail over "per diem" annual leave.

Annual leave for employees of the rank of Sergeant and Lieutenant shall be granted based on the needs of the shift for Sergeants and Lieutenants as determined by the precinct commander on that particular day. A minimum of 50% of those sworn employees (Sergeants and Lieutenants) assigned to work that shift shall be granted annual leave.

If an employee on Block Annual Leave receives a subpoena to testify in Court during their scheduled work hours, is unable to get the Court appearance moved, and the court appearance is not appropriately cancelled, the employee will be entitled to Court overtime pursuant to Article 21.

2. Summer Block Annual Leave is annual and/or holiday leave taken in the months of May, June, July and/or August. Requests for Summer Block Annual Leave shall be delivered by the employee to the shift commander on or before April 1st of each year. In granting Summer Block Annual Leave, seniority will prevail. If an employee submits more than one request, they will prioritize their requests to allow seniority prevalence.

- ☐ Normal Block Annual Leave is not subject to the April 1st deadline, regardless of when the actual leave occurs. Normal Block Annual Leave requests shall be granted on a "first come, first serve" basis, regardless of seniority.
- ☐ In the event that more than one employee submits Normal Block Annual Leave requests for the same day(s), and these requests are submitted during the same eight (8) hour shift, then seniority shall prevail during that shift only.

These situations may occur when an excessive number of employees are requesting Normal Block Annual Leave for the same day(s) which would result in exceeding the number allowed leave from unit daily personnel assignment detail.

- ☐ If an employee commences their block leave then wishes to cancel any remaining portion of that leave, AND that block leave cancelled previously granted "per diem" leave, the cancellation of the remaining block leave must be approved by the Bureau Shift Commander.
- ☐ In the event that any portion of an employee's block leave is

withdrawn, the employee whose "per diem" leave was previously canceled as a direct result of granted block leave, shall be allowed to resubmit their leave request.

If an employee on Summer Block Annual Leave receives a subpoena to testify in Court during their scheduled work hours, is unable to get the Court appearance moved, and the court appearance is not appropriately cancelled, the employee will be entitled to Court overtime pursuant to Article 21..

3. "Per Diem" annual leave is annual and/or holiday leave in which the employee will be absent from duty less than six (6) consecutive calendar days.

If an employee is scheduled for Per Diem Annual Leave before receiving a subpoena to testify in Court during their scheduled work hours, is unable to get the Court appearance moved, and the court appearance is not appropriately cancelled, the employee will be entitled to Court overtime pursuant to Article 21.

The following provisions shall apply to all three of the above paragraphs:

On any given day, a minimum of ten (10%) percent of those of the rank of police officers assigned to a unit daily personnel assignment detail shall be granted annual leave. In calculating this 10% number,

- ☐ all sworn personnel (Police Officers, Sergeants, Lieutenants, and Captains) shall be included.
- ☐ Funeral Leave, Military Leave and Special Duty shall not apply.
- ☐ ASSOCIATION Leave for up to a maximum of five ASSOCIATION Officers shall be exempted from the 10% rule, but only three ASSOCIATION Officers per shift per precinct, and two ASSOCIATION Officers per crew, will be granted this exception (up to the maximum 1,000 hour limitation described in Article 26, Section 1).
- ☐ ASSOCIATION Leave shall not be excepted from the 10% rule in cases of emergency as declared by the Chief of Police, and such emergency may result in the cancellation of leaves even though properly approved prior to the emergency.
- ☐ All other leave shall apply in the calculations.

"Special Unit Details" within the CIB, UPB, and all other Bureaus shall follow the ten (10%) percent rule. Sworn personnel assigned to the "PR" shift shall be added to the "C" Shift for calculations of

leave time.

4. Annual leave shall not accrue during a leave of absence without pay in excess of five (5) working days per payroll period. Annual leave shall be granted in minimum increments of one (1) hour.

SECTION 3 **SICK LEAVE WITHOUT PAY:** Upon application of an employee, the Police Chief may grant sick leave without pay for an entire period under those conditions set forth in Section 1 hereof. When such unpaid sick leave exceeds one (1) year, it may be renewed by the Police Chief or the Human Resources Director or his designated representative. From time to time the Police Chief shall require that the employee submit a certificate from the attending physician or practitioner, or submit to a medical examination. In the event of a failure or refusal to supply such certificate or if the certificate does not clearly show sufficient disability to preclude the employee from the performance of his duties, such sick leave shall be cancelled and the employee's service terminated. Employees may be entitled to unpaid leave in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act.

SECTION 4 **FUNERAL LEAVE:** In the event of the death of an employee's father, mother, step-parent, sister, brother, grandfather, grandmother, grandchild, spouse, or child related by blood, marriage, or adoption, the employee may, with the approval of the Police Chief or designated representative, be permitted to take funeral leave, with pay of three (3) consecutive working days

In the event of the death of an employee's father-in-law, mother-in-law, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, grandmother-in-law or grandfather-in-law, the employee may, with the approval of the Police Chief or his designated representative, be permitted to take funeral leave, with pay, of two (2) consecutive working days.

Funeral leave may be granted in such other instances as are justified by the relationship between the deceased and the employee. The Police Chief or his designee may, in his exercise of discretion, grant funeral leave in addition to that provided above. All of the above is contingent upon such employee attending the funeral, either on his day off or on one of the above funeral leave days, unless his ability to attend the funeral is either denied by his supervisors or by his own sickness.

SECTION 5 **MILITARY LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITH PAY:** An employee who is a member of the National Guard, the United States Army Reserve, the United States Air Force Reserve, the United States Naval Reserve, the United States Marine Corps Reserve, or the United States Coast Guard Reserve, shall be entitled to leave of absence from their respective duties, without loss of pay, on all days during which they are employed

with or without pay under the orders or authorization of competent authority on active training duty or duty with troops or at field exercise or for instruction, for not to exceed fifteen (15) workdays in any one (1) payroll year. Such leave of absence shall be in addition to the regular vacation leave of such employees. Any employee on military leave shall not be counted as being on leave for the purposes of determining the maximum number of employees who are on annual leave.

SECTION 6 **MILITARY LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY:** All employees who leave a position for the purpose of being inducted into, enlisting in, determining his physical fitness to enter, or performing training duty in the armed forces of the United States or the National Guard, shall when ordered by proper authority to active service, be entitled to a leave of absence from such civil employment for the period of such service, plus ninety (90) days, without loss of pay during the first fifteen (15) days of such leave of absence; provided, such pay for the first fifteen (15) days shall not be construed as being in addition to the pay provided for in Section 6 hereof. The proper authority may make a provisional appointment to fill any vacancy created by such leave of absence. When such person is separated from active duty under conditions other than dishonorable, he shall be entitled to return to his former position or a position of like seniority, status, and the then prevailing pay. If he is not qualified to perform the duties of such position upon his return by reason of disability sustained during the service but is qualified to perform the duties of any other position in the CITY service, he shall be restored to such other position, the duties of which he is qualified to perform, as will provide him with the same seniority, status, and pay, or the nearest proximation thereof consistent with the circumstances in his case. Application for re-employment shall be made within ninety (90) days after he is discharged from active duty. Such person shall not be discharged from his former or new position without justifiable cause within one (1) year after reinstatement.

SECTION 7 **OTHER LEAVES OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY:** In addition to paid leave, employees, including probationary employees, may be allowed to be absent from duty without pay for a period not to exceed three (3) months on the basis of applications for leave without pay approved by the Police Chief and the Human Resources Director or his designated representative. Leave may be extended beyond three (3) months only with the approval of the Personnel Board. Such leave shall be granted only when it will not adversely affect the interests of the CITY. An application for leave of absence for travel, study, or other educational purposes which will equip the employee to render more effective service to the CITY normally shall be deemed as not to adversely affect the interests of the CITY.

- SECTION 8 CANCELLATION OF LEAVES OF ABSENCE: All leaves of absence shall be subject to the condition that the Police Chief may cancel the leave at any time upon prior written notice to the employee and the Human Resources Director specifying a reasonable date for termination of the leave. The Human Resources Director, or his designated representative, upon prior notice to the employee and the Police Chief, may cancel an approved leave of absence at any time he finds that the employee is using the leave for purposes other than those specified at the time of approval. In case of emergency, the Police Chief may cancel all leaves by verbal or written communication.
- SECTION 9 LEAVES OF ABSENCE - LENGTH OF SERVICE: As used in this Article continuous service or employment means employment with the CITY without a break or interruption; provided that any suspension for disciplinary reasons as provided in Section 3 of Article 6, any absence on authorized leave with pay, authorized absence on leave without pay; or lay-off for thirty (30) calendar days or less shall not constitute a break or interruption of service or employment within the meaning of this Section. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to military leaves as provided in Section 6 hereof, nor to maternity leave, nor ASSOCIATION leave.
- SECTION 10 AUTHORIZATION FOR LEAVE: No leave of absence shall be granted until leave has been properly approved. Notification of any leave of absence without pay shall be submitted to the Human Resources Director prior to the taking of leave.
- SECTION 11 LEAVE COMPUTATIONS: For the purpose of calculations, leave of absence shall be computed to the nearest one-half (1/2) hour, and leave accruals shall be credited on the same basis. Employees shall not have deductions made from leave accumulations for holidays which occur at the beginning, during, or at the end of a period of leave with pay.
- SECTION 12 ABSENCE WITHOUT LEAVE: Any unauthorized absence of an employee from duty shall be deemed to be an absence without pay and may be grounds for disciplinary action by the Police Chief. In the absence of such disciplinary action any employee who absents himself for three (3) days or more without authorized leave shall be deemed to have resigned. Such absence may be covered, however, by the Police Chief by a subsequent grant of leave with or without pay where extenuating circumstances are found to have existed.
- SECTION 13 JURY DUTY: When an employee is summoned for jury duty by a court of competent jurisdiction and his attendance in court is required during his regularly scheduled duty shift with the CITY, he shall receive his base pay from the CITY during such service provided he turns his jury pay over to the CITY Finance officer for those days he is normally scheduled

to work and for which remuneration is claimed. The employee who is summoned for jury duty, and whose regular duty shift falls on the same day but not on the "B" shift, shall receive his base pay from the CITY provided that he turns over the jury pay to the CITY Finance officer for those days he is normally scheduled to work and for which remuneration is claimed. This employee shall be assigned to special duty "B" shift for each day he serves on the jury duty during his regular working days.

SECTION 14 LEAVE - ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE: One ASSOCIATION representative or the ASSOCIATION president shall be entitled to a leave of absence with pay unrestricted as to time while he is engaged in ASSOCIATION activities. However, the ASSOCIATION shall reimburse the CITY on a monthly basis for the full cost of such employee's pay and all fringe benefits.

SECTION 15 SICK & ANNUAL LEAVE PAYOFF AT RETIREMENT: Employees who retire or opt for the early-deferred retirement option (Article 34, Section 10) shall receive their sick and annual leave payout upon their retirement.

SECTION 16 FLOATING HOLIDAY: Each employee is entitled to a "floating" holiday. An employee's use of this "floating" holiday shall be treated as if the employee was requesting vacation leave, therefore, this "floating" holiday shall be governed by the vacation leave provisions set forth in Article 14, Section 2. An employee shall not take a floating holiday on any observed holiday.

If a newly hired police officer accrues a "floating" holiday during their first partial year of employment and they are not permitted to use the "floating" holiday due to recruit training and/or field training, they will be permitted to carry over the "floating" holiday to the next payroll year. A failure to use the "floating" holiday in the next payroll year will result in the holiday being forfeited.

SECTION 17 PARENTAL LEAVE: Effective at the beginning of the 2026 payroll year, employees will be provided up to six (6) weeks of parental leave (240 hours) for a qualifying birth, adoption, or fostering of a minor child. (Qualifying event) Parental leave shall be in addition to any other leave that an employee may accrue. In order to qualify for parental leave, an employee must meet the following conditions:

- a. The employee has to be eligible for FMLA and the birth, adoption, or fostering has to be FMLA qualifying.
- b. Parental leave shall run concurrently with FMLA leave.

- c. If FMLA leave has been exhausted for reasons other than the employee's use of parental leave, the employee will remain eligible for up six (6) weeks paid parental leave within the calendar year.
- d. An employee is eligible once per calendar year and once per qualifying event; if the qualifying event occurs such that the parental leave continues into the next calendar year, the employee is limited to the six (6) weeks of leave allotted for the attached qualifying event. The employee does not receive an additional six (6) weeks of parental leave due to the new calendar year. The employee would still be eligible to receive six (6) weeks of parental leave for any new qualifying event that occurs within the same calendar year. Parental Leave does not restrict or limit an employee's rights to utilize up to 480 hours of FMLA leave at the start of a new calendar year, assuming an employee otherwise qualifies.
- e. Use must occur within first four (4) months of the qualifying birth, adoption or fostering. At that point, parental leave is no longer available.
- f. Paid parental leave must be exhausted before an employee may utilize any other type of paid leave for a qualifying event.
- g. Multiple births or placements do not increase the amount of parental leave provided for each qualifying event (i.e. twins, adoption/placement of siblings, etc.).
- h. Any unused paid parental leave that an employee was eligible to receive but did not utilize may not be rolled over for use in the next calendar year or for a future qualifying event, nor will the employee receive compensation for any such leave.
- i. Married City employees: Notwithstanding the availability of FMLA, each spouse shall be permitted to use 6 weeks of parental leave for a qualifying event.

ARTICLE 14

NON-DISCRIMINATION

SECTION 1 The parties hereby agree not to discriminate against employees because of age, race, color, creed, gender, sexual orientation, religious or political affiliations.

SECTION 2 The parties hereby agree that no officers, agents, representatives, members or anyone connected with either party shall in any manner intimidate, coerce, entice or reward, restrain, or interfere with the rights of employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from any of these activities, specifically including the right of employees to withdraw, revoke, or cancel ASSOCIATION-membership.

ARTICLE 15

HOURS OF WORK AND DUTY SHIFTS

SECTION 1 Eight (8) hours shall normally constitute a day's work, except for employees working approved 10 or 12 hour days or on the card system, in which case a work day shall be 10, 12 or 8 ½ hours respectively. Forty (40) hours per week or the schedule set forth in Article 15, Section 10 reflecting the card system currently in effect which is not modified by this Agreement shall constitute a week's work. The CITY and the ASSOCIATION may mutually agree to establish a ten (10) hour, four (4) day work week for designated positions on a trial basis.

SECTION 2 Attendance at Police School, Police Training courses, or refresher courses held immediately before or following the tour of active duty not in excess of two (2) hours in any month shall not be considered as hours worked under this Agreement.

While the initially hired employees for the position of Police Officer are in the Academy phase (not FTO) of training, the workday requirements are at the discretion of the training staff, based on the need for instruction. The recruit status employee may be required to work up to 9 hours per day providing they not be worked more than 42 hours per week. Any time requirement exceeding the 9 hour workday or 42 hour workweek, would result in compensation at the rate of one and one-half the number of hours worked in excess of these work hours. In addition, during one week of the Academy phase, selected wholly at the discretion of the training staff regarding date and location, the following applies: recruit status employees will be required to work up to 10 hours per day; this total time per days is regardless of continuous or continual time worked; during this designated week, recruit status employees will be required to work up to 47 hours prior to overtime, or time and one-half compensation, beyond that threshold.

SECTION 3 An employee shall be allowed a thirty (30) minute lunch period with pay, which period shall be considered as time worked under this Agreement.

SECTION 4 A calendar day shall be divided into four (4) shifts designated as follows: "A" Shift (2400-0800 hrs.); "B" Shift (0800-1600 hrs.); "C" Shift (1600-2400 hrs.), and Priority Response (PR) Shift. The "A," "B," and "C" shifts may be varied not to exceed two (2) hours, except the "PR" Shift at the sole discretion of the Police Chief or his designated representative, provided the employees affected are provided a minimum of sixteen (16) hours as to the change of hours for the shift.

The PR Shift shall consist of 4 consecutive 10-hour days (Wed through Sat) with 3 days off. PR Shift workdays may be changed by mutual

agreement between the CITY and the ASSOCIATION. In advance of the UPB bidding process employee management shall announce the number of 10-hour shift positions for each precinct. The exact hours of the PR Shift shall be set by management in hours ranging between 1600-0400 hours. Affected employees shall be provided a minimum of sixteen (16) hours as to the change of hours for their shift. The City may or may not at its management discretion, institute the above PR shift.

PR Shift employees shall be assigned to Uniform Patrol on an equitable basis, based on call load, to cruiser districts. These employees shall primarily respond to calls for services with the exception of short-term assignments necessitated by public safety priorities. Uniform Patrol Bureau employees assigned to PR Shift shall not exceed thirty-two (32) employees or fourteen percent (14%) (whichever is less) of the employees assigned to a uniform patrol bureau personnel assignment detail on "A" and "C" Shifts at semi-annual shift change and shall not exceed four (4) uniform patrol bureau sergeants. Assignment of employees to PR Shift will be implemented at the September 2001 detail change and will be done in accordance with Article 10 and Article 15.

Employees who fill 10-hour day positions (PR Shift) and have at least 4 years of service with the Omaha Police Department shall reduce the number of 4 year employees required to be assigned to "A" and "C" shift crew by precinct, according to the following:

One third of the 10-hour PR Shift 4 year positions assigned to a precinct will be credited to "A" shift crews with that precinct and two-thirds will be credited to "C" shift crews within that precinct (all fractions shall be rounded to the nearest whole). Positions credited will be distributed as evenly as possible among the affected crews in an effort to balance the number of 4-year employees actually assigned to crews.

At the start of each semi-annual detail change, UPB employees assigned to 10-hour PR shift shall have twenty (20) hours of annual leave credited to their payroll annual leave account. The annual leave guidelines in effect in Article 13, Section 16, for the purposes of determining the number of employees off on leave shall apply.

Those assigned to the PR shift shall be recognized as being on the card system and therefore entitled to receive card pay.

AIR SUPPORT UNIT (AIR WING)

All pilots and observers will be assigned to a 12-hour shift based upon a special card system. This is for the Air Support Unit only.

Any time an employee on such 12-hour shift takes annual, sick, or any

other type of leave for his/her entire shift, such employee shall be debited 12 hours. (The exception being Sundays, when an 8 hours shift is worked in order to comply with FLSA guidelines regarding maximum hours worked.) If such employee's ordinary day off falls on a holiday, he/she shall be paid according to the Association's Contract - 8 hours of pay.

Employees in the Air Support Unit working 12 hour shifts will not be required to work any supplemental hours contained in the Labor Agreement.

The exact hours of the shift may be varied from time to time and shall be in the sole discretion of the employer. Shift hours will not be changed unless such employees are given reasonable notice.

Because of the card systems for the 12-hour shift, there will be times when employees on two different cards will actually work within the actual 24 hours of the holiday. When this occurs, any employee whose shift actually begins on the holiday or birthday will receive holiday or birthday pay for all hours worked that shift. Employees who work a shift that does not begin on the holiday or birthday will not receive holiday pay.

The Unit Commander of the Air Support Unit will be a non-sworn civilian employee with the job classification entitled Chief Pilot – Air Support Unit. Such Unit Commander will be responsible for the Air Support Unit which includes, but is not limited to, budgeting, planning, flying, supervision of all personnel, maintenance, inspections, and all other facets of overseeing the Unit. The CITY shall assign a Sergeant to the Unit who will serve in an administrative capacity and be responsible for scheduling personnel, assisting the Chief Pilot in running the Unit, in addition to assisting in the supervision of sworn and non-sworn personnel and will report to the Chief Pilot. The Air Support Unit Sergeant will work in the capacity of the Tactical Flight Officer during mission flights. In the event that any issues arise related to the Chief Pilot being unsworn and the Sergeant being sworn, such issues will be taken to the appropriate Deputy Chief for resolution. Either party may terminate the provisions contained in this paragraph by providing one year's notice to the other.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU(CIB)

1. Employees assigned to the Criminal Investigation Bureau will have the option to work four (4) 10-hour shifts in a week or the more traditional five (5) 8-hour shifts in a week. Employees will default to the 10-hour schedule, but employees will have the ability to choose an 8-hour schedule that meets their specific needs.

There will be four distinct schedules for individuals in the Criminal Investigation Bureau as follows:

- a.) A schedule for those assigned to the Homicide Unit. This schedule shall apply to all individuals assigned to the Homicide Unit who are not on a five-day 8-hour workday schedule. Members of the Homicide Unit will be placed in one of three groups with initial placement based on seniority with a rotating schedule for on-call. The schedule will be a 4-2-3 Schedule to ensure Monday through Friday coverage with 3 groups. Rotating schedule with on call.
 - b.) Those assigned to A-Shift Regionals will remain on A-Shift and can choose to remain on their 8-hour 4/2 card. For those that do not remain on the card and choose to work 10-hour shifts, they will be on a separate schedule with a 5-4 schedule, 5 working days with a sixth every 3rd week.
 - c.) Those assigned to the Gang Suppression Unit will be on gang suppression card developed by the parties
 - d.) The remaining members of the Criminal Investigation Bureau who are working 10-hour days will be assigned to the CIB card. This card ensures Monday through Friday coverage through a rotating schedule. The rotating schedule ensures that one group covers Friday of every other week.
2. Officers who work on any of the 10-hour schedules described in paragraph 1 above who are temporarily assigned by Police Management to an 8-hour shift for special duty, training, or other similar assignments will meet the requirements to have worked their 10-hour shift without using annual leave or needing to work the additional two(2) hours for which they are compensated. The City and Association understand that when the City makes use of temporary assignments, that it is for the advantage of the City and there is no intention that the employee lose compensation as a result of such assignments. Further, pursuant to Article 20 of the CBA, employees on 10-hour cards detailed herein, will be entitled to Holiday Pay for the full 10-hour shift to which they are assigned and work. Further, should an employee assigned to a 10-hour card utilize their Floating Holiday, it shall be for the full 10-hour shift.
 3. The City and Association have agreed to the modifications for shift assignments for those in the Criminal Investigation Bureau described above. There will be no change for those assigned to A-Shift Regionals. In addition, the Gang Unit and CVSA will continue to have a C-shift. At some point in the future, the City and Association may

agree that some or all of these units assigned to shifts other than B-Shift could be moved to B-Shift.

Except as detailed above, all employees in the Criminal Investigation Bureau will be assigned to B-Shift. As a result, sworn personnel assigned or considered for assignment to the Criminal Investigation Bureau will be exempt from the bid board seniority detailed in Article 15, Section 5 and would not have to be able to hold B-Shift at bid board to be considered for a CIB posting. With the movement of all personnel to B-Shift, except for those individuals identified above, those individuals in the Criminal Investigation Bureau would no longer be eligible for shift differential or card pay due to assignment to different shifts. Notwithstanding the above, the Chief maintains his right as defined in Article 15, Section 5 to vary seniority bidding so that he may exercise his management right to put anyone in a position as he determines appropriate.

4. The process for selecting police officers to serve in the Criminal Investigation Bureau will be modified from that described in Article 15, Section 5. The testing process will remain unchanged; however, if an eligibility list is active and a Criminal Investigation Bureau position is being filled, the top four (4) candidates on the list will be eligible and will be considered for the opening in CIB like the process for promotional appointments. Management has the ability to select an applicant that meets the requirements of the job. If a candidate that is selected turns down the position, that candidate will still be eligible for the next open position that is available for consideration.
5. Traditional start times for the various shifts: A Shift - 0000, B Shift - 0800, and C Shift - 1600 with Police Management having some flexibility to modify the start times will generally apply. The start time for individuals assigned to CIB and working a 10 hour shift can be moved up to 4 hours prior to the start of the shift and the start time can be moved back up to 2 hours past the shift times detailed above. For example, an A shift Field Investigator will be allowed to start their shift as early as 2000 hours, but no later than 0200 hours.

SECTION 5

Police Officers, Sergeants, Lieutenants and Captains shall staff the shifts, designated in Section 4, on the basis of bids submitted by such employees to be effective on the first or second Sunday in March (whichever is the beginning of the next payroll period), and on the first or second Sunday in September (whichever is the beginning of the next payroll period) of each year on the basis of their seniority as defined in Article 10. The CITY shall establish the time periods and manner of bidding. Prior to staffing the shifts, the Police Chief shall have the exclusive right of assignment (irrespective of the shift bidding process) of personnel and establishment of hours for the positions of Lieutenant

of Gang Unit, Lieutenant of Homicide Unit, Lieutenant of Narcotic Unit, Lieutenant of Internal Affairs; Lieutenant of Training; Lieutenant of Domestic Services Unit. After the above positions have been staffed, the Chief of Police shall determine personnel assignments. The following exceptions apply:

Sergeants assigned to UPB patrol area positions, UPB Administrative Sergeant positions, the court liaison Sergeant, the front desk Sergeant, and any other Sergeant positions named after the legal execution of this agreement shall bid for their positions based on their seniority within the group of sergeants assigned to these positions. Employees assigned to UPB sergeant's area positions shall bid for their work shifts as well as their positions based on their seniority within the group of officers assigned to these positions. During this process, Police Officers (no other ranks) have the opportunity to rebid their shift and bid their UPB sergeants areas simultaneously. The CITY shall establish the time periods and manner of bidding.

On A and C shifts, ~~a minimum of three (3) slots or 33% of staffing per precinct, whichever is less per Sergeant's areas~~ may be filled by the CITY by assigning by seniority those employees who have completed four (4) years of continuous service or more.

The Police Chief may under special circumstances vary the seniority bidding system on a case-by-case basis.

The hours of designated sworn command employees assigned to selected positions may be changed upon mutual consent of management and the affected sworn command employee based on the needs of that particular position. The change in hours request may be initiated by management or the affected sworn command employee. Any such changes agreed to shall only occur during the normal work week (Sunday through Saturday) and shall not carry over into another week. If a dispute arises between the affected sworn command employee and management, the dispute will be resolved by the payment of overtime to the employee, not to exceed one and one-half times the actual hours worked beyond the employee's regularly scheduled shift. The use of the grievance process will not be used to resolve such disputes.

Those sworn command employees eligible for consideration for change in their ordinary work shift include:

1. All existing captains' positions.
2. Administrative assistants to the Chief and each Deputy Chief.
3. Training Commander.

4. Prevention Programs Commander.
5. Public Information Office Commander.
6. Professional Standards (Lieutenant).
7. Inspections Commander (Lieutenant).
8. Narcotics/Intelligence (Lieutenant).
9. Traffic Section (Lieutenant).

The CITY shall provide a live forum at which employees at the rank of Police Officer may present their bids. Such live forum, as established by the CITY, shall be considered optional, and will not be considered hours worked unless an officer is scheduled during their normal duty shift.

When employees are provided this opportunity during their first shift, their supervisor should allow them to attend on-duty, if possible. However, if the Police Officer is unavailable, his bid sheet form or notarized proxy bid will serve as his preference bid for hours and sergeant's area.

Police Officers with at least four years of continuous service, assigned to A or C shift in the initial bid for hours, and subsequently assigned to UPB patrol area positions may be restricted to A or C Shift within the group of Police Officers assigned to UPB patrol area positions, in order to comply with the "four-year rule" described in Section 5 of the current collective bargaining agreement.

The Chief of Police has established an Officer Involved Investigation Team (OIIT) to investigate officer-involved incidents involving the City of Omaha or other agencies that have requested the City's assistance. The existence of the OIIT and the individuals assigned to the OIIT are at the sole discretion of the Chief. When necessary, the Chief may solicit officers that the Chief feels should be on the OIIT. The Chief has the sole discretion to appoint and remove members of the OIIT. The Chief will decide which members of the OIIT are assigned City issued telephones. Those that do not have City issued telephone shall provide contact information for purposes of the assignment. Members of the OIIT must answer their telephone when contacted during off-duty hours or if they are unable, must respond to any phone message that is left within thirty (30) minutes unless such response is not possible due to extenuating circumstances. Answering a call or responding to a telephone message does not mean that the officer will serve on the OIIT in that particular instance. Any compensation for this obligation to respond to a phone contact is part of the specialty pay an officer receives for being assigned to this Unit.

ESTABLISHING SPECIALTY POSITION ELIGIBILITY LISTS

The specialty position application process for all specialty positions will occur once a year. Testing will only occur as needed when a vacancy occurs. Anyone who applies will have the opportunity to test. This process will take place in December and the list will become effective every January 15th.

Any sworn employee who transfers from a specialty position application group and desires consideration to transfer back into the same specialty position application group within that same annual detail period may request to do so by submitting an interoffice to the Captain of that particular specialty position application group. The intent of this language is to allow sworn employee(s) the opportunity to return to a specialty position, within a defined time period, without the need to retest or re-apply.

Specialty Position Selections

Specialty Position Eligibility Lists expire January 14th of every year. At the discretion of the Chief, a Specialty Position Eligibility List may be declared expired if:

- ☐ 80% of the candidates on such list have been placed in a specialty position or have been offered and declined a specialty position, or
- ☐ three or less officer candidates or two or less sergeant candidates remain on such Specialty Position Eligibility List.

If a specialty Position Eligibility List is declared expired, as defined by the language above and prior to the regularly scheduled expiration date (i.e. January 14th), a candidate may be selected outside of the Specialty Position Selection Process. At the request of the Chief, and upon mutual agreement with the ASSOCIATION, a Specialty Position Eligibility List may be extended by 6 months.

Specialty Assignments for Lieutenants

Lieutenants are assigned to Specialty Positions at the discretion of the Chief of Police or his or her designee. A Lieutenant may be assigned to a particular shift for a Specialty Job if they have the seniority to be assigned to that shift at the time of the assignment or if the position is one of the positions specified in Article 15, Section 5 of the agreement. It is understood that once a Lieutenant is assigned to a specialty position on a particular shift, the Lieutenant shall be entitled to maintain the assignment in that specialty position, regardless of any future shift bid.

Eligibility for Application—Police Officers

An officer may submit an application for a specialty position if they have three years of service or they will attain three years of service with the Omaha Police Department prior to the expiration of the eligibility list. For an officer to be selected to a specialty position he/she must have a minimum of three years of service as an Omaha police officer at the time of his/her assignment. Police Officers who were hired as lateral police officers and who were certified law enforcement officers at the time they were hired, will be eligible to submit an application for a specialty position if they have two years of service or will attain two years of service with the Omaha Police Department prior to the expiration of the eligibility list. Officers currently assigned to a specialty position and who are requesting a transfer to another specialty position within the same application group regardless of shift or position need only submit Interoffice communication to the Bureau Captain in change of the desired position. They do not have to submit an application to be considered for an internal transfer within the same application group.

An application group pertains to those positions that a special application questionnaire covers. FOR EXAMPLE: The CIB application group covers all CIB positions. The training application group covers all training positions. The accident investigation group covers only accident investigation positions, not traffic enforcement positions or canine positions, as they are separate applications with different questionnaires.

Seniority Process—Specialty Positions

This process will be followed except for those Criminal Investigative Bureau positions described in Article 15, Section 4, Paragraph 3.

For the purposes of establishing whether an officer/sergeant candidate has sufficient seniority to be assigned to a specialty position, on a particular shift, the officer/sergeant candidate must have had sufficient seniority to be assigned to that particular shift according to the most recent semi-annual Uniform Patrol Bureau bid board or Sergeant's bid board, or as detailed below for sergeant candidates.

It is understood that once an officer/sergeant candidate is assigned to a specialty position on a particular shift, the officer/sergeant shall be entitled to maintain the assignment to any specialty position, within the same application group, and shift regardless of any future UPB bid board seniority standards or Sergeant's bid board. If an officer/sergeant candidate is moving to a different assignment within the same application group, they must have sufficient seniority to hold their shift in the new assignment. If they cannot, the vacant assignment must be filed

by the process detailed herein. If the assignment to a specialty position is to a different shift, then the current UPB bid board seniority standards shall apply for that particular shift. However, if that particular officer vacates, or is removed, from a specialty position, and is assigned to the Uniform Patrol Bureau (non-temporary duty status) they shall be no longer so entitled.

All sergeants may submit an application for a specialty position. For a sergeant to be selected for a specialty position on a particular shift, he/she must fall within the following criteria:

- ☐ Must have a minimum of 6 months of service as an Omaha police sergeant. It is understood that the 6 months time period begins when the employee starts the duties as an Omaha police sergeant OR,
- ☐ Fall within the top 90% of the current sergeant seniority list OR,
- ☐ Had sufficient seniority to be assigned to that particular shift at the time of assignment.

SECTION 6 Any vacancy (occurring because of retirement, death, promotion, voluntary or involuntary termination, or for any other reason) occurring in a shift between bidding dates shall be filled without the necessity of rebidding the shift affected. Such shift vacancy shall be filled by that employee who, at the last bidding date, was next in seniority to go to that now open shift position, and had bid that shift. That employee may decline the shift change and, in that event, the vacancy shall be filled by the next senior employee to have bid that shift at the last bidding date. The CITY shall have the exclusive right to assign within the shift any employee who changes positions, pursuant to the above, between bid dates. Probationary employees are exempt from Sections 5 and 6 for the first eighteen (18) months of employment.

SECTION 7 During an emergency as declared by the Police Chief, employee's shifts, hours, and duties may be established at the discretion of the Police Chief.

SECTION 8 Any change in the work schedule that results in splitting days off shall be by mutual agreement of the CITY and the employee, unless said split days off apply to forty (40) hour department wide training and unless the provisions of Article 15, Section 7, are invoked.

SECTION 9 Employees who are going to be transferred from non-uniform job assignment to a uniform job assignment shall be given a minimum of five (5) working days notice.

SECTION 10

1. Employees under the card system shall continue to work a 4-2 scheduling procedure and shall work a shift that is 8 hours 30 minutes. The additional thirty (30) minutes shall normally be worked by working fifteen (15) minutes prior to the eight (8) hour shift and fifteen (15) minutes at the end of the eight (8) hour shift. It is understood and agreed that the current fifteen (15) minute report in time is included within and not in addition to the fifteen (15) minute time added to the front end of a sworn employee's duty shift.

It is understood that the thirty (30) minutes provided for herein is compensated by the base pay schedule, and no additional compensation (either straight time or overtime) shall be paid for these thirty (30) minutes. Further, it is understood that the above division of such thirty (30) minute period between the beginning or end of a shift may be changed on a case by case basis because of special circumstances (training, special events, lead officer, etc.).

Lead officers will still be required to report early within the adjusted provisions of this paragraph; however, the compensation for such time is included in the employee's base pay.

2. -The parties understand and agree that in the event an employee working a 4-2 schedule takes paid annual leave or sick leave or any other compensated leave for a full duty shift(s) shall be compensated on the basis of eight hours irrespective of whether the employee worked more than eight (8) hour duty shifts as a consequence of the implementation of this Section.
3. If an employee utilizes paid sick, annual leave or other paid leave for a full duty shift, that employee shall have deducted eight (8) hours from his accumulated bank of hours.

SECTION 11 CANINE HANDLERS: Canine handlers will receive time to provide reasonable care to their City assigned dogs during off-duty times and compensation in the following manner:

- a) For each day that a Canine handler is assigned to work, that Canine handler shall be required to work one (1) hour less than their scheduled shift. This will provide the Canine handler one (1) hour of paid time on a day worked to care for their dog. By way of example, if an employee is scheduled to work an eight (8) hour shift, they will work for seven (7) hours and the remaining hour will be at their convenience to care for the dog. The one hour of work can be

performed by the handler at a location of their choosing. If the Canine handler is required to work overtime on that day, they will still receive one (1) hour of time for which they are compensated to provide for the dog for which they are responsible.

- b) On any day that a Canine handler is off-duty but has the responsibility of caring for their assigned dog, they shall receive one (1) hour of contractual overtime on that day. Canine handlers will not receive this compensation on days when the dog is kenneled or otherwise not in their possession. Canine handlers will be entitled to one (1) hour of contractual overtime on all days that they use annual leave, sick leave or comp time where they are physically providing care to the dog.
- c) The City and the Association agree that the compensation in a) and b) above replaces and is in lieu of the half hour of FLSA compensable hours historically provided to employees per day.

SECTION 4412 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME: When an hour is added to a shift due to daylight savings time, an employee working nine (9) hours will get paid the equivalent of overtime at the rate of one and one-half (1½) pay for the additional hour of work. That overtime can be taken as one (1) hour of overtime pay or as comp time at the employee's designation.

An employee working seven (7) hours when the shift is shortened as the result of daylight savings time, may either work seven (7) hours or use one (1) hour (straight time) of comp time or annual leave; or the employee can choose to work the extra hour and the City will be allowed to determine if that additional hour should be scheduled at the beginning or the end of the employee's shift. The employee shall notify his/her supervisor in writing no less than fourteen (14) calendar days in advance if he/she intends to work the eight (8) hours rather than the seven (7). Within seventy-two (72) hours of receipt of the written notification, the supervisor will tell the employee if he/she will work an hour prior to the seven (7) hour shift or an hour after the shift. It is the supervisor's discretion as to whether the employees working the extra hour work at the end or beginning of the shift or split with some employees working before and some employees working after the seven (7) hour shift. If the supervisor has multiple employees desiring to work the extra hour and the supervisor wants to split the number of employees working early and late, the employees may choose which time they want to work on the basis of seniority.

Such procedures shall be adapted appropriately to meet the needs of a ten (10) hour work shift.

Forms for notification of intent to work will be available through

supervisors. Employees will be provided with the forms at least fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the daylight savings time switch. If the supervisor fails to provide the form and an employee wants to work the extra hour, the employee may choose when he/she wants to work the hour. If the employee fails to timely turn in the form, the supervisor can choose whether the employee will work the extra hour or will need to use an hour of leave. If the supervisor fails to timely notice the employee as to whether he or she will be working early or late, the employee may choose when he/she will work the hour.

SECTION 4213 Upon the legal execution of this labor agreement, all sworn employees assigned to Central Station shall be issued parking passes for spaces in proximity to Central Station and to be used consistent with department policy.

ARTICLE 16

ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES

- SECTION 1 The ASSOCIATION agrees that it will not at any time solicit membership or collect ASSOCIATION dues, fees, or assessments of any kind, or distribute literature or any other type of printed material on CITY time or in CITY buildings or on CITY property.
- SECTION 2 However, it is agreed that the solicitation of members and distribution of ASSOCIATION literature of a non-controversial nature will be allowed during a four hour presentation to be made by ASSOCIATION representative to each new police recruit class.
- SECTION 3 The ASSOCIATION shall have the right to address the employees at shift change assemblies within the following limitations:
1. approval must be granted by the Police Chief in advance of the ASSOCIATION addressing the employees;
 2. approval will be granted a maximum of once every thirty (30) days;
 3. such ASSOCIATION address will be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes.

ARTICLE 17

OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT AND EMPLOYEE DUTIES

SECTION 1 **OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT WITHOUT UNIFORM:** Employees shall be entitled to engage in outside employment, including employment or service as an appointed officer for any public body, with full police authority, including powers of arrest, which does not require the use of the official uniform as defined in the Department's rules and regulations and which is not otherwise prohibited by the provisions of this Agreement, provided that the duties of the outside employment do not constitute a conflict of interest nor conflict with an employee's performance of his duties with the CITY. The provisions of this Section shall be enforced by the Police Chief or his designated representative whose decision shall be final and binding and not subject to appeal or review by an arbitrator or Personnel Board.

SECTION 2 **OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT WITH UNIFORM:** Employees may be allowed to engage in outside employment, with full police authority, including powers of arrest, which does require the use of the official uniform as defined in the Department's rules and regulations and which is not otherwise prohibited by the provisions of this Agreement, provided that prior approval is obtained by the employee from the Police Chief.

In the event an employment opportunity arises at such a time when it is impossible to obtain the prior approval required above and an employee desires to engage in outside employment, then, and only then, a lieutenant or the person assigned in his stead may approve such employment. Such approval shall not be granted unless there remains less than seventy-two (72) hours prior to the commencement of such employment, detailing the place of employment, duration of employment and type of employment; provided, that no approval shall be granted unless the employment shall conclude within forty-eight (48) hours after the employment is to commence.

Provided further, that no approval shall be granted by a lieutenant or his stead unless: 1) the job the employee desires has been previously approved by the Police Chief; or b) the nature or type of employment is that which has been previously approved by the Police Chief, which shall be determined by existing regulations and procedures; or c) on short term notice, a lieutenant may authorize any outside employment not in conflict with the CITY.

The regular procedure for approval must be utilized where the employment is continuing after 48 hours from commencement or the employee has more than seventy-two (72) hours notice. The provisions of this Section shall be enforced by the Police Chief or his designated

representative whose decision shall be final and binding and not subject to appeal or review by an arbitrator or Personnel Board.

SECTION 3 EMPLOYMENT IN TWO OR MORE DEPARTMENTS: No employee shall be employed simultaneously by two (2) or more departments of the CITY when the total number of hours worked exceeds the normal work week in either department.

ARTICE 18

CITIZEN COMPLAINTS

- SECTION 1 For the purpose of this Article only "private citizen" is defined as an individual not in the employ of the Omaha Police Department and "formal complaint" is defined as a report by a private citizen alleging misconduct by an employee against that citizen while the employee is engaged in his official police duties.
- SECTION 2 A private citizen who desires to file a formal complaint against an employee shall be required to either (1) sign and attest a formal complaint form specifying the misconduct of the employee in the presence of a command officer or an Internal Affairs officer of the Omaha Police Department; or (2) sign and attest a formal complaint form specifying the misconduct of the employee in the presence of a notary public with the Omaha Police Department, City of Omaha Human Rights and Relations Department or the Citizens Complaint Review Board.
- SECTION 3 The Police Department will receive, and is not precluded by the above from receiving, information or other complaints on an informal basis. Third party complaints will be received as information and investigated by Internal Affairs (not as a Citizens Complaint) on an individual basis.
- SECTION 4 This Article is not subject to review under Article 7, APPEAL PROCEDURE.
- SECTION 5 Upon assignment of discipline, and prior to appeal of said discipline, the ASSOCIATION president and/or his designee, shall be allowed to review the entire Internal Affairs report including transcriptions of all interviews, transcriptions of all audio tapes, all video tapes, and all documentation used during the investigation.

ARTICLE 18a

EMPLOYEES' BILL OF RIGHTS

All employees within the Bargaining Unit shall be entitled to the protection of what shall hereafter be termed as the "Police Officers' Bill of Rights" which shall be added to the present Rules and Regulations of the Omaha Police Department. The rights and procedures contained herein shall not apply to any criminal investigations.

- A. The Omaha Police Department will not solicit any formal citizens' complaints against any employee; solicitation shall not be construed to mean any follow-up of a third-party complaint or follow-up of first-party complaints.

- B. An employee shall not be subjected to any offensive language, nor shall he be threatened with dismissal, transfer or other disciplinary punishment as a guise to attempt to obtain his resignation, nor shall he be intimidated in any other manner. No promises or rewards shall be made to the employee as an inducement to answer questions.
- C. An accused employee shall be informed of the nature of the investigation and shall receive a copy of the written formal citizens' complaints against him at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to his formal interview by the Police Department. This twenty-four (24) hour period may be waived if the complaint alleges intoxication or drug incapacitation during on duty status. The accused employee shall be permitted to have either his choice of an attorney or ASSOCIATION Official or both present during the interview. Should the employee not be able to obtain and consult with a ASSOCIATION representative, the employee may be granted a reasonable time, up to 24 hours by the Internal Affairs Lieutenant or designee to obtain such representative. The employee being interviewed shall be made aware of the fact that any statement made may be used by the Department as part of the investigation. If the Department chooses to tape record any portion of the proceedings, it must record the entire proceedings and the employee shall be made aware that a recording is being made. Only the Internal Affairs investigator shall be allowed to record the investigative interview. Should any disciplinary action be taken as a result of this investigation, the CITY will provide, at the employee's request, a complete duplicate recording of his taped interview and a transcript.

At any time during the course of an interview of a witness employee, if it is reasonable for the Internal Affairs investigator to believe that the witness employee has become a possible target in an investigation, which could result in disciplinary action, the witness employee shall be so informed by the Internal Affairs investigator that he/she has become a possible target of an investigation.

If, during the course of an interview, a witness employee reasonably believes that he may become the target of an investigation which could result in disciplinary action, such employee may request ASSOCIATION representation and 24-hour notice as well as other rights afforded under Article 18(a). The Internal Affairs investigator will document the request by the witness employee and use his sole discretion whether to complete the interview. Prior to being interviewed such witness

employee shall be advised, in writing, of the above.

- D. If an employee is being investigated and interviewed by superior officers in his/her command (known as a "line investigation") because of an internal infraction, the following procedure must be followed. The subject employee shall be permitted to have a ASSOCIATION representative during the interview, and the employee shall have one (1) hour to procure such ASSOCIATION representative.

If the result of the line investigation, which shall be completed within the next three (3) scheduled duty shifts of the subject officer, shows that the discipline to be recommended by the employee's supervisor(s) will be greater than a written reprimand, the continuing investigation shall be performed by the Internal Affairs Unit or the Professional Standards Commander.

When the investigation is being conducted by Professional Standards or the Internal Affairs Unit, the employee will be afforded the protections outlined in Sub-Section (C) of this Article.

- E. The interview shall be conducted at a reasonable hour, preferably at a time when the employee is on duty, or during the normal waking hours for the employee. If such interview is conducted during off-duty time, the employee shall be compensated in accordance with regular overtime procedures.
- F. The employee shall be informed prior to the interview of the name and rank of the person in charge of the interview, the interviewing officers, and all other persons to be present during the interview. All questions directed to the employee during the interview shall be asked by only one interviewer at one time.
- G. The interview session shall be for a reasonable period taking into consideration gravity and complexity of the issue being investigated. The person being interviewed shall be allowed to attend his own personal physical necessities, telephone calls, and rest periods, with one ten (10) minute intermission every hour.
- H. Each employee involved in an investigation shall be given a form or card outlining the expressed language and protections in Article 18 prior to questioning.
- I. Unless agreed to by the employee, the CITY shall not divulge the reason for any disciplinary action that is not appealed beyond the Human Resources Director. The CITY shall make every

reasonable effort to insure that no employee's home address, home telephone number or photograph of the employee which the CITY may possess, is released to the news media, or for public consumption. Should it be determined that this information was released, this, in and of itself, shall not be reason for change, in any fashion, of the disciplinary action that was imposed. However, if it is determined that this information was released by a CITY employee, that employee shall be disciplined in accordance with appropriate rules, UNION contracts, the CITY Charter and CITY Code.

- J. In the event that the procedures set forth in this Section and Article, (excluding Sub-Section I), are not followed, the charges against the employee will be dismissed without prejudice.
- K. All rights provided in this Article shall apply to the second and subsequent interview of the accused employee regarding the same investigation.

ARTICLE 18b

RELIEF FROM DUTY: Relief from duty may be used in limited circumstances. An employee may be relieved of duty under the following circumstances.

- A. An employee scheduled to go on duty or is on duty and the employee is physically or mentally incapacitated to the extent that in the opinion of his superior it would be unsafe to allow the employee to go on duty or continue on duty.
- B. An employee is scheduled to go on duty or is on duty and some matter comes to the attention of his superior which in his opinion is of such serious nature that would warrant his being removed from duty.
- C. Relief from duty is a temporary situation and there is no loss of salary or benefits during this period.

ARTICLE 19

ATTENDANCE IN COURT, CONFERENCES, TRAINING, & OTHER MEETINGS

SECTION 1 Attendance in court or before an administrative tribunal in connection with an employee's officially assigned duties, the performance of other authorized duties in connection with CITY business or authorized attendance at a trade or professional meeting which relates directly to official CITY business during his duty shift shall not be considered leaves of absence. Any employee who is officially authorized to attend such functions or meetings shall be paid at his base rate of pay for the period of attendance.

SECTION 2 If an employee is required to attend County Court, District Court, or United States District Court during his off-duty periods, he shall be compensated at a minimum of three (3) hours at time and a half (1½) or the actual hours in attendance at time and a half (1½), whichever is greater.

If an employee is required to attend a Personnel Board hearing without the issuance of a subpoena or with or without forty-eight (48) hour notice, during off-duty periods, he shall be compensated at a minimum of two (2) hours straight time or two (2) times the number of hours, for actual time and attendance, whichever is greater.

If an employee is required to attend a Personnel Board hearing through the issuance of a subpoena or by the giving of forty-eight (48) hours' notice or other meeting directly related to his official duties, during his off-duty periods, he shall be compensated at a minimum of two (2) hours at straight time or one and one-half (1½) times the number of hours, for actual time and attendance, whichever is greater.

If an employee is required to attend a meeting that is related to a law enforcement operation during his/her off-duty period, the employee shall be compensated in the manner detailed in Article 21, Section 2.

SECTION 3 Employees who voluntarily or who are ordered to attend training seminars, workshops, or schooling outside the City of Omaha shall be paid at their base pay while in attendance at such functions and shall not be entitled to overtime, call-in, or any minimum hours of pay.

SECTION 4 The CITY shall give all employees notice of any schooling or training available. The City of Omaha will agree to provide a minimum of sixteen (16) hours of department-wide in-service training per year for every sworn Police employee. Additionally, the City will make every reasonable effort to provide an additional eight (8) hours of training per year. The exact items that sworn Police employees will be trained upon

will be at the discretion of the Police Chief.

SECTION 5 In the event an employee is required to or voluntarily accepts an assignment, requiring the employee to attend and give testimony before any court or quasi-judicial tribunal more than one hundred miles from the corporate limits of the City of Omaha such employee's hours/work shifts may be changed or adjusted (PO-45) to accommodate his/her travel and attendance. Conversely, if under such circumstances attendance is required, or voluntarily accepted, before a court or quasi-judicial tribunal less than one hundred miles from the corporate limits of the City of Omaha such employee's hours/work shifts will not be changed or adjusted without the voluntary consent of the employee.

SECTION 6 In the event an employee is assigned to or voluntarily accepts the responsibility for traveling outside the limits of the City of Omaha for the purposes of taking custody of a prisoner and such destination is more than 100 miles from the corporate limits of the City of Omaha, such employee's hours/duty shifts may be changed to accommodate this assignment. Conversely, if the employee is assigned to or voluntarily accepts the responsibility for traveling to a location to take custody of a prisoner when of Omaha, such employee's hours/duty shifts will not be adjusted for the purposes described herein without the voluntary consent of the employee.

SECTION 7 Any voluntary training attended by an employee may serve as the basis for adjusting or changing that employee's hours/duty shifts.

SECTION 8 Nothing contained herein shall allow the splitting of days off unless same is the subject of a mutual agreement by and between the CITY and the employee involved. The Police Administration shall notify the ASSOCIATION of an agreement reached pursuant to this paragraph.

SECTION 9 For the purpose of this Agreement, Temporary Duty Assignment (TDA) is defined as assignment to any duty shift other than the employee's regular duty shift. Any affected employees duties on TDA, whether by assignment, employee consent, or mutual agreement, shall not include appearance in court or administrative tribunals. Nor will the affected employee be directed to perform enforcement, investigative or administrative duties.

The CITY may assign any employee to TDA consisting of one (1) continuous eight (8) hour shift in a calendar month for the purpose of attending meetings. The CITY shall provide the employee not less than three (3) days notice, and shall not assign any employee to temporary duty assignments more than four (4) times in a calendar year.

With the consent of the employee, the CITY may assign any employee

to TDA of two (2) days, each consisting of one (1) continuous eight (8) hour shift, within a calendar month.

The CITY may assign any employee to TDA exceeding the two (2) day limit only with the express consent of the employee and the ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 20

HOLIDAYS

SECTION 1 New Years Day
 Martin Luther King's Birthday
 President's Day
 Memorial Day
 Juneteenth Day
 Independence Day
 Labor Day
 Veteran's Day
 Thanksgiving Day
 The Friday immediately following Thanksgiving Day
 Christmas Day
 Patriots Day (September 11th or as designated by the Federal Government or the Mayor)

The Mayor and President of the ASSOCIATION will meet and determine the specific calendar days for the above.

SECTION 2 For those employees working under a card system, or the scheduling set forth in Article 15 - Section 10, the holidays shall be observed in accordance with Section 1 hereof. For those employees who do not work under the card system, whenever a holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed as the holiday. Whenever a holiday falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be observed as the holiday.

SECTION 3 All work performed on any observed holiday shall be compensated for at the rate of one and one-half (1 1/2) times the actual number of hours worked on such holiday. In addition to holiday pay an employee shall also receive his straight time pay for the day worked on the observed holiday. Employees placed on administrative leave shall not be considered as "working" on such holidays. In other words, such employees on administrative leave shall receive their 8 hours of holiday pay, but will not be considered as "working" or "restricted" on such day thereby entitling them to compensation at the rate of one and one-half (1½) times the actual hours worked.

SECTION 4 Whenever a holiday occurs during an employee's regularly scheduled day off, such employee shall receive compensation for the holiday on the basis of one (1) duty shift of pay at straight time at the employee's base pay at the time of the observed holiday.

SECTION 5 Whenever an observed holiday falls during an employee's authorized leave, such observed holiday shall not be charged against the

employee's authorized leave; provided that the employee shall not be compensated for the observed holiday in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 hereof.

SECTION 6 Employees who are absent without leave on the work day immediately preceding or following the observed holiday shall not be entitled to holiday pay or other provisions of this Article. Any suspension made under the provisions of this Agreement shall be treated as absence without leave under this Section. Any employee who is on Injured on Duty status on the date of the observed holiday shall receive holiday pay.

SECTION 7 All employees not assigned to Uniform Patrol shall be required to work the following ten(10) holidays per year unless leave is granted pursuant to normal procedures:

Martin Luther King's Birthday
President's Day
Memorial Day
Independence Day
Juneteenth Day
Labor Day
Patriots Day
Veteran's Day
Thanksgiving Day
Day after Thanksgiving

SECTION 8 Only probationary employees may be directed not to work a regularly scheduled holiday.

SECTION 9 "SPECIAL TIME OFF" BANK: Prior to this contract, employees were allowed to bank hours into a "special time off" bank. Some employees still maintain balances in this bank. Employees may cash out those hours or utilize those hours for time off pursuant to the rules for the granting of annual leave (Article 13).

However, an employee shall be paid any accumulated balance in his/her "special time off" bank upon their retirement. It is understood that this money will be paid as wages to each employee and from the gross amount normal wage deductions will be taken, including pension contribution, and that the pension contribution will be paid into the pension system. The employee has the right not to utilize or cash out any hours in their "special time off" bank until his/her separation from City service. The City shall not deduct leave time from this "special time off" bank unless specifically requested by the employee. The City shall not pay out the holiday hours in the "special time off" bank unless specifically requested by employee.

ARTICLE 21

OVERTIME, CALL-IN PAY, & STANDBY PAY

- SECTION 1 For employees normally working an 8-hour day, work performed by employees in excess of eight (8) hours per day shall be compensated at the rate of one and one-half (1 1/2) times for number of hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours per day and in excess of the normally scheduled work week. For employees working the card system as set forth in Article 15, Section 10, work performed by an employee in excess of 8 hours 30 minutes shall be compensated at the rate of one and one-half (1 1/2) times for number of hours worked in excess of 8 hours 30 minutes per day and in excess of the normally scheduled work week. For employees normally working an approved 10 or 12-hour day, work performed in excess of 10 or 12 hours respectively shall be compensated at the rate of one and one-half (1 1/2) times for number of hours worked in excess of 10 or 12 hours respectively per day and in excess of the normally scheduled work week. Overtime shall not be paid twice for the same hours worked. Holidays (worked or not worked) shall be considered hours worked for the purpose of overtime, however all other paid leave time including annual leave, sick leave, funeral leave, and compensatory time shall not be considered as hours worked for the purpose of computing daily overtime in connection with the regularly scheduled tour of duty.
- SECTION 2 If an employee is called to duty during his off-duty time and such duty time does not merge with his scheduled tour of duty, such employee shall be paid a minimum of four (4) hours at the overtime rate of or the actual number of hours worked at the overtime rate, whichever is greater. Provided however, that the provisions of this Section shall not apply where leave has been cancelled pursuant to the provisions of Section 9, Article 13. Call-in pay is applicable only when the employee must actually report for duty to somewhere other than his home residence. Call-in pay shall not be paid for work performed by simply using the telephone from a location other than the worksite. All call-in pay must be ordered and approved by the employee's supervisor.
- SECTION 3 In calculating overtime pay, the following rules shall apply:
- If an employee works less than eight (8) minutes of overtime, he shall not receive any compensation for overtime. If an employee works eight (8) minutes of overtime, and less than 23 minutes of overtime, he shall receive overtime pay of 15 minutes. If the employee works 23 minutes or more, but less than 38 minutes of overtime, he shall receive overtime compensation of one half (1/2) hour. If the employee works 38 minutes or more of overtime, but less than 53 of overtime, he shall be compensated for 45 minutes of overtime. If the employee works in

excess of 53 minutes to one (1) hour, he shall be compensated for one hour of overtime.

- SECTION 4 Employees may be temporarily assigned to duty shifts other than their regular duty shifts for the purpose of in-service training and shall not receive call-in pay; provided, however, that notice be given at least three (3) working days in advance of the required reporting time.
- SECTION 5 Each employee shall receive from the Police Department a copy of all overtime slips or other such documentation presented by that employee within fourteen (14) days of the overtime worked.
- SECTION 6 Operational necessity of the City may require police officers to be considered an "Off-Duty Contact Officer" and/or be placed on "Standby" status.

An Off-Duty Contact Officer is further defined as an officer of any rank who is designated by a command officer to be available for assignment outside their regular duty work hours. Such assignment may include but is not limited to providing assistance via telephone. Standby status is further defined as any officer who has been ordered to cease any activity that would prevent them from effectively performing their specialty job to which they are potentially being called out to duty for, i.e. SWAT team, traffic investigator, etc. All designations either as an Off-Duty Contact Officer or Standby status must be authorized by a supervisor of Lieutenant rank or above (or designee). When operationally practical a standby or Off-Duty Contact schedule shall be posted and available within their respective units. An employee who is designated as an Off-Duty Contact Officer or placed on standby status must be available for contact by pager or telephone. During this time period the employee is able to engage in non-work related activities. Upon call out, the employee is expected to be capable of performing assigned duties and is to respond in accordance with department instructions. The employee is responsible for informing their supervisor of prescribed drugs or alcohol use that would render them incapable of responding to a call out.

Off-Duty Contact Officers shall be paid thirty (30) minutes of overtime per day that he/she is designated as a standby or Off-Duty Contact Officer. Additionally, such employee shall be paid overtime for the total hours actually worked in a day. For example, an employee who takes five (5) seven-minute phone calls during a day shall be paid for thirty-five (35) minutes of overtime. Officers on standby status shall be paid thirty (30) minutes of overtime minimum or such employee shall be paid overtime for their total hours of their standby time, whichever is greater, from the time the officer was notified to the time they are allowed to re-engage in their previous activity.

ARTICLE 22

ALLOWANCE FOR CLOTHING

- SECTION 1 Each plain-clothes employee who during a monthly payroll period has received compensation from the CITY for work performed or utilization of paid leave shall receive an allotment for the purchase and maintenance of personal items of clothing and equipment as prescribed by the CITY, provided that the CITY shall furnish and maintain all other items of clothing and equipment. This allotment shall be \$40.00 per month to be paid in equal increments coinciding with the employee's pay periods.
- SECTION 2 In addition to the allowance in Section 1 above, all employees shall receive ~~\$533~~ \$850 per year in the form of a voucher in order to purchase approved equipment. Employees shall be permitted to combine vouchers from consecutive years in order to make large purchases (i.e. rifle). Such approvals for voucher reimbursement shall not be unreasonably denied. Due to the increase in the amount of the uniform voucher, employees are no longer entitled to boot vouchers.
- SECTION 3 If there is a termination of employment, the uniform allotment provided in Section 1 hereof shall be paid on a pro-rata basis for compensated hours during the payroll period for work performed or utilization of paid leave.
- SECTION 4 Payments made pursuant to the provision of the Nebraska Workmen's Compensation Act, payment at termination of accrued vacation leave, and payment at termination of earned compensatory time shall not be considered compensation for work performed or utilization of paid leave within the meaning of this Article. IOD payments shall be considered compensation within the meaning of this Article.
- SECTION 5 Any employee whose official authorized uniform listed below in Section 9 is damaged or lost in the line of duty while on duty shall have same replaced by the CITY. The terms of this provision shall apply only to official authorized uniform and equipment.
- If such uniform item's actual cost exceeds the cost of the CITY issued equivalent, such item shall be replaced at the cost of the CITY issued item, except for flashlight which shall be replaced up to \$60 or the actual cost to the employee, whichever is less. Flashlights will be replaced maximum of once during any 12 month period. For any replacement, employee shall be required to furnish purchase receipt.
- Any other item of uniform or equipment damaged or lost in the line of duty while on duty (including watches) shall be replaced by the CITY,

however, no replacement shall exceed \$125.00 per item except that eyeglasses shall be replaced or repaired not to exceed Two Hundred - Fifty Dollars (\$250) per pair. Replacement or repair of an employee's revolver shall be up to, but not exceed, Five Hundred Dollars (\$500). The terms of this Section shall also apply to civilian clothing for C.I.B. personnel.

SECTION 6 The CITY and the ASSOCIATION shall mutually establish a Uniform and Equipment Committee consisting of five (5) members; two (2) appointed by the ASSOCIATION President, two (2) appointed by the Police Chief, and one appointed by mutual agreement. The Committee shall meet monthly, or as the Committee deems necessary. The Committee shall be advisory in nature and shall research and evaluate selected items of interest, and advise concerning rules and regulations on uniforms and equipment. The Committee's purpose shall be maintenance of standards of safety for the police employee.

The Uniform Committee shall keep up to date and furnish the ASSOCIATION and the CITY with a complete product list of all authorized or optional uniform wearing apparel, service revolvers, leather goods, and body armor. The list shall include manufacturer and product name, address, phone number, and manufacturer suggested "wear out" period. For each item where information is not available, it shall be so indicated. The CITY, in its efforts to provide this information is merely passing on manufacturer's information, and this in no way implies any warranty or guarantee of such items on the part of the CITY. The product list shall be sent to the President of the ASSOCIATION and the Police Chief by 30 June of each year and will be updated each time a new item is authorized for purchase.

SECTION 7 The CITY shall continue to provide a list (by make and model) of semi-automatic, double action weapons which shall be approved, as optional equipment, for use as employee's service revolver. The CITY shall maintain such list and shall have the right, from time to time, to add weapons to the list. It is understood that the entire cost for obtaining and maintaining such optional weapon (cost of weapon and appropriate magazines all ammunition - except street ammunition; and cost of upkeep) shall be borne solely by the employee.

The CITY shall provide the ammunition for rifle certification and recertification. The City's obligation to provide this rifle ammunition is limited to 300 rounds per certification or recertification attempt.

SECTION 8 Employees shall not be entitled to any new issue of uniform except by way of replacement of non-serviceable items of uniform which shall be replaced on an exchange basis. Any determination as to serviceability and fair wear and tear shall be made by the Police Chief or his designee

utilizing the manufacturer suggested wear out period and maintenance of standards of safety and appearance for the Police Department.

SECTION 9 Uniform shall consist of hat, shirt, tie, and O.P.D. patches, trousers and body armor, belt, utility belt which shall include, holster, ammunition carriers, street ammunition, cuff pouch, mace and mace pouch, baton and baton ring, portable radio carrying case, ~~boots or shoes (one pair per year unless replaced pursuant to Section 4, above)~~, riot helmet, one winter coat, rainhat and raincoat, and flashlight.

SECTION 10 The uniform for employees who are newly employed shall be provided by the CITY to include: hat, ties, two summer and two winter shirts with O.P.D. patches, two trousers and striping, body armor, belt, utility belt which shall include holster, ammunition carriers, street ammunition, cuff pouch, handcuffs, mace and mace pouch, baton and baton case, portable radio carrying case, boots or shoes, riot helmet, winter coat, rainhat and raincoat, training cap, two (2) utility training uniforms, sweatshirt and sweatpant, and flashlight.

Body armor may be upgraded to a higher priced model with additional expense being the responsibility of the requesting employee. Ballistic capabilities must be equal to or exceeding minimum department standards. Upon expiration of manufacturer's warranty or termination of employment, body armor shall be turned over to the police supply unit.

ARTICLE 23

HEALTH CARE

SECTION 1

Health Care Benefit: The CITY shall provide group health care benefits to employees and covered dependents. The health care coverage shall commence on the first day of the month following employment, provided that the employee has completed and submitted to the Human Resources Department the application forms required by the third party administrator. The health care benefits shall be substantially similar to the benefits currently provided under the summary plan description on file with and administered by the CITY's third party administrator or health insurance provider.

- A. In-patient Hospital Precertification: - All in-hospital admissions must be certified. Planned admissions must be certified in advance. Emergency admissions must be certified within 24 hours of admission or as soon as medically possible. The penalty for failure to certify is \$500 of the hospital charges. Hospitalizations beyond the certified number of days must be recertified. If the hospitalization is recertified, there is no penalty. The penalty for hospitalization past certified number of days without recertification: is a reduction by 50% of both physician and hospital charges.

Hospital certifications (and recertifications) shall be phoned in to a telephone number provided each employee on his/her I.D. card. The employee or any person on his behalf (e.g., spouse, nurse, doctor, hospital personnel) may precertify.

Any disputes regarding precertification or recertification in a particular case may be presented to the CITY'S Disputes Committee.

- B. The health care benefit is a Qualified High Deductible Health Plan with a network component. Benefits are available for service from in-or out-of-network providers, a \$2,800 deductible applies for single coverage and/or \$5,600 embedded deductible for Single + 1 and Family coverage per calendar year. The deductible for an out-of-network provider will be twice the in-network amount. Should Federal regulations require changes to the deductible or any other plan benefits, the plan will comply with said requirements.
- C. The maximum lifetime benefit per plan member is unlimited.

- D. Prescription Coverage: A Pharmacy Benefit Manager (PBM) manages administration of the prescription drug benefit. Prescription drug services are available from in- and out-of-network pharmacies. When an in-network pharmacy is utilized both deductible and coinsurance amounts apply to the out-of-pocket maximum. Out of network pharmacies will be handled as shown on Exhibit "D"- the cost will be applied to the deductible and then will be covered at 50%,
1. Unless specifically required by the physician, generic drugs will be dispensed whenever possible.

- E. WELLNESS PROGRAM: Preventative services as outlined by the Affordable Care Act (ACA) are covered with no member cost sharing when received from an in-network provider. If preventative services are received from an out-of-network provider the benefit is limited to \$175 for employee only.

Members of the bargaining group who voluntarily participate and follow the rules of the CITY Wellness Program will be eligible for CITY-specified incentives, including but not limited to, reductions in health insurance premiums, waiving of health insurance copays for specified medical facilities, gift cards, gym memberships, etc. No employee is required to participate in the Wellness Program and the CITY maintains the absolute right to set forth the terms and conditions surrounding the program.

- F. VISION PROGRAM: If the Association wishes to create a voluntary Vision Program for its members it shall be funded by the employee, and the City shall work with the Association in order to establish such a program.
- G. The above summary only highlights the covered benefits under the Qualified High Deductible Health Plan. For a more extensive review, consult the Summary Plan Description provided by the City's third party administrator which will be based on the City of Omaha's Alternate #2 as shown on pages 2 to 4 of the document entitled City of Omaha Medical Benefits attached as Appendix "D".
- H. HEALTH CARE PREMIUM: The participation in health care benefits shall be dependent upon payment of a premium (via employee paycheck withholding) as follows:

Family coverage: ~~23%~~ 20% of the blended health care premium equivalency rate.

Single + 1 coverage: ~~23%~~ 20% of the blended health care

premium equivalency rate.

Single coverage: ~~45%~~ 12% of the blended health care premium equivalency rate.

The blended health care premium equivalency rate shall be determined using the experience of both current active sworn employees and all future sworn retirees (those who retire under the Career Overtime Average (COTA) Pension Plan provision).

I. HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT (HSA)

1. The CITY shall make a contribution to a HSA on behalf of the employee in the following amounts:

~~2020~~

~~—Single: \$1,300 annual contribution then a 50% City match up to \$375 on the first \$750 of employee contributions. The maximum cumulative CITY lump sum and matching contribution shall be \$1,675.~~

~~—Single + 1 and Family: \$2,600 annual contribution then 50% City match up to \$750 on the first \$1,500 of employee contributions. The maximum cumulative CITY lump sum and matching contribution shall be \$3,350.~~

~~—2021~~

~~—Single: \$1,700 annual contribution.~~

~~—Single + 1 and Family: \$3,400 annual contribution.~~

~~—2022~~

~~—Single: \$1,950 annual contribution.~~

~~—Single + 1 and Family: \$3,900 annual contribution.~~

~~—2023~~

~~—Single: \$2,000 annual contribution.~~

~~—Single + 1 and Family: \$4,000 annual contribution.~~

~~—2024~~

~~—Single: \$2,050 annual contribution.~~

~~—Single + 1 and Family: \$4,100 annual contribution.~~

~~—2025~~

~~—Single: \$2,100 annual contribution~~

~~—Single + 1 and Family: \$4,200 annual contribution.~~

2026

Single: \$2,300 annual contribution

Single + 1 and Family: \$4,600 annual contribution.

2027

Single: \$2,300 annual contribution

Single + 1 and Family: \$4,600 annual contribution.

2. The CITY's annual HSA contribution will be contributed as a lump sum on the first pay period of the calendar year.
3. For employees hired mid-year, the CITY's annual contribution will be prorated for the remaining months of the plan year.

SECTION 2 DENTAL BENEFIT: The CITY shall provide single dental coverage for the employee, and shall pay 85% of the cost of the premium if the employee elects such coverage. The CITY shall provide family dental coverage and shall pay 75% of the cost of the premium if the employee elects such coverage.

Sworn employees and their dependents shall now have composite fillings covered under their dental coverage. Under the CITY plan the limits of the benefits shall be: orthodontic dental work - Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) per person per lifetime; non-orthodontic dental work - ~~\$1,000~~ \$1,750 per person, per calendar year. Routine cleaning coverage shall be covered at 100%.

SECTION 3 Life Insurance Benefit: The CITY shall also provide a \$50,000 Group Term Life Insurance Policy for each employee.

SECTION 4 An employee may decline to pay such premium and thereby decline CITY coverage only if he/she has in full force and effect equivalent health insurance coverage from another source. The CITY shall be the

sole judge in determining equivalency and such decision shall not be appealable by grievance or any other legal action.

If an employee covered by this Agreement is married to another employee covered by this Agreement or another CITY employee, such covered employee may decline to pay such premium and rely on spouse's policy for family coverage. However, it is understood that in such a situation benefits would only be paid up to the limits of that one policy.

SECTION 5 The CITY shall not be responsible for providing any life, health or dental coverage referred to in this Article for any employee who within any calendar month has not received any compensation from the CITY for work performed or utilization of paid leave (except as provided in Article 13, Section 15), except as provided under the Family Medical Leave Act or COBRA. Payments made pursuant to the provisions of the Nebraska Workmen's Compensation Act, payment at termination of accrued vacation leave, and payment at termination of earned compensatory time shall not be considered compensation for work performed or utilization of paid leave within the meaning of this Section. IOD payments shall be considered compensation within the meaning of this Section.

SECTION 6 If an employee for whom the CITY is not providing life, health or dental coverage by virtue of the provisions of Sections 4 and 5 desires to continue such coverage, if available, it shall be the responsibility of the employee to make the necessary arrangements for coverage in accordance with the terms and conditions prescribed by the carrier, or CITY, at the employee's cost.

SECTION 7 If an employee for whom the CITY is not providing life, health or dental coverage by virtue of the provisions of Sections 4 and 5, becomes re-eligible for coverage with the CITY such coverage shall commence at such time as coverage is provided in accordance with the prescribed terms and conditions of the group policy, or if the employee has maintained such coverage at his own cost at such time as the employee becomes re-eligible for such coverage.

SECTION 8 The CITY and ASSOCIATION shall study and make recommendations on reducing the CITY'S cost of health coverage. The committee will review the present hospital and medical insurance program and determine modifications needed to reduce the cost of health care to the CITY.

The joint committee shall be made up of six (6) members: the Chief Negotiator for the ASSOCIATION the Labor Relations Director, two members from the ASSOCIATION negotiation team and two from the

CITY negotiation team.

- SECTION 9 The CITY shall provide employees subject to "street duty" with Hepatitis and Tuberculosis vaccinations. The vaccination program shall include all medically necessary vaccine and follow-up; it shall be given on the employees' off duty time; and it shall be provided at the employee's option. The CITY will select the provider at it's sole option.
- SECTION 10 The family of any sworn employee who dies while on duty during the performance of his official police duties shall be provided health care and dental coverage by the CITY consistent with those benefits provided by this Article. Said health insurance benefits are hereby provided to the surviving spouse and dependent children of any sworn employee qualifying under this Section by virtue of a work related death, as described hereinabove, occurring on or after the effective date of this Agreement. Provided, that said health benefits (1) for any surviving spouse qualifying under this Section shall cease upon his/her remarriage or the attainment of age sixty-five (65) or whatever age of entitlement to Medicare as set by Federal Law, whichever event comes later. In the event the spouse of the decedent does not qualify for Medicare, the health insurance coverage provided herein shall cease upon the surviving spouse's 65th birthday; and (2) for any dependent children shall extend through age nineteen (19) or through age twenty-six (26).
- SECTION 11 **FITNESS AND WELLNESS TESTING PROGRAM.** The CITY and the ASSOCIATION have agreed to a voluntary fitness and wellness program to increase fitness and health, while simultaneously reducing injuries. Participation in the program is at the sole discretion of the employee. Participants must complete an annual medical/wellness examination and also participate in one of the semi-annual fitness tests. The CITY will put on the semi-annual fitness test which shall consist of the Cooper Fitness Standard(CFS) and include the following exercises: sit-ups, push-ups, vertical jump, 300 meter run, and 1.5 mile run or work, or any alternate exercise from the CFS approved by the Fitness and Wellness Committee made up of CITY and ASSOCIATION representatives. Scores will be adjusted to account for age and gender as detailed in "New Cooper Age and Gender Basic Standards for Law Enforcement." Testing shall take place at a mutually agreeable facility and testing shall occur during the participant's off-duty time. Participants must agree to sign any waiver required by the owner of the facility or any testing facility doing the testing, but it is agreed that any such waiver does not waive any right the participant may have under workers compensation or injury on duty. OPD Personnel will be assigned to special duty to facilitate testing and the Police Chief shall select such personnel. Emergency Medical personnel shall be on standby while testing is occurring.

Participants in the voluntary fitness and wellness program who have, in the immediate past payroll year (must have been a sworn officer for the entire previous payroll year), used 40 hours or less of sick leave (if sick leave used exclusively as family sick leave, the threshold will be 56 hours or less, ~~includes family sick leave~~), shall receive two hours of paid Wellness Time Off ("WTO"). In addition, participants who qualify for WTO, can earn additional WTO in the following pay period increments depending upon their rating in the semi-annual CFS:

CFS Rating	WTO per period benefit
Fair	0.5 hours
Good	0.75 hours
Excellent	1.0 hours
Superior	1.25 hours

All WTO that is earned, must be used either in the payroll year it was earned or in the following payroll year. Any unused WTO at the end of the payroll year after it was earned, shall be forfeited. In addition, WTO cannot be converted into cash upon leaving City employment for any reason.

Participants in the voluntary fitness and wellness program are also eligible to use the voucher that they receive due to Article 22, Section 2 for the following wellness and fitness related items: fitness equipment, activity trackers, iPads, gym memberships, personal training and nutrition counseling, weight management programs, tobacco cessation programs, and sit/stand units at work (as space allows, and as coordinated with the City's Fleet/Facilities managers).

Participants may be allowed to exercise while assigned to Special Duty, as staffing needs permit, but only with advance supervisory approval.

ARTICLE 24

INJURIES IN THE LINE OF DUTY - TEMPORARY DISABILITY

SECTION 1 Any employee who is a member of the Police and Fire Retirement System who sustains injuries or sickness, arising out of and in the course of his/her employment which are of such a character as to render him/her temporarily unfit for active duty, shall be paid an amount (I.O.D. pay) which shall compensate him/her with the same amount of "take home pay" (gross pay less taxes and deductions) that (s)he was receiving on average for the preceding thirteen pay periods prior to the injury. I.O.D. pay amount will be adjusted to an amount sufficient to allow for the same take home pay, but shall not result in a windfall, for the period of such temporary disability.

The employee shall receive I.O.D. pay for any period that employee is temporarily unfit for active duty, except that eligibility for I.O.D. pay for any specific injury or sickness shall end eighteen (18) calendar months from the date that such injuries were sustained or from the date of the onset of such sickness. In addition, the CITY shall pay such medical, surgical and hospital expenses as may be incurred as a result of the injury or sickness, but the salary and other benefits, being in excess of benefits under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act, shall be in lieu thereof.

ARTICLE 25

LIMITED DUTY

- SECTION 1 Employees who by virtue of accident, injury or sickness, are unable to perform their regular assigned job duties and are on authorized leave or injured on duty status in excess of three (3) working days may be required by the Police Chief, or his designated representative, to return to work to perform such limited duties as assigned and designated by the Police Chief, or his designated representative; provided, however, that there is a doctor's certificate evidencing the employees' abilities to perform such limited duties. Each such incidence of limited duty by virtue of accident, injury, or sickness shall not exceed one (1) calendar year from the date of such accident, injury or sickness unless approved by the Police Chief or Labor Relations Director.
- SECTION 2 Seniority, as defined in Article 10, shall be inapplicable in all respects to any employee required to return to work under the provisions of this Article.
- SECTION 3 The provisions of this Article shall not be subject to appeal or review by an arbitrator, Personnel Board, or any Court of Law.

ARTICLE 26

ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

- SECTION 1 ASSOCIATION representatives, not exceeding five (5) in number, shall be entitled to participate in functions relative to the operation of this Agreement or to attend ASSOCIATION functions. Leave with pay for the purposes recited in this section shall be limited to a total of 1,000 hours for all ASSOCIATION representatives per calendar year.
- SECTION 2 Members of the ASSOCIATION negotiating team, not exceeding seven (7) in number, will be carried on Special Duty while actually engaged in negotiations with the CITY. During negotiation years, the ASSOCIATION may be granted additional ASSOCIATION leave in 100 hour increments by the Chief of Police.
- SECTION 3 ASSOCIATION officials, not exceeding four (4) in number, shall be permitted to take leave without pay for the purpose of attending ASSOCIATION functions or to participate in functions relative to the operation of this Agreement.
- SECTION 4 The CITY will assign the President of the ASSOCIATION to the "B" shift (with his consent) without regard to Article 10, Seniority, during the duration of his presidency.
- SECTION 5 In addition to the number of hours granted for ASSOCIATION leave above, the ASSOCIATION is hereby granted an additional 200 ASSOCIATION leave hours per calendar year to be designated as "hardship hours." These hours may only be utilized by the ASSOCIATION if they are used by an employee who has an insufficient number of hours of leave to cover a hardship situation. The granting of such hours shall be upon mutual agreement of the ASSOCIATION president and the CITY Labor Relations Director, who shall establish criteria for the granting of such hours.
- The ASSOCIATION and the City may also agree to an additional 200 hardship hours (past the aforementioned 200 hours in this section) per calendar year based upon the following criteria: an unusually large number of employees have had need to use these "hardship hours," or one employee has had need to use an unusually high amount of "hardship hours. It is understood that, by this section, the ASSOCIATION may be granted a total of 400 hardship hours by mutual agreement of the CITY Labor Relations Director and the ASSOCIATION president.
- SECTION 6 ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT / REPRESENTATIVE – FULL TIME RELEASE STATUS: The ASSOCIATION President or another elected

ASSOCIATION representative shall be granted full release time to conduct ASSOCIATION business. While working in this full-time release capacity, the ASSOCIATION President, or his/her designee, shall receive his/her full salary and benefits to which he/she is normally entitled as a sworn member of the Omaha Police Department, of equivalent rank, working a (40) hour Monday through Friday work week on B shift. This full time ASSOCIATION representative shall be assigned under the office of the Chief, but shall be free to conduct the affairs of the Omaha Police Officers Association.

The ASSOCIATION President or President's designee shall not be entitled to overtime resulting from engaging in Association activity, unless otherwise ordered by the Chief or his designee, but shall not be restricted in his/her ability to request consideration for, and participation in, police related overtime assignments available to any other sworn employee of the same rank.

In the event that the ASSOCIATION President elects to assign another elected ASSOCIATION representative as his/her designee, such designee shall not hold a rank greater than the rank of Sergeant, except that the CITY has agreed that either such designee or the second full-time release position described in Section 7 of this Article may be filled by a representative at the rank of Lieutenant at ASSOCIATION's discretion. If the ASSOCIATION President serves in a full-time release position, the ASSOCIATION shall have discretion to fill the second full-time release position described in Section 7 of this Article by a representative at the rank of Lieutenant at Association's discretion.

On May 1st of each year, the ASSOCIATION shall advise the Chief of who will hold the full-time release position.

Any changes to the full-time release position mid-year shall be communicated to the Chief no less than 30 days prior to the change.

The ASSOCIATION President reserves the right to not be carried on full time status and instead hold his/her current assignment.

The ASSOCIATION President reserves the right to not assign a full-time release designee.

SECTION 7

The ASSOCIATION shall be entitled to have a second representative on full time release status to conduct ASSOCIATION business subject to the same terms identified in SECTION 6 above, except as specified in this SECTION. ~~The stated purpose of the second full-time release position shall be to engage in community initiatives and to participate in the legislative process before the Nebraska State Legislature. The ASSOCIATION agrees to reimburse fifty (50%) percent of the wage and~~

benefit cost of the second full time release person. The CITY will bill the ASSOCIATION annually. ~~The ASSOCIATION and CITY agree that the second full time release position shall be available to the ASSOCIATION commencing on January 1, 2021 and ASSOCIATION shall be entitled to such position until December 31, 2022 unless the parties agree to extend the second full time release representative by mutual agreement.~~

ARTICLE 27

SAFETY COMMITTEE

The CITY and the ASSOCIATION agree jointly to establish a safety committee consisting of seven (7) members. Said Committee shall be composed of three (3) representatives designated by the ASSOCIATION, the Police Chief or his designee, one (1) representative designated by the Police Chief, and the CITY Labor Relations Director, or his designee. The seventh (7th) member shall be elected by majority vote of the aforementioned individuals.

This committee will meet one time a month, providing that upon a majority vote the next meeting may be cancelled on a month-to-month basis. Meetings of the Safety Committee shall be on the employees regularly scheduled duty shift; or, such employee shall receive overtime for time actually in attendance at such meetings; or employees will be carried on special duty status, as determined by the Police Chief or his designee.

The recommendations of the Safety Committee will be forwarded to the Mayor and the Police Chief.

ARTICLE 28

LONGEVITY

SECTION 1

Each employee who during a biweekly payroll period has received compensation from the CITY for work performed or utilization of paid leave shall receive longevity pay in addition to his base pay on the basis of the following schedule. The employee shall be paid in equal increments, coinciding with the pay periods.

The schedule for longevity will be as follows:

Years of Service	Yearly Payment	2011 (3% Increase)
5	\$678 (\$26.08 per pay period)	\$698.34 (\$26.86 per pay period)
6	\$780 (\$30.38 per pay period)	\$813.70 (\$31.30 per pay period)
7	\$838 (\$32.23 per pay period)	\$863.14 (\$33.20 per pay period)
8	\$838 (\$32.23 per pay period)	\$863.14 (\$33.20 per pay period)
9	\$895 (\$34.42 per pay period)	\$921.85 (\$35.46 per pay period)
10	\$981 (\$37.73 per pay period)	\$1,010.43 (\$38.86 per pay period)
11	\$1,150 (\$44.23 per pay period)	\$1,184.50 (\$45.56 per pay period)
12	\$1,259 (\$48.42 per pay period)	\$1,296.77 (\$49.88 per pay period)
13	\$1,366 (\$52.54 per pay period)	\$1,406.98 (\$54.11 per pay period)
14	\$1,473 (\$56.65 per pay period)	\$1,517.19 (\$58.35 per pay period)
15	\$1,580 (\$60.77 per pay period)	\$1,627.40 (\$62.59 per pay period)
16	\$1,688 (\$64.92 per pay period)	\$1,738.64 (\$66.87 per pay period)
17	\$1,796 (\$69.08 per pay period)	\$1,849.88 (\$71.15 per pay period)
18	\$1,904 (\$73.23 per pay period)	\$1,961.12 (\$75.43 per pay period)
19	\$2,026 (\$77.92 per pay period)	\$2,086.78 (\$80.26 per pay period)
20	\$2,134 (\$82.08 per pay period)	\$2,198.02 (\$84.54 per pay period)
21	\$2,244 (\$86.31 per pay period)	\$2,311.32 (\$88.90 per pay period)
22	\$2,321 (\$89.27 per pay period)	\$2,390.63 (\$91.94 per pay period)
23	\$2,397 (\$92.19 per pay period)	\$2,468.91 (\$94.96 per pay period)
24	\$2,474 (\$95.15 per pay period)	\$2,548.22 (\$98.01 per pay period)
25	\$2,550 (\$98.08 per pay period)	\$2,626.50 (\$101.02 per pay period)
26	\$2,750 (\$105.77 per pay period)	\$2,832.50 (\$108.94 per pay period)
27	\$2,850 (\$109.62 per pay period)	\$2,935.50 (\$112.90 per pay period)

28	\$2,950 (\$113.46 per pay period)	\$3,038.50 (\$116.87 per pay period)
29	\$3,100 (\$119.23 per pay period)	\$3,193 (\$122.81 per pay period)
30 years or more	\$3,300 (\$126.92 per pay period)	\$3,399 (\$130.73 per pay period)

Effective at the beginning of the 2022 payroll year, each employee who during a biweekly payroll period has received compensation from the CITY for work performed or utilization of paid leave shall receive longevity pay in addition to his base pay on the basis of the following schedule. The employee shall be paid in equal increments, coinciding with the pay periods.

The schedule for longevity will be as follows:

5 to 10 years of service	\$44 per pay payroll period
11 to 15 years of service	\$82.50 per payroll period
16 to 20 years of service	\$110 per payroll period
21 years of service or more	\$165 per payroll period

Effective at the beginning of the 2026 payroll year, each employee who during a biweekly payroll period has received compensation from the CITY for work performed or utilization of paid leave shall receive longevity pay in addition to his base pay on the basis of the following schedule. The employee shall be paid in equal increments, coinciding with the pay periods.

The schedule for longevity will be as follows:

<u>5 to 10 years of service</u>	<u>\$66 per pay payroll period</u>
<u>11 to 15 years of service</u>	<u>\$123.75 per payroll period</u>
<u>16 to 20 years of service</u>	<u>\$165 per payroll period</u>
<u>21 years of service or more</u>	<u>\$247.50 per payroll period</u>

SECTION 2 Employees shall become eligible for longevity pay after completing four (4) years of service with the City of Omaha Police Department.

SECTION 3 Service with the Police Department of the CITY within the meaning of this Article shall mean all periods of time in which an employee of the

Police Department has while in such capacity received compensation from the CITY for work performed or utilization of paid leave. Suspension for disciplinary purposes as provided in Section 3 of Article 6 shall constitute service with the Police Department within the meaning of this Article.

- SECTION 4 An employee shall begin to earn his longevity pay on the first pay period of the month immediately following his longevity qualification date.
- SECTION 5 The provisions of Section 23-148 of the Omaha Municipal Code in effect on the date of this Agreement are inapplicable where an employee is paid at a rate which exceeds that of an employee senior in rank solely by virtue of the payment of longevity pay.
- SECTION 6 If there is a termination of employment, the longevity pay provided in Section 1 hereof shall be paid on a pro-rata basis for compensated hours during the payroll period for work performed or utilization of paid leave.
- SECTION 7 Payments made pursuant to the provisions of the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act, payment at termination of accrued annual leave, and payment at termination of earned compensatory time shall not be considered compensation for work performed or utilization of paid leave within the meaning of this Article. IOD payments shall be considered compensation within the meaning of this Article.

ARTICLE 29

SAVINGS CLAUSE

SECTION 1 If any provision of this Agreement is subsequently declared by the proper legislative or judicial authority to be unlawful, unenforceable, or not in accordance with applicable statutes or ordinances, all other provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect for the duration of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 30

HEALTH CARE FOR RETIREES

SECTION 1 CITY agrees to provide health care coverage for those employees and their dependents who retire on or after January 1, 1979. Said health insurance coverage is to be substantially the same as that currently provided for employees and their dependents, as more specifically provided for in Article 23 and the summary plan description referred to therein. Additionally, employees that retire will be required to pay the requisite health care premium for such coverage, should they choose to continue such coverage, pursuant to Article 23. Employees that retire after the legal execution of this agreement, shall be entitled to the same coverage and blended health care premiums under the health insurance plan negotiated for active bargaining unit employees from time to time. Such coverage and blended health care premiums may change from time to time based on the collective bargaining agreement between the parties.

It is expressly understood and agreed to by the parties that the health care benefit provided herein is to be an obligation of the CITY with respect to those employees (and their dependents) who obtain:

1. a normal service retirement under the conditions set forth in Section 2 below, or
2. a service connected disability pension, or
3. a non-service connected disability pension for an employee who meets the criteria for a normal service retirement as set forth in Section 2 below.

SECTION 2

- A. If an employee retires with a normal service retirement pursuant to Article 34, Section 3, and has a minimum of 10 years of service but less than 20 years of service, and has reached the minimum age of 55, he/she shall be entitled to health care coverage, as stipulated in Section 1.
- B. If an employee retires with a normal service retirement pursuant to Article 34, Section 3, and has a minimum of 20 years of service and has reached the minimum age of 50, he/she shall be entitled to health care coverage, as stipulated in Section 1.
- C. Beginning payroll year 2006, if an employee retires with a normal service retirement pursuant to Article 34, Section 3, and has a minimum of 22 years and 6 months of service and has reached the minimum age of 45, he/she shall be entitled to health care coverage, as stipulated in Section 1.

SECTION 3 "GAP" INSURANCE

Beginning in payroll year 2006, if an employee retires pursuant to Article 34, Section 3, and has a minimum of 20 years of service up to 22 years and 6 months of service, and has reached the minimum age of 45, he/she shall be allowed to continue his/her current health care coverage pursuant to the following criteria:

In order to continue his/her health care coverage, he/she must pay to the CITY, on a monthly basis, the full COBRA premium. This payment will be made by automatic deposit to the city with the proper account set up as soon as practically possible following the date the employee leaves CITY service. When the former employee reaches 22 years and six months of service (had the employee continued to work), he/she shall receive health care coverage pursuant to Section 1, above (Employee no longer is required to pay full premium, rather they will pay the blended premium pursuant to Article 23).

Any failure to pay the full COBRA premium will result in permanent cancellation of health care benefits, including the right to Section 1 coverage (no premium) after the employee receives a deferred retirement.

An employee who leaves CITY employment and pays the "gap" health care premium pursuant to the above shall receive the same health care coverage during the "gap" period as do sworn employees. When such coverage is converted to Section 1 and Section 4 retiree coverage, all other provisions of that Section shall apply.

SECTION 4 It is further understood by and between the parties that any health care coverage referenced above in Sections 1, 2, and 3, shall cease on the first day of the month in which the retiree turns 65 years of age, or whatever age of entitlement to Medicare as set by Federal Law, whichever event comes later, or dies. In the event the retired employee does not qualify for Medicare, the health insurance coverage provided herein shall cease upon the employee's 65th birthday.

ARTICLE 31

RESIDENCY

Any employee who was a member of the Omaha Police Department prior to, or is employed during the effective period of this Agreement, shall not be restricted in his/her right to establish residency within or outside the corporate limits of the CITY. City wheel tax for non-residential employees shall be deducted automatically from his first pay period in March of each year.

ARTICLE 32

MAINTENANCE OF BENEFITS

The CITY shall maintain the benefits as set forth in this Agreement for the term of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 33

EXAMINATIONS AND PROMOTION PROCEDURE

SECTION 1 Notice of promotional examination shall be given one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the administration of the initial phase of the examination process, which examination shall take place ninety (90) days prior to termination of the current eligibility list. At the time of posting, such notice shall contain the date of the written exam as well as the date(s) of the subsequent steps in the selection process. Such notice shall include a complete bibliography upon which the examination shall be based.

SECTION 2 The certified promotional eligibility list shall continue in force two (2) years, unless prior to this time all names on the certified promotional eligibility list have been exhausted. If no names remain on the certified promotional eligibility list, then that list shall be considered as terminated and, within thirty (30) days, a posting of a promotional examination shall be made in accordance with Section 1.

SECTION 3 Eligibility requirements, including school points and seniority city service points shall be met prior to the first day of the month in which the first examination phase is given.

School and city service points must be earned prior to the first day of the month in which the first examination phase is given.

SECTION 4 It is understood and agreed that the CITY has the absolute right to establish minimum qualifying standards for any Bargaining Unit classification within the Omaha Police Department. Qualifying standards shall include but are not limited to, educational, medical, physical, testing procedures and years of experience requirements.

To be eligible for a promotional examination for a bargaining unit classification rank within the Omaha Police Department, the candidate must establish the minimum years of qualifying experience as a sworn employee with the CITY Police Department, without any breaks or interruption in service from either the date of employment or re-employment of the employee provided that lay-off of one year or less, any suspensions for disciplinary purposes, absence on authorized leave with or without pay, absence while receiving temporary total disability benefits under the Nebraska Workmen's Compensation Act, shall not constitute a break or interruption in service within the meaning of this Article.

The candidate must establish the minimum years of qualifying experience as a sworn police officer with the Omaha Police Department

prior to the first day of the month in which the first examination phase is given. The following minimum years of service are required in order to take a promotional test as indicated:

- A. Sergeant Test – four (4) years of service with the Omaha Police Department.
- B. Lieutenant Test – six (6) years of service with the Omaha Police Department which must include two (2) years of service at the rank of Sergeant within the Omaha Police Department.
- C. Captain Test – eight (8) years of service with the Omaha Police Department which must include two (2) years of service at the rank of Lieutenant within the Omaha Police Department.

SECTION 5 Vacancies in the classifications above police officer shall be filled from the then current certified promotional list as they occur, but no later than sixty (60) days from the date of vacancy. It is understood that any promotion shall be retroactive to the date of the vacancy for the purposes of seniority. Any promotion made after the 60th day will be retroactive to the 60th day of the vacancy for the purposes of pay. If the vacancy occurs at any time during the existence of any two (2) year list, such vacancy shall be appointed from that list. It is also understood that the date the employee actually undertakes the duties of his/her new position is the date the employee's probation begins.

SECTION 6 College and city service points shall be included for sworn Police Department promotional examinations as follows:

- A. Such points shall be computed by the Human Resources Department using criteria identified in the posting;
- B. Such points shall not be added unless a candidate has first met the pre-established pass/fail score for each part of the examination;
- C. 1. The score for the initial phase of the examination, which is a precondition to continuing in the examination process, shall be calculated by adding:
 - ☐ The earned score on the initial phase of the examination, which shall have a maximum of one hundred (100) points,
 - ☐ A maximum of ten (10) points for city service. As used hereafter, city service points shall mean and be computed as follows:
 - ☐ Credit for service with the City will be given on the basis

of one-twelfth (1/12th) of a point per completed month of service as a sworn member of the Police Department, to a maximum of ten (10) points after the service years needed to meet the experience requirements, as identified on the posting, have been subtracted.

- ☐ A maximum of ten (10) points for college for Police exams. As used hereafter, college shall mean and be computed as follows:
 - ☐ College credits for Police promotional exams will be given on the basis of one-twelfth (1/12th) of a point for each credit hour of completed course work toward a Bachelor's Degree, to a maximum of ten (10) points. A candidate who has a post graduate degree, such as a Master's Degree, Ph.D., law degree, will receive ten (10) points for college.
 - ☐ Credits will be evaluated on the basis of the course catalog from the University of Nebraska at Omaha.
1. The final score from which the ranking on the eligibility list is determined, shall be computed as follows:
- ☐ 70% of the percentage score (based on a 100% scale) achieved on the subsequent phases(s) of the examination process, plus
 - ☐ 23% of the percentage score (based on a 100% scale) achieved on the initial test identified in C(1) above, plus
 - ☐ 3% of the city service points identified in C(1) above, (computed as a percentage of the total points available) plus
 - ☐ 4% of the college points identified in C(1) above (computed as a percentage of the total points available).

The following example serves to illustrate how such points are allocated:

Assume that an applicant for a Police Sergeant promotional exam achieves a score of 80% on the initial test, (the multiple-choice exam), out of a possible 100%. Also assume that this applicant has 10 city service points, and 5 college points. This candidate's scores would be combined, for a total of 95 points, in order to determine if he/she would be invited to the second phase of the testing process, the Assessment Center.

Assume that this candidate qualified to participate in the Assessment Center, and achieved a rating on the Assessment

Center of 70%. The candidate's rating of 80 on the multiple choice will receive a weight of 23%, college service will receive a weight of 4%, and city service will receive a weight of 3%, and his/her rating of 70% on the Assessment Center will receive a weight of 70%. This combined score will determine the candidate's final ranking on the eligibility list. In this example, this candidate's final score will be 72.4, which is computed as follows:

Multiple Choice exam: (This candidate answered 80% of the questions correctly, and therefore achieved 80% of the total possible points on this test.)

$$80\% \quad X \quad .23 = \quad .184$$

City Service (10 points out of a possible 10 or 100%):

$$100\% \quad X \quad .03 = \quad .03$$

College (5 points out of a possible 10 points or 50% of the available points)

$$50\% \quad X \quad .04 = \quad .02$$

$$\text{Assessment Center:} \quad 70\% \quad X \quad .7 = \quad .49$$

$$\text{Total:} \quad .724$$

Therefore, the candidate in this example received a combined rating of .7247, which is equal to 72.2% of the available points or total number of points possible on all parts of the test combined, based on the following:

80% of the total possible on the written test (which was weighted 23%)

100% of the total possible number of city service points (weighted 3%)

50% of the total possible number of college points (weighted 4%)

70% of the total possible points from the Assessment Center (weighted 70%).

Under this contractual provision, college and city service points will be considered during the initial phase of the exam process, as well as the subsequent phase(s). However, these points are assigned a lower weight when computing the final score than they received at the initial phase.

SECTION 7

In the event that the CITY utilizes structured or scored interviews or an assessment center as part of any promotional testing process, the CITY agrees that it shall make a recording of the interview or assessment center. CITY agrees to maintain any such recording for at least four years after the date of the structured or scored interview, or assessment center.

ARTICLE 34

PENSIONS

SECTION 1: DEFINITIONS

Board: Shall mean the Board of Trustees of the System.

Member: Shall mean any person who by virtue of his employment status is participating in the System.

Pensionable Earnings: Shall have the same meaning as the term "pensionable earnings" as that term is defined in Chapter 22 of the Omaha Municipal Code.

Retiree: Shall mean any person receiving a disability or regular service retirement, who is no longer contributing to the System.

System: Shall mean the Police and Fire Retirement System.

SECTION 2: CONTRIBUTIONS

To fund all benefits within this Article, each member and the CITY shall contribute to the System. Effective January 1, 2014, the member shall contribute every bi-weekly payroll period 15.35% of his/her pensionable earnings. The member's contribution shall be deducted prior to federal income tax withholding as allowed by IRS 414(h). The CITY shall contribute annually 20.17% of each employee's pensionable earnings. Commencing in the 2026 contract year, 2018 contract year through the 2025 contract year the member shall contribute an additional 0.75% of his/her pensionable earnings to the system and the CITY shall contribute an additional like sum (0.75%) to the system, which contributions had previously sunset at the end of each contract. In addition, as a result of the pension changes negotiated for the 2026 contract year, the member shall contribute an additional 0.19% of his/her pensionable earnings to the system and the City shall contribute an additional like sum, 0.19%, to the system. The additional .75% contribution by the member and the similar contribution by the CITY is subject to a sunset provision and shall end following expiration of the 2025 contract year and that obligation will not renew even if there is an automatic contract extension pursuant to Article 47.

SECTION 3: UNFUNDED ACTUARIAL LIABILITY CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFIT REDUCTIONS

As of January 1, 2009, the Police & Fire Pension System has an unfunded actuarial liability of approximately \$520 million dollars, as determined by the actuary firm of Milliman Inc. The City and the members, through the collective bargaining process, have agreed that by the end of this labor agreement, each will contribute at least 13.5% of payroll (either through additional cash contributions or benefit reductions), as verified by the actuary firm of Milliman Inc., in order to take the necessary steps to reduce this unfunded actuarial liability over time and make the pension system financially viable. The

members have agreed that they will achieve their percentage of payroll through various benefit reductions and cash contributions detailed in this labor agreement with savings verified by the actuary firm of Milliman Inc.

Those savings and cash contributions, as a package, are:

BENEFIT REDUCTION	SAVINGS AS A PERCENT OF PAYROLL (AS VERIFIED BY MILLIMAN INC.)
As part of the pension calculation, the City will compute for all sworn employees each member's career overtime average (COTA), using the applicable pensionable earnings, and will apply such COTA to a member's final pension calculation.	7.4%
All current employees and those employees hired after January 1, 2010, except for those employees who at the time of the legal execution of the labor agreement who are at least 45 years of age with at least 20 years of service, shall have their applicable measurement period be the member's highest consecutive 78 bi-weekly payroll periods within the member's final 130 pay periods of service.	1.8%

SAVINGS AS A PERCENT OF PAYROLL
(AS VERIFIED BY MILLIMAN INC.)

BENEFIT REDUCTION

For those current employees with less than 20 years of service, they shall retire with 20 years of service at a 50% pension, 25 years of service at a 70% pension; 30 years of service at 75% pension.

For these employees hired after January 1, 2010, those employees shall retire with 20 years of service at a 50% pension, 25 years of service at a 65% pension; 30 years of service at 75% pension. These employees must have a minimum age of 50 to retire, however, should the employee retire at an age less than 55 years, such employee shall have their final monthly pension calculation reduced by 7% per each year less than 55 years of age, as described below.

3.5%

For these employees hired after January 1, 2010, if such employee retires and dies, the widow or widower shall receive a monthly pension equal to 50 percent of the monthly pension that the member was receiving or eligible to receive at the time of member's death.

Employees will contribute additional pension contributions into the system.

0.8% additional contribution

TOTAL

13.5% of payroll

Other pension changes (detailed in other areas of Article 34) that are effective upon the legal execution of the labor agreements are:

BENEFIT CHANGE	COST/SAVINGS AS A PERCENT OF PAYROLL (AS VERIFIED BY MILLIMAN INC.)
The pensionable earnings for all members hired after January 1, 2010, shall exclude the COTA pay categories. The City's payroll pension contribution for these members shall remain the same as members hired before January 1, 2010.	Savings of 0.3%
Any member hired after January 1, 2010, who retires at an age less than 55 years but with at least 30 years of sworn service, shall avoid having their final monthly pension calculation reduced by 7% per each year less than 55 years of age.	Cost of 0.2%

Upon the legal execution of this agreement, the City shall, contribute annually a cash contribution of payroll equal to the following:

TIME	CONTRIBUTION
Legal Execution of the Labor Agreement	12.5%
2011 anniversary date of the legal execution of the labor agreement ("anniversary date")	13.0%
2012 "anniversary date" and beyond	13.5%

The City's contribution will be paid no later than the first payroll period of 2012. The City shall pay all interest on any delayed contributions to the pension system as determined by the pension board's actuary.

The City's monetary contributions toward this unfunded actuarial liability shall not be considered pension contributions in any litigation before the Commission of Industrial Relations or used as a basis for comparison with member contributions for any purposes under the Nebraska Industrial Relations Act. The parties agree that this limitation is not intended in any way to waive the requirements and language of City of Omaha Section

6.09 and that neither party will advance such an argument in any dispute or litigation that should ever arise between the parties.

SECTION 3A: 2026 PLAN CHANGES

That as part of the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached for the 2026 and 2027 payroll year, the parties agreed on a number of changes which were considered in total. Amendments have been made to the pertinent Sections of Article 34 implementing those changes, but the purpose of this Section is to fully describe the context and consideration for the changes to the pension benefits. Any increases in benefits have been costed by the System's actuary.

The parties agreed to the following:

1. To remove the language which sunset 1.50% of payroll contributions(0.75% City and 0.75% Employee) at the end of the 2025 payroll year.
2. Eliminate the early retirement reduction applicable to Tier 3 Police members who retire with less than 30 years' service and prior to age 55. The parties have relied upon the analysis of the cost of these changes by the fund's actuary, Milliman, and have agreed that the cost to eliminate the early retirement reduction is 0.11% of payroll.
3. Modify the surviving spouse benefit percentage from 50% to 75% applicable to Tier 3 Police members. The parties have relied upon the analysis of the cost of these changes by the fund's actuary, Milliman, who determined that the cost was negligible and have agreed that the cost to modify the surviving spouse benefit to be is 0% of payroll.
4. Implement a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for Tier 3 Police members consistent with the analysis performed by Milliman on 11/21/25 for "Tier 3 Police members will receive an annual 3.0% cost of living adjustment (COLA) starting one year after retirement. The annual increase is limited to \$1,800." The parties have relied upon the analysis of the cost of these changes by the fund's actuary, Milliman, and have agreed that the cost for the COLA for Tier 3 members to eliminate the early retirement reduction is 0.27% of payroll.
5. The cost of funding the pension changes in items 2, 3, and 4 above was a cumulative 0.38% of payroll. (0.11%, 0%, and 0.27%). The parties agree that the additional cost of these pension changes will be split equally be the City and the employee, with each party being responsible for 0.19%.
6. The City and OPOA agree to investigate but are not bound to implement disability reform changes to the system, which changes may result in savings to the system. The parties agree that if the disability reform implemented by the parties results in savings to the plan, as determined by the funds actuary, that such savings will be used to reduce the contributions of the City and the employee to the system. For example, if disability form results in saving 0.8% of payroll, contributions by the City and the employee will be reduced by 0.4%.

SECTION 4: RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Pensions will be calculated using the applicable percent of the member's pay from the highest consecutive 26 bi-weekly payroll periods within the final 130 pay periods of service, unless changed below.

Effective September 19, 2010, as part of the pension calculation, the City will compute each retiring member's career overtime average (COTA). Career overtime average (COTA) is calculated as follows: each hour an employee earns for overtime (e.g. court time, call-in pay, comp time paid as cash, or any other methods the City has paid such employee for "overtime" hours and for which a member has paid a pension contribution) shall be computed back to their date of hire or 1991 (whichever is later) and divided by the number of years the employee has served after December 31, 1990, thus arriving at his career overtime average, which shall be included in the employee's pension calculation. A listing of a member's pensionable earnings and COTA pay categories is listed in Appendix "C".

Pensionable earnings are used to determine the member's final monthly pension benefits and shall be equal to the sum of the member's COTA multiplied by the member's average hourly pay rate plus the member's pensionable pay, pursuant to Chapter 22, (except for any "overtime" worked or paid in the applicable period). Both the member's hourly pay rate and pensionable pay shall be averaged over their highest applicable measurement period.

The intent of the COTA is to ensure that each employee's final pensionable year(s) are representative of that individual employee's career overtime earnings. Using a member's COTA eliminates a member's ability to "spike" their pension.

The pension benefit is based upon the ordinances in effect at the time employment is severed or terminated (i.e., pensions are calculated using the method and percentage in effect at the time the member leaves CITY employment). Changes to the pension benefit enacted after the date a member leaves CITY service shall not be applicable to such member.

In order to insure that pension eligible members may make an informed retirement choice, each such member shall have from the later of (1) the date this agreement becomes legally effective; or (2) twenty (20) calendar days after the City provides the final COTA calculation to the Association and member, to determine if they wish to retire under the pension benefits existing prior to this labor agreement. If a pension eligible member chooses to retire under the pension benefits existing prior to this labor agreement, they must submit their retirement paperwork to the City of Omaha Human Resources Department and work their last day of actual employment on or before the date calculated pursuant to the previous sentence. This provision is intended to insure that an employee who makes a decision to retire in that time period will receive the pension benefits existing prior to this labor agreement and not in this labor agreement.

The pensionable earnings for all members hired after January 1, 2010, shall exclude the

COTA pay categories. The City's payroll pension contribution for these members shall remain the same as members hired before January 1, 2010.

Any member who is at least 45 years old and has at least 20 years of service may retire with a normal service retirement according to the chart below.

As of September 19, 2010, any member with at least 20 years of service and who then subsequently reaches the requisite years of service and age for their pension to commence, may retire with a normal service retirement according to the chart below. However, the applicable measurement period for this group is the member's highest consecutive 78 bi-weekly payroll periods within the member's final 130 pay periods of service.

Minimum Years of Service	Age at Which Pension Commences	Percentage
10	55	20%
15	55	30%
20	45	55%
20 & 6 months	45	57%
21	45	59%
21 & 6 months	45	61%
22	45	63%
22 & 6 months	45	65%
23	45	67%
23 & 6 months	45	69%
24	45	71%
24 & 6 months	45	73%
25	45	75%

As of September 19, 2010, any member with less than 20 years of service and who then subsequently reaches the requisite years of service and age for their pension to commence, may retire with a normal service retirement according to the chart below. However, the applicable measurement period for this group is the member's highest consecutive 78 bi-weekly payroll periods within the member's final 130 pay periods of service.

Minimum Years of Service	Age at Which Pension Commences	Percentage
10	55	20%
15	55	30%
20	45	50%
20 & 6 months	45	52%
21	45	54%
21 & 6 months	45	56%
22	45	58%
22 & 6 months	45	60%
23	45	62%
23 & 6 months	45	64%
24	45	66%
24 & 6 months	45	68%
25	45	70%
25 & 6 months	45	71%
26	45	72%
26 & 6 months	45	73%
27	45	74%
27 & 6 months	45	74%
28	45	74%
28 & 6 months	45	74%
29	45	74.5%
29 & 6 months	45	74.5%
30	45	75%

Any member hired after January 1, 2010, who then subsequently reaches the requisite years of service and age for their pension to commence, may retire with a normal service retirement according to the chart below. The pensions for these members will be calculated using the applicable percent of the member's pay from the highest consecutive 78 bi-weekly payroll periods within the member's final 130 pay periods of service (the member's annual figure will be determined by taking the highest 78 bi-weekly payroll periods and dividing by 3 then apply the applicable percent of the member's pay). Any of

~~these members who retire under the chart below at an age less than 55 years with less than 30 years of sworn service, shall have their final monthly pension calculation, as shown in the chart below, reduced by 7% per each year less than 55 years of age. For example, if an employee is 50 years old and has 26 years of service, then he may retire according to the chart below, however, their final monthly pension calculation will be reduced by 35% (7% x 5 years less than 55 years old).~~

Minimum Years of Service	Age at Which Pension Commences	Percentage
10	55	20%
15	55	30%
20	50	50%
20 & 6 months	50	51.5%
21	50	53%
21 & 6 months	50	54.5%
22	50	56%
22 & 6 months	50	57.5%
23	50	59%
23 & 6 months	50	60.5%
24	50	62%
24 & 6 months	50	63.5%
25	50	65%
25 & 6 months	50	66%
26	50	67%
26 & 6 months	50	68%
27	50	69%
27 & 6 months	50	70%
28	50	71%
28 & 6 months	50	72%
29	50	73%
29 & 6 months	50	74%
30	50	75%

SECTION 5: DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PROGRAM – "DROP"

Effective September 19, 2010, the parties agree to implement a cost-neutral DROP option.

Eligibility for this option is as follows:

- ☐ Current members with at least 20 years of service as of September 19, 2010 are eligible to participate in the DROP option at 22.5 years of service, if they are at least 45 years of age.
- ☐ All other pension members, who have reached minimum pension age, may participate in the DROP option at 25 years of service.

The wages of the DROP participant shall include all wages normally earned by a similarly situated sworn employee and the DROP participant shall continue to pay pension contributions into the system as if they were an active employee. The City will also contribute its pension contribution for such DROP participant into the pension system. A DROP participant shall be considered an active employee for all purposes except the following: the DROP participant is not eligible for early deferred retirement, for promotion, for longevity pay, for tuition reimbursement, and for either service or non-service connected disability retirement (except as provided in the section entitled "Service connected disability" below).

The parties intend that the DROP option is designed to be at least cost-neutral to the pension plan. The Board of Trustees of the Police pension system and the actuaries will monitor the DROP option each year and will report its conclusions to the City and the ASSOCIATION.

In designing a cost-neutral DROP option, the parties agree that the DROP option will include the following features:

1. The member must make an irrevocable election to participate in DROP for the DROP election period. A member who makes the irrevocable election shall be called a DROP participant. A member shall apply for DROP on a form prescribed by the Pension Board and shall agree to sever employment at the end of the DROP election period. The DROP election period shall be for a minimum for three years and a maximum for 5 years. A DROP participant who does not complete the DROP election period shall be ineligible for the payment of the portion of his/her DROP account balance that represents the interest credit with respect to the DROP election period. The above shall not apply if the DROP participant is required to sever employment because of the mandatory retirement age, does not complete the DROP election period due to hardship or disability as described below, or the DROP participant dies.
2. During the DROP election period, an amount equal to the retirement benefit that the DROP participant would have received if the DROP participant had retired on the day before his or her DROP election

period shall be credited to the DROP participant's DROP account. The DROP account is a notional account in the pension plan.

3. The member's DROP account shall be credited annually with interest as determined by the Pension Board, in consultation with the actuary, in the range of 0 to 7%. The credit rate shall be determined after the close of the calendar year, with respect to the calendar year. For example, the interest crediting rate for 2010 shall be determined in the first quarter of 2011 and shall be credited to the DROP account as of December 31, 2010. The credited interest rate is intended to be cost-neutral. In order to further this goal, interest may only be crediting in a year in which rate of return on the investments of the pension plan reach the assumed investment rate of return (on a market value basis) and with respect to such a year the interest credited may not exceed 50% of the actual rate of return. For example, if the assumed investment rate of return is 8%, interest may only be credited with respect to 2010 if the pension fund earns 8% in 2010; and in that event, the DROP interest credited for 2010 cannot exceed 4%.
4. It is understood that the awarding of interest into an employee's DROP account is at the complete discretion of the Pension Board within the parameters set above. The Pension Board in the exercise of its discretion shall offset any negative balances experienced by such system during the DROP period of prior years.
5. Upon actual retirement at the end of the DROP election period or at mandatory retirement age (whichever is earlier), a DROP participant is entitled to receive his/her DROP account balance and to begin receipt of his/her retirement benefit that was calculated as of the day before his/her DROP election period.
6. The DROP account balance shall be distributed in a lump sum with the first monthly retirement benefit after severance from employment. Any additional interest shall be distributed when determined.
7. The DROP account balance (and any additional interest) shall be treated as an eligible rollover distribution to the extent permitted by law.

Notwithstanding paragraph 1 above that requires an irrevocable election to complete the DROP election period, a member may withdraw, without penalty, from DROP prior to the expiration of the member's DROP election period for the following reasons, subject to the approval of the Pension Board:

- a. **Hardship/Non-Service Connected Disability:** A DROP participant may apply to withdraw from the DROP option in the case of unexpected, life-changing situations, including the death of a spouse and terminal illness of a spouse or child, or upon the granting by the Pension Board of a non-service connected disability for an injury suffered during the DROP

period. A DROP participant whose application to withdraw on account of either hardship or a non-service connected disability approved by the Pension Board shall receive, as of the date of his/her severance from employment, his/her DROP account balance and shall commence his/her retirement benefit calculated as of the day before his/her DROP election period.

- b. Service connected disability: A DROP participant who is granted a service connected disability for injuries suffered during the DROP period shall be entitled to withdraw the funds in his DROP account, however, he shall receive no additional sums as disability payments (he maintains the same pension that he had been entitled to upon entering the DROP option). Such employee's medical bills shall be paid under contract provisions for a normal service retirement, not under the provisions for a service-connected disability. However, such employee shall receive workers compensation benefits to which may be entitled.

If an employee is injured during the DROP period and is assigned light duty, the provisions of Article 25 shall be followed and may not be waived by the parties.

In the event that a DROP participant dies during a DROP election period, the DROP participant's DROP account balance shall be paid to his/her spouse or children or estate, pursuant to other provisions of this contract and the applicable pension rules.

The Pension Board may adopt administrative policies, procedures, and forms to implement this DROP option.

SECTION 6: RETIREMENT – INJURY – ILLNESS

Any member of the Police and Fire Retirement System, covered by this Agreement, who should sustain an injury or illness not in the line of duty and as a result becomes unfit for active duty shall receive the following percentage of the member's average final monthly compensation.

Years of Service	Percent
Less than 10	10
10 and over	20
15 and over	30
20 and over	45 or *
25	*

* Same percentage employee would get if he/she took a normal service retirement, however the 7% reduction for each year below the age of 55 years shall not apply.

Pension payments for service-connected disability retirements shall be reduced by the dollar amount equivalent to any worker's compensation benefits paid to the retiree times the percentage contributed to the System by the CITY. Pursuant to Omaha Municipal Code Section 22-78, a member of the System who receives a service connected disability retirement is entitled to have the medically necessary expenses for the injury or sickness for which he/she receives such disability pension, paid by the System. CITY and ASSOCIATION have agreed that as to members of the System which are represented by the ASSOCIATION that the System is no longer responsible for any medical expenses that might be incurred by an individual who receives a service-connected disability pension. The City shall be responsible for work related medical expenses if it has accepted compensability or has been deemed to have liability for the work-related injury and remains obligated to pay the medical expenses pursuant to its statutory obligations under the Nebraska Workers Compensation Act.

Any member of the Police and Fire Retirement System, covered by this Agreement, who should sustain an injury or illness in the line of duty and as a result becomes unfit for active duty shall receive the following percentage of the member's average final monthly compensation.

Years of Service	Percent
Less than 20	50
20 or more	*

* Same percentage employee would get if he/she took a normal service retirement, however the 7% reduction for each year below the age of 55 years shall not apply.

SECTION 7: DEFERRED RETIREMENT

Any member of the Police and Fire Retirement System whose employment with the City shall be severed or terminated prior to attaining eligibility for a normal service retirement but who has served at least ten (10) years, can elect to leave the contribution in the system and thereby shall be eligible for a deferred service retirement pension, computed on the member's years of service credit and average final monthly compensation as of the date of termination as follows:

Years of Service	Minimum Age	Percent
10 years and over	55	20%
15 years and over	55	30%
20 years and over	*	*

* Same percentage employee would get if he/she took a normal service retirement

An employee who "vests" his/her pension rights pursuant to the above, shall not thereafter be entitled to any benefits upon commencement of pension provided for retirees

elsewhere in this Agreement (e.g. health insurance).

SECTION 8: CHILDREN'S PENSION

A monthly pension shall be payable to each unmarried child under the age of eighteen (18) of a deceased member or retiree. The monthly pension shall be based on the deceased's total annual compensation from the member's designated measure period, described above.

Number of Eligible Children	Percent
1	15
2	30
3	45
4 or more	50

The percent of the deceased's annual total compensation from the highest consecutive 26 bi-weekly payroll periods within the last five (5) years of service shall be divided equally among eligible children. The pension for each child shall be paid monthly to age 18 or death or marriage, whichever occurs first. In the event any child is totally disabled at the time of death of a member or retiree and has been so totally disabled or totally dependent for support since prior to age 18, whether or not such child was under the age of 18 at the time of such death, such monthly pension benefit shall be paid until the cessation of total disability or dependency for support, whichever occurs first. Any payment made under the section, regardless of whether due or hereinafter to become due, at the option of the CITY, may be paid to any parent or guardian of the child or children for his/her or their care, either method of payment being in full satisfaction of the requirements of this section.

SECTION 9: WIDOW OR WIDOWER

Beginning March 6, 2003, a monthly pension shall be payable to a widow or widower of an active or retired member of the Police and Fire Retirement System as long as the widow/widower was legally married to the deceased member at least one full year prior to the member's death. As of the date of ratification of this agreement, the definition of widow or widower is changed to reflect and only recognize the widow/widower as someone who was legally married to an active member at time of death or a retired member on or before their date of retirement. Benefits will continue for the widow/widower until death unless he or she shall remarry. If widow/widower should remarry all rights to such pension shall be terminated forever. That pension shall be as follows:

- A. If an active member with less than twenty-five (25) years of service dies from causes connected with service, the widow or widower shall be paid a monthly pension equal to 49 percent of the deceased member's average final monthly compensation. If an

active member with twenty-five (25) years of service or more dies from causes connected with service, the widow will receive 69 percent of the deceased member's average final monthly compensation.

In the event such active member shall die as a result of injuries or illness sustained in the line of duty and:

- ☐ widow or widower was not legally married to said member for a full year, or
- ☐ if the widow/widower should remarry after commencing benefits under this section, or
- ☐ if spouse of deceased member predeceased him or her,

then benefits normally payable under this Section to a widow/widower shall be placed in a trust fund for the education of the minor child(ren), if any, of the deceased member, until such child(ren) attain age 18, marry, or die. Said benefit will be paid into the trust equally for each child(ren).

B. If an active member dies from causes not connected with service, the widow or widower shall be paid a monthly pension as follows:

- ☐ If the deceased member had at least three (3) years and up to ten (10) years service credit under the Police and Fire Pension System, such member's widow or widower shall receive a pension equal to 35 percent of the deceased active member's average final monthly compensation. In addition, for a deceased member who has over ten (10) years of service, the widow or widower will be compensated an additional 1.4% for each additional year of service up to the deceased member having twenty (20) years of service. Therefore, a deceased member having twenty (20) years of service credit will entitle his/her widow to receive 49 percent of his/her average final monthly compensation. A widow of a member who dies having twenty (20) years of service credit up to and including twenty-four (24) years of service credit will be entitled to receive 49 percent of his/her average final monthly compensation.
- ☐ If the deceased member had 25 or more years of service, such member's widow/widower shall receive a pension equal to 69 percent of the deceased member's average final monthly compensation.

If a retired employee dies, the widow or widower shall receive a monthly pension equal to 75 percent of the monthly pension that the member was receiving or eligible to receive at the time of member's death. ~~For employees hired after January 1, 2010, this benefit is reduced to 50 percent.~~

SECTION 10: REFUND OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Refunds of accumulated contributions to the System shall be made from the System as follows:

- (1) Upon approval by the System's Board of an application for refund of contributions when employment is terminated and the member is not eligible for retirement, full refund of member contributions with interest shall be made.
- (2) Upon approval by the System's Board of a former member's application for refund of contributions when the former member had elected deferred service retirement and is not yet eligible to receive pension payments, full refund of employee contributions with interest shall be made.
- (3) Upon the death of an employee or retiree where no widow or widower or children are left surviving who are entitled to pension benefits, a lump sum refund equal to the employee's accumulated contributions, or the retiree's balance of accumulated contributions in excess of total pension payments made to the retiree, or \$500.00, whichever is greater, shall be made to the designated beneficiary or heirs at law.
- (4) Upon cessation of pension benefits to a widow or widower or child(ren), a lump sum payment equal to the balance, if any, of the deceased's accumulated contributions in excess of the total amount of pension payments made to the retiree, widow, widower, and child(ren) shall be made to the widow or widower or child who is last to cease receiving a pension benefit from the System. Upon the payment of such lump sum amount, if any, the widow or widower and children shall have no future rights and privileges under the System.
- (5) Such refund as provided herein shall forever forfeit any and all rights to pension benefits from the System.

SECTION 11: DEATH BENEFITS

Within three (3) business days from the date the Human Resources Department receives appropriate certification of a member's or retiree's death, a lump sum death benefit shall be paid to the deceased's designated beneficiary.

- A. Upon the death of a member where a widow or widower or child(ren) are left surviving who are eligible for pension benefits, a lump sum death benefit equal to one year's pay plan salary shall be made. One year's pay plan salary shall be based on the top step pay rate for Police Officer from the current pay plan.
- B. Upon the death of a retiree where a widow or widower or child(ren) are left surviving who are eligible for pension benefits, a lump sum death benefit of \$1,000.00 shall be

made. The lump sum death benefit shall be charged against and deducted from the accumulated contributions of the deceased retiree.

- C. Upon the death of a member or retiree where there is no widow or widower or child(ren) surviving who are eligible for pension benefits, a lump sum equal to the deceased member's accumulated contributions, if any, or \$500.00, whichever is greater, shall be made to the designated beneficiary.

SECTION 12: EARLY DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION

Any sworn police employee who is eligible for a normal service retirement within ten (10) months, may apply for, and be granted, an early, deferred retirement according to the following rules:

- (1) Such employee must sign a binding agreement to retire on a date certain within the ensuing twenty (20) pay periods ("mandatory retirement date"). Absent a hardship as determined by the COPFRS, the minimum period for such binding agreement shall be four (4) pay periods.
- (2) Additionally, such employee must declare a "binding separation date" (last day the employee will perform job duties). Employee must elect an "early deferred retirement" (time between the binding separation date and the mandatory retirement date) up to a maximum of twenty (20) pay periods.
- (3) It is the employee's obligation, with the assistance of the Human Resources and Finance Department, to determine the employee's "payout bank" (the dollar amount the employee is entitled to in sick and annual leave payoff upon retirement pursuant to other Articles of this agreement). In order to be eligible for this early deferred retirement option, an employee must have a sufficient "payout bank" to cover all "early deferred retirement" time and any service years assessment salary reduction obligation (if applicable; see Article 37, Section 9). In order to minimize the potential for error and the use of leave prior to entry into "early deferred retirement", the calculation shall include a buffer of twenty-four (24) hours. From the time between the binding separation date and the mandatory retirement date, the employee shall be paid his/her regular salary by reducing the balance of the employee's payout bank.
- (4) When an employee is on "early deferred retirement" time, he/she shall be assigned to a "5-2" schedule (Monday through Friday, excluding weekends, on the "B" Shift). Such employee shall be entitled to receive an hourly rate equal to the hourly pay schedule rate the employee was receiving immediately before the employee elected to go on "early deferred retirement" time. This means that from the time between the binding separation date and the mandatory retirement date, the employee shall be paid his/her regular salary by reducing the balance of the employee's payout bank.

The City shall pay to the employee any college incentive pay and longevity pay

that the employee was being paid even though the employee is not performing any work for the City. Should a holiday occur on the employee's "5-2" schedule, or if the employee has a birthday during the "early deferred retirement" time, the employee shall be paid for the respective Holiday Leave and Birthday Leave (both leaves equivalent to 8 hours pay at regular rate of pay) by the City. If the employee is required to attend court or other tribunal sessions during his/her "early deferred retirement" time, no additional pay shall accrue for such attendance during what would have been the employee's normal working hours (Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.). If, however, an employee is required to attend such tribunals outside of his/her normal working hours such time shall be compensable as court time, pursuant to Article 19, or overtime, pursuant to Article 21, depending on the circumstances. If an employee is "called in" to actually perform services during this "early deferred retirement" time, he/she shall be compensated according to Article 19, Section 2 ("call in")

- (5) The Human Resources and Finance Department shall calculate the binding separation date and the mandatory retirement date, as set forth above, and shall prepare such agreements for the employee's signature. The Police and Fire Pension Board must approve both such signed agreements prior to becoming effective.
- (6) During the "early deferred retirement" period, an employee shall accrue sick and annual leave pursuant to other Articles of this agreement. The employee shall remain subject to provisions regarding the carryover of annual leave hours from one year to another in addition to other Articles of this agreement. At the end of the "early deferred retirement" period, the employee will be paid for accumulated sick and annual leave balances in cash upon retirement pursuant to other provisions of this labor agreement.
- (7) The Human Resources and Finance Departments shall issue, if necessary, reasonable rules and regulations to administer and regulate this early, deferred retirement option. The rules and regulations shall be implemented upon the mutual consent of the parties.
- (8) An employee electing the Early Deferred Retirement Option may not participate in the DROP option.

SECTION 13: PENSION SUPPLEMENT

The CITY will provide a pension supplement of three percent (3%) or fifty dollars (\$50) per month, whichever amount is less, beginning in the thirty-seventh (37th) month of retirement. This supplement shall continue on an annual basis with increases effective on the pension anniversary date. For all employees that retire the first pay period after March 6, 2003, the benefits will begin on the thirteen (13th) month of retirement. The cost of changing of this benefit from 37 months to 13 months has been determined by the actuary firm of Milliman & Robertson, Inc. to be 0.36% of payroll. The amount shall be paid as follows:

- ☐ Beginning the first pay period after March 6, 2003, the City shall pay one-half of the cost (0.18%) into the pension system or trust account for the duration of this agreement.
- ☐ Beginning the first pay period after March 6, 2003, employees shall pay 0.18% into the pension system or trust account for the duration of this agreement.

The above method of payment has been determined by Milliman & Robertson, Inc. to be sufficient to fully fund this benefit increase.

For those members hired after January 1, 2010 (Tier 3 members), the member will receive a pension supplement of three (3%) percent or \$150 dollars (\$150) per month, whichever amount is less, beginning in the thirteen (13th) month of retirement.

For any member participating in the DROP option, their pension supplements shall continue on an annual basis with increases effective on the member's pension anniversary date.

SECTION 14: "QUALIFIED PLAN"

The CITY shall take such action as is necessary so that the System will continue to be a plan qualified under applicable Internal Revenue Service rules, which status will allow the employee to pay his portion of the pension contribution before federal income tax is withheld.

SECTION 15:

Any employee who has any of his/her highest twenty-six (26) pay periods, for the purposes of calculation of pension under this labor agreement, fall within payroll years 2004, 2005, or 2006 shall receive an additional 3.5% added on to his/her gross wages for any of those twenty-six pay periods upon which his/her pension is calculated. It is understood that this money will be paid as wages to each employee for any time (in 2004, 2005, or 2006) that is used to calculate his/her highest twenty-six pay periods. This means that, from the gross amount, normal wage deductions will be taken, including pension contribution, and that the pension contribution will be paid into the pension system.

Any employee whose highest twenty-six (26) pay periods, for the purposes of pension calculation, include any time period which falls within payroll years 2004 or 2005; and whose pension calculation is reduced because of the "special time off bank" obligation, in Article 20, Section 9, shall have the following apply:

- ☐ Those holidays in which the employee worked and would have received compensation in wages paid at the time earned, may be added at the employee's discretion to their highest 26 pay period for the purposes of calculation of his/her pension.

- ☐ This applies only to those holidays actually worked and not those holidays an employee takes holiday leave.

The intent of this provision is to not have the "special time off" bank obligation (Article 20, Section 9) reduce the highest 26 pay period amount for the purposes of calculation of pension. However, if an employee cashes out, any or all of his/her time off bank in order to enhance the highest 26 pay period amount for purposes of calculation of pension, the employee shall have the option of choosing whichever calculation would be more beneficial to the employee.

SECTION 16: SPLITTING OF THE POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The City has been informed by the ASSOCIATION, and also by the Professional Firefighters Association, Local 385, that they desire to change the current pension system by dividing it into two separate systems; one a Police pension system and one a Fire pension system. While nothing has been agreed to between the parties, it is anticipated that the following guidelines could govern such separation:

- A. The two pension systems would segregate the funds of each party, however, the funds could be co-mingled for investment purposes only.
- B. The actuary firm of Milliman, USA has been the actuary firm for the pension system for some time and could be responsible for aiding and assisting the parties in separating the system, including the determination of how to separate the funds.
- C. In order to effectuate the contemplated separation of the pension system, each ASSOCIATION individually must vote in favor of the separation by a majority vote of those voting on the issue.

The City agrees to provide any information necessary to the ASSOCIATION or to Milliman, USA, so that such separation may be accomplished. Additionally, the City will agree to such separation as long as the pension system pays the entire cost for such separation and the separation does not result in any increased contributions to either the City or the employee.

- D. The new Police Pension Board, created by this separation of the current system, would consist of the following members: two (2) sworn Police employees elected similar to the election of current members; the City Human Resources Director; the City Finance Director; a member of the City Council selected by Council procedures; and two (2) appointments by the Mayor. Of these seven (7) people, one (1) member must be a woman and one (1) member must be a member of a minority group (other than being a woman).
- E. The City and the Police ASSOCIATION agree to explore a base wage percentage payout system in determining pension amounts. The Police ASSOCIATION will be responsible for any and all costs for determining the cost of such change. Any change

to a base wage percentage payout system will require mutual agreement of the parties.

ARTICLE 35

SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL

All sworn employees, except those assigned to the "B" Shift, shall receive a one dollar per hour, \$1 shift differential pay for hours worked, regardless of when those hours are worked. Commencing at the beginning of the 2027 payroll year, such shift differential pay shall increase to \$1.50 per hour.

ARTICLE 36

PAY FOR COLLEGE DEGREE & TUITION REIMBURSEMENT

- SECTION 1 The CITY shall pay for advanced educational incentive to all employees who have completed two (2) years of service with the Omaha Police Department. It is understood that the employee is entitled to such college incentive pay for only the highest degree obtained by such employee. The CITY shall pay the employee in equal increments, coinciding with the pay periods as follows:
- a) Each employee who has obtained an Associate's degree from an accredited college or university shall receive \$608 per year or \$23.38 per pay period.
 - b) Each employee who has obtained a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university shall receive \$1,410 per year or \$54.23 per pay period.
 - c) Each employee who has obtained a Master's or Doctorate degree from an accredited college or university shall receive \$1,725 per year or \$66.35 per pay period.
- SECTION 2 The City will provide tuition reimbursement for college classes up to two (2) semesters a year at the per semester cost of three (3) credit hours at the University of Nebraska-Omaha. Individuals in the DROP are not eligible for Tuition Reimbursement.

ARTICLE 37

WAGES

SECTION 1 For the 2020 payroll year, all employees covered by this Agreement shall receive a 3% base increase for 2020. Beginning in each of payroll years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025, all employees covered by this Agreement shall receive the following: a 2% base pay increase for 2021, a 3% base pay increase for 2022, a 3% base pay increase for 2023, a 8% base pay increase for 2024 (except that the T step shall be eliminated in 2024 and the A step shall have a 15% base pay increase), and a 3.5% base pay increase for 2025. In addition, a 2.7% base salary increase upon adoption of an ordinance making this change effective in the 2025 payroll year. For the 2026 payroll year, all employees shall receive a 5.58% base pay increase (as determined by the methodology in Section 4 below). For the 2027 payroll year, all employees shall receive a 6.4% base pay increase (unless Section 4 determines a higher increase is required). (See Appendix B).

SECTION 2 The rate of pay of any promoted employee shall be increased to that pay step in the new range which provides for a minimum five percent (5%) pay increase.

SECTION 3 The payroll structure shall be as follows:

- ☐ Police Officer shall have nine pay steps in eight (8) years with the duration of each step duration being one year.
- ☐ Sergeant shall have seven (7) steps in 6 years with each step duration being one year.
- ☐ Lieutenant shall have six (6) steps in five (5) years, and
- ☐ Captain shall have five (5) steps with the duration between steps being eighteen (18) months.

The number of years necessary to move from step to step on a given rank is located on the respective pay scales in Appendix B.

SECTION 4 Effective at the beginning of the 2026 payroll years, at a minimum, the top step pay of the officer rank will be 5% more than the highest pay of any other Nebraska law enforcement agency. That parties agree that on March 31 of each year, the City shall examine the pay plans of other Nebraska law enforcement agencies for the beginning of the next

calendar year and determine the top pay step for officer in the pay plans. The City shall then calculate the pay rate for its top officer rank by adding 5% to the top pay step from the other Nebraska law enforcement agencies. The City will then determine the percentage of increase needed to be applied to the City's current top pay for the officer rank to reach this calculated rate and shall then adjust the pay steps for all ranks and steps for the next payroll year by increasing each step by the same percentage as the increase that was made to the top police officer rank. If the top pay step for officer exceeds the top pay step for officer from other Nebraska law enforcement agencies by no less than 5%, then no change will be made as a result of this Section.

SECTION 5 Employees either at or promoted to the rank of Captain will be placed on the pay scale based on their total years of sworn service with the Omaha Police Department at the time of their promotion to Captain. Initial placement for such employees is based on the following:

Years of Service	Initial Placement
8 to less than 12 years	Step "A"
12 to less than 20 years	Step "B"
20 years or more	Step "E"

All of the above only applies to the initial placement of an employee to Captain. After this initial placement, a Captain moves from step to step based upon his time in rank, as outlined above and as reflected in the pay scales in Appendix B, except that any Captain upon their 12 year anniversary as a sworn employee shall at a minimum be either at or above Step "B" and any Captain upon their 20 year anniversary as a sworn employee shall at a minimum be either at or above Step "E".

Effective upon the legal execution of the agreement, any Sergeant or Lieutenant with at least 20 years of sworn service shall be placed at the top pay step of their respective pay scale.

SECTION 6 Movement from one step to the next will continue to be based upon satisfactory job performance. In determining whether or not any individual employee merits a step increase all factors of that employee's job performance shall be considered. Disciplinary actions taken against an employee pursuant to Article 6, Discharge and Discipline, shall not automatically bar advancement within pay range steps.

SECTION 7 The CITY shall continue its practice of an "every other week payroll system." Annual salary is negotiated and determined and then paid to the employee in equal installments every two weeks. Wages shall be paid only by direct deposit of funds into an employee bank account at a

recognized financial institution pursuant to direct deposit procedures required by the Finance Department. Notification of direct deposit of payroll shall be made electronically through the on-line system only and paper forms will not be printed or mailed. Any exceptions to this rule must be approved by the Labor Relations Director and the Payroll Manager. The CITY shall provide ASSOCIATION at least thirty (30) calendar days' notice of this change to electronic direct deposit notification after the legal execution of this labor agreement. Direct deposit notifications shall be compatible with the most recent Apple operating system. Absent compatibility, the CITY shall send the employee an accessible PDF notification.

ARTICLE 38

JOB PERFORMANCE INTERVIEW (COUNSELING)

- SECTION 1 The CITY shall institute formalized employee job performance interviews (counseling). These interviews will be conducted with employees on an as needed basis. The purpose of these interviews is to bring to the attention of the affected employee his unacceptable job performance and/or failure to follow specific job instructions. Such interviews shall be documented in writing on a form provided by the CITY. The employee must sign such documentation form. The original of the form shall be maintained in the employee's individual personnel file at the Police Department; a copy shall be given to the employee. No other copies of the form shall be distributed.
- SECTION 2 An employee, on request, may inspect his Departmental personnel file, however no material may be removed or mechanically reproduced from this file except as herein provided. Should the employee feel that such file contains erroneous information he may request an administrative review by the Police Chief. Any other inspection of an employee's Departmental personnel file may be done only with the authorization of the Police Chief. This form must provide a space for the employee to explain his actions. No employee job performance interview over one (1) year old will be used as a basis to show any type of behavioral or performance pattern.
- SECTION 3 An employee may request that any job performance interview that is greater than one (1) year old be removed from his Police file. The employee will be provided with such document. No copy or notation of such document will be maintained in the employee's Police file; however, such job performance interview will be maintained in a generic Police file not under any employee's name. Such documentation may be used only for purposes of litigation not relating to the employee's discipline; or in appeals, arbitration or litigation relating to the employee's discipline only for purposes of impeachment.

ARTICLE 39

DRUG TESTING

SECTION 1 All sworn employees of the Omaha Police Department shall be required to take drug tests, on a random basis pursuant to the below listed policy.

Omaha Police Department employees, for the purposes of random drug testing, shall be divided into two groups:

Group "A"

- all personnel assigned to Internal Affairs
- Chief and all Deputy Chiefs
- all personnel assigned to drug/narcotic enforcement
- all probationary employees
- all E.R.U. team members

Group "B"

- any other sworn employees

Every six months (at duty change) the Police Chief shall provide to the Human Resources Director of the CITY a list of Group "A" sworn employees. Such list shall be by serial number and the name of each employee shall not be noted. The Human Resources Director, at any time, may direct the Police Chief to order all members of Group "A" to take a drug test within 48 hours of notification. It is the general intent and desire of the CITY to test Group "A" employees approximately twice a year. However, tests may be ordered at any time, and the cumulative effect of such orders may be more or less than a twice a year average.

The Human Resources Director may direct the Police Chief to order members of Group "B" to take a drug test pursuant to the following:

1. Every six (6) months (at duty change) the Police Chief shall provide to the Human Resources Director of the CITY a list of Group "B" sworn employees. Such list shall be by serial number and the name of each employees shall not be noted.
2. Twice during any given six (6) month period the Human Resources Director may provide a list of approximately 1/6 of employees on "B" list to the Police Chief. The Human Resources Director may direct the Police Chief to order those employees to submit to a drug test within 48 hours of notification.

All drug tests ordered pursuant to the above random testing policy shall be performed in accordance with the mandates of the

currently existing CITY Drug/Alcohol policy. In selecting Group "B" personnel for testing, the Human Resources Director shall utilize a probability sampling technique called "simple random selection with replacement." A computer generated file of random employees shall be used.

The purpose is to insure that each member of Group "B" has a similar probability of being selected if the drug test is ordered.

Any notification of an employee of the results of any test given pursuant to Random Drug Test Policy or the CITY'S for-cause test policy shall be either: 1) personally delivered; or 2) delivered by certified mail or bonded courier.

Further, it is agreed that should an employee test impaired for alcohol pursuant to any CITY policy, that employee need not necessarily be terminated, but shall be disciplined pursuant to the provision of the CITY'S Policy on Drugs/Alcohol. This could include termination, but termination is not the only option.

Employees on sick leave or I.O.D. status shall be directed to take the drug test if their serial number is selected (as either Group "A" or "B"). However, in so doing, the Police Chief shall give special consideration to the particular illness/injury of the employee. Any questions as to whether or not the employee is medically able to submit to such testing shall be decided by a competent physician. Verifiable phone communication from such physician can be the basis for the CITY declining to order the employee to appear.

Employees on pre-approved annual leave will not be ordered to submit to drug testing while on such leave. When such employee returns from leave, he shall be ordered to take the drug test, pursuant to the above policy.

Whenever possible, random drug testing shall be ordered during an employee's regularly scheduled work hours.

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In addition to the above random testing, it is further agreed that any employee may be required to submit himself to drug/alcohol testing if:

1. that employee has been involved in an on-duty automobile accident;
2. that employee has fired his weapon on-duty other than in a training situation.

For this accident/occurrence testing, all the same rules and safeguards provided above shall apply to the employee.

ARTICLE 40

OUT-OF-CLASSIFICATION PAY

Employees required to work out-of-classification in a higher rank (or on any approved paid leave while working in such higher classification) shall be paid such higher rank classification base pay beginning with the performance of such work on the sixth (6th) consecutive day. Such employee shall be paid at the lowest base rate of the higher rank.

The parties agree that out-of-classification pay shall not occur unless the employee is specifically ordered by police management (Chief or Deputy Chief) to work the position. If the employee is directed to work out of class by other than police management, he should notify his Deputy Chief immediately. If the affected employee is not notified to the contrary by police management, by the 3rd working day, he shall consider the assignment approved. Further, the CITY agrees that upon the designation of a particular employee to work out-of-classification, that particular employee designation will continue on for the duration of the incumbent's vacancy, except for cause.

ARTICLE 41

SPECIALTY PAY

Any sworn employees holding the rank of officers, sergeants, or lieutenant whose primary assignment is as a detective or an investigator, assigned in units whose primary function is to conduct both initial and follow-up investigations shall receive 3% of their base pay. The City shall pay employees in equal increments coinciding with the pay periods. The list of employees entitled to receive Detective/Specialty pay shall include the following detective units/squads:

Internal Affairs Unit
 Background Inspections Unit
 Traffic Accident Investigation Squad
 Major Crimes Unit
 North Investigations Unit
 South Investigations Unit
 Homicide Unit
 Special Victims Unit
 Gang Unit
 Narcotics Unit
 Crime Analysis Lieutenant
 Pawn Squad
 CIB Operations
Drone Operations
School Resource Officers
Mounted Patrol

Any sworn employee holding the rank of captain whose primary assignment is in one of the following positions shall receive 3% of their base pay in equal increments coinciding with their pay periods:

Criminal Investigation Bureau Special Operations Section
 Criminal Investigation Bureau Special Investigations Section
 Criminal Investigation Bureau Criminal Investigations Section
 Uniform Patrol Bureau Tactical Operations Section

Drone Operations pay:

To receive Drone Operations' specialty pay, one must meet the minimum qualifications established by the Omaha Police Department and be assigned by the Omaha Police Department to operate a drone in the scope of employment.

The minimum qualifications to be eligible for Drone Operation's specialty pay shall be:

1. Hold a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Part 107 certificate with a small UAS rating under 14 CFR part 117.
2. Complete an approved recurrent aeronautical knowledge training course every

- 24 months.
3. Complete the National Institute of Standards and technology (NIST) level 2 open lane course annually; and,
4. Successfully complete a minimum of three (3) flights in any 90-day period. The City will cooperate with employees seeking to satisfy this requirement.

The minimum qualifications are subject to change if the FAA changes its requirements.

The following personnel shall receive Drone Operations' specialty pay:

1. Those who are assigned to operate the Omaha Police Department's dock-based drones (Drone as First Responder (DFR)) as part of their duties.
2. Up to 10 individuals in the Emergency Response Unit(ERU) who are assigned by the Chief of Police or his/her designee.
3. Up to 10 individuals in the Criminal Investigation Bureau who are assigned by the Chief of Police or his/her designee.
4. Those individuals in UPB who are assigned by the Chief of Police or his/her designee and who operate drones in performance of their duties a minimum of five times each month; and,
5. Any other individual designated by the Chief of Police.

Individuals who are being trained or who are operating drones as part of training shall not be entitled to Drone Operation's specialty pay unless actually assigned by the Chief or Police of his/her designee.

The actual names of these jobs may change or the job may be assigned to another unit. It is the intent of the parties that irrespective of such title changes or assignment of the job to another unit, that it is the actual work performed by the employees in the above job listings that will entitle an employee to such specialty pay.

ARTICLE 42

PREMIUM PAY

All employees, during the time assigned to these duties, shall be paid "Premium Pay" by the City. Such employees shall receive an additional ~~one and one-half percent (1.5%)~~ and/or three percent (3%) of the maximum Police Officer's base pay. The CITY shall pay these employees in equal increments, coinciding with the pay periods as follows:

One and one-half percent (1.5%)	Three percent (3%)
Training	ERU
Narc Dog Handler	Motorcycle
Bomb Dog Handler	Bomb Squad
Clan Lab	Helicopter Pilots
	*Bilingual
	Canine
	Officer Involved Investigations Team
	<u>Training</u>
	<u>Narc Dog Handler</u>
	<u>Bomb Dog Handler</u>
	<u>Clan Lab</u>

There shall be a premium pay for the position of Field Training Officer ("FTO"). After an individual has been selected to be an FTO and completed the required departmental training, the FTO shall receive a premium pay in the amount of 5% of their base pay. The Police Chief shall have the sole discretion to determine the number of FTOs and to make their specific assignments. The FTO application process and testing will occur once per year. Anyone who applies will have the opportunity to test. This process will take place in December and the list will become effective January 15th. The Police Chief shall also have the sole discretion to determine who will act as an FTO. In making that determination, the Chief shall consider the opinions and feedback of all supervising officers, including sergeants, who have had a meaningful opportunity to evaluate the qualifications of any applicant seeking to be an FTO.

*Bilingual - If an employee speaks a language other than English, including sign language for the deaf, with proficiency, as determined by a test administered by the Human Resources Department, and such employee is specifically assigned and required to use such skills in the performance of his duties, he shall receive Specialty Pay as above. This pay is contingent upon the Chief of Police specifically assigning and requiring the use of

such skills; however, in so doing, the Chief may not force an employee to change shifts or sergeant's area in violation of Article 15 of this contract.

ARTICLE 43

COMPENSATORY TIME & EXCESS TIME BANK

COMPENSATORY TIME:

An employee shall have the option of accruing compensatory leave time at a rate of one and one-half (1½) times the actual hours worked in lieu of the payment of overtime. Employees may accrue a maximum of one hundred thirty-four (134) hours of compensatory time. The compensatory time off shall be taken at a time mutually agreed upon by the employee and his/her supervisor. The employee may accrue and retain the above limit indefinitely until separation from service; however, the employee retains the right to cash out his/her compensatory time at any time.

It is understood that the usage of compensatory time is to be requested just like annual leave, and may be denied as any other annual leave. Pursuant to Article 13, Section 2, for the purpose of determining the number of employees off on leave, comp time shall be considered as annual leave.

For purposes of this Article, time worked shall include court or call-in time.

Any overtime, including holiday pay for time actually worked, court pay or call-in pay is eligible to be selected by the employee. Any pay earned at straight time shall be placed in the employee's comp time bank at straight time; any pay earned at overtime rates shall be placed in the employee's comp time bank at time and one-half.

EXCESS TIME BANK:

Pursuant to the Commission of Industrial Relations Final Order issued on January 20, 2009, the amount of compensatory time that may be banked by an employee was reduced from 360 hours to 134 hours. Henceforth, a new "excess time bank" is created in which all the hours in the compensatory time bank over 134 for each employee will be deposited. This excess time bank will be separate and apart from the compensatory time bank or any other bank currently in existence or that has been in existence at any point in the past.

The CITY and the ASSOCIATION agree that this excess time bank shall only be used for this purpose and that no additional hours may be accrued or placed in such excess time bank other than those placed in it as a result of the Final Order of the CIR.

This excess time bank may be used by employees in a manner similar to the traditional compensatory time off. Employees shall have the option of either using the hours to take time off from work subject to the rules and regulations already in existence for the use of compensatory time or they shall have the option of cashing out the hours in the excess time bank at such time that they desire consistent with how compensatory time has been paid in the past between the parties.

Employees subject to the labor agreement are able to cash out the time in the excess time bank whenever they desire and at no time shall they be required to cash out any portion of the excess time bank except for when they leave City employment.

ARTICLE 44

WAGE SUPPLEMENT FOR CARD EMPLOYEES

Those employees working under the card system shall be paid "card pay" by the CITY and shall receive an additional two and one half percent (2.5%) of the top Police Officer's base pay. The CITY shall pay this employee in equal increments, coinciding with the pay periods.

ARTICLE 45

CONTINUING NEGOTIATIONS

The parties agree to negotiate all pension benefits currently provided should Social Security become mandatory.

ARTICLE 45A – MISCELLANEOUS

~~Neither under these negotiations, nor under the last contract agreement, were the parties able to reach agreement on whether the City properly followed the last CIR ruling when it interpreted the ruling to result in a continued 3,200-hour cap on sick leave payout upon retirement? See Article 13, Section 1.~~

~~The parties have agreed that nothing in this contract is an implication that either side may not seek to litigate this matter. Should that occur, the ultimate results of such litigation shall be placed in this contract as applicable.~~

SECTION 1 SPECIAL PAY PLAN 401(a) Plan and HRA

The parties agree to adopt and implement a Special Pay 401 (a) Plan and a Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) for employees when they retire. The purpose of these plans is to handle special forms of compensation in a tax-advantaged manner by allowing certain forms of compensation to be paid and used for post-employment qualified health care expenses. The special forms of compensation contemplated by this agreement are the annual and sick leave reimbursements due to employees at the time of their retirement. The parties have agreed to the reimbursement allocation of 75% to the 401(a) Special Pay Plan and 25% to the Health Reimbursement Arrangement. The parties will execute an Adoption Agreement to implement. The City will work with the provider to ensure OPOA has a role in the Plans that is the same as the Fire Bargaining Group.

The terms of the Special Pay 401(a) Plan are set forth in a document entitled "Special Pay 401(a) Plan City of Omaha Implementation Book" dated October 25, 2022, which is incorporated by reference into the CBA between the parties and a copy will be maintained and accessible on the City's public documents section of its website as well as available for review at the Association's offices.

The term of the HRA are set forth in a document entitled "Health Reimbursement Arrangement City of Omaha Implementation Book" dated October 25, 2022, which is incorporated by reference into the CBA between the parties and a copy of which will be maintained and accessible on the City's public documents section of its website as well as available for review at the Association's offices.

SECTION 2 Pursuant to the Omaha Municipal Code 23-421 et seq., the Finance Director of the City of Omaha is responsible for the creation and oversight of deferred compensation plans for the City. The City has contracted with one or more service providers for the purpose of funding the deferred compensation plan(s) for employees. The City agrees to create an Investment Advisory Committee which will include representatives of city employee bargaining groups, as determined by the Finance Director, which committee shall seek to meet at least twice annually. The Committee will discuss investment options for the City's Deferred Compensation Plan(s) and provide input to the Finance Director, who ultimately will make investment decisions. The Omaha Police Officers Association will be a member of the Investment Advisory Committee and shall be invited to the meetings.

ARTICLE 46

TRADE TIME

Subject to prior supervisory approval, and if allowed (without additional pay) under the Fair Labor Standards Act, non-probationary employees within the same classification and shift, shall be allowed to voluntarily trade duty shifts. Supervisory approval shall not be unreasonably denied. The CITY shall not incur overtime solely as a result of the trade. Trades shall be in minimum increments of full shifts, and shall be on a temporary basis. Designated holidays shall be excluded.

Written notification signed by both employees involved in the trade must be provided on a form supplied by the Omaha Police Department. All trades must be completed within the same semi-annual detail time period. Trade time cannot be utilized more than four (4) times in a calendar year by any individual employee.

At any time an employee leaves employment with the Police Department and becomes entitled to pay off of his accrued sick and/or annual leave, a determination shall be made by the CITY of whether that employee owes another employee trade time pay back. Should it be determined that the employee owes trade time it is understood that such amounts will be withheld and paid to the CITY. Employees shall, upon application for retirement, be required to sign an agreement reflecting the above.

ARTICLE 47

DURATION OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall be and shall remain in full force and effect from and after December 21, 2025, until December 18, 2027 and thereafter for successive one (1) calendar year periods, unless one of the parties serves written notice of the desire to terminate or modify the Agreement on the other party at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the Agreement or any automatic extension of the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands this day of 13th day of March, 2026.

OMAHA POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

CITY OF OMAHA

by _____
Patrick Dempsey, President
and Chief Negotiator

by


John Ewing, Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk of the City of Omaha

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Deputy City Attorney 3/10/26

APPENDIX A

AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYROLL DEDUCTION

Omaha Police Officers Association

Effective _____ I hereby request and authorize you to deduct from my earnings each payroll period an amount sufficient to provide for regular payment of the dues established by the Omaha Police Officers Association. The amount shall be certified by said Local Association and any changes in such amount shall be certified. The amount deducted shall be paid to the Omaha Police Officers Association.

This authorization is revocable at any time upon giving written notice, pursuant to Article 3, Section 5, to the Payroll Section of the Accounts and Finance Division of the City of Omaha, Nebraska.

X _____ Social Security No. ____ / ____ / ____
(Employee's Signature)

Print or Type

Last Name	First	Middle Initial	Date Card Signed
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Street Address	City	State	Zip
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APPENDIX B

G. CLASSIFICATIONS - POLICE BARGAINING UNIT

2026 Police Bargaining Pay Plan - (5.58% increase over 2025 Salaries). Salaries effective December 21, 2025

Class Code	Class Title	Pay Range		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
9010	Police Officer	3 UP	AN.	\$79,580.80	\$84,323.20	\$89,066.40	\$92,476.80	\$96,408.00	\$98,342.40	\$101,920.00	\$106,537.60	\$110,260.80
			BW.	\$3,060.80	\$3,243.20	\$3,426.40	\$3,556.80	\$3,708.00	\$3,782.40	\$3,920.00	\$4,097.60	\$4,240.80
			HR.	\$38.26	\$40.54	\$42.83	\$44.46	\$46.35	\$47.28	\$49.00	\$51.22	\$53.01
9030	Police Sergeant	7 UP	AN.	\$110,760.00	\$112,632.00	\$114,400.00	\$116,168.00	\$118,040.00	\$119,891.20	\$123,281.60		
			BW.	\$4,260.00	\$4,332.00	\$4,400.00	\$4,468.00	\$4,540.00	\$4,611.20	\$4,741.60		
			HR.	\$53.25	\$54.15	\$55.00	\$55.85	\$56.75	\$57.64	\$59.27		
9050	Police Lieutenant	9 UP	AN.	\$126,588.80	\$129,230.40	\$131,268.80	\$133,203.20	\$135,304.00	\$138,008.00			
			BW.	\$4,868.80	\$4,970.40	\$5,048.80	\$5,123.20	\$5,204.00	\$5,308.00			
			HR.	\$60.86	\$62.13	\$63.11	\$64.04	\$65.05	\$66.35			
9070	Police Captain	11 UP	AN.	\$145,038.40	\$150,009.60	\$155,688.00	\$161,324.80	\$166,150.40				
			BW.	\$5,578.40	\$5,769.60	\$5,988.00	\$6,204.80	\$6,390.40				
			HR.	\$69.73	\$72.12	\$74.85	\$77.56	\$79.88				

STEP PROGRESSION

Any SGT or LT or CAPT with 20 YOS is placed at the top step

Police Officer

Police Sergeant

Police Lieutenant

Step	Requirement
"A"	Initial Hire
"B"	One (1) Year at step "A"
"C"	One (1) Year at step "B"
"D"	One (1) Year at step "C"
"E"	One (1) Year at step "D"
"F"	One (1) Year at step "E"
"G"	One (1) Year at step "F"
"H"	One (1) Year at step "G"
"I"	One (1) Year at step "H"

Step	Requirement
"A"	Initial Promotion
"B"	One (1) Year at step "A"
"C"	One (1) Year at step "B"
"D"	One (1) Year at step "C"
"E"	One (1) Year at step "D"
"F"	One (1) Year at step "E"
"G"	One (1) Year at step "F"

Step	Requirement
"A"	Initial Promotion
"B"	One (1) Year at step "A"
"C"	One (1) Year at step "B"
"D"	One (1) Year at step "C"
"E"	One (1) Year at step "D"
"F"	One (1) Year at step "E"

Police Captain

Step	Requirement
"A"	8 to 11 YOS at time of promotion
"B"	12 to 19 YOS at time of promotion OR Eighteen (18) months at step "A"
"C"	Eighteen (18) months at step "B"
"D"	Eighteen (18) months at step "C"
"E"	20 or more YOS at time of promotion OR Eighteen (18) months at step "D"

Actual pay for employees in this group is calculated from the hourly rate and rounded to the closest penny.

G. CLASSIFICATIONS - POLICE BARGAINING UNIT

2027 Police Bargaining Pay Plan - (6.4%% increase over 2026 Salaries). Salaries effective December 20, 2026

Class Code	Class Title	Pay Range		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
9010	Police Officer	3 UP	AN.	\$84,676.80	\$89,710.40	\$94,785.60	\$98,404.80	\$102,585.60	\$104,644.80	\$108,451.20	\$113,360.00	\$117,312.00
			BW.	\$3,256.80	\$3,450.40	\$3,645.60	\$3,784.80	\$3,945.60	\$4,024.80	\$4,171.20	\$4,360.00	\$4,512.00
			HR.	\$40.71	\$43.13	\$45.57	\$47.31	\$49.32	\$50.31	\$52.14	\$54.50	\$56.40
9030	Police Sergeant	7 UP	AN.	\$117,852.80	\$119,849.60	\$121,721.60	\$123,593.60	\$125,590.40	\$127,566.40	\$131,164.80		
			BW.	\$4,532.80	\$4,609.60	\$4,681.60	\$4,753.60	\$4,830.40	\$4,906.40	\$5,044.80		
			HR.	\$56.66	\$57.62	\$58.52	\$59.42	\$60.38	\$61.33	\$63.06		
9050	Police Lieutenant	9 UP	AN.	\$134,700.80	\$137,508.80	\$139,672.00	\$141,731.20	\$143,956.80	\$146,848.00			
			BW.	\$5,180.80	\$5,288.80	\$5,372.00	\$5,451.20	\$5,536.80	\$5,648.00			
			HR.	\$64.76	\$66.11	\$67.15	\$68.14	\$69.21	\$70.60			
9070	Police Captain	11 UP	AN.	\$154,315.20	\$159,619.20	\$165,651.20	\$171,641.60	\$176,779.20				
			BW.	\$5,935.20	\$6,139.20	\$6,371.20	\$6,601.60	\$6,799.20				
			HR.	\$74.19	\$76.74	\$79.64	\$82.52	\$84.99				

STEP PROGRESSION

Any SGT or LT or CAPT with 20 YOS is placed at the top step

Police Officer

Step	Requirement
"A"	Initial Hire
"B"	One (1) Year at step "A"
"C"	One (1) Year at step "B"
"D"	One (1) Year at step "C"
"E"	One (1) Year at step "D"
"F"	One (1) Year at step "E"
"G"	One (1) Year at step "F"
"H"	One (1) Year at step "G"
"I"	One (1) Year at step "H"

Police Sergeant

Step	Requirement
"A"	Initial Promotion
"B"	One (1) Year at step "A"
"C"	One (1) Year at step "B"
"D"	One (1) Year at step "C"
"E"	One (1) Year at step "D"
"F"	One (1) Year at step "E"
"G"	One (1) Year at step "F"

Police Lieutenant

Step	Requirement
"A"	Initial Promotion
"B"	One (1) Year at step "A"
"C"	One (1) Year at step "B"
"D"	One (1) Year at step "C"
"E"	One (1) Year at step "D"
"F"	One (1) Year at step "E"

Police Captain

Step	Requirement
"A"	8 to 11 YOS at time of promotion
"B"	12 to 19 YOS at time of promotion OR Eighteen (18) months at step "A"
"C"	Eighteen (18) months at step "B"
"D"	Eighteen (18) months at step "C"
"E"	20 or more YOS at time of promotion OR Eighteen (18) months at step "D"

Actual pay for employees in this group is calculated from the hourly rate and rounded to the closest penny.

APPENDIX C

Earning ID Code	Earning	Pensionable Earnings for Employees Hired Before January 1, 2010	COTA categories for Employees Hired Before January 1, 2010	Pensionable Earnings for Employees Hired after January 1, 2010	
001	Regular Pay	Y	N	Y	
005	Suspended with Pay	Y	N	Y	
010	Administrative Leave	Y	N	Y	
016	Sick COVID-19	Y	N	Y	
017	Sick Leave	Y	N	Y	
019	COVID-19	Y	N	Y	
020	Annual Leave	Y	N	Y	
021	Wellness Time Off	Y	N	Y	
032	Jury Duty	Y	N	Y	
033	Election Duty	Y	N	Y	
040	Limited Duty	Y	N	Y	
042	Workers Compensation *	N	N	N	
043	Injured on Duty	Y	N	Y	
044	Workers Comp Sick Leave	Y	N	Y	
045	Military Leave	Y	N	Y	
046	Working Out of Class	Y	N	Y	
047	Funeral Leave	Y	N	Y	
048	Union Business	Y	N	Y	
051	Workers Comp Annual Leave	Y	N	Y	
052	Workers Comp Comp Time	Y	N	Y	
053	Workers Comp WTO	Y	N	Y	
211	Raise Adjustment	Y	N	Y	
235	Shift Differential	Y	N	Y	
320	Birthday Leave	Y	N	Y	
330	Longevity	Y	N	Y	
351	Language Pay	Y	N	Y	
1 415	Court Time Straight	Y	Y	N	
1 416	Court 1.5	Y	Y	N	
1 417	Court Cancelled	Y	Y	N	
420	Holiday Straight	Y	N	Y	
1 421	Holiday 1.5	Y	Y	N	
1 423	Overtime Straight	Y	Y	N	
1 424	Overtime 1.5	Y	Y	N	
1 425	Call In Straight	Y	Y	N	
1 426	Call In 1.5	Y	Y	N	
429	FLSA Overtime	Y	N	N	

	517	Family Sick Leave	Y	N	Y
2	520	Comp Used	Y	Y	Y
2	525	STO Used	Y	Y	Y
1	526	STO Accrued	N	Y	N
	529	STO Payoff Overage	Y	N	Y
	530	STO Payoff	Y	N	N
	543	Police Assessment	Y	N	Y
	547	Clandestine Lab	Y	N	Y
	548	Air Spotter	Y	N	Y
	549	School Res Officer	Y	N	Y
	550	Helicopter Pilots	Y	N	Y
	551	Mounted Patrol Pay	Y	N	Y
	553	OIIT Pay	Y	N	Y
	554	Training Pay	Y	N	Y
	555	Canine Pay	Y	N	Y
	556	ERU Pay	Y	N	Y
	557	Motorcycle Pay	Y	N	Y
	558	Bomb Pay	Y	N	Y
	559	Field Training Pay	Y	N	Y
	560	Police Specialty Pay	Y	N	Y
	561	Card Specialty Pay	Y	N	Y
	562	Standby Pay	Y	N	Y
	563	Off Duty Contact	Y	N	Y
		College Incentive Assoc			
	601	Degree	Y	N	Y
	602	College Incentive Bach Degree	Y	N	Y
		College Incentive Mstrs			
	603	Degree	Y	N	Y
1	625	Comp Accrual	N	Y	N
1	626	Comp Accrual Call In 1.0	N	Y	N
1	627	Comp Accrual Call In 1.5	N	Y	N
1	628	Comp Accrual Court 1.0	N	Y	N
1	629	Comp Accrual Court 1.5	N	Y	N
	720	Comp Payoff	Y	N	N
	817	FMLA Pregnancy	Y	N	Y
2	820	Prior Comp Used	Y	Y	Y
	840	Prior Year Comp Payoff	Y	N	N
	843	FMLA IOD	Y	N	Y
	847	FMLA Family Sick Leave	Y	N	Y
2	864	FMLA Comp Time Used	Y	Y	Y
	865	FMLA Sick Leave Used	Y	N	Y
	866	FMLA Annual Leave Used	Y	N	Y
	870	FMLA Sick COVID-19 Used	Y	N	Y
	920	Holiday Not Worked	Y	N	Y

* Workers Compensation – Though an employee does not pay pension contributions on earnings categorized as Workers Compensation, the earnings are included in earnings for purposes of determining an employee's pension.

- 1 These earnings are considered as COTA for the purposes of the pension calculation.
(These hours are added together.)
- 2 These earnings are considered as comp time used for the purposed of the COTA portion
of the pension calculation. (These hours are subtracted from the hours added above.)

APPENDIX D

City of Omaha
Medical Benefits

	Police Bargaining	
	Current Plan	
	<i>Qualified High Deductible Health Plan</i>	
Deductible	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Individual	\$2,800	\$5,600
Single+1	\$5,600	\$11,200
Family	\$5,600	\$11,200
	Embedded Deductible	
After Deductible, Plan pays Coinsurance	100%	70%
Coinsurance Maximum (Not including Ded)		
Individual	\$0	\$5,600
Single+1	\$0	\$11,200
Family	\$0	\$11,200
Total Out-of-Pocket Maximum (Ded+Coins)		
Individual	\$2,800	\$11,200
Single+1	\$5,600	\$22,400
Family	\$5,600	\$22,400
Ded/OOP Cross Accumulate	Yes	
Preventative	100%, No Ded	100% up to \$175; Employee only
Hospitalization (In/Out)	Ded/Coins	Ded/Coins
Hospital Radiology & Pathology	Ded/Coins	Ded/Coins
Emergency Room	Ded/Coins	In-Network Ded/Coins
Urgent Care	Ded/Coins	Ded/Coins

	Police Bargaining	
	Current Plan	
	In-Network Ded/Coins	Out-of-Network Ded/Coins
Outpatient Physician Office Visits		
Infertility Treatment	Only covers Diagnosis and Elective Sterilization	
Speech, Occupational, Physical Therapy (PT) and Spinal Manipulations	Ded/Coins 75 Visits Per Benefit Year #REF!	Ded/Coins
Cardiac Rehabilitation	Ded/Coins 18 Visits Per Benefit Year	Ded/Coins
Pulmonary Rehabilitation	Ded/Coins 36 Visits Per Benefit Year	Ded/Coins
Home Health Care & Skilled Nursing Facility	Ded/Coins 60 Visits Per Benefit Year	Ded/Coins
Hospice Care	Ded/Coins 180 Day Maximum	Ded/Coins
Vision Care Preventive Vision Exams	100%, No Ded	\$40 Maximum
Vision Hardware	Offer Voluntary Vision Plan	
Lasik Surgery	Deductible and Coinsurance Employee Only; No maximum	
Eliminate 4th quarter Carry-Over Deductible		

	Police Bargaining	
	Current Plan	
Deductible	In-Network	Out-of-Network Not Applicable
Retail		
Tier 1 (Generic)	Ded/Coins	Ded then 50%
Tier 2 (Brand Formulary)	Ded/Coins	Ded then 50%
Tier 3 (Brand Non-Formulary)	Ded/Coins	Ded then 50%
Specialty		
Tier 1 (Generic)	Ded/Coins	Not Covered
Tier 2 (Brand Formulary) Tier	Ded/Coins	Not Covered
3 (Brand Non-Formulary)	Ded/Coins	Not Covered
Mail order	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Tier 1 (Generic)	Ded/Coins	Not Covered
Tier 2 (Brand Formulary) Tier	Ded/Coins	Not Covered
3 (Brand Non-Formulary)	Ded/Coins	Not Covered
Mandatory Generic Program	Included	
Out-of-Pocket (OOP) Maximum (Not Including Ded)	Applies towards Medical Out-of-Pocket Maximum	
After OOP Met, member pays		
Tier 1 (Generic)		0%
Tier 2 (Brand Formulary) Tier		0%
3 (Brand Non-Formulary)		0%
Speciality		0%
Mail Order		0%

APPENDIX E

TAKE HOME VEHICLES AND CITY SITE VEHICLES

As of the legally effective date of this Agreement, the Department shall adjust the current take home car assignments in the manner reflected on this Appendix "E." During the life of this Agreement, the Police Chief shall have discretion to modify take home car assignments based upon the actual need to use vehicles for police business after regularly scheduled work hours. However, before any change in the take home car assignments reflected on this Appendix "E", the Chief shall provide the Association with notice of the proposed change, and an opportunity to bargain over the proposed change

Chief's Office (2)

Public Information Officer
Captain, Professional Standards

Police Services Bureau (10)

ERU/Bomb, Lieutenant
ERU/Bomb, Sergeant
Captain, Administrative Services
Captain, Administrative Information Systems
Captain, Support Services
Captain, Training and Community Services
Four K9 Bomb vehicles

ERU –the City will make every reasonable effort to provide a take home vehicle to those assigned to ERU, who are not otherwise provided a take home vehicle, by the end of the 2026 payroll year.

Uniform Patrol Bureau(13)

Four Precinct Captains
Sgt, K-9 Unit
Eight K-9 Officers

Executive Services Bureau(2)

Two K-9 School Resource Officers

Criminal Investigative Bureau(2846)

Captain, Criminal Investigation Bureau
Lieutenant, Homicide Unit
Three Sergeants, Homicide Unit
Thirteen Officers, Homicide Unit
Captain, Special Operation
Lieutenant, Gang Unit
Four Sergeants, Gang Unit
Lieutenant, Special Operations Section (SOS), Narcotics
Three Sergeants, SOS, Narcotics
Thirteen Officers, SOS, Narcotics

Five Sergeants, Special Investigations Section (SIS)

Vehicles which are parked at City Facility(7)

Sergeant, Domestic Violence

Six Officers, Domestic Violence