

**TENTATIVE AGREEMENT**

**Between**

**THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT**

**and**

**BRIDGEPORT POLICE LOCAL #1159 AND**

**COUNCIL #4 AFSCME, AFL-CIO**

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## **PREAMBLE**

The following agreement, by and between the City of Bridgeport, hereinafter referred to as the "City" and Bridgeport Police Local #1159 and Council #4, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, hereinafter referred to as the "Union", is designed to maintain and promote a harmonious relationship between the City of Bridgeport and such of its employees who are within the provisions of this agreement, in order that more efficient and progressive public service may be rendered.

(NOTE: The words he, him, his or himself will be used throughout this agreement to refer to both males and females, thereby avoiding phrasing which might be considered "sexist". The use of such terminology is in no way intended to imply masculine gender exclusively.)

## **SECTION I – THE UNION AND UNION SECURITY**

### **ARTICLE 1**

#### **RECOGNITION**

**Section 1.1** - The City hereby recognizes the Union as the exclusive representative and bargaining agent for the bargaining unit, consisting of all uniformed and investigatory employees, including Police Officers, Detectives, Sergeants, Lieutenants and Captains, but excluding the Chief of Police, the Assistant Chief, and Deputy Chiefs, employed by the City of Bridgeport, in the Police Department for the purposes of establishing wages, hours, and other conditions of employment. Deputy Chief Baraja, shall remain in the Union until the end of his employment. The City shall have sole and complete discretion regarding the filling/replacement of these two Deputy Chief positions and the manner utilized by the City.

**Section 1.2** – The Assistant Chief position shall be out of the Union when created by the City.

### **ARTICLE 2**

#### **PAYROLL DEDUCTION OF UNION DUES, FEES AND ASSESSMENTS**

**Section 2.1** - Upon receipt of an employee's signed authorization to deduct membership dues or voluntary fees, the Employer agrees to deduct from the pay of the employee an amount as established and periodically adjusted by the union. Such deductions shall continue unless the Employer is notified in writing, by the

union, that the employee is no longer a member. The Union reserves the right to modify and/or replace the deduction authorization form. The City shall weekly deduct and remit contributions to the Federal Credit Union. Deductions for the Federal Credit Union shall not be made from any employee's wages except when authorized by the employee on an appropriate form, a signed copy of which must be submitted to the City. The City agrees, upon the signing of this agreement, subject to computer availability, to deduct weekly from each employee's wages, when authorized by said employee on an appropriate form, an amount specified by said employee, and remitted to the chairmen of the Committee on Political Education (C.O.P.E.). Such contribution shall be for the life of the agreement and shall continue thereafter if an agreement exists between the City and the Union.

The parties recognize that the authorization of the Union to payroll deductions is an agreement solely between the Union and its members which the member may revoke consistent with the Union's membership rules. Should a bargaining unit member approach the Employer or its agent to terminate or modify his or her contractual relationship with the Union, that bargaining unit member will be directed to communicate such intent directly with the Union.

**Section 2.2** - The Union agrees to indemnify and hold the City harmless for any loss or damage arising from the operation of this Article. It is also agreed that neither any employee nor the Union shall have any claim against the City for any deductions made or not made, as the case may be, unless a claim of error is made in writing to the City within thirty (30) calendar days after the date such deductions were or should have been made.

### **ARTICLE 3**

#### **PROBATIONARY PERIOD**

**Section 3.1** - Any newly hired employee who is certified at the time of hire shall serve a probationary period of one (1) year from the date of hire. Any newly hired employee who is not certified at the time of hire shall serve a probationary period from the date of hire to four (4) months after completion of field training. If the City notifies an employee prior to the end of his probationary period that he is to be discharged/terminated, the probationary period shall be extended until a final decision of the Civil Service

Commission.

**Section 3.2** - A probationary employee's status shall not be considered so as to confer any rights or privileges covered by this Agreement, other than Salary under the Salary Plan and health benefits, until such employee has successfully completed certification as required by Statute. Until said successful certification completion, the City solely shall determine such employee's hours, conditions of employment and economic benefits other than Salary and health benefits.

**Section 3.3** - During the probationary period, the employee shall have all rights and privileges as set forth in Section 2 above, except any probationary employee may be discharged/terminated and shall have no recourse to the grievance and arbitration provisions of this Agreement. Upon successful completion of the probationary period, the employee's seniority shall be measured from date of hire.

**Section 3.4** - During the probationary period, a probationary employee shall not work any department or outside overtime, except on an emergency basis.

#### ARTICLE 4

##### **EMPLOYEES TO RECEIVE COPIES OF THIS AGREEMENT**

**Section 4.1** - Within ninety (90) days of implementation of this agreement by the City Council, or implementation by Statute, the City shall give each employee a copy of this agreement. Newly hired employees shall receive a copy of the agreement at time of hire or within ninety (90) days thereafter.

#### ARTICLE 5

##### **BULLETIN BOARDS**

**Section 5.1** - The Union shall be granted use of the bulletin boards, located throughout the Police Department, in the different divisions, for the posting of notices concerning Union business and activities. They shall have permission to install a reasonably sized bulletin board in the Patrol Recreation Room, the Patrol Division line-up room, Communications Center and Detective Bureau and all precincts, at Union expense, for the exclusive use of the Union.

#### ARTICLE 6

## UNION BUSINESS LEAVE

**Section 6.1** - The five (5) members of the Union negotiating committee shall be granted leave from duty with full pay for all meetings between the City and the Union for the purpose of negotiating the terms of an agreement, when such meetings take place that day during which members are scheduled to be on duty.

**Section 6.2** - The five (5) members of the Union Grievance Committee shall be granted leave from duty, with full pay, in order to attend grievance and arbitration meetings or hearings as well as hearings or meetings concerned with prohibited practice complaints when such meetings or hearings take place that day during which members are scheduled to be on duty.

**Section 6.3** - Such Officers and members of the Union as may be designated by the Union, shall be granted leave from duty with full pay for Union business, such as: attending labor conventions, educational conferences, law enforcement, or labor meetings, provided however, that the total leave permitted by this section shall not exceed forty-five (45) days in even numbered years and twenty (20) days in odd numbered years of any given year, which are covered by overtime work for each agreement year during the term of this agreement. For the purpose of this Section, the terms "AGREEMENT YEAR" shall mean the period from July 1 to June 30 of any given year.

**Section 6.4** - The President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and the six (6) elected members of the Executive Board, shall be granted leave from duty, with full pay, for all regular monthly meetings of the Union and any special meetings, not to exceed three (3) hours, when such meetings are scheduled to be held and these members are on duty, provided a minimum of four (4) hours' notice is given the department prior to the start of such member's tour of duty.

## ARTICLE 7

### SENIORITY

**Section 7.1** - Departmental seniority shall mean the total length of continuous service with the City in the Police Department. Rank seniority shall mean the total length of service of an employee as a permanent appointee to a rank. No employee shall acquire rank seniority in any rank for a period that he serves in such rank in an acting capacity. During any such temporary service, he shall continue to accrue rank

seniority in his permanent rank.

In accordance with the grievance arbitration award in Case No. 8485-A-728-731, provisional appointments within the Police Department shall be made on the basis of seniority in accordance with this Article; provided, however, if there is an existing promotional list in dispute for the applicable classification, then provisional appointments shall be made from that list in rank order. It is understood that in the event there are insufficient numbers of employees from a list in dispute who are willing or available to fill the required number of vacancies, the remaining vacancies shall be filled by seniority. If an employee accepts a provisional appointment, there will be no guarantee that the employee will return to his/her prior assignment and/or shift. Upon completion of the provisional assignment, seniority shall prevail as to the employee's next shift assignment; however, there shall be no bumping. This provision shall not override any state or federal law or court order, decree or ruling.

This section shall be effective upon implementation of the arbitration award in Case No. 8788-MBA-90.

**Section 7.2** - If more than one appointment is made in any one day, the seniority of such appointee shall be in the order of their appointment from the eligibility list. Both departmental and rank seniority shall accrue during periods of authorized leave and such authorized leave time shall not be deemed a break in the continuous service of such employee with the City.

**Section 7.3** - In the event that any employee is reinstated after a resignation, his time out of the City's employ shall be deducted in computing his vacation eligibility and his seniority, provided however that such time lost shall not be considered as an interruption of his continuous service. An employee must work a minimum period of three (3) months upon returning from a leave of absence without pay or resignation before he will be permitted to take a vacation.

**Section 7.4** - Every January 1, a seniority list will be posted on all Union Bulletin Boards.

**Section 7.5** -

(A) Notwithstanding any other language contained in this Agreement the Chief has the power to remove employees in any specialized unit, except the K-9 Unit, for any reason if the employee has served for three (3) or more years in said assignment, or for any just cause if the employee has not served three (3) years.



In addition, K-9 Unit employees shall be removed from said assignment for one (1) year following the life of the canine. Notwithstanding any other language contained in this Agreement current members up to and including the rank of Lieutenant in all specialized units except Department Clerk, Chief's Aide, Assistant Chief's Aide, Office of Internal Affairs, SWAT team, Scuba team, Patrol, and Detectives shall be phased out. The phase out shall occur as follows: on January 1, 2016, two-thirds (2/3) of the employees in each covered unit shall be phased out at the Chief's selection, without regard to seniority; on January 1, 2017, one-third (1/3) of the employees in each covered unit shall be phased out at the Chief's selection, without regard to seniority. Employees who have not attained three (3) years in their assignment as of the time of the movement delineated in this paragraph will not be affected by said movement until they have completed three (3) years of service in their respective assignment. Employees in the specialized units which are not excluded in this paragraph must be removed and replaced after five (5) years to be measured beginning January 1, 2016. If no qualified employees bid for said assignment, then the employee in the specialized unit is permitted to stay in such unit for one (1) year with a rebid after one (1) year. This rebid process shall be repeated annually until a qualified bid is obtained. In order to qualify for a specialized unit position, an applicant must have completed at least two (2) years of service in the Bridgeport Police Department after probation.

If specialized training is offered related to any of the specialized units covered by the phase-out terms set forth above, and in the event that three (3) or more employees are being offered said training, one (1) of the three (3) shall be selected on the basis of seniority. The ratio must be three (3) to one (1) in order for the selection to be based on seniority. Thus, if six (6) are offered said training, two (2) will be selected on the basis of seniority, provided that the individual(s) shall not be selected if they have a poor attendance or disciplinary record within the immediate prior five (5) year period.

Employees who wish to apply for a position within a specialized unit shall first submit a letter of interest to the Deputy Chief responsible for said unit. Thereafter, candidates shall be interviewed by a panel consisting of the Union President, the Commander of the Specialized Unit, and the Deputy Chief with responsibility for the Specialized Unit. The interview criteria is comprised of performance, attendance,

ability, special qualifications, discipline within the immediate prior five (5) year period, military experience, education, and training. In terms of assessing education, four (4) years of police experience is equivalent to one (1) year of college; this rule shall remain in effect until January 1, 2024. If candidates are equally qualified, seniority shall govern.

The panel shall submit the top three (3) candidates to the Chief for selection which shall be in the Chief's sole discretion. In the event that two (2) or more positions are being filled, the panel shall submit one (1) or more additional candidates beyond the top three (3). For example, if two (2) positions are being filled, the panel shall submit the top four (4) candidates and the Chief shall choose two (2) from the four (4) in his sole discretion.

Annual employee evaluations shall be conducted on the anniversary of an employee's employment beginning January 1, 2015. Five different categories shall be applied for rating level of performance (i.e., Excellent to Poor).

**(B)** The divisions for which Police Officers on active duty may bid on a seniority basis are Patrol and Detective.

**(C)** The Captains and Deputy Chiefs will be assigned by the Chief of Police subject the needs of the Department.

**(D)** The Chief of Police may assign officers to the Auxiliary Service Division and he may make other assignments he deems necessary subject to the needs of the department, however, no such assignments shall be made to circumvent the bidding procedure of this Article.

**(E)** Bids for said vacancy shall be posted on all Departmental Bulletin Boards for a minimum of five (5) working days, and will be read off to all Departmental line-ups for five (5) consecutive working days. Once the bidding vacancy is filled, the list will expire.

**(F)** Active duty is defined to exclude employees on extended sick leave, extended injury leave and/or leave of absence.

**Section 7.6** – Lay-off of Police Personnel shall first (1<sup>st</sup>) be applied to those police personnel with the least Department Seniority, (Last in, First Out).

**ARTICLE 8**

**UNION OFFICE**

**Section 8.1** - The City shall provide room #201 of Police Headquarters, currently in use by them, as the exclusive office of the Union.

**ARTICLE 9**

**EXCLUSIVE UNIFORM**

**Section 9.1** - The regular members of the Bridgeport Police Department shall have exclusive use of the entire uniform prescribed by the Board of Police Commissioners.

**Section 9.2** - The shoulder patches designated to the regular members of the Bridgeport Police Department shall be exclusively worn by said regular members.

**Section 9.3** - The uniform for all personnel shall be the uniform designated by the employee's permanent rank and shall be so worn by said employee including rank designation, except that, when an employee is appointed to a provisional capacity, pursuant to the Civil Service provisions of the City Charter, said employee shall be permitted to wear rank designations of said provisional capacity, but limited to said period of time of the City Charter.

**Section 9.4** - The Chief of Police, his designated representative and/or the Board of Police Commissioners of the City of Bridgeport shall be the parties responsible that this Article is enforced.

**ARTICLE 10**

**BILL OF RIGHTS**

**Section 10.1** - The following "Bill of Rights" between the City of Bridgeport and the employees covered by this agreement shall be as follows:

**Section 10.2 - Rights of Law Enforcement Officers Under Investigation.** Whenever a law enforcement officer of the City of Bridgeport is under investigation or subjected to interrogation by members of his agency, for any reason which would lead to suspension, demotion, dismissal or criminal charges, such investigation or interrogation shall be conducted as nearly as it is practicable under the following conditions.

**(A)** No complaint by a civilian against a police officer shall be entertained, nor any investigation of

such complaint be held, unless the complaint be duly sworn by the complainant before an official authorized to administer oaths. Prior to a disciplinary hearing, which follows receipt of such sworn complaints, a copy of all sworn statements will be submitted to the accused. Nothing in the foregoing language abrogates the City's right and obligation to investigate complaints of criminal activity; provided, however, that where any such investigation commences without a sworn statement, no unreasonable number of interrogations of the officer under investigation may be held and no subsequent disciplinary action may result without additional corroborating evidence as attested to in a sworn statement (which may be the statement of the investigating officer). Where a sworn statement is used, no particular form is required for purposes of this Section.

**(B)** The law enforcement officer under investigation shall be informed of the rank, name and command of the officer in charge of the investigation and of the interrogating officer.

**(C)** The investigation shall take place either at the office of the command of the investigating officer or at the office of the local precinct or police unit in which the incident occurred, as designated by the investigating officer.

**(D)** The interrogation shall be conducted at a reasonable hour, preferably at a time when the law enforcement officer is on duty, unless the seriousness of the investigation is of such a degree that immediate interrogation is required.

**(E)** Interrogating sessions shall be for reasonable periods and shall be timed to allow such personal necessities and rest periods as are reasonably necessary.

**(F)** Whenever the interrogation relates to the officer being formally charged with a criminal offense, at the written request of the law enforcement officer under investigation, he shall have the right to be represented by counsel or any other representative of his choice who shall be present at all times during such interrogation. At the request of the officer being interrogated, a Union representative may be present as a witness during any interrogation, which may lead to suspension, demotion or dismissal.

**(G)** If the law enforcement officer under the interrogation is under arrest, or likely to be placed under arrest as a result of the interrogation, he shall be completely informed of all his rights prior to the commencement of the interrogation.

(H) During any line-up which is conducted, the policeman participating in such a line-up shall have the right to have counsel present as a witness at his request.

**Section 10.3** - Complainants who make false complaints or affidavits shall be held accountable for such false complaints or affidavits.

**Section 10.4** - Under no circumstances shall immunity to criminal prosecution for charges surrounding the events leading to the complaints be granted to those who make complaints concerning the conduct of policemen.

**Section 10.5 - Civil Suits Brought by Law Enforcement Officers.** Law Enforcement Officers shall have the right to bring civil suit against any person, group of persons or any organization or corporation, or the heads of such organizations or corporations, for damages suffered, either pecuniary or otherwise, or for abridgement of their civil rights arising out of action legally taken in the performance of the officers' official duties.

**Section 10.6 - Representation on Investigative Board or Committee.** Whenever a Police Investigative Board or Committee is established which has or will have law enforcement officers, such Board or Committee shall include in its membership a representative of the legally constituted bargaining Union.

**Section 10.7** - Despite any other provisions hereof, rulings and decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, or the Second Circuit of the Federal Court or the Connecticut Supreme Court or the United States Supreme Court, or any statute relating to any matter dealt with herein shall govern actions which otherwise would be conducted as set forth above.

## **SECTION II – MANAGEMENT AND THE WORKPLACE**

### **ARTICLE 11**

#### **DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

**Section 11.1** - No permanent employee shall be removed, dismissed, discharged, suspended, fined, reduced in rank, or otherwise disciplined except for just cause.

**Section 11.2** - The Chief or Acting Chief may impose upon any officer discipline, including suspensions,

provided that the Chief or Acting Chief shall first provide the officer with a written statement of the specific charges (rule and regulation violated) against him, and the information upon which the charges are based, and provide the officer with the opportunity to respond to said charges. The Chief or Acting Chief's decision shall be in writing and if a holiday falls within the period of suspension, shall indicate whether the holiday is to be without pay as a part of the suspension. The Chief or Acting Chief may terminate any officer provided that the Chief or Acting Chief shall first provide the officer with a written statement of the specific charges (rule and regulation violated) against him, and the information upon which the charges are based, and provide the officer with the opportunity to respond to said charges. The Chief or Acting Chief's decision shall be in writing. In the event of termination, the terminated officer shall be paid for a period of thirty (30) days after termination. The parties agree that they shall use best efforts to schedule an arbitration hearing within forty-five (45) days of termination. In addition, in accordance with the City's practice terminated employees shall retain medical coverage for ninety (90) days provided that the employee appealed or grieved the termination within the time limits set forth by this article, or until final decision on such grievance or appeal has been rendered, whichever is less. Only the three (3) officers currently on medical coverage as of June 1, 2023, after their termination will remain on health coverage until an arbitration award is issued.

**Section 11.3** - An employee in the bargaining unit who is alleged to have committed a disciplinary offense shall be charged with a specific violation of a department rule or regulation by the Chief of Police or his designee and such charge shall be the only basis for discipline. The Chief or his designee shall, prior to the commencement of a hearing, have the right to amend the statement of charges. In the event the amended charges are delivered to the Union and the employee less than five (5) working days prior to the commencement of the hearing, then at the request of the Union the hearing shall be rescheduled for a new date not less than five (5) working days from the date of delivery of the amended charges.

**Section 11.4** - Notwithstanding the above, an employee charged with a disciplinary offense under Section 2 or 3 may be suspended without pay or placed on administrative leave with pay or placed on administrative status and may be prohibited from working or may be assigned to work other than his regular duties within

his own division or in a non-biddable position, at the discretion of the Chief or his designee until such charges have been drafted and/or heard and a decision rendered. In the event the employee is placed on administrative leave with pay or placed on administrative status and assigned to inside work, he shall not be entitled to outside overtime, but shall be entitled to inside overtime in the position to which he is assigned. Any such employee assigned to inside work may still seek a make whole remedy for lost overtime.

When an employee is placed on administrative leave or administrative status, the reasons for such placement must be presented in writing to the member and copied to the union within five (5) calendar days of the action. No member shall be on administrative status for more than one hundred eighty (180) days absent agreement or legitimate business reasons. In the event the City alleges that it cannot meet the one hundred and eighty (180) day deadline due to legitimate business reasons, it shall provide these reasons to the Union in writing. The Union shall have the right to file for expedited arbitration with the American Arbitration Association (“AAA”) on the sole issue of legitimate business reasons in accordance with AAA rules

The Union shall not process any grievance for any other employee whose overtime opportunities are adversely affected by the employee on administrative leave with pay and/or administrative status assigned in accordance with this Section. Any such immediate suspension without pay may only be imposed and continued in cases where the officer has been arrested for felony charges, or is unavailable for duty because of incarceration; or because of institutionalization in connection with actions that would constitute a felony. If any employee is suspended without pay under this Section 4, he shall, within ten (10) work days of such suspension, have a hearing with reference to the charges against him commenced by the Chief of Police. With the mutual agreement of all parties, which may not be unreasonably denied, the ten (10) day requirement can be waived, however, a hearing on the charges shall be commenced within sixty (60) days of the date of suspension and continuance for commencement of the hearing shall only be granted beyond sixty (60) days upon request of the accused and/or his representative; however, a hearing shall be held within a reasonable period of time.

In discipline cases of suspension without pay, if a hearing has been commenced within sixty (60)

days of the date of suspension, but remains incomplete, such employee's pay shall be reinstated on the sixty-first (61st) day.

A. All disciplinary investigations referred by the Chief to the Office of Internal Affairs must be completed by Internal Affairs within one hundred and twenty (120) days of the referral. The one hundred and twenty (120) day timeline shall not apply in cases involving an arrest or in circumstances where the investigation cannot be completed within the one hundred and twenty (120) day timeline for legitimate business reasons. The Chief shall have thirty (30) days from receipt of the Internal Affairs report to notice a hearing on the charges. The hearing shall commence within fourteen (14) days from said notice. In the event the City alleges that it cannot meet the one hundred and twenty (120) day deadline due to legitimate business reasons, it shall provide these reasons to the Union in writing. The Union shall have the right to file for expedited arbitration with the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") on the sole issue of legitimate business reasons in accordance with AAA rules.

Any disciplinary investigation not referred to Internal Affairs must be completed with a decision issued by the Chief within one hundred and twenty (120) days of its inception. The one hundred and twenty (120) day timeline shall not apply in cases involving an arrest or in circumstances where the investigation cannot be completed within the one hundred and twenty (120) day timeline for legitimate business reasons. A hearing shall be noticed by the Chief within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the investigation report. In the event the City alleges that it cannot meet the one hundred and twenty (120) day deadline due to legitimate business reasons, it shall provide these reasons to the Union in writing. The Union shall have the right to file for expedited arbitration with the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") on the sole issue of legitimate business reasons in accordance with AAA rules **Section 11.5** - At least seven (7) work days prior to the hearing with the Chief, the Union and employee shall be provided with all evidentiary information to which they are entitled pursuant to the Municipal Employee Relations Act.

**Section 11.6** – Any employee charged with a disciplinary offense may enter a plea of no contest and accept an agreed upon discipline in lieu of a hearing or an employee during the case of a disciplinary hearing may accept an agreed upon discipline in lieu of completing the hearing. In either event the employee shall sign



a written waiver of right of appeal and neither the employee nor the Union shall have any authority to appeal the discipline and the discipline shall be final and binding on all parties.

**Section 11.7** - If an officer is disciplined under Sections 2 or 3 and the employee and Union both feel that the action was without just cause, the Union may, no later than thirty (30) days after receipt by the Union of the written decision, submit said dispute to arbitration before the Connecticut Board of Mediation and Arbitration for Discipline other than terminations or the American Arbitration Association for involving termination Discipline. The arbitrator shall hear the dispute and render a decision that shall be final and binding on all parties. The arbitrator shall have the power to uphold the action of the City or to rescind or modify such action, and such power shall include, but shall not be limited to the right to reinstate a suspended or discharged employee with full back pay. The City shall pay all costs of the arbitrator and the American Arbitration Association.

**Section 11.8** - The time limits specified herein may be extended by agreement of the parties in writing.

**Section 11.9** - Working days, as used in this Article, exclude weekends and holidays.

**Section 11.10** - Notwithstanding any other rights the Chief possesses under this Article, the Chief may assign an employee to administrative status with pay where the Chief certifies in writing, stating the basis for such certification, that a condition exists which might compromise, limit, or prohibit the employee from effectively performing his or her duties or expose the City to liability. An employee placed on administrative status may be assigned to inside work with or without a department weapon at the Chief's discretion or may be placed on off duty administrative status with pay. Any employee assigned to administrative status where overtime is available, may work such overtime if consistent with his assignment, but may not work outside overtime. If an employee is placed on administrative status with pay the Union may request that the American Arbitration Association assign an arbitrator to hear the matter on an expedited basis in lieu of any other proceedings under the grievance procedure. The arbitrator shall have the power to decide whether or not the administrative status was appropriate or whether or not the administrative status should be continued and, if so, the length of time it should be continued, with the arbitrator retaining continuing jurisdiction, if necessary, and to make whole the employee if it is determined

the employee was placed improperly on administrative status. The cost of the arbitrator shall be paid for equally by the parties.

**Section 11.11** – Written warnings shall not be used to support progressive discipline if the officer at issue has exhibited good behavior, with no pending discipline against him/her, for the prior two (2) year period. Verbal warnings shall not be used to support progressive discipline if the officer at issue has exhibited good behavior, with no pending discipline against him/her, for the prior one (1) year period.

## ARTICLE 12

### **ADJUSTMENT OF GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

**Section 12.1** Should any employee, or the Union, feel aggrieved concerning their wages, hours or conditions of employment, which wages, hours or conditions of employment are controlled by this Agreement, adjustment shall be sought as follows:

(A) The Union shall submit such grievance in writing to the Chief of Police, at the Union President's discretion, or if voted by the majority of the Grievance Committee, which shall be comprised of the Executive Board of the Union, setting forth the nature and particulars of the grievance. Any such grievance must be submitted in writing to the Chief of Police within thirty (30) days of the date that the Union or aggrieved employee knew or reasonably should have known of the act which gave rise to the grievance, whichever date is earlier. Any grievance arising out of Article 11 must be submitted to arbitration within thirty (30) days after receipt by the Union of the written notice of discipline. Failure to submit such grievance in a timely manner as set forth above, or failure to advance said grievance within the time limits set forth below (unless said time limits are extended as set forth in subsection (E), below) shall constitute a waiver of said grievance. Within ten (10) days after said Chief, or his representative, receives such grievance, he shall arrange to and shall meet with the representatives of the Union Grievance Committee, for the purpose of adjusting or resolving such grievance.

(B) In the event said meeting with the Chief of Police is not arranged, as stated above, or the Union is not satisfied with the Chief's response within ten (10) days from the date the grievance is submitted, the Union may, at its option, present such grievance in writing within twenty (20) days thereafter to the

Connecticut State Board of Mediation and Arbitration except that the Union or City shall have the right to submit/transfer the grievance to the American Arbitration Association (“AAA”). Grievance arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the agency where the grievance is filed/transferred. The parties agree to use Gerald Weiner, Mike Ricci or Joseph Celentano as the neutral arbitrator in any grievance that is submitted to the AAA. The aforementioned arbitrators shall rotate based on the aforementioned order for any cases they are assigned relative to this agreement. Said Board or neutral arbitrator shall hear and act on such dispute in accordance with its rules and render a decision which shall be final and binding on all parties. The transferring party shall pay all costs of the arbitrator and the AAA. Said Board shall hear and act on such dispute in accordance with its rules and render a decision which shall be final and binding on all parties.

(C) The time limits specified in the preceding sections of this Article may be extended by agreement of all parties which shall not be unreasonably denied.

(D) The Union may, at its option, present such grievance in writing directly to the Director of Labor Relations in lieu of the meeting with the Chief.

(E) The Union shall, provide the City's Labor Relations Director a copy of the grievance at the time of initial filing.

(F) The fee of the arbitrator and the administration expense of arbitration, if any, shall be shared equally by the parties, but other expenses shall be borne by the party incurring them, including payments to representatives, witnesses, etc.

(G) Expedited arbitration at the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration shall be used for grievances involving shift assignments.

**ARTICLE 13 (RESERVED)**

**ARTICLE 14**

## OVERTIME

**Section 14.1** - Whenever any employee, works in excess of his regularly assigned work week or work schedule, in addition to any other benefits to which the employee may be entitled, the employee shall be paid one and one-half (1 1/2) times such straight time hourly rate, unless such excess work is due to the employee's participation in a shift swap as covered in Article 17, Section 4.

For the purposes of this Article an employee's hourly rate shall be computed by dividing by 1825 his yearly compensation under the compensation schedule in the applicable appendix herein.

**Section 14.2** - Departmental overtime assignments from the Chief of Police and/or his designee shall be taken from a rotating alphabetical list, by surname, within the divisions and assigned in a fair equitable manner, subject to the needs of this department.

Within ten (10) days of January 1st, and July 1st, of each year, if an employee does not desire overtime assignment, said employee, in writing, shall, so notify the Chief of Police, and/or his designee and said employee's name shall not be included in the "rotating alphabetical list(s)". Once so removed an employee's name shall be added to the list(s) after written notice to the Chief of Police, or his designee not less than thirty (30) days prior to January 1st, or July 1st, whichever is applicable.

**Section 14.3** - Overtime assignments in the Detective Bureau, Narcotics and Vice and Youth Bureau shall be equalized as nearly as possible and follow an equalized distribution system for assigning overtime, subject to the respective needs of the Detective Bureau, Narcotics and Vice and Youth Bureau. A list of such assignments shall be maintained and posted in the Division Commander's Office.

**Section 14.4** - Each employee whose name is on the list shall have the option of refusing an overtime assignment and said refusal shall be charged on the list as though the officer had worked. Nothing in this Article shall prevent the Chief or his designee from ordering all employees to work overtime providing all the names on the Department Overtime list on duty or incoming shifts have been exhausted by one (1) full turn. After exhaustion of the list the next employee may be ordered to work by the Commanding Officer and so on until all the necessary officers are assigned. No officer shall be forced to work more than half of the next shift.

**Section 14.5** - Employees who are off-duty sick on the day they are scheduled to work Departmental overtime shall be charged as though they had worked. Employees who are off-duty sick shall be required to work an eight (8) hour regular tour of duty before they can work Departmental Overtime.

**Section 14.6** - Employees who are off-duty on their regularly scheduled duty-day, when their name appears in the rotation on the Department overtime list, shall be charged as though they would have worked.

**Section 14.7** - There shall be no requirement on the part of the City to reschedule employees for make-up overtime under Sections 5 and 6, of this Article.

**Section 14.8** - The City shall maintain an accounting of all overtime hours worked per month, which shall be made available to Bridgeport Police Union authorized representatives.

**Section 14.9** - Overtime and regular pay shall be paid weekly by direct deposit which shall reflect the type of payment.

**Section 14.10** - Upon execution of this Agreement, there shall be a six (6) month Pilot Program during which time all overtime (including special assignments) count toward departmental overtime opportunities. The Pilot Program can be discontinued after six (6) months in the sole discretion of the City.

## **ARTICLE 15**

### **MANAGEMENT RIGHTS**

**Section 15.1** - Except as expressly modified or restricted by a specific provision of this agreement, all statutory and inherent managerial rights, prerogatives, and functions are retained and vested exclusively in the City, including, but not limited to the rights, in accordance with its sole and exclusive judgment and discretion, to recruit, select, train, promote discipline, transfer, layoff, and discharge personnel; determine the number and type of positions and organizational structure required to provide police services; define the duties and responsibilities of each position and of the department; establish new units, divisions, and assignments; modify and/or eliminate units, divisions and assignments, implement performance evaluations to be used to assess qualifications, acquire and maintain essential equipment and facilities required to conduct the business of providing police services; contract for non-police services with other units of government and/or private contractors for the provision of non-police services to or by the City; establish

and amend policy, procedures, rules and regulations regarding employee standards of conduct and the manner in which work is performed; perform the tasks and exercise the authorities granted by statute, charter and ordinance to municipal corporations. The City's failure to exercise any right, prerogative, or function hereby reserved to it, or the City's exercise of any such right, prerogative, or function hereby reserved to it, or the City's exercise of any such right, prerogative, or function in a particular way, shall not be considered a waiver of the City's right to exercise such a right, prerogative or function or preclude it from exercising the same in some other way not in conflict with the express provisions of this agreement. The City shall not exercise its management rights in violation of this obligations under MERA (the Connecticut Municipal Employee Relations Act. Conn. Gen. Stat. #7-467, *et seq*). In the event the City exercises a Management right under this Article it agrees that it has the legal obligation to negotiate the effects, if any, of such decision with the Union. In the event the Union and City are unable to reach agreement on the issue of effects within thirty (30) days of the City's decision then the effects issue shall be submitted to AAA to be heard by Arbitrator Gerald Weiner, Mike Ricci or Joseph Celentano. These arbitrators shall rotate in the above discussed order based upon case assignment under this Agreement. The Union covenants and agrees that it shall comply with the City's Military Leave Policy (See Attached Policy).

**Section 15.2** – The Chief of Police shall have the absolute authority/discretion in assigning of the take home vehicles in the Bridgeport Police Department.

## **ARTICLE 16**

### **DRUG TESTING**

**Section 16.1** - Narcotics and Vice Officers will be subject to mandatory drug testing upon original assignment for controlled substances defined in accordance with the State of Connecticut Uniform Controlled Substances Act, Section 21a-240, *et seq*, of the Connecticut General Statutes, which testing shall be administered in accordance with state statutes and be performed by a reliable laboratory. This shall be in addition to any other testing requirements for other members of the Department.

**ARTICLE 17**

**WORK SCHEDULE**

**Section 17.1** - The following shall be the Work schedule:

(A) The Work Schedule for the Patrol Division shall be five (5) consecutive eight (8) hour days on duty, followed by three (3) consecutive days off-duty, and then the cycle repeated.

(B) The Work Shifts shall be:

"A" Shift - 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.  
Or 12 Midnight to 8:00 a.m.

"B" Shift - 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Or 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

"C" Shift - 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.  
Or 4:00 p.m. to 12 Midnight

"Set" Shift - 7:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.

The Chief shall have the discretion to add an additional shift at the time of the discussion of the allocation plan. Said right shall be exercised only once per year and only during the following work hours:

Shift 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Or 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Shift 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
Or 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Shift 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Or 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Shift 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.  
Or 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

(C) The Work Schedule and work hours for all other divisions, or units, of the Department shall be either the 5-3 Schedule or the Administrative Schedule, (attached herewith). However, employees on the Administrative Schedule shall not exceed the hours per week worked than that the Patrol Division except on an overtime basis.

(D) Employees shall bid, based on rank seniority, for work shifts. However, Sergeants and Detectives shall bid based upon Departmental Seniority. Such bids shall include the employee's first, second and third

choice for shifts.

(E) The number of openings, per shift, shall be determined and posted annually by the Chief of Police by October 15th of each year. Work shift bids shall take place from November 1 through November 10th, of each year. The effective date of the shift assignment shall be the first Sunday of January, of each year. Employee work shifts shall be fixed for one (1) year duration, however, such shift bid shall not restrict an employee's bid into another division, or units, as openings occur. Any employee, who does not bid for a work shift, shall be assigned by the Chief of Police to any shift with vacancies. Employees can bid for shift openings as they occur notwithstanding the one-year limitation.

(F) Should the Chief determine that staffing has deteriorated to such an extent that safety becomes an issue the Chief shall negotiate with the union to reallocate staff and open shift bidding, which bidding shall be based upon seniority. Additionally, the need for reallocation shall be objective and documented and any decision to reallocate shall not be arbitrary or capricious.

**Section 17.2** - Each member of the department shall attend State-mandated training sessions for recertification, or other departmental training during the scheduled workday, or on an overtime basis.

**Section 17.3** - The President of the Union, for the purpose of availability to the Chief of Police and the Union Membership on matters of grievance and/or any other labor relations matters, shall work in the Union Office, in the present location of the Police Building, Monday through Friday, but shall not work a greater average per hour work week than the patrol division, except on an overtime basis.

**Section 17.4** - One member of the department may exchange a shift with another member of the department under the following conditions:

(A) Such substitution does not impose any additional cost, by overtime or otherwise, on the department.

(B) Such substitution is within the same rank and division.

(C) The commanding officer for whom the work will be performed, or his/her designee, must be notified, in writing, by the member initiating the substitution, on an approved form acceptable to the department, not less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to it becoming effective.

(D) The member of the department initiating the substitution is totally responsible for coverage of the



shift on both ends of the substitution as well as guaranteeing that subsection (A) is complied with; it being clearly understood that the department has no responsibility for enforcing any agreement made between the substituting members of the department; nor any responsibility to enforce the requirement of subsection (A); if either of the parties involved does not appear as agreed, both employees will be charged with the loss of one holiday.

(E) Only members of the department who have completed the recruit probationary period, and who are qualified to fill the position substituted for and into, shall be permitted to participate in substitutions.

(F) A member of the department may initiate a substitution a maximum of twelve (12) times in a contract year, provided that substitutions may not be taken on successive workdays.

(G) A member of the department may not work more than sixteen (16) hours straight, including overtime, without at least a break of eight (8) hours; and

(H) The Union shall indemnify and hold the City harmless for any overtime or cost incurred under State or Federal Wage and Hour Laws or Regulations, by a member involved in a swap.

**Section 17.5** - The City may require supervisors to begin a work shift one half (1/2) hour earlier or end one-half hour later than the times set in work shifts; however, no such work shift shall exceed an eight (8) tour duty without compensation according to Article 12. Sergeants will be notified not less than twenty-four (24) hours in advance of such assignments.

## ARTICLE 18

### SAFETY AND PRODUCTIVITY

#### Section 18.1

(A) The Union shall have two (2) representatives on a Committee to be known as the Committee on Safety and Productivity. The time spent by members in attending the meetings of this committee called by the City shall be charged against the Union business leave time set forth in Article 6, Section 3. It is understood that the balance of the committee will consist of two (2) members to be named by the Chief of Police and two (2) members to be named by the Mayor of the City. Meetings of the Committee shall be called by the chairperson thereof, at least quarterly, in each calendar year. The chairperson shall be named by the Mayor of the City from amongst the six (6) committee members and may vote to break ties.

(B) In addition to the two (2) representatives named above, the Union may appoint two (2) representatives to the committee who may attend all committee meetings. It is understood that these two (2) Union representatives may not vote at any meetings.

Section 18.2 - As indicated by the title of the committee, its purpose will be to recommend safety and departmental equipment for use by the department as may be practical.

Section 18.3 - Insofar as recommendations concerning increased efficiency within the department is concerned, the City and the Union adopt as the yardstick for the operation of this committee, the recognition that continuing superior service to the public is desirable and is best attained by civic management that is committed to:

(A) Optimum protection

(B) Achieved through constructive, modern, cost conscious methods.

Section 18.4 - Of necessity, taxpayers of this City want municipal protection at the lowest possible cost. However, "lowest possible cost" does not mean sub-standard service; it does mean protection that meets the needs of our City's residents at a cost that compares favorably with service offered by similar governmental units. The measurement of effectiveness (or productivity) for the department is difficult and may, at time, be controversial. The committee will attempt to recommend and to achieve meaningful

objectives in spite of that difficulty. The committee will also evaluate and recommend new methods and new technologies that give promise of better protection to our City's public.

## **ARTICLE 19**

### **JOB-ACTION RESTRICTION**

**Section 19.1** - No employee covered by the terms of this agreement shall engage in any strike or slow-down activity or any other form of job-action against the City of Bridgeport, or any of its officials, departments or agencies.

## **ARTICLE 20**

### **CLASSIFICATION**

**Section 20.1** - The Civil Service Commission shall, in accordance with the Civil Service Provisions of the Charter, establish and maintain a classification plan and make allocations and reallocations to the classes established thereunder for all positions covered by this agreement provided, however, that such plan and allocations shall be subject to the grievance procedure provided for in Article 12, except that such grievance shall be started at Step (D) of such grievance procedure.

## **ARTICLE 21**

### **HARBOR PATROL**

**Section 21.1** - The City and the Union agree that when the City of Bridgeport institutes a Harbor Patrol, temporary assignments to such Harbor Patrol shall be made exclusively by the Chief of Police or his designee. Such temporary assignments may be made at the Chief's discretion from any rank or division within the Bridgeport Police Department.

**Section 21.2** - It is further agreed that any Police Department personnel temporarily assigned to the Harbor Patrol shall be members of the bargaining unit. It is further understood that all such assignments shall be in compliance with Section 15-154 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut.

## **ARTICLE 22**

## **MOUNTED PATROL**

**Section 22.1** - The Mounted Patrol will be a separate unit.

**Section 22.2** - Overtime assignments within the Unit shall be equalized as nearly as possible and follow an equalized distribution system for assigning overtime subject to the needs of the patrol. A list of such assignments shall be maintained and posted in the division commander's office.

**Section 22.3** - Members of the Mounted Patrol shall be selected based on qualifications, including a physical test related to skills necessary to be a member of the Mounted Patrol from applicants by a committee of three (3) members, two (2) of whom are selected by the Chief and one (1) of whom is selected by the Union. If qualifications are equal, seniority shall control selection.

**Section 22.4** - The work schedule and work hours for the Mounted Patrol shall be the administrative schedule.

## **ARTICLE 23**

### **COMMUNICATIONS CENTER**

#### **Section 23.1**

(A) All police officers and Sergeants working in the Communications Center shall work a schedule of five (5) consecutive eight (8) hour days, followed by three (3) consecutive days off-duty and then the cycle is repeated, in accordance with Article 17, Section 1 (A), thereof.

(B) The work shifts shall be:

"A" Shift - 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.

"B" Shift - 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

"C" Shift - 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

**Section 23.2** - There shall be one (1) Police Sergeant assigned in the Communications Center on all shifts.

**Section 23.3** - There shall be one (1) Police Officer Teleservice Operator on duty in The Communications Center on all shifts, however, on the "A" Shift, the Teleservice Police Officer may be required to do other work, other than Teleservice work, on said "A" Shift, as needed.

**Section 23.4** - Any additional Police Officer(s) assigned to the Communications Center utilized at the discretion of the Department to accomplish related functions therein.

**Section 23.5** - There shall be a Lieutenant or Captain, assigned by the Department, as the Officer-In-Charge of the Communication Center, who shall work the Administrative Schedule on the "B" Shift in accordance with Article 17, Section 1, Subsection C, thereof.

**Section 23.6** - Except for the Officer-In-Charge position, all other Police Officer and Sergeant positions shall be bid on the basis of seniority within the department in accordance with Article 7, Section 5.

**Section 23.7** - It is understood that the position of Telex Operator (44) and the Call-takers/Complaint-takers shall be staffed by civilians, except in an extreme emergency.

**Section 23.8** - It is also agreed that no civilians assigned to the Communications Center, or any other civilians, shall replace and/or relieve any Police Officer and do any assignments of said Police Officer(s) except in an extreme emergency.

**Section 23.90** - All overtime required, as per Article 14, if any, within said Communications Center, by Police Officers and/or Sergeants, shall be solely scheduled and worked by those Police Officers and/or Sergeants assigned to the Communications Center.

**Section 23.10** - The City may utilize civilians to discharge the duties of the Communications Center as follows:

(A) Notwithstanding any of the prior sections of this Article as the positions become open but no later than July 1, 1996, the City shall be entitled to civilianize all positions in the Communications Center, except that of sergeants, the front desk, and the officer in charge in the Communications Center which shall be a lieutenant or a captain.

(B) The front desk, not including the teleservice station, shall remain a part of the uniform patrol division and shall be filled by a police officer and shall be under the supervision of the patrol division.

### **SECTION III – MONETARY PAYMENTS**

## **ARTICLE 24**

### **WAGES**

**Section 24.1** – Effective July 1, 2021, wages shall be increased by 3.0 percent. (Exhibit A).

**Section 24.2** – Effective July 1, 2022, wages shall be increased by 3.0 percent.

**Section 24.3** – Effective July 1, 2023, wages shall be increased by 3.0 percent.

**Section 24.4** – Effective July 1, 2024, wages shall be increased by 3.0 percent.

**Section 24.5** - Effective July 1, 2025, wages shall increase by 2.0 percent.

**Section 24.6** - The Field Training Officers while working as such shall be paid an additional seven and one half percent (7.5%) of their daily wages which pay shall be included in the next pay period. Field training officers shall be selected based on qualifications from applicants by a committee of three (3) members, two (2) of whom are selected by the Chief and one of whom is selected by the Union. If qualifications are equal, seniority shall control selection.

**Section 24.7** – The City shall use its best efforts to implement by December 31, 1998 and shall maintain a plan pursuant to Section 414(h) of the Internal Revenue Code so as to facilitate the tax deferral of pension contributions by employees.

**Section 24.8** - The City shall use its best efforts to make any retroactive payments for the wage increases within ninety (90) days of approval of this Tentative Agreement by the City Council provided that the union membership shall also have ratified the Tentative Agreement

**Section 24.9** – Officers who have received “certification” prior to December 31<sup>st</sup> of each contract year, pursuant to a test paid for by the City, in a language other than English, will receive a \$750.00 stipend per year paid in the first pay period of April of each contract year, Officers will need to recertify every three (3) years.

## **ARTICLE 25**

### **MINIMUM PAY FOR CALL BACK AND OFF-DUTY ARRESTS AND OFF-DUTY COURT**

**Section 25.1** - Whenever the Police Department requires the services of any members of the department and recalls this member to duty, after he or she has completed his or her regular tour of duty, he or she shall be paid for a minimum of four (4) hours of such recall at the rate of time and one-half (1 1/2) the hourly rate of pay.

**Section 25.2** - Each such officer recalled to duty on his or her regularly scheduled day off shall be paid a

minimum of four (4) hours pay for such recall at the rate of time and one-half (1 1/2) the hourly rate of pay.

**Section 25.3** - Should the recall be directly connected to his or her regular tour of duty he or she shall be paid for the hours worked in excess of his regular tour at the rate of time and one-half (1 1/2) the hourly rate of pay.

**Section 25.4** - Whenever any member of this department, while off-duty, makes an arrest, or a juvenile referral, and is required to come to the station house to complete the arrest and write his reports he shall be paid for such work. His superior officer will note the time of arrest and time of completion and submit his name for payment on the overtime sheet, for no less than a minimum of four (4) hours. The payment of recall pay and off-duty arrest will be pursuant to Article 14, Overtime Pay.

**Section 25.5** - The day-off is calculated from midnight to midnight. Anytime during this period, if any employee is recalled to duty, he shall be entitled to a minimum of four (4) hours pay calculated as per Article 14, Overtime Pay.

**Section 25.6** - After being recalled one day off and he is held beyond midnight, of such recall day, and the second day is also a day off, he then shall get paid for each such hour, or fraction thereof, in addition to the four (4) hours minimum for recall day, provided it is directly connected to the recall period.

**Section 25.7** - If he is sent home and is again recalled, on the second day of his scheduled day off, then he again shall be entitled to a minimum of four (4) hours pay as per Article 14, Overtime Pay.

**Section 25.8** - No member of this department shall be recalled to duty during or while he is on vacation, by any officer of this Department. Such officer may request his recall and it shall not be binding upon such member to return to duty, but may return at his own option.

**Section 25.9** - Nothing in this Article shall prevent the Chief of Police or his designee from ordering all employees back to duty in an emergency.

**Section 25.10** - Members of the Department who are subpoenaed for court appearance while off duty or for testimony while off duty by the State Liquor Control Authority, the Department of Motor Vehicles on DWI cases, the Board of Firearms and Permit Examiners on permits, and in other situations as determined by the Chief in his absolute discretion if the testimony directly relates to the officer's performance of police

duties or activities shall be paid in the following manner:

(A) All officers shall be required to have the reverse side of the subpoena time stamped and signed by the state's attorney, assistant state's attorney or inspector (or court advocate at the juvenile court or Commissioner or designee of the above referenced state agencies) and returned to their commanding officer within five (5) days from the appearance date. This procedure is mandatory in order for payment to be made.

(B) Officers shall directly receive the court time payment made by the judicial department. This payment shall be the full and only payment made to the officer for the first full hour of court time or portion thereof. In the event that this court time payment is less than time and one-half the hourly rate (when required) for any member of this bargaining unit the City should compensate the officer for the difference.

(C) All court time worked after the first hour shall be paid at time and one-half (1 1/2) as and if required by the collective bargaining agreement for each hour worked.

(D) Officers working court time shall have the option of working the full hour or eight hours tour of duty as required by the collective bargaining agreement. Officers who wish to exercise this option shall advise their commanding officer as soon as this decision is made. Patrol officers working the extended tour duty shall report for duty in the uniform of the day. All officers shall report to their commanding officer immediately upon being released from court.

**Section 25.11** - The City shall adopt a policy that members of the Department who are subpoenaed for depositions or in civil actions for testimony relating to their duties as an employee of the City should be paid by the party issuing the subpoena for all such testimony, including travel, waiting and other time at the overtime rate of pay with a minimum payment of four (4) hours. The City shall provide a copy of the policy to the Union so that the Union may issue mail a notification of this policy to the party issuing the subpoena. The City shall have no responsibility to enforce the policy or to make payment to the officer if the party issuing the subpoena does not make payment.

**Section 25.12** – Each such officer recalled to duty shall be paid a minimum of four (4) hours. The City agrees that it shall not employ this language to split an eight (8) hour shift assignment. This is applicable



for all divisions and assignments. This does not apply to section 25.3 and 25.10.

## **ARTICLE 26**

### **LONGEVITY**

#### **Section 26.1**

(A) Each employee who has completed five (5) years of service shall be paid an annual longevity, for each year of completed service, calculated by seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) with no cap. The completed years of service shall be as of the employee's anniversary date as per the practice of the City.

**Section 26.2** - An employee shall receive his annual longevity increment on the first pay date in December of each agreement year except that he shall receive such longevity increment at the time of his retirement in the event that he retires during the agreement year prior to such first pay date in December.

**Section 26.3** - If an employee who is entitled to an annual longevity increment in accordance with the provisions of Section 1 of this Article shall die during the year prior to such first pay date in December, such annual longevity increment shall be paid to his widow(er). If he is not survived by a widow(er), such longevity increment shall be paid to the beneficiary designated by him under the terms of his Life Insurance Policy provided for under Article 30, Section 2.

**Section 26.4** - Should an employee be dismissed or voluntarily leave the department, prior to such first pay date in December, such annual longevity increment shall be pro-rated, based on the amount of his service, from the first day of the agreement year through the date of termination.

## **ARTICLE 27**

### **PREMIUM PAY**

#### **Section 27.1**

(A) All employees who work on the "C" shift (3:00 pm. to 11:00 p.m. or 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight) shall receive one dollar and thirty five cents (\$1.35) / per hour as premium pay.

(B) All employees who work on the "A" shift (11:00 pm. to 7:00 a.m. or 12:00 midnight to 8:00 a.m.) shall receive one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50)/ per hour as premium pay.

(C) Said premium pay shall be paid each employee, in the weekly check which shall reflect the reason

for the payment.

## **ARTICLE 28**

### **RETROACTIVE PAYMENT**

**Section 28.1** - Retroactive payments under this agreement shall apply to all regular earnings, premium pay, and overtime which may have been worked between July 1, 2021 and the date on which this agreement is implemented, by signing or by law unless otherwise specified elsewhere in the Agreement.

## **SECTION IV – BENEFITS**

### **ARTICLE 29**

#### **UNIFORM ALLOWANCE**

**Section 29.1** – Each new employee who is appointed to the Police Department in lieu of the uniform allowance spelled out in Section 29.2, shall receive the initial uniforms pursuant to a Quartermaster process and the following equipment to be issued and owned by the City: a handgun, an initial box of ammunition, three magazines, a cleaning kit, and a gun belt. The provided uniforms will include all garment and equipment deemed necessary for the academy and the patrol division, including road job gear pursuant to Policy 2.09.

**Section 29.2** – All employees presently employed on the first day of this Agreement shall receive a uniform allowance of one thousand dollars (1,000.00) to be paid on October 1st of each agreement year to each active member. This allowance will not be retroactive.

**Section 29.3** - Any Detective, newly permanently appointed shall receive one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) upon appointment.

**Section 29.4** - The City shall provide each uniformed employee with their own foul weather gear of good quality and condition. Such clothing shall consist of a reversible raincoat, one side of which shall be of bright or luminous color for traffic duty purposes, boots, rubbers and weatherproof hat cover.

**Section 29.5** - Request for replacement of foul-weather gear shall be submitted to the immediate Commanding Officer for approval. The Commanding Officer shall then submit the article to be replaced to the Clerk of the Department, for approval by the Board of Police Commissioners.

**Section 29.6** - All personnel shall have the option to carry a back-up weapon not to exceed the equivalent in caliber and comparable in make to their duty weapon. Said back-up weapon will be registered with and ballistically sampled by the department.

## **ARTICLE 30**

### **HEALTH BENEFITS**

**Section 30.1** - The City shall provide and pay for Health Benefits for all employees and their enrolled dependents as follows:

- A. Effective October 1, 2018 “Healthcare Benefits” (Medical and Prescription Drugs) will be in accordance with the State of Connecticut Partnership 2.0 Plan.
- B. All Section 1 Benefits (or if appropriate due to age, Medicare Part B and the Medicare Supplement Plan to the extent needed) shall be referred to as “Health Benefits”.
- C. The twenty-five (\$25.00) dollar deductible CIGNA Dental Plan, or its equivalent excluding orthodontia in accordance with the Dental Plan, City of Bridgeport, revised January 1, 1995.
- D. The Vision Service Plan or its equivalent in accordance with Vision Care Benefits for the City of Bridgeport a copy of which is annexed the originals to this contract (the “Vision Plan”) (Exhibit C).

**Section 30.2** - The City shall provide and pay for the cost of a Group Life Insurance Policy that shall be rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars (\$1,000) of the top grade Police Officer's Annual base salary; the policy shall include death and dismemberment benefits. for all employees

**Section 30.3** For employees hired prior to the February 29, 2016, and their surviving spouses, if any, who retire and who (1) have completed twenty-five (25) years of continuous service in the employ of the City in any City department prior to retiring from the police department; or (2) have been deemed eligible for a work related disability pension by CMERS, will receive benefits for health care as defined in the plans in existence under the contract which governed their retirement and make contributions to coverage, if any, in accordance with such contract or as said plans have thereafter or may hereinafter, be changed by agreement of the City and retirees.

**Section 30.4** – For employees hired prior to February 29, 2016, and their surviving spouses, if any who

retire and who (1) have completed twenty-five (25) years of continuous service in the employ of the City in any City department prior to retiring from the police department; or (2) have been deemed eligible for a work related disability pension by CMERS, the City will provide and pay for benefits under the Medical Plan or for these over sixty-five (65) years of age a supplemental Medicare Part B and plan to Medicare Part B offering benefits equal to the Medical Plan. Such retirees, and their surviving spouses, shall pay premium share in accordance with the contract between the Union and the City. Coverage for surviving spouses shall terminate upon remarriage. Benefits and contributions shall be as set forth or as said benefits and contributions may be changed by agreement of the City and the retirees. Employees hired subsequent to the execution of this Agreement shall not be eligible for retiree medical benefits from the City. In the event an employee is deemed eligible to receive a service connected disability under CMERS said employee shall receive post retirement medical benefits from the City. If an employee is disabled for a non-service connected event said employee shall not be eligible for retiree medical benefits from the City. The Union shall withdraw all grievances and MPPs associated with retiree medical benefits concerning service time with the City.

**Section 30.5** - Whenever an employee covered by this agreement is suspended, all Health Benefits and insurance shall be provided throughout the period of suspension. Whenever an employee covered by this agreement is terminated, all Health Benefits and insurance shall be provided throughout the period of termination by the City, provided that the employee has appealed or grieved the termination within the time limits set forth in the disciplinary and/or grievance procedures of this agreement, and for the sooner of that period of time until final decision on such grievance or appeal has been rendered or the period of ninety (90) days from termination whichever is less. Any termination that is sustained by the appeal or grievance process shall result in the employee incurring a debt, promptly due, for the premiums paid during such period of termination. Only the three (3) officers currently on health benefits as of June 1, 2023, after termination, shall remain on health benefit coverage until the final decision on their grievance or appeal.

**Section 30.6** - The City may offer the privilege of choosing an alternative health care carrier in lieu of the City's Plans as set forth in Section 1 of this Article. Enrollment periods shall be annually in May of each

year. For employees electing the alternative, the City shall remit monthly to the Plans or administrator an amount up to but not to exceed that which the City pays for the City's Plans as specified in Section 1 of this Article. If the premium for the alternative is greater than the amount the City would have paid or contributed had the employee not elected such plan, then the City agrees to deduct from the employee's pay, upon receipt of a written authorization from the employee, the additional amount required for full payment of the alternative premium.

**Section 30.7** - The City shall be permitted to substitute insurance or Health Benefit arrangements from any source for the Plans provided for in Section 1 of this Article. Such substitutions shall be permitted if the substituted coverage offers benefits and methods of administration, processing and payment of claims at least equal to those specifically provided for in Section 1 of this Article. Before the City may substitute, it must negotiate the substitution with the Union. If the Union does not agree to the substitution, the City must claim the matter for arbitration in accordance with single member panel rules of the American Arbitration Association. The Arbitrator will order the substitution, if after weighing the total benefits and methods of administration, processing and payment of claims offered by the City's proposal against the total benefits and methods of administration, processing and payment of claims offered by the Plans specified in Section 1 of this Article, he/she finds that the average bargaining unit member will, on an overall basis, benefit at least as well under the proposed substituted coverage. Nothing herein shall require the City to propose total substitutions for the coverage provided in Section 1 of this Article and substitution may be proposed for any one or more of the specified coverages.

**Section 30.8** - Medicare Part B monthly payments will be reimbursed by the City annually by December 31st of each year for employees who have retired after January 1, 1993 who have such coverage.

**Section 30.9 (A)** For employees who want the health coverage provided by the City under Section 30.1(A), (B) and (C), the City shall provide a payment as set forth below to defray expenses under the alternative healthcare coverage. To participate in the Insurance Buy-Out Program, the employee must have alternative health insurance coverage. Written proof of alternative coverage is required from either the other employer or insurance carrier and must include the effective date of coverage.

(B) In the event that more than eight (8) employees as of July 1 annually waive health benefit coverage then the payment in lieu of health benefits shall be in the amount of \$2000 per year. The City shall provide notice to the Union of the current number of personnel opting out of health benefit coverage every April 1<sup>st</sup>. In the event that less than eight (8) employees waive health benefits, then the payment shall be in the amount of \$500 per year. In addition, current employees. Effective July 1, 2015, employees will not be permitted to receive the buyout in the event that they are opting out of the City's plan but are inevitably covered by another employee, i.e., their spouse, in a City plan of any kind, including the Board of Education.

(C) There will be an open enrollment period.

(D) Any employee who has dependent children living out of the State of Connecticut as a result of a divorce or legal separation, may continue their Health Benefits coverage at no cost to the employee (other than employee contributions) provided they verify such dependent's living status to the City. Such verification must be in the form of a sworn affidavit.

**Section 30.10** - The City, at its option, may change carriers for the insurance or the method of providing the Health Benefits in this Article, provided the benefits are equal to or better than in all benefits, in the manner of payments, services and procedures for payments.

The parties shall continue to work through the Labor Management Cooperative Committee on health care, which may modify but not substantially change the Health Benefits as provided herein.

**Section 30.11** - Each active employee (and each employee who has retired or will retire on or after the first day of this Agreement and the last day of this Agreement) shall contribute a Premium Cost Share, . For purposes of this Section (and wherever applicable elsewhere in this Article), premium cost shall be defined as either the actual premium cost paid for such coverage or if the City does not pay an actual premium cost, then the pseudo premium cost as developed by an independent third party administrator for purposes of establishing premiums pursuant to the Comprehensive Omnibus Budget Reduction Act ("COBRA").

A) Effective July 1, 2023, the Premium Cost Share (PCS) paid shall be reduced to 25% for all active employees. Thereafter, the PCS shall increase by 1% per year on July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, until a cap of 33 1/3% is reached (In accordance with the

chart below), except as otherwise set forth in paragraph (B) below.

July 1, 2023	25%
July 1, 2024	26%
July 1, 2025	27%
July 1, 2026	28%
July 1, 2027	29%
July 1, 2028	30%
July 1, 2029	31%
July 1, 2030	32%
July 1, 2031	33%
July 1, 2032	33 1/3%

- B) Regular full-time employees hired before January 1, 2012 shall have their PCS contribution capped at twenty five percent (25%) for their health care insurance. This 25% PCS cap is guaranteed to remain in effect for said members throughout their period of employment with the City and their entire period of retirement.

**Section 30.12**

(A) The City has implemented and shall maintain a cafeteria plan pursuant to Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code for all active employees so as to facilitate deduction of the amounts contributed for Health Benefits from the gross income of the employee for tax purposes.

(B) As an alternative to the current Health Benefits, the City may offer an employee benefits cafeteria plan which allows the employee to select from a specific list of benefits up to a yearly dollar amount as agreed; the details of which shall be subject to reopener negotiations at the request of either party. Participation in the Plan shall be voluntary.

**Section 30.13**

(A) For employees who retire on or after June 30, 2001, and their surviving spouses, if any, the City shall provide and pay for the same Medical Benefits as provided for the active employees as the same may, from time to time, be modified under future collective bargaining agreements or if appropriate due to age, Medicare Part B and the Medicare Supplement Plan to the extent needed. Retired employee contributions shall be equal to the amount of such contributions at retirement plus 50% of any increase in such contributions as such increase may exist from time to time.

If any employee who retires on or after January 1, 1999 shall have available coverage for Medical Benefits through subsequent employment of the retiree or through the retiree's spouse ("Alternative Coverage"), such retiree shall apply for, and if eligible, obtain such Alternate Coverage, provided such Alternate Coverage shall not exceed in cost or contributions by the retiree, the cost or contribution which the retiree would have paid to the City for coverage for Medical Benefits, except as provided below. The retiree shall not take advantage of any buy-out program in lieu of such Alternative Coverage. The retiree and the retiree's spouse shall remain in the City's plan even if Alternative Coverage is obtained, but the City's coverage shall be secondary so long as such Alternate Coverage is available. In the event that the retiree's cost or contribution for such Alternate Coverage would be more than the retiree's payment for the coverage for Medical Benefits provided by the City, and the City shall not have exercised an option to reimburse the retiree or the retiree's surviving spouse, for such additional cost, the coverage for Medical Benefits provided by the City of Bridgeport shall become primary for the retiree and the retiree's spouse.

**Section 30.14** –(A) All employees hired after July 1, 2005, shall be required to submit to annual physical fitness testing, which shall be based upon the “Cooper Standards” used in the Connecticut Municipal Police Academy, a copy of which is attached to this contract as Exhibit D. Refusal or failure to take the annual physical test (except for authorized leave or documented physical incapacity) shall be cause for discipline. Such physical testing shall be conducted during the employee’s regular work shift.

(B) Employees hired after July 1, 2005 will be required to maintain the Percentile of Fitness under the “Cooper Standards” required for graduation for the Connecticut Municipal Police Academy adjusted for age and gender. Any such employee who fails the physical fitness test will be retested within ninety (90)



days. The first failure on a retest will result in a one (1) day suspension without pay. The second failure will result in a five (5) day suspension without pay. Upon a third failure the Chief of Police may initiate action to terminate employment.

(C) The City shall have the right to implement a Cooper's test in accordance with the language of the collective bargaining agreement for all employees hired after July 1, 2005. Said test shall not occur before September 1, 2015.

**Section 30.15** – Divorced employees must notify the City within thirty (30) days of the divorce decree (Dissolution/Disposition Date) and complete the necessary forms to remove the ex-spouse. The ex-spouse and any covered step-children shall be ineligible for coverage at the end of the month in which the Dissolution/Disposition Date is adjudged by the court. The City payroll office will deduct any excess payment paid each month in which a spouse and/or step-child were continued in the plan regardless of claims, or repay the City by payroll or pension reduction for the cost of any benefits improperly paid as a result of such failure.

**Section 30.16** - The City shall pay for fifty (50%) percent of yearly liability insurance for each officer employed by the City through the AFSCME/PORAC program. The City shall have no obligation to pay any monies for any officer who is not enrolled in and paying for the AFSCME/PORAC program.

## **ARTICLE 31**

### **EDUCATIONAL REIMBURSEMENT**

**Section 31.1** - The City shall reimburse each employee for the cost of tuition, books and fees, for courses in which the employee has enrolled within sixty (60) days of submission of those costs, to the Office of Labor Relations, upon satisfactory completion and at a grade of C or better, in each course, and/or in a degree program resulting in a degree at an accredited college or university in subjects which are designed to increase the Officer's proficiency in their present or potential future duty assignments in the Police Department and shall be related to one or more of the following fields:

- A)** Police science or procedure;
- B)** Police, criminal justice or public administration;

- C) Police-related investigation procedures;
- D) Forensic sciences;
- E) Psychology;
- F) Computer Science

The maximum reimbursement amount that the City will reimburse is one-hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for the bargaining unit per contract year. The disbursement of the funds will be on a first come first served basis, until the maximum is reached.

## **SECTION V – HOLIDAYS AND LEAVES**

### **ARTICLE 32**

#### **HOLIDAYS**

**Section 32.1** - Each employee who works on a legal holiday on a day during which he is regularly assigned to perform such work, or whose normal day-off falls on a legal holiday, or who is on vacation, special leave or injury leave, on administrative leave with pay or administrative status with pay or off duty sick and confined to a hospital, when a legal holiday occurs, shall receive a day off for each such legal holiday.

**Section 32.2** - Each employee shall have the option of electing to receive up to a maximum of the number of legal holidays provided in sections 6 and 7 of this Article as such days off in lieu of actual legal holidays or else pay for such days. Each day of holiday pay shall be computed by multiplying the employee's regular hourly rate of pay by eight (8) hours.

**Section 32.3** - Each employee who wishes to receive holiday pay in lieu of days off, shall notify the clerk of the Police Department, in writing, prior to February 15, of each fiscal year, of the number of days of holiday pay, up to the maximum number of such days hereinbefore provided, which he/she has elected to receive for that fiscal year. On or before the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) payday in March, of each fiscal year, the City shall pay to each employee the holiday pay which he/she has so elected to receive for that fiscal year. Additionally, each employee who wishes to may take up to five (5) Banked Holidays in holiday pay provided he notifies in writing the clerk of the Police Department prior to February 15 of each fiscal year

also to be paid out on or before the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) payday in March of each fiscal year.

**Section 32.4** - If any employee has to his credit days off for unused holidays or pay not yet received for holidays at the time of his retirement, death or resignation, he or his widow(er) shall receive, at the time of such retirement, death or resignation, holiday pay for each such unused holiday off or unreceived pay. If such employee shall die and is not survived by a widow(er), such holiday pay shall be paid to his survivor as designated in his insurance policy with the City of Bridgeport, per Article 30, Section 2.

**Section 32.5** - Each employee will be given his choice of days, for holidays off, provided, it does not interfere with the normal running of the department and can be used prior to being earned, in that agreement year. Holidays, days-off may be accumulated during the year and from year to year. If, in the judgment of the Board of Police Commissioners, it is impractical to grant days off for unused holidays to certain employees, said Board shall certify this fact to the Personnel Director and such employee shall be paid for each holiday. With the exception of the Patrol Division, Detective Division, and the Union President, the Chief of Police or his designee shall have the right to determine which division shall remain open on any given holiday. The employees assigned to any division which is closed on any given Holiday in accordance with this Section shall have the right to elect to take either a vacation day, compensatory day or a holiday for that day off. The Chief of Police's decision in any given year will have no precedential effect for any future year.

**Section 32.6** - For purposes of this Article, the following days shall be considered legal holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King's Birthday, President's Birthday, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, the day after Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.

**Section 32.7** - If the Mayor officially proclaims on a non-collective bargaining basis a holiday off with pay for all other City employees (other than employees of the Board of Education), this bargaining unit shall receive the same benefit.

**Section 32.8** - Each year, each employee shall be given a copy of his/her banked holidays by the Police Department Clerk.

## ARTICLE 33

### VACATIONS

**Section 33.1** - Subject to the needs and normal operation of the department by the Chief of Police, or his designee, each employee will be given his choice of vacation days. In case of conflict, seniority shall be recognized as the determining factor, provided however, that Section 8 of this Article is complied with.

**Section 33.2** - The vacation period shall be from April 1 to March 31 following. If, due to the pressure of department business, or by reason of emergency or the requirements of public safety, health or welfare, the department finds it impossible to grant a vacation, or to grant full vacation of an employee in the department, the Chief of Police or his designee shall certify this fact to the Personnel Director, and such employee shall be paid the sums which would have been due to him while on vacation, in addition to his usual salary or wage. If any vacation carryover is unreasonably denied, such denial may be appealed to the Board of Police Commissioners.

**Section 33.3** - Vacation leave shall not be cumulative, but shall be taken during the period of April 1 to March 31 following, except if, during any agreement year, an employee, because of sick leave or injury leave is required to cancel all or part of his previously selected vacation leave, and if said employee is unable, because of the limitations provided for in this Article involving the department's necessities, to reschedule, such canceled vacation leave may be taken by said employee during the following agreement year, subject to the limitations of this Article but, additionally, any employee with ten (10) or more years of service, at the employee's option, may carry over into the next vacation year up to a maximum of two (2) vacation weeks, but if said carry-over weeks are not used in said following vacation year, the employee shall be paid for any unused portions thereof at the rate in effect when the entitlement arose and shall be paid on or about the first pay period in May of each year. If said employee dies, prior to the use of such carry-over vacation week(s), the survivor shall be paid for said vacation week(s) at the rate of pay as they were earned. The amount of vacation to be granted to each employee during any vacation year shall be computed according to the length of continuous service of such employee on March 31, of such vacation year. No employee shall be granted vacation in excess of the amount he has earned.

**Section 33.4** - Where the work week of the particular employee does not coincide with the calendar week, then, in that event, the calendar week shall be deemed to mean of period of seven (7) consecutive days commencing with the first day of the working week of the individual employee.

**Section 33.5** - Any employee who is entitled to a vacation at the time of his retirement, shall receive pay for all such unused vacation leave. In the event that any employee is entitled to vacation leave at the time of his death, his widow(er) shall receive the vacation pay on the same basis as that to which the employee is entitled for a vacation leave due at the time of retirement. If the employee does not have a widow(er), then, in that event, the vacation pay shall be distributed to the beneficiary as stipulated on the beneficiary card of the City's Life Insurance Group Policy, for such employee, per Article 30, Section 2.

**Section 33.6** - Any employee may change all or part of his vacation at any time provided that such newly selected vacation is not in conflict with the vacations previously selected, or with holiday days off previously selected and provided that such employee notified, in writing, the commanding office of his division, not less than one (1) day prior to the date when his previously selected vacation is to start, whichever comes first, giving both the original date and the new inclusive dates.

**Section 33.7** - Employees with continuous municipal service shall receive the following allotment of annual vacations, effective on the anniversary date of the employee and taken within the vacation year as specified in Section 3, of this Article. For purposes of this Article, a vacation week shall be five (5) working days.

Less than one (1) year of service...one (1) day of vacation with pay, for each month of such continuous service, but not to exceed one (1) week.

One (1) year, but less than five (5) years...two (2) weeks vacation.

Five (5) years, but less than ten (10) years...three (3) weeks vacation.

Ten (10) years, but less than fifteen (15) years...four (4) weeks vacation.

Fifteen (15) years, but less than twenty (20) years...four (4) weeks and three (3) days vacation.

Twenty (20) years and over...five (5) weeks and three (3) days vacation.

Each employee may split up two (2) weeks of vacation, five (5) working days, for each such vacation week to be taken as requested by the employee, subject to the needs and normal operations of the department.

Manpower levels will not be a basis for denying vacation requests, except in emergency situations.

**Section 33.8**

(A) No employee regardless of seniority, shall choose more than two (2) weeks of vacation during the period of June 1 to September 30, until all employees of that same division or platoon shall have chosen up to two (2) weeks vacation, providing however, that Section (C) (i) and Section (C) (ii) are complied with. Vacation selections will be granted on the basis of Departmental Seniority.

(B) Each successive week of vacation, beyond two (2) weeks, shall be chosen on the same basis of seniority. Exceptions to the above may be permitted only upon the approval of the Chief of Police or his representative.

(C) The basis for determining preference of vacation weeks shall be as follows:

(i) Each employee shall submit three (3) choices of vacation, first, second and third choice, prior to March 1, for vacations commencing on April 1 to be taken by seniority between April 1 and September 30.

(ii) Each employee shall submit three (3) choices of vacation, first, second and third choice, prior to September 15 of each vacation year, for vacations taken by seniority between October 1 and March 31.

(iii) If vacations are not submitted as stipulated in Section (C) (i) and/or Section (C) (ii) of this Article then, in that case, vacations shall be approved on a "first come/first serve" basis. Ties shall be broken by the toss of a coin in the presence of the employee's respective commanding officer or an officer as designated by the respective commanding officers.

**Section 33.9** - Should any member of this department terminate his employment with the department for reason other than dismissal, retirement or death and has not used up the vacation he has previously earned and is entitled to receive under this agreement, he shall receive such vacation pay, prorated from April 1 to the date of termination prior to such termination or at the discretion of the department, may be paid for such unused vacation time on the basis as Section 5 of this Article.

**Section 33.10** – All police personnel shall bank all unused Vacation time for the fiscal year July 2008 to

June 2009. All unused vacation days shall be converted into either holidays or compensatory days

## ARTICLE 34

### INJURY LEAVE/SICK LEAVE

**Section 34.1** - Employees who are absent from work as a result of job-related injury or illness, and who are eligible for and receiving payments for disability under the Worker's Compensation Act, shall receive payments for the difference between the Worker's Compensation benefit and their net straight time pay not to exceed eighteen (18) months. Officers must report work injuries to their superior officer as soon as he becomes aware that the injury or disability was suffered in the line of duty. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "net straight pay" shall be calculated to equal an officer's straight-time wages based on their current rank. The following items will be excluded in this order: 1) CMERS payments; 2) Medical premium share payments; 3) Tax withholding; 4) Union dues. The supplement referenced herein if due shall be paid by the City on the normal pay day. In addition, if an employee is out on Workers' Compensation and the supplement does not cover the medical premium share that employee shall be treated consistent with the City's practice with other bargaining units. Upon receiving a report that any employee has been injured or disabled in the performance of duty, the superior officer shall make an appropriate entry in the departmental records and an appropriate report of same to the clerk of the department on the form provided. Each employee so injured or disabled shall have the right to choose a physician or physicians from a list of approved health care providers on the City of Bridgeport's Workers Compensation Managed Care Plan, as such may be modified from time to time by the plan administrator and approved by the Workers Compensation Commissioner; provided that an employee may continue to treat with a physician or physicians with whom he/she has been treating where a subsequent injury is a reoccurrence of a prior injury as determined by the Commissioner.

**Section 34.2** - As a result of the Arbitration Award in Case No. 9192-MBA-41, effective December 1, 1992, the provisions of C.G.S. Section 7-433(c), as amended, pertaining to heart and hypertension benefits, shall be incorporated herein.

**Section 34.3** - The Union agrees that patrol officers shall be able to work light duty in the identification

unit at the patrol rate, in patrol or designated uniform. There shall be no reduction in the number of detectives assigned to this unit as a result of the utilization.

**Section 34.4** – Employees on Worker’s Compensation shall be granted leave until they reach maximum medical improvement.

**Section 34.5** - Sick leave may be used by any employee incurring any illness or disability, including pregnancy, which causes the employee to be unable to perform the regular duties of his/her employment, up to the limit of the employee’s accumulation. Up to five (5) days per fiscal year of sick leave may also be used in the event of sickness or disability of a member of the employee’s household, or relative for whom the employee has a major care responsibility, which requires the employee to be absent from his/her normal duties.

**(A)** Effective July 1, 2023, all employees shall earn 1.25 days of sick leave per month to a maximum fifteen (15) days of sick leave in each fiscal year.

**(B)** The maximum number of sick days that an employee may accrue is two hundred-thirty (230) days. Upon retirement, only those employees actively employed on July 1, 2023, shall be compensated for fifty (50%) percent of their accrued sick days. New employees hired after ratification of this agreement will not be compensated for any accrued sick days upon retirement or separation of employment with the City.

**(C)** The Union shall have the right to set up a sick leave bank to be used for serious illness. In the event the Union wishes to close and/or end the sick leave bank it shall either wind down the banked days to zero (0) or simply end the bank with no days redistributed to employees or the City. The Union shall hold the City harmless for any action of any kind taken against the City concerning the aforementioned sick leave bank. The phrase “hold harmless” shall include but shall not be limited to payment to the City for all reasonable attorney’s fees and costs incurred by the City. The Union covenants and agrees that it shall not file any MPP, grievance, or action against the City concerning the aforementioned sick leave Bank. Officers in order to be eligible to receive sick time from the sick leave bank must contribute four (4) days of sick time on or before July 1, 2015. Officers hired after July 1, 2015 in order to be eligible to receive



sick time from the sick leave bank must contribute two (2) days of sick time at the commencement of their second year of employment and two (2) days at the commencement of their third year of employment. Once officers have contributed sick days to the bank the City shall on a one time basis contribute three hundred sixty-five (365) days to the bank.

## **ARTICLE 35**

### **FUNERAL AND PERSONAL LEAVE**

**Section 35.1** - Each employee shall be granted leave with pay in the event of death in his immediate family. Such leave shall start on the day of the death and continue through and include the day of the burial, except that in no event shall such leave be less than three (3) days commencing with the day of death.

**Section 35.2** - For the purpose of this Article the term "immediate family" shall mean and include the following: Mother, Father, Mother-In-Law, Father-In-Law, Sister, Brother, Wife, Husband, Child, Grandparents, Grandchildren, Step Parents, Foster Parents, and Substitute Parents, Daughter-In-Law, and Son-In-Law. In addition, each employee shall be granted leave with pay of one (1) day to attend the funeral or wake of his Brother-In-Law, Sister-In-Law, Step Brother, Step Sister, Aunt or Uncle.

**Section 35.3** - Each employee shall be granted four (4) personal days each year for the purpose of conducting personal business, which, if unused, shall be converted into a banked holiday. Probationary employees are not eligible to use a personal day until completion of their probationary period.

**Section 35.4** - Approval of a personal day can't be unreasonably withheld except that the City will have the sole discretion to deny such request if it coincides with Thanksgiving Day, the day after Thanksgiving, Christmas or New Years

## **SECTION VI - MISCELLANEOUS**

### **ARTICLE 36**

#### **RESIDENCY**

**Section 36.1** - There shall be no residency requirement for employees of the Bridgeport Police Department covered by the collective bargaining agreement

### **ARTICLE 37**

## EXTRA POLICE

**Section 37.1** - Whenever any person or organization, profit or non-profit, is required to or shall seek the services of employees of the Police Department for extra police work, all such work shall be assigned through the Police Department on a rotation basis and is to be voluntary on the part of the employee. .

**Section 37.2 (A)** The rate of pay for Extra Police Work, will be calculated at Sergeant's pay first step for all officers performing this work and shall be paid at time and one-half (1 ½), with a guarantee of a minimum of four (4) hours pay per assignment, except that, all work performed in excess of eight (8) hours in any one day shall be at time and one half (1 ½) the outside overtime hourly rate of a Sergeant's pay First Step or rank, whichever is applicable.

**(B)** Extra Police. The City shall have the right to set and increase the surcharge rate. The current rate of seventeen dollars (\$17.00) per hour will be increased to thirty dollars (\$30.00) per hour effective July 1, 2023. Thereafter, the City will have the right to increase the surcharge by 5% per fiscal year. This increase is applicable to construction, utility and road jobs, department store work, small businesses (less than ten (10) employees) or any special events expressed or not expressed in the contract This pay shall not be retroactive.

**Section 37.3** - Whenever such person or organization, other than the City of Bridgeport or the Barnum Festival Street Parade, requires or requests such police officer for extra work, profit or non-profit organization, the police officer so assigned will be assigned pursuant to Section 1 of this Article. At all events where six (6) or more officers are assigned, one (1) Detective shall be assigned for each six (6) officers assigned. At no time shall the Police Department authorize auxiliary police or special police to areas of outside extra employment thereby reducing the employment of the regular police of the Bridgeport Police Department, pursuant to this Article, except in cases of extreme emergency. Special Police Officers appointed under Section 23-6 of the City ordinance shall be restricted to the original place of employment.

**Section 37.4** - Whenever such person or organization, whether profit or non-profit, shall require the services of such police officers for extra work on Thanksgiving Day, the day before Christmas, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve after 4:00 p.m., and New Year's Day, the rate of pay for such work shall be time and one-half

(1 1/2) the outside overtime hourly rate of pay of such officer or rank, whichever is applicable.

**Section 37.5** - To insure the proper and efficient operation of Extra Police Work, the Rules governing such work are attached hereto as Note #15. Any changes, deletions or additions to such attached Rules shall be implemented upon mutual agreement of the City and the Union.

**Section 37.6** - Should the necessity arise to cancel the police officer so hired by such person, or organization, a minimum of one (1) hour notice shall be given prior to the starting time. If such person or organization fails to give this minimum of one (1) hour notice, and the police officer has already left his house for the place of employment, such person or organization shall be required to pay the minimum of four (4) hours pay.

**Section 37.7** - The efficiency of the department shall not be impaired in order to provide extra police work for any person or organization.

**Section 37.8** - The rate of pay for outside work provided in Section 2 above may be changed with the agreement of the Union and the City, however, such rate shall not exceed that specified in Section 2.

**Section 37.9** - Whenever an Officer, assigned to the overtime office, is unable to fill an overtime job within twenty-four (24) hours of said job with a Police Officer, the job may be filled by a Detective from an alphabetical Detective list. Such Detective assignment shall be paid at the Sergeant's first step as described in 37.2(A) rate of pay and said Detective shall wear a Police Officer's uniform with the Detective Shield.

It is expressly understood that the list of Police Officers shall be exhausted before hiring a Detective. In the event a Detective is unavailable, the Sergeants shall be asked in alphabetical order if they would accept the extra duty assignment, which will be paid at the Sergeant's first step as described in 37.2(A) work rate of pay.

If no Sergeant is available, a Lieutenant, Captain or Deputy Chief, in ascending order of rank, shall be asked to work in alphabetical order and shall be paid at the Sergeant's first step as described on 37.2(A) extra police work rate of pay.

## **ARTICLE 38**

## OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT

**Section 38.1** - The City hereby gives permission to the employees to obtain part-time employment other than police work.

(A) An employee shall submit to the City on October 1st, of every year, in writing, a statement as to the:

- a. Nature of employment and/or name of employer.
- b. Telephone numbers for emergency response.

**Section 38.2** - The employee shall resubmit such statement if there is any change in the above information and shall update required outside employment information every October 1st, on the standard department form.

**Section 38.3** - No employee shall accept employment which is in conflict with his position as a police officer as defined by state statute.

**Section 38.4** - No employee shall work such hours per week or engage in such physical employment as will hinder the performance of his duties in the department.

**Section 38.5** - Any employee operating a business which employs on a steady basis other department employees shall promptly report same to the department.

**Section 38.6** - An employee shall notify the City as to any injuries received in said "outside" employment.

**Section 38.7** - The conditions set forth above shall be the only criteria concerning the rights to "outside" employment.

## ARTICLE 39

### SAVINGS CLAUSES

**Section 39.1** - Should any provision of this agreement be found to be inoperative, void or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, all other provisions of this agreement shall remain in full force and effect for the duration of this agreement, it being the intention of the parties that no portion of this agreement or provision herein shall become inoperative or fail by reason of the invalidity of any other portion or provision.

## ARTICLE 40

## **NONDISCRIMINATION**

**Section 40.1** - The provisions of this agreement shall be applied equally to all employees in the bargaining unit without discrimination because of age, sex, handicap, marital status, race, color, creed, national origin, or any other class protected by applicable laws, political affiliation or union membership.

## **ARTICLE 41**

### **GENERAL PROVISION**

**Section 41.1** - No employee of the department shall be required to do the work of any other bargaining unit, such as shutting off of fire hydrants. The only time Police Officers will be required to turn off fire hydrants is when, without the assistance of the Police Department, an emergency could be created or a fire fighter could be in danger of physical attack.

## **ARTICLE 42**

### **CIVILIANIZATION**

**Section 42.1** - The City will civilianize the job functions and/or assignments in the following areas: Payroll Clerks (KRONOS); Assistants in Clerk's Office; MIS; Data Analysts; Traffic Engineers; Electric Maintenance Officers; Photo Technicians; Records Room (except for the Sergeant and Lieutenant); Detention (by any means except use of special officers); Outside Overtime Office (The current officer assigned to the Overtime Office, PO Rivera, will remain until his assignment is completed pursuant to Article 7.5(A) at three (3) years from his initial assignment to the position.); Animal Control; Auxiliary Services (all functions except for investigative and appeals functions); and the property room (except that the property room shall remain under the direction of a sergeant, which position shall be biddable, separate from the supervisor of the Records Room). The Chief shall assign one supervisor (Sergeant, Lieutenant or Captain) to oversee Payroll (KRONOS) and the Outside Overtime Office. The current officer in KRONOS can be removed from this assignment anytime after six (6) months from ratification.

The City may hire Parking Enforcement Assistants during B shift hours to tag parking violations in the enforcement of parking ordinances. The employment of said parking enforcement assistants shall not in any way serve as the basis for the elimination of police personnel. If the City seeks to hire more than twelve

(12) such Parking Enforcement Assistants, it shall first negotiate with the Union.

The Records Room is not a biddable position, except for the Sergeant and Lieutenant position.

### **ARTICLE 43**

#### **LIGHT DUTY**

The job functions and assignments which will be civilianized, as reflected in Article 42, shall constitute shared work to which light duty employees may be assigned. The Chief may assign light duty employees to the civilianized functions and/or assignments anywhere in the Department, including CAD and may adjust the schedules of such light duty employees as necessary. The assignments of employees to light duty will not exceed the time necessary for the light duty employee to recover to the extent necessary to allow him to return to his regular position; or until it is determined that he will not recover to the extent necessary to allow him to return to his regular position; in which latter case continued assignment to a light duty position will be at the discretion of the Chief.

### **ARTICLE 44**

#### **CONSECUTIVE ABSENCE POLICY**

##### **Section 44.1**

**(A)** The procedures of this Section shall be implemented by the City when an employee who has been absent (for either job-related or non-job-related reasons) cannot return to work but no sooner than twenty-six (26) weeks from the date of the initial absence.

**(B)** Upon notification from the City to the employee pursuant to Section a. above, the employee must within sixty (60) days present certification from his physician that the employee is able to perform or will be able to perform his job within eighteen (18) months of the date of initial absence. The City shall have the right to send said employee to a physician of its choosing if it so desires. In the event the City elects to send said employee to a physician of its choosing then the City shall pay any out of pocket expenses incurred by said employee for this physician appointment. The initial date of absence shall be the first day the employee was unable to report to work due to illness or injury. Successive periods of absence separated by less than three (3) calendar months are considered as the same absence when the illness or injury rendering

the employee absent remains the same. A return to work light duty on either a full-time or part-time basis shall not alter the original date of absence. If an employee's physician does not certify that the employee is able to perform without limitation the duties of his position or, if in the opinion of a physician selected by the City, the employee is found to be unable to perform said duties, the City may terminate the employee.

(C) When there is a conflict between the opinion of the employee's physician and the opinion of the physician selected by the City, a third medical opinion shall be obtained. For such a purpose, the employee shall select the third physician from a list of three physicians (with the appropriate medical specialty) selected by the City's insurance provider. In this conflict of opinion situation the third medical opinion shall prevail.

(D) In the event the employee does not report for the required medical evaluations, the employee may be terminated and such termination shall be deemed to be for just cause.

(E) In the event the employee returns to work within eighteen (18) months, the employee shall suffer no loss in continuous service or seniority rights.

## **ARTICLE 45**

### **DURATION**

**Section 45.1** - For purposes of this agreement, the effective time will be 00.01 hours, July 1, 2021. The duration of this agreement extend through June 30, 2026 as it applies to all issues in the agreement.


**Section 45.2** - Either party wishing to amend or modify such agreement may so notify the other party, in writing by certified mail, no earlier than November 1, 2020, nor less than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to June 30, 2026

**Section 45.3** - The City may re-open this agreement concerning any proposed further civilianization of the Communications Center upon thirty (30) days notice to the Union.

**Signature Page**

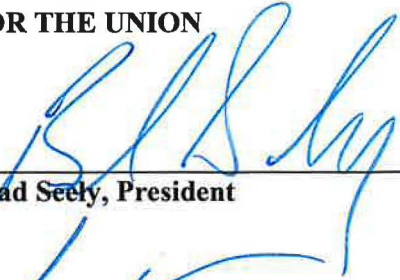
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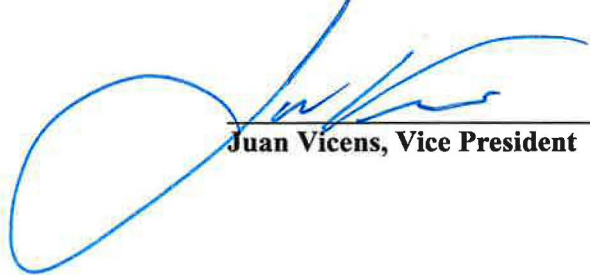
**FOR THE CITY**

  
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**Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor**

  
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**Erol V. Skyers  
Director of Labor Relations**

**FOR THE UNION**

  
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**Brad Seely, President**

  
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**Juan Vicens, Vice President**



**ADMINISTRATIVE SCHEDULEAD**

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WORK WEEK OF 35.153 OR 35.2 HOURS PER WEEK. THE SEQUENCE IS FOUR 8 HOUR DAYS AND ONE 6 HOUR DAY FOLLOWED BY TWO DAYS OFF. FOUR 8 HOUR DAYS FOLLOWED BY THREE DAYS OFF AND SO ON.

\*ADMINISTRATIVE SCHEDULE IS SHOWN WITH FRIDAYS AS 6 HOURS OR OFF DAY ONLY FOR ILLUSTRATIVE PURPOSES. THE SIX (6) HOURS DAY OR OFF DAY MAY ALSO BE ANOTHER DAY OF THE WEEK.

THE ROTATION ESTABLISHED IN 1990 SHALL CONTINUE INTO SUBSEQUENT YEARS.

**NOTES**

(EXTRA POLICE WORK RULES)

NOTE 1 - The rates set forth in these appendices are annual rates.

NOTE 2 - The top step for the classification of Detective, shall be thirteen percent (13%) above the top step for Police Officers; the top step for the classification of Sergeant shall be fifteen percent (15%) above the top step for Police Officer; the top step for the classification of Lieutenant shall be fifteen percent (15%) above the top step for Sergeant; the top step for the classification of Captain shall be fifteen percent (15%) above the top step for Lieutenant; and, the top step for the classification of Deputy Chief shall be fifteen percent (15%) above the top step for Captain.

NOTE 3 - Any Police Officer (except as indicated in Note 11) with less than six (6) months of service, and any other employee with less than one (1) year of service, in their classification, shall be paid at Step 1 of the salary range of their classification, upon appointment or promotion.

NOTE 4 - Any Police Officer (except as indicated in Note 12) who has completed six (6) months of service shall be paid at Step 2 of their salary range. Any Detective or Sergeant, who has one or more years of service,

in their classification, and any other higher ranking employee who has completed six (6) months but less than one (1) year service, in their classification, shall be paid at Step 2 of the salary range, and shall move to the Top Step six (6) months after reaching Step 2..

NOTE 5 - Any Police Officer (except as indicated in Note 13), Lieutenant, Captain or Deputy Chief who has completed one (1) but less than two (2) years or service, in their classification, shall be paid at Step 3 of the salary range of their classification on the anniversary date of their promotion or appointment. The Top Step will be reached six (6) months after reaching Step 3.

NOTE 6 - Any Police Officer (except as indicated in Note 14) who has completed two (2) or more years of service in their classification, shall be paid at Step 4 of the salary range for their classification on their anniversary date.

NOTE 7 - With the exception of the class of Police Officer, upon the anniversary date when any employee completes the required amount of service, as provided for herein, such employee shall be advanced to the next higher Step in the salary range of their classification.

NOTE 8 - For the purpose of such salary advancement, the term "anniversary date", as used herein, shall mean the date of promotion.

NOTE 9 - No employee who is being promoted to a higher classification shall be required to take a pay cut by reason of such promotion, and if such would otherwise be the case, he shall be advanced to the next higher Step on the promotional salary plan which will pay such employee an annual salary at least equal to, or in excess of, their annual salary prior to such promotion.

NOTE 10 - The City shall provide and pay for local and state gun permits for every member in the bargaining unit.

NOTE 11 - Any Police Officer hired after January 1, 1986 with less than one and one-half (1 1/2) years of service shall be paid at the first step of the salary range.

NOTE 12 - Any Police Officer hired after January 1, 1986 who has completed one and one-half (1 1/2) years of service but less than three and one-half (3 1/2) years of service shall be paid at Step 2 of the salary range on their anniversary date.

NOTE 13 - Any Police Officer hired after January 1, 1986 who has completed three and one-half (3 1/2) years of service but less than five (5) years of services shall be paid at Step 3 of the salary range on their anniversary date.

NOTE 14 - Any Police Officer hired after January 1, 1986 who has completed five (5) years of service shall be paid at Step 4 of the salary range on their anniversary date.

NOTE 15 - EXTRA POLICE RULES

Rule 1 - Assignments will be distributed alphabetically from a rotating list. In cases where an emergency arises the Central Area Commander, or his designee, shall detail an officer to cover the request and later notify the outside overtime office so the officer's name would be adjusted on the rotation list.

Rule 2 - When an officer or detective accepts any outside overtime assignment and for any reason said officer cannot cover the assignment, said officer is to notify the outside overtime officer or the Central Area Commander two (2) hours prior to the start of the assignment so that the next officer on the rotating list can be contacted.

At no time shall an officer give his assignment to any one else on penalty of losing his place on the list. No officer will be allowed to give up an outside overtime assignment, that said officer has already accepted, in order to take a departmental overtime assignment on the same day as this would constitute a violation of this Rule.

Rule 3 - Two separate files shall be kept by the outside overtime office: one for uniformed personnel and one for all Plainclothes detectives. Assignments will be voluntary on the part of the officers. All work normally assigned to the Plainclothes shall be distributed amongst Detective personnel.

Rule 4 - The outside overtime office will leave with the Central Area Commander a list, on a rotating basis, of personnel and Plainclothes personnel that would be notified if employees were needed when the outside overtime office is closed. This list would then be taken to the Central Area Commander and the same procedure would be utilized for weekends and holidays. Employees that refused assignments will be noted on the list.

Rule 5 - Any officer who shall receive outside overtime will be paid for the number of hours worked and, if the outside overtime office is notified that the officer was late for his assigned job, the officer will be docked the

time and the employer will be billed accordingly.

Rule 6 - Whenever the Outside Overtime Office contacts an officer for outside overtime, he/she will be asked if they are available for work. The officer must then inform the Overtime Officer what his available work hours are. The Overtime Officer will then assign the officer the job consistent with the officer's availability, if able. If unable, the officer will be marked as not available and dropped to the end of the rotating List.

Rule 7 - Police personnel will not go to the outside overtime office looking for assignments as all jobs will be assigned by direct phone calls from that office or through the Central Area Commander when the Office is closed.

Rule 8 - All officers given outside overtime assignments will report for duty in the uniform of the day.

Rule 9 - All assignments will be given out from the rotation list and the list will be open for inspection by Union authorized representatives.

Rule 10 - If an officer or detective is off duty, sick or injured the last day of his shift and the officer is scheduled for an outside overtime job(s), the officer will forfeit this assignment(s) due to his condition and the officer shall not be eligible to work any outside overtime until the officer has returned to his/her regular tour of duty or would have returned had he/she not been scheduled to be off for vacation or holiday or other approved leave. The officer will not lose his place on the rotation list. Central Area Commanders will send to the outside overtime office a sick or injured list covering their shifts.

Rule 11 - When any person or organization shall require the services of officers of the Bridgeport Police Department, they will be notified and an investigation will be made and then they will be informed as to what number of officers and supervisors they will need.

Rule 12 - The maximum outside overtime of an employee, if any calendar month, shall not exceed a total of eighty (80) hours worked. Whenever it becomes necessary to use an employee who has achieved the maximum of eighty (80) hours, permission to do so must first be granted by the Deputy Chief of administrative services with notification to the Union.

Rule 13 - Any officer or detective refusing an assignment will be dropped to the end of the rotating list. Any officer or detective who violates any of the Rules governing outside overtime shall be removed from the rotation

list for up to thirty (30) days. Any officer or detective that refuses three (3) consecutive assignments shall also be removed from the rotation list for a period of up to thirty (30) days. Any officer or detective who does not show up for an assignment, after accepting same, shall be removed from the rotation list for up to thirty (30) days.

## MILITARY LEAVE POLICY

### **PURPOSE**

To enable employees to secure a leave of absence from work to satisfy military service obligations.

### **SCOPE**

This policy applies to all City of Bridgeport employees.

### **POLICY**

As provided by the Uniform Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA), any employee who leaves for and returns from military service in the United States armed forces, including the Coast Guard, the reserves of any of the armed forces, the National Guard or Public Health Service, shall be eligible for continued health care coverage under the City of Bridgeport medical plan for themselves and their families for up to 18 months, subject to the terms and conditions described below. The employee shall also be entitled to reinstatement to their former position or an equivalent position, as described below.

#### **Eligibility**

In order to qualify for a military leave of absence, the employee's service must be in the U.S. armed forces, the reserves, the Coast Guard, the National Guard or the Public Health Service. This policy applies to employees called to active-duty by the United States Government or by proclamation of a State Governor. This policy shall also apply to reserve training leave for inactive duty.

The employee must give the City written notice prior to the leave, unless notice is not possible (i.e., advance notice prohibited because of military necessity).

#### **Continuation of Benefits**

An employee, on an approved military leave of absence, will be entitled to a continuation of their health care (medical, prescription drugs, dental, and vision care) benefits through the City subject to the following conditions:

1. If the military leave will be for a period of twelve (12) months or less, the employee must continue to make his/her regular contributions towards the cost of health care coverage for the employee and his/her dependents.
2. If the military leave exceeds twelve (12) months, the employee may choose to continue health care benefits and will be responsible for the appropriate CORBA rates.
3. For employee on active duty, coverage through military health services is the employee's primary coverage. However, if the employee seeks care not covered by the military health plan, the coverage under the City's health care plan will be primary. For the employee's spouse and dependents, the City's health care coverage shall remain their primary coverage.

### **Job Reinstatement**

Following release from military service, an employee shall have such right to reinstatement, as may be required by State and Federal law in effect at the time the employee applies for reinstatement.

A returning employee's period of military service will be counted in determining the employee's vacation, personal and sick leave. In addition, this time will also be counted as covered service for vesting purposes of retirement benefits. However, the employee must make all of the required contributions to the retirement plan for the period of military service. The contributions must be paid within a period equivalent to three times the length of military service, up to a maximum of five years.

### **Use of Paid and Unpaid Leave**

Per C.G.S. § 7-461, any reservist for any branch of the U.S. military, shall be paid the difference between their regular salary and their military salary, for up to thirty (30) days in any calendar year, while they are engaged in field training. If the military salary exceeds the regular salary, the military compensation shall prevail. All other military leave shall be unpaid. If an employee has accrued paid leave (i.e., vacation and personal day), the employee may use his/her accumulated paid leave during their military leave. If the employee does not use accrued paid leave, this time will be credited to the employee upon his/her retirement.

### **Procedures**

An employee requesting a military leave must submit a request to their Department Head and then to the Director of Labor Relations. The employee must give the City advance written notice when possible.

In order to be reinstated, employees must notify the City upon discharge from military duty or within a reasonable time thereafter if the delayed notice is due to factors beyond the employee's control.

Failure to follow these procedures will result in the employee losing their entitlement to the benefits, as provided by this policy. Any employee who does not notify the City following their discharge from military service, in accordance with State and Federal law, will be considered to have voluntarily resigned.



## EXHIBIT A

EFFECTIVE DATE	GROUP/BU	GRADE/RANK OR PAYBAND	DESCRIPTION	STEP/LEVEL	HOURLY RATE	ANNUAL SALARY
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## EXHIBIT B



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*A Great Opportunity for Very Valuable Healthcare Coverage*

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Welcome to the Connecticut (CT) Partnership Plan—a low-/no-deductible Point of Service (POS) plan now available to you (and your eligible dependents up to age 26) and other non-state public employees who work for municipalities, boards of education, quasi-public agencies, and public libraries.

*The CT Partnership Plan is the same Expanded Access plan currently offered to State of Connecticut employees. You get the same great healthcare benefits that state employees get, including \$15 in-network office visits (average actual cost in CT: \$150\*), free preventive care, and \$5 or \$10 generic drug copays for your maintenance drugs. You can see any provider (e.g., doctors, hospitals, other medical facilities) you want—in- or out-of-network. But, when you see in-network providers, you pay less. That's because they contract with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (Anthem)—the plan's administrator—to charge lower rates for their services. You have access to Anthem's State Bluecare POS network in Connecticut, and access to doctors and hospitals across the country through the BlueCard® program.*

When you join the CT Partnership Plan, the state's Health Enhancement Program (HEP) is included. HEP encourages you to get preventive care screenings, routine wellness visits, and chronic disease education and counseling. When you remain compliant with the specific HEP requirements on page 5, you get to keep the financial incentives of the HEP program!

Look inside for a summary of medical benefits, and or visit [osc.ct.gov/ctpartner](https://osc.ct.gov/ctpartner).



BENEFIT FEATURE	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
Preventive Care (including adult and well-child exams and immunizations, routine gynecologist visits, mammograms, colonoscopy)	\$0	20% of allowable UCR* charges
Annual Deductible (amount you pay before the Plan starts paying benefits)	Individual: \$350 Family: \$350 per member (\$1,400 maximum)  <b>Waived for HEP-compliant members</b>	Individual: \$300 Family: \$900
Coinsurance (the percentage of a covered expense you pay <b>after</b> you meet the Plan's annual deductible)	Not applicable	20% of allowable UCR* charges
Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum (amount you pay before the Plan pays 100% of allowable/UCR* charges)	Individual: \$2,000 Family: 4,000	Individual: \$2,300 (includes deductible) Family: \$4,900 (includes deductible)
Primary Care Office Visits	\$15 copay (\$0 copay for Preferred Providers)	20% of allowable UCR* charges
Specialist Office Visits	\$15 copay (\$0 copay for Preferred Providers)	20% of allowable UCR* charges
Urgent Care & Walk-In Center Visits	\$15 copay	20% of allowable UCR* charges
Acupuncture (20 visits per year)	\$15 copay	20% of allowable UCR* charges
Chiropractic Care	\$0 copay	20% of allowable UCR* charges
Diagnostic Labs and X-Rays <sup>1</sup> ** High Cost Testing (MRI, CAT, etc.)	\$0 copay (your doctor will need to get prior authorization for high-cost testing)	20% of allowable UCR* charges (you will need to get prior authorization for high-cost testing)
Durable Medical Equipment	\$0 (your doctor may need to get prior authorization)	20% of allowable UCR* charges (you may need to get prior authorization)

<sup>1</sup> IN NETWORK: Within your carrier's immediate service area, no co-pay for preferred facility. 20% cost share at non-preferred facility. Outside your carrier's immediate service area: no co-pay.

<sup>1</sup> OUT OF NETWORK: Within your carrier's immediate service area, deductible plus 40% coinsurance. Outside of carrier's immediate service area: deductible plus 20% coinsurance.

BENEFIT FEATURE	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
Emergency Room Care	\$250 copay (waived if admitted)	\$250 copay (waived if admitted)
Eye Exam (one per year)	\$15 copay	50% of allowable UCR* charges
**Infertility (based on medical necessity)		
Office Visit	\$15 copay	20% of allowable UCR* charges
Outpatient or Inpatient Hospital Care	\$0	20% of allowable UCR* charges
**Inpatient Hospital Stay	\$0	20% of allowable UCR* charges
Mental Healthcare/Substance Abuse Treatment	\$0	20% of allowable UCR* charges (you may need to get prior authorization)
**Inpatient		
Outpatient	\$15 copay	20% of allowable UCR* charges
Nutritional Counseling (Maximum of 3 visits per Covered Person per Calendar Year)	\$0	20% of allowable UCR* charges
**Outpatient Surgery	\$0	20% of allowable UCR* charges
**Physical/Occupational Therapy	\$0	20% of allowable UCR* charges, up to 60 inpatient days and 30 outpatient days per condition per year
Foot Orthotics	\$0 (your doctor may need to get prior authorization)	20% of allowable UCR* charges (you may need to get prior authorization)
Speech therapy: Covered for treatment resulting from autism, stroke, tumor removal, injury or congenital anomalies of the oropharynx	\$0	Deductible plus Coinsurance (30 visits per Calendar Year)
Medically necessary treatment resulting from other causes is subject to Prior Authorization	\$0 (30 visits per Covered Person per Calendar Year)	Deductible plus Coinsurance (30 visits per Calendar Year)

\*Usual, Customary and Reasonable. You pay 20% coinsurance based on UCR, plus you pay 100% of amount provider bills you over UCR.

\*\* Prior authorization required: If you use in-network providers, your provider is responsible for obtaining prior authorization from Anthem. If you use out-of-network providers, you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from Anthem.

## *When you need information about your benefits...*

**CareCompass.CT.gov** is your one-stop shop for benefits and general information on your coverage. Click Partnership to view medical, dental, pharmacy and vision benefit information.

- Access your personalized benefits portal at **carecompass.quantum-health.com**, or by clicking Sign In on the Care Compass home page
- To view forms, visit **CareCompass.CT.gov/forms**, or click the Forms button at the bottom of the Care Compass home page.

## *When you need benefits support...*

You and any enrolled dependents can speak with a personal Care Coordinator (833-740-3258) for help understanding your benefits, finding a doctor, and dealing with the complexities of health care. Quantum Health makes it easier for you to navigate your benefits and access the right care for you by coordinating with your medical, pharmacy, and dental member service teams. Chat with a Care Coordinator 8:30 a.m. – 10 p.m., Monday – Friday, at 833-740-3258, or send a message through your secure portal.

## *Earn incentives*

If you select a Provider of Distinction for a qualifying procedure, you can earn a cash reward!

Visit **CareCompass.CT.gov/providersofdistinction** to search by procedure, provider or facility, or call 833-740-3258 to speak with a personal Care Coordinator.

Doctors, hospitals and provider groups that meet the highest patient care standards are designated “Providers of Distinction.” Providers of Distinction members will coordinate your care throughout your entire treatment process, from evaluation through recovery. The best providers within this program are identified as Centers of Excellence.

To view a full list of procedures and incentives, visit **CareCompass.CT.gov/providersofdistinction/#incentives**. Note: The amount of the reward varies by procedure and location.

## *When you need to find the best provider or to find a location for a routine lab test...*

Visit **osc.ct.gov/ctpartner** then scroll to **Find Providers**.

You pay nothing—\$0 copay—for lab tests, if you visit a preferred Site of Service provider. To find a Site of Service provider, contact Anthem or **use the Find Care tool**.

## *When you're injured...*

Your health plan has resources to help you through orthopedic injuries, from diagnosis to minor aches and pains, to surgery and recovery.

Get help diagnosing minor or lingering injuries through a virtual visit. Your provider will help create a rehab program you can do at home.

For surgical procedures, find the best providers for the care you need. Learn more at **CareCompass.CT.gov/orthopedics**.

## *Help Managing and Reversing Diabetes*

Get help managing Type 1 or Type 2 Diabetes with Virta Health. Members are connected and supported with access to a diabetes health coach and receive free testing supplies and tips to manage their A1c. In the diabetes reversal program, where members with Type 2 Diabetes can learn to eat their way to better health with personalized nutrition plans and support from medical providers, professional coaches, and digital health tools.

## *Help Preventing Diabetes*

If you have prediabetes, the digital Diabetes Prevention Program offered by Wellspark can help you prevent diabetes by focusing on lifestyle changes.

To learn more about these programs, visit **CareCompass.CT.gov/diabetes**.

<b>Prescription Drugs</b>	<b>Maintenance<sup>+</sup> (31-to-90-day supply)</b>	<b>Non-Maintenance (up to 30-day supply)</b>	<b>HEP Chronic Conditions</b>
Generic (preferred/non-preferred)**	\$5/\$10	\$5/\$10	\$0
Preferred/Listed Brand Name Drugs	\$25	\$25	\$5
Non-Preferred/Non-Listed Brand Name Drugs	\$40	\$40	\$12.50
Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum	\$4,600 Individual/\$9,200 Family		

+ Initial 30-day supply at retail pharmacy is permitted. Thereafter, 90-day supply is required—through mail-order or at a retail pharmacy participating in the State of Connecticut Maintenance Drug Network.

\*\* Prescriptions are filled automatically with a generic drug if one is available, unless the prescribing physician submits a Coverage Exception Request attesting that the brand name drug is medically necessary.

***Preferred and Non-Preferred Brand-Name Drugs***

A drug's tier placement is determined by Caremark's Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, which reviews tier placement each quarter. If new generics have become available, new clinical studies have been released, new brand-name drugs have become available, etc., the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee may change the tier placement of a drug.

If your doctor believes a non-preferred brand-name drug is medically necessary for you, they will need to complete the Coverage Exception Request form (available at [osc.ct.gov/ctpartner](http://osc.ct.gov/ctpartner)) and fax it to Caremark. If approved, you will pay the preferred brand co-pay amount.

***If You Choose a Brand Name When a Generic Is Available***

Prescriptions will be automatically filled with a generic drug if one is available, unless your doctor completes Caremark's Coverage Exception Request form and it is approved. (It

is not enough for your doctor to note "dispense as written" on your prescription; a separate form is required.) If you request a brand-name drug over a generic alternative without obtaining a coverage exception, you will pay the generic drug co-pay PLUS the difference in cost between the brand and generic drug.

***Mandatory 90-day Supply for Maintenance Medications***

If you or your family member takes a maintenance medication, you are required to get your maintenance prescriptions as 90-day fills. You will be able to get your first 30-day fill of that medication at any participating pharmacy. After that your two choices are:

- Receive your medication through the Caremark mail-order pharmacy, or
- Fill your medication at a pharmacy that participates in the State's Maintenance Drug Network (see the list of participating pharmacies on [osc.ct.gov/ctpartner](http://osc.ct.gov/ctpartner)) and scroll down to Pharmacy under Benefit Summaries.)

The Health Enhancement Program (HEP) is a component of the medical plan and has several important benefits. First, it helps you and your family work with your medical providers to get and stay healthy. Second, it saves you money on your healthcare. Third, it will save money for the Partnership Plan long term by focusing healthcare dollars on prevention.

*Health Enhancement Program Requirements*

You and your enrolled family members must get age-appropriate wellness exams, early diagnosis screenings (such as colorectal cancer screenings, Pap tests, mammograms, and vision exams). Here are the 2023 HEP Requirements:

PREVENTIVE SCREENINGS	AGE						
	0-5	6-17	18-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50+
Preventive Visit	1 per year	1 every other year	Every 3 years	Every 3 years	Every 3 years	Every 2 years	Every year
Vision Exam	N/A	N/A	Every 7 years	Every 7 years	Every 7 years	Every 4 years	50-64: Every 3 years 65+: Every 2 years
Dental Cleanings*	N/A	At least 1 per year	At least 1 per year	At least 1 per year	At least 1 per year	At least 1 per year	At least 1 per year
Cholesterol Screening	N/A	N/A	Every 5 years (20+)	Every 5 years	Every 5 years	Every 5 years	Every 5 years
Breast Cancer Screening (Mammogram)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1 screening between age 45-49**	As recommended by physician
Cervical Cancer Screening (Pap Smear)	N/A	N/A	Every 3 years (21+)	Every 3 years	Pap smear only every 3 years or Pap and HPV combo screening every 5 years	Pap smear only every 3 years or Pap and HPV combo screening every 5 years	Pap smear only every 3 years or Pap and HPV combo screening every 5 years to age 65
Colorectal Cancer Screening†	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	<b>UPDATED</b> 40-44: N/A 45+: Colonoscopy every 10 years, Annual FIT/FOBT to age 75 or Cologuard screening every 3 years	

\* Dental cleanings are required for family members who are participating in a dental plan sponsored by your employer  
 \*\* Or as recommended by your physician  
 † NEW: colorectal screening age requirements lowered to 45 years of age for calendar year 2022 as recommended by US Task Force on Preventive Services

For those with a chronic condition: The household must meet all preventive and chronic requirements to be compliant.

To check your Health Enhancement Program compliance status, visit [CareCompass.CT.gov](https://CareCompass.CT.gov), then **sign in** or **register** for your Quantum Health benefits portal. To view your status, click the **My Health** tab in your portal.

You can also download the MyQHealth app on the App Store or Google Play.

### *Additional Requirements for Those With Certain Conditions*

If you or any enrolled family member has 1) Diabetes (Type 1 or 2), 2) asthma or COPD, 3) heart disease/heart failure, 4) hyperlipidemia (high cholesterol), or 5) hypertension (high blood pressure), you and/or that family member will be required to participate in a disease education and counseling program for that particular condition. You will receive free office visits and reduced pharmacy copays for treatments related to your condition.

These particular conditions are targeted because they account for a large part of our total healthcare costs and have been shown to respond particularly well to education and counseling programs. By participating in these programs, affected employees and family members will be given additional resources to improve their health.

### *If You Do Not Comply with the requirements of HEP*

*If you or any enrolled dependent becomes non-compliant in HEP, your premiums will be \$100 per month higher and you will have an annual \$350 per individual (\$1,400 per family) in-network medical deductible.*

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Quantum Health is the administrator for the Health Enhancement Program (HEP) and gives you access to your personalized health benefits portal. The HEP participant portal features tips and tools to help you manage your health and your HEP requirements. Login to your personal benefit portal at [carecompass.quantum-health.com](http://carecompass.quantum-health.com) to:

- View HEP preventive and chronic requirements and download HEP forms
- Check your HEP preventive and chronic compliance status
- Complete your chronic condition education and counseling compliance requirement
- Send a secure message to a Care Coordinator for benefits assistance
- *Connect you to your medical, pharmacy, dental and other healthcare services covered in your plan- with just one login.*

**Quantum Health:** (833)740-3258, 8:30 a.m.-10 p.m. ET, Mon.-Fri.



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**PARTNERSHIP PLAN** 

**YOUR BENEFIT RESOURCES**

*Office of the State Comptroller, Healthcare Policy & Benefit Services Division*

**|** [www.osc.ct.gov/ctpartner](http://www.osc.ct.gov/ctpartner)  
**860-702-3560**

*General benefit questions, Medical, and Health Enhancement Program (HEP)*

**|** **Quantum Health**  
[CareCompass.CT.gov](http://CareCompass.CT.gov) or login to your benefits portal from Care Compass  
**833-740-3258**

*Prescription drug benefits*

**|** **CVS Caremark**  
[CareCompass.CT.gov/state/pharmacy](http://CareCompass.CT.gov/state/pharmacy) or login to your benefits portal from Care Compass  
**1-800-318-2572**

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## EXHIBIT C



## A LOOK AT YOUR VSP VISION COVERAGE



### SEE HEALTHY AND LIVE HAPPY WITH HELP FROM CITY OF BRIDGEPORT AND VSP.



Enroll in VSP® Vision Care to get personalized care from a VSP network doctor at low out-of-pocket costs.

#### VALUE AND SAVINGS YOU LOVE.

Save on eyewear and eye care when you see a VSP network doctor. Plus, take advantage of Exclusive Member Extras for additional savings.

#### PROVIDER CHOICES YOU WANT.

With an average of five VSP network doctors within six miles of you, it's easy to find a nearby in-network doctor. Plus, maximize your coverage with bonus offers and additional savings that are exclusive to Premier Program locations.



#### USING YOUR BENEFIT IS EASY!

Create an account on [vsp.com](http://vsp.com) to view your in-network coverage, find the VSP network doctor who's right for you, and discover savings with exclusive member extras. At your appointment, just tell them you have VSP.

**Like shopping online?** Go to [eyeconic.com](http://eyeconic.com) and use your vision benefits to shop over 50 brands of contacts, eyeglasses, and sunglasses.

#### QUALITY VISION CARE YOU NEED.

You'll get great care from a VSP network doctor, including a WellVision Exam®—a comprehensive exam designed to detect eye and health conditions.

#### GET YOUR PERFECT PAIR

**EXTRA \$20** + UP TO **40%**  
TO SPEND ON FEATURED FRAME BRANDS\* | SAVINGS ON LENS ENHANCEMENTS

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SEE MORE BRANDS AT [VSP.COM/OFFERS](http://VSP.COM/OFFERS)



**Enroll today.**

Contact us: **800.877.7195** or [vsp.com](http://vsp.com)

## YOUR VSP VISION BENEFITS SUMMARY

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT and VSP provide you with an affordable vision plan.

### PROVIDER NETWORK:

VSP Signature

### EFFECTIVE DATE:

01/01/2020



BENEFIT	DESCRIPTION	COPAY	FREQUENCY
<b>YOUR COVERAGE WITH A VSP PROVIDER</b>			
<b>WELLVISION EXAM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Focuses on your eyes and overall wellness</li> </ul>	\$20	Every 12 months
<b>PRESCRIPTION GLASSES</b>		<b>\$30</b>	<b>See frame and lenses</b>
<b>FRAME</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$105 allowance for a wide selection of frames</li> <li>\$125 allowance for featured frame brands</li> <li>20% savings on the amount over your allowance</li> <li>\$60 Costco® frame allowance</li> </ul>	Included in Prescription Glasses	Every 24 months
<b>LENSES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Single vision, lined bifocal, and lined trifocal lenses</li> <li>Impact-resistant lenses for dependent children</li> </ul>	Included in Prescription Glasses	Every 12 months
<b>LENS ENHANCEMENTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Standard progressive lenses</li> <li>Premium progressive lenses</li> <li>Custom progressive lenses</li> <li>Average savings of 35-40% on other lens enhancements</li> </ul>	\$50 \$80 - \$90 \$120 - \$160	Every 12 months
<b>CONTACTS (INSTEAD OF GLASSES)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$105 allowance for contacts and contact lens exam (fitting and evaluation)</li> <li>15% savings on a contact lens exam (fitting and evaluation)</li> </ul>	\$0	Every 12 months
<b>DIABETIC EYECARE PLUS PROGRAM<sup>SM</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retinal screening for members with diabetes</li> <li>Additional exams and services for members with diabetic eye disease, glaucoma, or age-related macular degeneration. Limitations and coordination with your medical coverage may apply. Ask your VSP doctor details.</li> </ul>	\$0 \$20 per exam	As needed
<b>EXTRA SAVINGS</b>	<p><b>Glasses and Sunglasses</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extra \$20 to spend on featured frame brands. Go to <a href="http://vsp.com/offers">vsp.com/offers</a> for details.</li> <li>30% savings on additional glasses and sunglasses, including lens enhancements, from the same VSP provider on the same day as your WellVision Exam. Or get 20% from any VSP provider within 12 months of your last WellVision Exam.</li> </ul> <p><b>Routine Retinal Screening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No more than a \$39 copay on routine retinal screening as an enhancement to a WellVision Exam</li> </ul> <p><b>Laser Vision Correction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Average 15% off the regular price or 5% off the promotional price; discounts only available from contracted facilities</li> <li>After surgery, use your frame allowance (if eligible) for sunglasses from any VSP doctor</li> </ul>		

### YOUR COVERAGE WITH OUT-OF-NETWORK PROVIDERS

Get the most out of your benefits and greater savings with a VSP network doctor. Call Member Services for out-of-network plan details.

Coverage with a retail chain may be different or not apply. Log in to [vsp.com](http://vsp.com) to check your benefits for eligibility and to confirm in-network locations based on your plan type. VSP guarantees coverage from VSP network providers only. Coverage information is subject to change. In the event of a conflict between this information and your organization's contract with VSP, the terms of the contract will prevail. Based on applicable laws, benefits may vary by location. In the state of Washington, VSP Vision Care, Inc., is the legal name of the corporation through which VSP does business.

\*Only available to VSP members with applicable plan benefits. Frame brands and promotions are subject to change. Savings based on doctor's retail price and vary by plan and purchase selection; average savings determined after benefits are applied. Ask your VSP network doctor for more details.

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## EXHIBIT D

**Cigna Dental Benefit Summary**  
**Bridgeport, City & Board of Education**  
**City Employees Only**  
**Plan Renewal Date: 07/01/2023**



Administered by: Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company

This material is for informational purposes only and is designed to highlight some of the benefits available under this plan. Consult the plan documents to determine specific terms of coverage relating to your plan. Terms include covered procedures, applicable waiting periods, exclusions and limitations. **Your DPPO plan allows you to see any licensed dentist, but using an in-network dentist may minimize your out-of-pocket expenses.**

<b>Cigna Dental PPO</b>				
<b>Network Options</b>	<b>In-Network: Total Cigna DPPO Network</b>		<b>Non-Network: See Non-Network Reimbursement</b>	
<b>Reimbursement Levels</b>	Based on Contracted Fees		Maximum Reimbursable Charge	
<b>Calendar Year Benefits Maximum</b> Applies to: Class I, II & III expenses	\$1,000		\$1,000	
<b>Calendar Year Deductible</b> Individual Family	\$25 \$75		\$25 \$75	
<b>Benefit Highlights</b>	<b>Plan Pays</b>	<b>You Pay</b>	<b>Plan Pays</b>	<b>You Pay</b>
<b>Class I: Diagnostic &amp; Preventive</b> Oral Evaluations Prophylaxis: routine cleanings X-rays: routine X-rays: non-routine Fluoride Application Sealants: per tooth Space Maintainers: non-orthodontic Emergency Care to Relieve Pain (Note: This service is administrated at the in network coinsurance level.)	100% No Deductible	No Charge	100% No Deductible	No Charge
<b>Class II: Basic Restorative</b> Restorative: fillings Endodontics: minor and major Periodontics: minor and major Oral Surgery: minor and major Anesthesia: general and IV sedation Repairs: bridges, crowns and inlays Repairs: dentures Denture Relines, Rebases and Adjustments	80% After Deductible	20% After Deductible	80% After Deductible	20% After Deductible
<b>Class III: Major Restorative</b> Inlays and Onlays Prosthesis Over Implant Crowns: prefabricated stainless steel / resin Crowns: permanent cast and porcelain Bridges and Dentures	50% After Deductible	50% After Deductible	50% After Deductible	50% After Deductible

<b>Benefit Plan Provisions:</b>	
<b><i>In-Network Reimbursement</i></b>	For services provided by a Cigna Dental PPO network dentist, Cigna Dental will reimburse the dentist according to a Fee Schedule or Discount Schedule.
<b><i>Non-Network Reimbursement</i></b>	For services provided by a non-network dentist, Cigna Dental will reimburse according to the Maximum Reimbursable Charge. The MRC is calculated at the 90th percentile of all provider submitted amounts in the geographic area. The dentist may balance bill up to their usual fees.
<b><i>Cross Accumulation</i></b>	All deductibles, plan maximums, and service specific maximums cross accumulate between in and out of network. Benefit frequency limitations are based on the date of service and cross accumulate between in and out of network.
<b><i>Calendar Year Benefits Maximum</i></b>	The plan will only pay for covered charges up to the yearly Benefits Maximum, when applicable. Benefit-specific Maximums may also apply.
<b><i>Calendar Year Deductible</i></b>	This is the amount you must pay before the plan begins to pay for covered charges, when applicable. Benefit-specific deductibles may also apply.
<b><i>Carryover Provision</i></b>	Dental Expenses incurred and applied toward the Individual or Family Deductible during the last 3 months of the calendar year will be applied toward the next year's Deductible.
<b><i>Pretreatment Review</i></b>	Pretreatment review is available on a voluntary basis when dental work in excess of \$200 is proposed.
<b><i>Alternate Benefit Provision</i></b>	When more than one covered Dental Service could provide suitable treatment based on common dental standards, Cigna will determine the covered Dental Service on which payment will be based and the expenses that will be included as Covered Expenses.
<b><i>Oral Health Integration Program*</i></b>	The Cigna Dental Oral Health Integration Program offers enhanced dental coverage for customers with certain medical conditions. There is no additional charge to participate in the program. Those who qualify can receive reimbursement of their coinsurance for eligible dental services. Eligible customers can also receive guidance on behavioral issues related to oral health. Reimbursements under this program are not subject to the annual deductible, but will be applied to the plan annual maximum. For more information on how to enroll in this program and a complete list of terms and eligible conditions, go to <a href="http://www.mycigna.com">www.mycigna.com</a> or call customer service 24/7 at 1-800-Cigna24.
<b><i>Timely Filing</i></b>	Out of network claims submitted to Cigna after 365 days from date of service will be denied.
<b>Benefit Limitations:</b>	
Missing Tooth Limitation	For teeth missing prior to coverage with Cigna, the amount payable is 50% of the amount otherwise payable until covered for 24 months; thereafter, considered a Class III expense.
Oral Evaluations/Exams	2 per calendar year.
X-rays (routine)	Bitewings: 2 per calendar year.
X-rays (non-routine)	Complete series of radiographic images and panoramic radiographic images: Limited to a combined total of 1 per 36 months.
Cleanings	2 per calendar year, including periodontal maintenance procedures following active therapy.
Fluoride Application	1 per calendar year for children under age 19.
Sealants (per tooth)	Limited to posterior tooth. 1 treatment per tooth every 36 months for children under age 14.
Space Maintainers	Limited to non-orthodontic treatment for children under age 19.
Crowns, Bridges, Dentures and Partial	Replacement every 60 months if unserviceable and cannot be repaired. Benefits are based on the amount payable for non-precious metals. No porcelain or white/tooth-colored material on molar crowns or bridges.
Denture and Bridge Repairs	Reviewed if more than once.
Denture Relines, Rebases and Adjustments	Covered if more than 6 months after installation.
Prosthesis Over Implant	Replacement every 60 months if unserviceable and cannot be repaired. Benefits are based on the amount payable for non-precious metals. No porcelain or white/tooth-colored material on molar crowns or bridges.

**Benefit Exclusions:**

Covered Expenses will not include, and no payment will be made for the following:

- Procedures and services not included in the list of covered dental expenses;
- Diagnostic: cone beam imaging;
- Preventive Services: instruction for plaque control, oral hygiene and diet;
- Restorative: veneers of porcelain, ceramic, resin, or acrylic materials on crowns or pontics on or replacing the upper and or lower first, second and/or third molars;
- Periodontics: bite registrations; splinting;
- Prosthodontic: precision or semi-precision attachments;
- Implants: implants or implant related services;
- Orthodontics: orthodontic treatment;
- Procedures, appliances or restorations, except full dentures, whose main purpose is to change vertical dimension, diagnose or treat conditions of dysfunction of the temporomandibular joint (TMJ), stabilize periodontally involved teeth or restore occlusion;
- Athletic mouth guards;
- Services performed primarily for cosmetic reasons;
- Personalization or decoration of any dental device or dental work;
- Replacement of an appliance per benefit guidelines;
- Services that are deemed to be medical in nature;
- Services and supplies received from a hospital;
- Drugs: prescription drugs;
- Charges in excess of the Maximum Reimbursable Charge.

This document provides a summary only. It is not a contract. If there are any differences between this summary and the official plan documents, the terms of the official plan documents will prevail.

Product availability may vary by location and plan type and is subject to change. All group dental insurance policies and dental benefit plans contain exclusions and limitations. For costs and details of coverage, review your plan documents or contact a Cigna representative.

A copy of the NH Dental Outline of Coverage is available and can be downloaded at Health Insurance & Medical Forms for Customers | Cigna under Dental Forms.

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## EXHIBIT E

PHYSICAL FITNESS STANDARDS  
**BRIDGEPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**PHYSICAL ABILITY STANDARDS**  
**PHYSICAL AGILITY TEST BATTERY**

Minimum Scores for Employment as Police Officer  
(Scores Indicate fifth (50<sup>th</sup>) Percentile of Fitness)

**SIT-UP** MUSCULAR ENDURANCE - The score is the number of bent-leg sit-ups performed in one minute.

**FLEX** FLEXIBILITY - The "sit-and-reach" test measures the flexibility of the lower back and hamstrings. The test involves stretching out to touch the toes and beyond with extended arms from the sitting position. The score is in inches reached in a yardstick with the 15" mark being at the toes.

**BENCH** ABSOLUTE STRENGTH - One (1) repetition maximum bench press using Dynamic Variable Resistance (DVR) protocol. The score is a ratio of weight pressed divided by body weight.

**1.5 MI RUN** CARDIOVASCULAR CAPACITY - 1.5 mile run. The score is in minutes, seconds.

AGE/SEX	TEST			
<b>MALE</b>	<b>SIT-UP</b>	<b>FLEX</b>	<b>BENCH PRESS</b>	<b>1 ½ MILE RUN</b>
20-29	40	17.5"	106%	12:16
30-39	36	16.5"	93%	12:51
40-49	31	15.25"	84%	13:53
50-59	26	14.5"	75%	14:55
<b>FEMALE</b>	<b>SIT-UP</b>	<b>FLEX</b>	<b>BENCH PRESS</b>	<b>1 ½ MILE RUN</b>
20-29	35	20"	65%	14:55
30-39	27	19"	57%	15:26
40-49	22	18"	52%	16:27
50-59	17	17.75"	46%	17:24



## EXHIBIT F



**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT  
AND  
BRIDGEPORT POLICE, LOCAL 1159 – COUNCIL 4  
Memorandum of UNDERSTANDING**

WHEREAS, the City of Bridgeport (hereinafter the "City"), and The Bridgeport Police Union, Local 1159 Council 4, AFSCME, AFLC-CIO (hereinafter the "Union"), are Parties to a Collective Bargaining Agreement ("CBA");

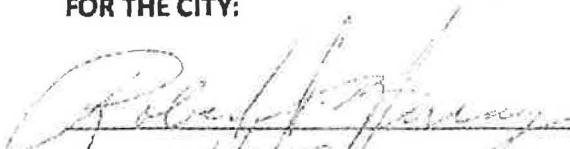
WHEREAS, The CBA dated July 1, 2012-June 30, 2016 provides in Article 30, Section 30.3 and Section 30.4 for health care benefits for employees who were hired prior to the " execution date of this Agreement" and their surviving spouses, if any, who retire and complete 25 years of continuous service in any City department, or who have been found eligible for a work related disability pension by CMERS;

WHEREAS, The City and the Union have been unable to agree to the date referred to as the execution date of this Agreement.

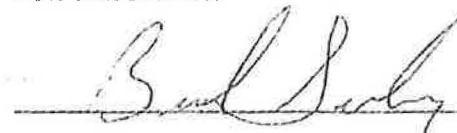
**NOW THEREFORE**, the City and Union agree to the following:

1. The members of Recruit Class 37 shall be eligible for health benefits pursuant to the language found in Article 30, sections 30.3 and 30.4.
2. This Agreement is entered into without precedent or prejudice to either party and shall not be used as evidence in any other matter except to enforce the terms of this Memorandum.

**FOR THE CITY:**

  
Date: 4/15/2021

**FOR THE UNION:**

  
Date: 4-15-2021