

Item #8

**City of Carson City  
Agenda Report**

**Date Submitted:** 6-10-08

**Agenda Date Requested:** 6-19-08  
**Time Requested:** 5 minutes

**To:** Mayor and Carson City Board of Supervisors

**From:** Human Resources

**Subject Title:** Action to amend the Agreement Between Carson City and the Carson City Sheriff's Protective Association for fiscal years 2008-2011.

**Staff Summary:** On February 7, 2008, the Board of Supervisors approved the labor agreement between Carson City and the Sheriff's Protective Association for fiscal years 2008-2011. Subsequent to approving the Agreement, the Board of Supervisors approved the labor agreement between the City and the Carson City Sheriff's Department Lieutenants. During discussion of the Lieutenant's Agreement, the Board agreed to give an increase in the body armor allowance. The increase went from \$450.00 per employee to \$800.00 per employee. This Agreement amends the provision in the labor contract between the City and the Sheriff's Protective Association to reflect the increase in the body armor allowance.

In addition, a pay increase in the amount of 4% retroactive to January 1, 2008 was negotiated for the Sr. Forensic Specialist not included in the original labor agreement.

**Type of Action Requested:** (check one)  
 Resolution  Ordinance  
 Formal Action/Motion  Other (Specify)

**Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement:**  Yes  No

**Recommended Board Action:** I move to amend the Agreement Between Carson City and the Carson City Sheriff's Protective Association for fiscal years 2008-2011.

**Explanation for Recommended Board Action:** On February 7, 2008, the Board of Supervisors approved the labor agreement between Carson City and the Sheriff's Protective Association for fiscal years 2008-2011. Subsequent to approving the Agreement, the Board of Supervisors approved the labor agreement between the City and the Carson City Sheriff's Department Lieutenants. During discussion of the Lieutenant's Agreement, the Board agreed to give an increase in the body armor allowance. The increase went from \$450.00 per employee to \$800.00 per employee. This Agreement amends the provision in the labor contract between the City and the Sheriff's Protective Association to reflect the increase in the body armor allowance.

In addition, a pay increase in the amount of 4% retroactive to January 1, 2008 was negotiated for the Senior Forensic Specialist who was not included in the original labor

agreement.

**Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation:** NRS 288 Relations between Governments and Public Employees

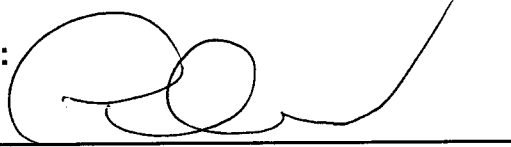
**Fiscal Impact:** \$8,400 in each of fiscal years '08/'09/'10/'11 for an approximate total of \$25,200.00. The additional 4% for the Sr. Forensic Specialist will be \$1,250.00 in FY '08 and approximately \$ 8,507.00 for the remainder of the contract term and the position's recognition included in terms of the amended agreement.

**Funding Source:** General Fund

**Supporting Material:** Amended Labor Agreement

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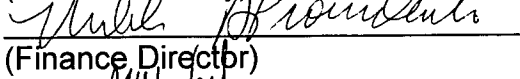


(City Manager)


Date: 6-10-08

  
(District Attorney)

Date: 6-10-08

  
(Finance Director)

Date: 6/10/08

  
(Human Resources Director)

Date: 6-10-08

**Board Action Taken:**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

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Aye/Nay

2) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Fiscal Years 2008 - 2011**

AGREEMENT

Between

CARSON CITY

and the

CARSON CITY SHERIFF'S PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

Amended: June 19, 2008

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**Article 1.     PREAMBLE**

This Agreement is entered into between Carson City, Nevada, hereinafter referred to as the "City," and members of the Carson City Sheriffs Protective Association, hereinafter referred to as "Employees".

It is the intent and purpose of this Agreement to assure sound and mutually beneficial working and economic relationships between the parties hereto and to provide an orderly and peaceful means of resolving any misunderstanding or differences which may arise.

All employees shall perform loyal and efficient work and services; shall use their influence and best efforts to protect the properties of the City and its service to the public; and shall cooperate in promoting and advancing the welfare of the City and in preserving the continuity of its service to the public at all times.

The full agreement between the parties is set forth herein with the exception of certain matters covered by State law.

**Article 2.     RECOGNITION**

(A) The Association is recognized as the sole and exclusive bargaining representative for Deputy Sheriff's and Dean Higman, Senior Forensic Specialist, until such time as he separates from employment. A probationary is not covered under Articles 27, Disciplinary Actions, and Article 32, Layoff Policy and Procedure

**Article 3.     NO STRIKES AND LOCKOUTS**

(A) The Association will not promote, sponsor or engage in, against the City, any strike, slowdown, interruption of operation, stoppage of work, absences from work upon any pretext or excuse not founded in fact, or any other intentional interruption of the City, regardless of the reason for so doing, and will use reasonable efforts to induce all employees covered by this Agreement to comply with this pledge.

(B) The City will not lock out any employees as a result of a labor dispute with the Association.

**Article 4. RIGHTS OF MANAGEMENT**

**(A)** As stated in Local Government Employee-Management Relations Chapter 288.150 number 3, each local government employer is entitled without negotiation or reference to any agreement resulting from negotiation:

- (1)** The right to hire, direct, assign or transfer an employee, but excluding the right to assign or transfer an employee as a form of discipline.
- (2)** The right to reduce in force or lay off any employee because of lack of work or lack of funds, subject to paragraph **(t)** of subsection 2, stating procedures for reduction in work force.
- (3)** The right to determine:
  - (a)** Appropriate staffing levels and work performance standards, except for safety considerations;
  - (b)** The content of the workday, including without limitation, workload factors, except for safety considerations;
  - (c)** The quality and quantity of services to be offered to the public;
  - (d)** The means and methods of offering those services, and
- (4)** Safety of the public.

**Article 5. ASSOCIATION RIGHTS**

**(A)** Employees shall have the right to form, organize, join and administer an employee organization and to designate their representatives for purposes of collective bargaining. The City shall not restrain, coerce, discriminate against or otherwise interfere with an employee in the exercise of these rights.

**(B)** The Association may request reasonable information which is in the exclusive control of the City concerning any subject matter included in the scope of mandatory bargaining which the Association deems necessary for and relevant to collective bargaining, or necessary for the administration or application of this Agreement. The City shall furnish the information requested without unreasonable delay.



- (C) At least annually, the Association will designate no more than four employee representatives of the Association. This designation will be in writing and will be transmitted to the Sheriff and the City Director of Human Resources no later than July 31st of each year and within 30 calendar days of a change in one of the representatives by the Association. Designated employee representatives of the Association may conduct Association business on City property if such work occurs outside the representative's regular working hours, except when the employee representative is authorized to perform representational duties during his/her regular work hours as provided for in sections i, j, k, and l of this Article. The City may also grant special permission to conduct certain Association business during working hours if such activity does not interfere with or disrupt normal business of the department. The Association may use City buildings for its meetings if such use does not interfere with or disrupt the City's operations. The appropriate department head who has control over the desired building must be contacted and the use of the facilities requested at least 48 hours in advance by the Association. Unless the facility is unavailable, the department head will not unreasonably withhold use of a meeting room.
- (D) Designated employee representatives may make and receive telephone calls and email messages about Association business during business hours only if such activity does not interfere with or disrupt normal business of the department. In no case will any Association business or communication be conducted over the department's radio, dispatch, or mobile communication systems.
- (E) The City will not interfere with, or discriminate with respect to any term or condition of employment against any employee because of his/her membership in the Association and/or his/her participation in any legitimate activity pursuant to this Agreement. The City will not encourage membership in any other employee bargaining organization
- (F) The Association recognizes its responsibilities as the exclusive negotiating agent and agrees to represent all employees in the Association without discrimination, interference, restraint, or coercion.
- (G) The provisions of the Agreement will be applied equally to all employees in the collective bargaining unit without discrimination and in conformity with all applicable

Federal, State and locals laws and regulations.

- (H) Except as otherwise provided by state or local law or regulation, whenever a collective bargaining unit employee is on duty, he/she shall not engage in or be coerced to engage in any prohibited political activity.
- (I) Up to four employee representatives of the Association who are designated by the Association as members of the negotiating team will attend negotiation meetings with the City on duty time if the negotiating meeting occurs during the employee representative's regular work hours.
- (J) One designated employee representative of the Association and the bargaining unit employee facing possible discipline shall be allowed to attend disciplinary meetings if the bargaining unit employee is not otherwise represented. It is the responsibility of the bargaining unit employee to arrange for such representation. The Association representative and the affected employee will attend such meetings with the City and or Sheriffs Administration on duty time if the meeting occurs during the representative's and the employees regular work hours.
- (K) One designated employee representative of the Association and a grievant shall be allowed to attend grievance meetings with the City and or Sheriff's Administration. It is the responsibility of the grievant to arrange for such representation. The Association representative and the grievant employee will attend such meetings with the City and or Sheriff's Administration on duty time if the meeting occurs during the representative's and the grievant's regular work hours.
- (L) Members of the Association's executive board shall be entitled to collectively use up to 40 hours of paid administrative leave for association business during any calendar year. In addition, each member of the Association may donate up to 10 hours of annual leave per year to a pool that may be used, hour for hour, by executive board members for Association business. The use of any leave under this provision shall be in a manner which does not disrupt normal business operations of the Department, as determined by the Sheriff or his/her designee. Such leave cannot be unreasonably denied.
- (M) The Association may post notices of its activities and matters of business related to the Association only on a bulletin board specifically designated for these purposes and

provided by the City. The Association may use the City's interoffice mail delivery system and/or the City's mail electronic system (e-mail) to communicate matters of Association business matters or information, provided such activity does not interfere with or disrupt Sheriff's Department operations. The Association must comply with all provisions of the City's written e-mail policy when using the City's e-mail system.

**Article 6. PAY RATES**

**(A) PAYMENT OF BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008:**

Each employee shall receive a wage-rate adjustment in Fiscal Year 2008 retroactive to January 1, 2008 as set forth in Exhibit A.

**(B) PAYMENT FOR EMPLOYEES FOR FISCAL YEARS 2009-2011:** Each employee shall receive a base wage-rate percentage increase effective July 1 in Fiscal Years 2009 through 2011 as follows:

**2009:** 4% (Effective July 1, 2008)

**2010:** 4% (Effective July 1, 2009)

**2011:** 3% (Effective July 1, 2010)

**(C) INITIAL APPOINTMENT RATE:** Initial appointment to a Deputy Sheriff position shall be made at the entry rate of no less than the following wage rates for each of the Fiscal Years of the Agreement:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>
2008	\$21.64
2009	\$22.51
2010	\$23.41
2011	\$24.11

When a former employee of the bargaining unit is rehired as a Deputy Sheriff within a three-year (3) period, his/her rate will be established at the discretion of the appointing authority, but no less than the base rate at the time of separation. If a former Deputy is rehired after a three-year (3) absence and has experienced a break in law enforcement service, the employee's base rate will be established at the entry rate set forth in this

subsection.

- (D) **NON-P.O.S.T. CATEGORY:** A new employee appointed to Deputy Sheriff that does not currently hold a Category I P.O.S.T certificate will be compensated at 10% below the Deputy Sheriff Initial Appointment Rate on the date of employment. A Category I P.O.S.T certificate must be completed within the twelve (12) month probationary period.
- (E) **NEW HIRE PROBATION:** A new employee shall be considered on probation for a period of twelve (12) months from date of hire, during which time the Sheriff has the right to dismiss or retain the employee. After completion of the probationary period, the employee shall be deemed a regular employee and his/her seniority shall date back to the date of hire as a new employee in the bargaining unit. An employee's participation in the P.O.S.T. Academy will not be counted towards completion of the probationary period. All new hire probationary employees are entitled to accrue all benefits of this Agreement unless otherwise specified in Article II. Probationary employees are eligible to use leave benefits accrued after six (6) months of employment, except as otherwise provided by this Agreement.
- (F) **POSITION RECLASSIFICATION:** If a position is reclassified to a lower class through no fault of the incumbent, the incumbent shall continue to be paid at his last rate of pay until such time as the salary at which the employee was retained comes within the range of pay for the class due to adjustments in the compensation or classification plan. This retained rate may be applied only under the following conditions:
- (1) The employee has standard or better performance during the preceding year.
  - (2) The employee was in the higher class six months preceding the reclassification.
  - (3) The reclassification is a result of a legitimate reason over which the employee has no control.

**Article 7. ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

- (A) Each employee will receive an annual written performance evaluation on his/his anniversary date of hire following 12 months from the effective date of hire, and every anniversary date thereafter. A copy of this annual written performance evaluation will be placed in the employee's personnel file in the City's Human Resources Department. The

performance evaluation may be used when considering any employment action.

- (B) As indicated in Article 4 of this Agreement, the employer establishes work performance standards, except for employee safety considerations, and the content of the work performance standards are reserved to the employer and not subject to the grievance provisions of this Agreement.

**Article 8. RESERVED**

**Article 9. CALLBACK**

- (A) Whenever an employee is called back to work by his supervisor with less than 12 hours notice following the completion of his/her regularly scheduled shift, he/she shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half for all hours worked, with a two (2) hour minimum. This time is reported in accordance with PERS regulations on callback.

- (B) When the Sheriff, or his designated representative, deems it necessary to mobilize department personnel to meet an impending emergency, such as a riot, military actions, natural disaster or civil disorder, the provisions of Article 10 relating to overtime shall apply, in lieu of callback pay.

**Article 10. OVERTIME**

- (A) **OVERTIME DEFINED:** Overtime shall be all hours worked in excess of the regularly scheduled workday or forty hours per week, or in the case of an alternate assigned work schedule, hours worked in excess of the regularly scheduled work day as authorized by the employee's supervisor. Any overtime must be approved by the employee's supervisor. Overtime shall be all hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours in any consecutive seven (7) day work period and only as authorized by the employee's supervisor. The seven (7) day work period is defined as Monday thru Sunday. The following paid time off shall be considered time worked for overtime purposes: holidays, annual leave, sick leave and compensatory time off in accordance with this agreement. Overtime will not include any travel time between the employee's residence and the Sheriff's office.

**(B) OVERTIME COMPENSATION RATE:** Overtime shall be compensated at the rate of time and one-half of the base rate for an employee.

**(C) OVERTIME PAID IN CASH OR COMPENSATORY TIME OFF:** Overtime earned may be paid in cash or converted into compensatory time off under the following conditions:

- 1) Overtime earned during a workweek may be converted as compensatory at the rate of time and one-half at the election of the employee.
- 2) Following a work week for which an employee received cash payment for overtime, he may not be directed to reduce work hours in order to maintain a constant level of earnings over the pay period in which the overtime was performed.
- 3) An Employee may elect to receive payment ~~cash~~ for all compensatory time earned as accrued on July 1 and December 1 up to a maximum of 120 hours in any one fiscal year. To elect a payment, an employee must submit to management, only during the months of June and/or November of each fiscal year, a request in writing for payment of a specific number of accrued compensatory hours.

**(D) TRAVEL TIME:** Travel time will be compensated at the normal overtime rate when the time in transit exceeds regular working hours but is between work locations, and not between an employee's residence and the Sheriff's office.

**Article 11. HOLIDAYS**

**(A)** The following are paid holidays for employees of Carson City:

New Year's Day

Martin Luther King Day

Presidents Day

Memorial Day

Independence Day

Labor Day

Nevada Day

Veterans Day

Thanksgiving Day

Family Day

Christmas Day

or any other day that may be appointed by the President of the United States, the Governor of Nevada or the Board of Supervisors for public fast, Thanksgiving, or holiday. When a designated holiday falls on Saturday or Sunday, the Friday before or the Monday after, respectively, shall be granted as a holiday. For non-standard workweek employees who normally work Saturday or Sunday, if the designated holiday falls on Saturday or Sunday, such day shall be granted as a holiday for purposes of Article 10(d), holiday pay. The non-standard workweek employee shall not accrue additional holiday time for Friday or Monday that is observed as the holiday for standard workweek employees.

**(B)** If a holiday falls during an employee's leave it shall not be charged as leave.

**(C) HOLIDAY PAY:** Pay for holidays will be as follows:

- 1) An Employee shall be paid twice his/her base rate of pay for the actual number of hours worked that coincide with the designated City holiday. Holiday work may be granted in cash or in ten (10) hours of compensatory time off to be taken off with supervisory approval. An Employee not scheduled to work on a designated

City Holiday will receive compensatory time equal to a regularly scheduled shift.

- 2) An Employee who ~~are~~ is required to work a holiday on his/her regularly scheduled day off will be compensated at two and one-half times his/her base rate of pay for the length of the shift. Hours worked in excess of the scheduled shift shall be paid at straight time unless said hours exceed the regular shift under the provisions of Article 10.

**Article 12. ANNUAL LEAVE**

**(A) SCHEDULE:**

- 1) An employee may earn but is not entitled to take annual leave until he/she has completed six months of service with the City. A regular, full-time classified employee will be granted annual leave benefits as follows:

<u>Time in Service</u>	<u>Accrual Rate</u>
6 hours per month	from 0-12 months
8 hours per month	from 12-24 months
10 hours per month	from 24-60 months
14 hours per month	60 months or more
240 hours	maximum accumulated

This schedule is based on continuous City service. Employees whose work week is other than the standard work week (i.e., fire protection and part-time employees) shall earn and be charged annual leave on a prorated basis.

- (B) ACCRUED ANNUAL LEAVE IN EXCESS OF THIRTY DAYS:** Except as provided below any annual leave in excess of two hundred and forty (240) hours accrued in the manner provided for, shall be used prior to January 1st of the year following the year in which the annual leave in excess of two hundred and forty (240) hours is accumulated or the amount of annual leave in excess of two hundred and forty (240) shall be forfeited. If the previously approved scheduled leave is canceled by management and no additional time is available prior to the date when the employee will forfeit accrued annual leave as provided above, then the hours which the employee would have lost due to management's cancellation of approved leave, shall be allowed to accrue beyond the two hundred forty



(240) hour maximum, or, at the employee's option may be paid at the employee's regular hourly rate for the hours in excess of the two hundred forty (240) hour maximum. The maximum number of hours which can be accrued due to management's cancellation of approved leave shall be three hundred (300). The employee's new maximum of accrued leave shall exist only until management is able to schedule annual leave for the employee to that reduces his/her accrued leave to the normal two hundred and forty (240) hour maximum.

- (C) **TIME ANNUAL LEAVE TAKEN:** All annual leave will be taken at a time mutually agreeable to the employee and his supervisor. The selection of annual leave schedules shall be made in each department on a seniority basis.

**Article 13. SICK LEAVE**

- (A) **ACCRUED SICK LEAVE:** Each employee shall be entitled to ten (10) hours of sick leave with pay for each month or major fraction thereof of actual service without limitation for use purposes, but with a maximum of 720 hours for purposes of compensation upon termination due to death, retirement or separation from service of those employees having 10 years or more of service in the public retirement system.

(B) **COMPENSATION FOR UNUSED SICK LEAVE:**

- 1) Compensation for unused sick leave as described in paragraph (a) will be at the rate of one hour for every three hours accrued, to be paid at the eligible employee's hourly rate of pay. In the event of death, such payment will be made to a legitimate heir. As an alternative to the cash payout described in this paragraph, upon retirement after 10 years of service, employees may elect in writing to utilize a maximum of 720 hours of accrued unused sick leave on the basis of one hour for every three (33 1/3%) at the employee's regular hourly rate of pay unadjusted for retirement to pay for the employee's post-retirement group health insurance. If used for this purpose, the sick leave will be given a present value on the effective date of the Nevada PERS retirement base on one-third (1/3) of accrued sick leave up to a maximum of 720 hours (e.g. 240 hours) and will be accounted for by the City in a non-cash, non-

interest bearing account in the employee's name to pay for the employee's premium for post-retirement group health insurance from the City-approved group insurance plan at the then-existing premium at the time of the monthly premium. The employee's account will be automatically debited monthly and will automatically expire when exhausted or when the retiree dies or becomes covered by another group or private health insurance policy or Medicare. The employee/retiree is responsible for any premium payments once his or her account is exhausted. The employee will be notified at least one month before the account is exhausted. The employee remains solely liable for any premiums for qualified dependants if allowed by the terms of the City group health insurance policy. If the employee elects cash payment, he or she waives post-retirement conversion of sick leave to pay for post-retirement health insurance. If the employee elects post-retirement conversion of sick leave, he or she waives any cash payoff for accrued sick leave.

2) In addition to the compensation for unused sick leave described in paragraph (a)(1) of this section, an employee who is eligible for purchase of service credits under the Nevada Public Employee's Retirement system (PERS) and applicable law, may, at his or her option convert unused sick leave into service credit under PERS at the rate of one hour of service credit for one hour of sick leave, subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) Employees must maintain a balance of at least 400 hours of unused sick leave to be eligible to convert sick leave into retirement service credit. Accrued, unused sick leave in excess of 400 hours may be converted into retirement service credit.

(b) An employee's conversion of unused accrued sick leave into retirement service credits shall be in increments of at least eight hours, subject to a maximum annual limit of 280 hours.

(c) Employees desiring to convert unused accrued sick leave into retirement service credits shall submit a written request, on a form approved by the City, to the Sheriff and City Manager on or before December 1 of each year. If the employee meets all the conditions set forth in this section, then the City shall deduct the designated amount of sick leave from the employee's account and proceed to purchase retirement service credits from PERS in an amount equal to the

number of hours elected to be converted by the employee.

(d) Upon retirement under PERS while employed by the City, an employee may elect in writing to convert their unused accrued sick leave into retirement service credits up to a maximum of 680 hours.

(C) **FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE:** An employee may be eligible for Family/Medical Leave subject to the provisions of Carson City policy and Federal Law to a maximum of twelve (12) weeks or four-hundred and eighty (480) hours in any twelve (12) month period.

(D) The City Human Resources Department will administer this leave and any leave granted is subject to requested and submitted medical documentation. All medical documentation will be maintained in strictest confidence by the City Human Resources Department.

(E) Medical documentation may be requested by the City Human Resources Department following any employee absence of three (3) consecutive days or more.

(F) In accordance with City policy, no sick time may be used when an employee is not sick.

(G) **WORKERS' COMPENSATION:** Any Workers' Compensation claim will be administered through the City Human Resources Department and if an injury is sustained that results in time off from work, payment will be made pursuant to Carson City policy and NRS Chapter 616.

(H) **PHYSICAL AGILITY INCENTIVE:** Any employee who passes the P.O.S.T. physical agility certification during each of the six month periods July 1 through December 31 and January 1 through June 30 will be entitled to a cash bonus of five hundred dollars (\$500) up to a maximum of two (2) times per year.

(I) **CATASTROPHIC LEAVE:**

1) An employee is eligible for catastrophic leave if he or she is unable to perform the duties of his or her position because of a serious non-industrial, non-work related illness or accident which is life threatening or which will require a lengthy convalescence.

(a) "Lengthy Convalescence" means a period of disability which an

the City Manager any information concerning the use of a catastrophic leave account to evaluate the effectiveness, feasibility and the cost to carry out this provision.

(f) Employee: Definition

(g) The term "employee" as used in this policy includes all City employees.

(h) Substantiation of Catastrophic Condition

(i) The City Manager or his designee may require written substantiation of the catastrophic condition which is life threatening or which will result in a lengthy illness by a physician of his choosing. The cost of such written substantiation shall be borne by the employee.

#### **Article 14. GROUP INSURANCE**

(A) All employees shall have the benefit of participating in the City existing or successor group health insurance program. In the event of participation by an employee and, if applicable, any dependent, the City shall pay 100% of the employee's premium for group health insurance coverage and 50% of the premium for the employee's dependent(s) (single plus one or family) for group health coverage.

(B) The City shall enroll each eligible employee in the program of ambulance insurance on the terms offered by the Carson City Fire Department. This benefit shall exist only so long as the Fire Department offers the program. The terms and conditions under which the benefit is provided are established at the sole discretion of the Carson City Fire Department and are neither part of this Agreement nor negotiable between the parties to this Agreement.

#### **Article 15. GROUP LIFE INSURANCE**

(A) The City shall pay one hundred percent (100%) of the premium for a fifty thousand dollar (\$50,000) policy or policies of that value in the aggregate of Group Term Life Insurance for each employee.

**Article 16. ASSOCIATION DUES AND PAYROLL DEDUCTION PRIVILEGES**

- (A) The employee may authorize payroll deductions for the purpose of paying the Association dues. Upon the execution of the proper personnel payroll document filed with the Director of Finance, and coinciding with the commencement of a payroll period, the City agrees to deduct from the wages of an employee, on a biweekly basis such sums as the employee may specify for Association dues, the City's approved group health and dental insurance and the City's approved credit union.
- (B) The Association will indemnify, defend and hold the City harmless against any claims made and against any suits instituted against the City on account of any action taken or not taken by the City in good faith under the provisions of this Article. The Association agrees to refund to the City any amounts paid to it in error on account of the payroll deduction provision upon presentation of proper evidence thereof.
- (C) The employee's earnings must be regularly sufficient after other legal and required deductions are made to cover the amount of the appropriated Association dues. When a member in good standing of the Association is in non-pay status for an entire pay period, no withholding will be made to cover that pay period from future earnings. In the case an employee who is in non-pay status during only part of the pay period, and the wages are not sufficient to cover the full withholding, no deductions shall be made. In this connection, all other legal and required deductions have priority over Association dues.

**Article 17. EMPLOYEE GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

- (A) Any dispute, claim or grievance arising out of or relating to the interpretation or the application of this Agreement shall be settled in the following manner:
- (B) The Grievant shall present a written grievance to the Sheriff within fifteen (15) administrative working days of the time that the grievance is known or reasonably should have been known.
- (C) If the Sheriff denies the grievance or fails to respond to the grievance within ten (10)

administrative working days, the grievance shall be submitted to the City Human Resources Director. The City Human Resources Director shall, by written notice to all parties concerned within five days of receipt of the written grievance, direct that the parties proceed to non-binding mediation. Mediation must be held within 21 days of the written notice provided by the City Human Resources Director unless mutually agreed upon by the City and the Association. If the parties are unable to agree on a person to act as a neutral mediator, a request for a mediator shall be made to the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Services (FMCS) by either party. Any costs of mediation shall be split between the Association and the City. If the parties are unable to resolve the issue through mediation, the grievant may, within ten (10) working days of mediation, submit the grievance to arbitration for resolution.

- (D) If the grievance is not resolved through mediation, the grievance may be submitted to arbitration by notifying the other party in writing within ten (10) administrative working days of the deadlock. If a grievance is not submitted to arbitration after mediation, it shall be deemed denied or settled on the basis of the last administrative decision. The party requesting arbitration shall notify the other party within the ten (10) administrative working day period. If the parties are unable to agree upon an arbitrator, the party initiating the arbitration shall request a list of seven arbitrators from the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, or the American Arbitration Association. Failure to make a written request for a list within thirty (30) administrative working days after notice to the other party will constitute a waiver of arbitration and a denial or settlement of the grievance on the basis of the last administrative decision. The Arbitrator shall be selected in the matter provided by NRS 288.200.
- (E) The Arbitrator shall convene a hearing as soon as reasonably possible at the mutual convenience of the Arbitrator and the parties. The expenses for witnesses or counsel for either side shall be paid by the party producing such witnesses or retaining such counsel. A stenographic record shall be taken of each hearing. The costs of the record, the arbitrator's fees and expenses shall be assessed by the Arbitrator on either or both parties in his discretion.
- (F) The Arbitrator shall have no authority to amend or delete any of the terms of this Agreement or any of the Sheriff's Department rules, regulations and policies. Decision of the Arbitrator shall be based solely on the evidence and arguments presented by the parties

at the arbitration hearings, and the decision of the Arbitrator shall be final and binding except as provided by law.

(G) Time limits described in this article are intended to expedite the grievance procedure. Failure of the aggrieved Employee(s) to comply with this article within the set time limits shall constitute a waiver of the grievance. Any time limits may be extended by mutual written agreement of the parties which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

(H) Unless the grievance is brought by the Union itself, the Sheriff will neither settle nor deny the grievance without first notifying the Union that the grievance has been filed. In all instances in which the Union has not brought the grievance it will have the right to intervene. If the Union has not demanded arbitration, it shall not be responsible for any fees or expenses under Section e. If an individual demands arbitration, the Arbitrator may require the payment of one-half the estimated cost of the arbitration in advance of any hearing. If the payment is not made, the grievance shall be deemed denied or settled on the basis of the last administrative decision.

#### **Article 18. BILL OF RIGHTS**

This contract hereby adopts and incorporates by this reference the provisions of Chapter 289 of the Nevada Revised Statutes, Peace Officers Bill of Rights, as they maybe amended from time to time.

#### **Article 19. RESERVED**

#### **Article 20. DEPARTMENTAL TRAINING COURSES**

(A) Upon approval of the Sheriff and if budgeted department training funds are available, bargaining unit employees will be reimbursed for reasonable tuition, books, and consumable educational materials costs for educational training courses that meet the following conditions:

- 1) The training is directly related to the required skill or education for the employee's current position. No reimbursement can be made for promotional preparation except for those employees who are pursuing their certification for

POST I, POST II or POST III levels.

- 2) The training is in accordance with the departmental training program.
- 3) The costs are borne by the employee and any support, grant, assistance provided or assumed by another institution, government agency, scholarship or grant-in-aid will be deducted from any reimbursement amount.
- 4) The course must be taken from a recognized and accredited school or POST certified program and the employee must present evidence of successful attendance and completion of the training before reimbursement can be considered for approval by the Sheriff.
- 5) The employee provides written, official documentation of the costs of tuition, books, and consumable education materials actually used as a requirement of the course at the time he requests reimbursement.
- 6) The decision of the Sheriff about the relatedness to current job performance are final and not subject to grievance by the employee under this Agreement.
- 7) The decisions of the Director of Human Resources about the recognition and accreditation of the school or program and the Director of Finance about the adequacy of the documentation regarding reasonable costs and success full completion are final and not subject to grievance by the employee under this Agreement.

**(B)** Training and/or courses taken by an employee under the provisions of this Article will normally be taken on the employee's personal time; however, the Sheriff may grant annual leave or administrative leave on a case-by-case basis depending on the Sheriff's assessment of the contribution that the training will make to current job performance. In no case may the Sheriff grant administrative leave in excess of 40 hours in a fiscal year for any single course.

**(3)** Training at the direction of the Sheriff will be at the department's expense and time and related travel by the employee ~~that~~ will be governed by the Fair Labor Standards Act and the City's travel policies.

## **Article 21. PROMOTIONS**

**(A)** All vacancies and promotions within the Department shall be filled by candidates who meet the minimum requirements of the position that are established by the Sheriff, and



have no less than 12 continuous months of service in the department, prior to open competitive testing.

(B) Adequate notice of all vacancies and promotions within the Department shall be given to all employees of the Department, and shall be posted on both the Department bulletin boards and Association bulletin board for a period of not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the last date for application or the date scheduled for testing, whichever is earlier.

(C) Notice shall contain the following information or indicate where the information may be obtained:

- (1) Title and Job Description of Position.
- (2) All eligibility requirements including education, employment, training or experience criteria, and whether "equivalent" factors will be recognized.
- (3) If there will be competitive testing, and if so:
  - (a) The date, time and place of test;
  - (b) The nature and scope of test subject matter, and any reference material or sources containing such information;
  - (c) Whether the test will consist of written, oral and/or physical demonstration components and the relative weight to be given to each in scoring test results;
  - (d) Whether the test will be used to establish an eligibility list based upon ranking or rating of test applicants with the highest overall score being placed first, next highest second, and so on down the list of candidates, or whether a different rule applies, and how long the list will be retained and/or effective;
  - (e) Whether the selection will be made from the top three positions on the eligibility list referred to in paragraph (d), or other basis.
- (4) The Department will establish a policy that contains minimum criteria for assignment as a Detective which will include service of no less than 3 years as a Deputy.

**Article 22. SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL**

(A) Effective September 1, 2003, an employee whose assigned shift requires working at least

four hours between 5 p.m. and 6 a.m. shall receive, in addition to the compensation provided in the salary schedule in effect, shift differential in the amount of \$1.50 for each hour actually worked between 5 p.m. and 6 a.m. Periods of paid and unpaid leave or holiday hours not worked are not eligible for shift differential.

**Article 23. STANDBY PAY**

- (A) An employee who is requested to be on a standby status will be paid at the rate of \$1.50 per hour for each hour of standby status.

**Article 24. TRANSFERS**

- (A) If an employee is transferred by the Sheriff, he shall be given reasonable notice of such transfer.
- (B) No employee may be transferred solely on the basis of harassment, discipline, or discrimination.
- (C) Employees will be transferred or reassigned consistent with their civil service classifications, grade and step.

**Article 25. WORK DAY**

- (A) Except as provided herein, the preferred work day, i.e., shift, for all employees shall be ten (10) hours. However, should there be insufficient staffing to cover a ten-hour work day schedule, the Sheriff may require employees to work a nine (9) hour work day until adequate staffing levels are restored. Additionally, should the Board of Supervisors declare a state of emergency; the Sheriff may require employees to work a twelve (12) hour work day. The Sheriff may impose alternative work days (9-hour or 12-hour) for ninety (90) consecutive calendar days, which can be extended for an additional ninety (90) calendar days with the mutual agreement of the Sheriff and the Association.
  - 1) The scheduling of work days and work weeks shall be at the direction of the Sheriff, provided that all employees have consecutive days off.
  - 2) At the request of either party, on or about November 1 and April 1 of each year, the parties shall meet and review the effectiveness of the work day and schedules utilized and, if necessary, renegotiate the length of the work day.

**Article 26. SAFETY**

- (A) The City shall make every reasonable effort to provide and maintain a safe place of employment. The Association shall urge all employees to perform their work in a safe manner. Employees shall be alert to unsafe practices, equipment or conditions and report same to their immediate supervisors.
- (B) **STAFFING LEVELS:** The employer shall recognize that due to possible dangers inherent in the occupation of the employees covered by this Agreement, minimum staffing levels shall be maintained by the employer to provide officer safety, as follows: four (4) patrol deputies and three (3) detention deputies assigned to each shift (not including supervisors), unless the Board of Supervisors declares a state of emergency. The control position may be excluded from the detention minimum staffing level unless an emergency or unforeseeable circumstance exists.
- (C) Unless the Board of Supervisors declares a state of emergency, all employee's shall be entitled to be off duty at least eight (8) hours between shifts, excluding required court appearances, detectives called out prior to the start of their next scheduled shift to conduct an investigation, and shift rotations (two (2) times per twelve (12) month period). Such rest period shall be taken without loss of pay and employee shall not be required to make up such time.

**Article 27. DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS**

Per the City's policy, disciplinary action shall be administered on a progressive basis for just cause unless circumstances warrant more escalated discipline.

- (A) **WARNING AND REPRIMAND:** Whenever an employee's performance falls below standard, the supervisor shall inform the employee promptly and specifically in writing of any deficiencies. If appropriate and justified, following a discussion of the matter with the employee, a reasonable period of time of no less than thirty (30) days will be allowed for improvement or correction before initiating progressive discipline. In situations where oral or written warning has not resulted in a correction of the condition or where more

severe initial action is warranted, a written reprimand shall be sent to the employee and a copy placed in the employee's personnel file, in the City Human Resource Department. Written reprimands shall be of no force or effect twelve (12) months after date of issue and shall be removed from personnel files at that time, provided that the same or similar conduct which gave rise to the reprimand or related misconduct has not reoccurred.

**(B) SUSPENSION:** If the written reprimand is not effective, or in those cases where the seriousness of the offense or condition warrants, an employee may be suspended without pay, for cause, by the Sheriff, or his designee, for a period not to exceed thirty (30) working days.

**(C) INVOLUNTARY DEMOTION AND DISMISSAL:** When other forms of disciplinary or corrective action have proved ineffective or when the seriousness of the offense or condition warrants, the appointing authority may demote or dismiss for cause.

**(D) NOTICE OF SUSPENSION, INVOLUNTARY DEMOTION OR DISMISSAL:** The Sheriff's decision regarding suspension of more than ten (10) working days, involuntary demotion or dismissal shall be given to employee in writing specifying the action to be taken, detailing the grounds upon which the action is based, including specification of standards, rules, regulations or policies violated and date of action taken, which shall not be earlier than five (5) working days from date of delivery of Specificity of Charges to the employee.

Receipt shall be deemed the date of personal delivery of the notice to the employee.

The appointing authority may elect to serve notice upon the employee by mail. In such event, the notice should be mailed to the employee at his last known address by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. Receipt shall be deemed the date of delivery as indicated on the return receipt. Should the notice be returned to the sender, receipt shall be deemed to be on the third day after the date of mailing the notice.

**(E) SPECIFICITY OF CHARGES:**

- 1) Before any disciplinary action can be taken under subparagraph (b) or (c), the employee to be so disciplined must be provided with a Specificity of Charges including statement of facts constituting conduct for which discipline imposed,

together with statement of specific rules, regulations, ordinances, laws or policies violated.

- 2) The Specificity of Charges must be signed by the appointing authority or his designee.
- 3) The employee who is subject to the discipline must be given an opportunity to sign the Specificity of Charges. The employee's signature, however, does not constitute an admission of guilt. The signature is merely acknowledgment of receipt of Specificity of Charges.

**(F) GRIEVANCE REVIEW OF DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS:** All disciplinary actions of employees are subject to review by appeal through the grievance procedures set out in Article 17.

Letters of hearing or reprimand not appealed through grievance procedure at time of issue are nevertheless subject to evidence of mitigation or aggravation in any disciplinary action, in which such letters are a basis for, or are offered in support of all subsequent disciplinary action.

**Article 28. DUTY TO DEFEND**

The City has a duty to defend any employee named as a defendant in any action arising out of scope or performance of employment duties coupled with the tender of a defense on behalf of the employee with adequate notice and participation in all aspects of proceedings, including any compromise and settlement, trial, appeal up to and including final disposition subject to the provisions of the Nevada Revised Statutes. The City shall hold harmless and indemnify any employee named in any and all claims, judgments, losses and demands as a result of such actions.

**Article 29. RETIREMENT**

Retiree participation in the Health Plan shall be by election and at retiree expense.

- 1) All employees covered by this Agreement shall be covered by the State of Nevada Public Employees Retirement System under benefits granted to Firemen/Policemen,

pursuant to NRS Chapter 286.

- 2) The employer agrees to pay the amount of the current retirement contributions to the Nevada Public Employees Retirement System, as set on July 1, 2003. Any increase in contributions shall be paid according to law.
- 3) The employer agrees to make Health Insurance Coverage available to all members who retire from this department and who are eligible to receive retirement benefits.
- 4) Employees who have attained the age of seventy (70) years will be eligible for continued employment on a year to year basis upon the recommendation of the Sheriff and approval of Board of Supervisors.
- 5) Employees shall be retired from employment with the City in accordance with the provision of this Article and NRS 286.

**Article 30. UNIFORM ALLOWANCE**

- (A) The City will pay each employee a uniform allowance of \$850.00 per year with semi-annual payments included with the first paycheck of June and the first paycheck of December. Effective July 1, 1999 of each subsequent year of this agreement, the uniform allowance will increase by \$50.00. Said uniform allowance will cover the full cost of original purchase, replacement and upkeep of said uniform during the time of the employment with the City. Should the Sheriff alter, modify, or change in anyway, the existing uniform requirements, the Association shall be given reasonable notice. City will bear full cost of any such alterations, modifications or changes in the existing uniform requirements.
- (B) The City will purchase uniforms and other gear required but not issued by the Department for each new deputy hired. A deputy for whom such purchases have been made shall not receive uniform allowance on the first two occasions when such checks are issued after the date of his or her hire. If a deputy on whose behalf such purchases are made is terminated or leaves the service of the department for any reason during the probationary period, the uniforms and other gear purchased shall be returned to the department.
- (C) The City will purchase body armor and one body armor cover for each deputy once every five years, with such expenditure not to exceed \$800.00 per deputy. The cost of the body armor purchased will be paid by the Department directly to the vendor of such body armor

upon presentation to the Sheriff or his designee a receipt for the purchase. The purchase of body armor under this section will apply to 25% of the covered employees per year of this agreement. The Association will provide to the Department a list of those employees eligible during each year of the agreement.

(D) The Department will pay up to \$800.00 for the purchase of body armor for each new deputy hired. The deputy must purchase the vest from a supplier approved by the department. The Department will make payment directly to the supplier. A deputy who obtains body armor pursuant to this paragraph and is not employed beyond the end of his or her probationary period for any reason shall return the vest or the amount subsidized by the Department to the Department upon his or her separation from service.

(E) In the event employees lose or damage uniforms, equipment, watches or eye glasses in performance of duties and not caused by the employee's own negligence, City will reimburse cost of item(s) lost or damaged as follows:

- 1) Watches and sunglasses: up to \$50 each per incident.
- 2) Prescription glasses: \$100 plus 50% of cost over \$10 up to maximum of \$300 per incident.
- 3) All other items: \$200 total per incident.

This provision shall include clothing worn by officers assigned in plain clothes capacity. In order to receive benefit under this Article, employee must report any claims prior to the end of the shift in which the incident occurred, unless such report is not possible or practical at that time. Officers must turn in all damaged equipment or clothing for reimbursement. Items will be replaced with like-kind or cost equivalent value.

### **Article 31. ADDITIONAL PAY**

(A) **FIELD TRAINING OFFICER:** Any officer assigned as Field Training Officer shall receive special assignment pay of 5%. Assignment as a Field Training Officer is not a promotion. Assignment and rescinding the assignment of a Field Training Officer is solely at the discretion of the Sheriff and is not subject to appeal through the grievance or

other process.

**(B) DETECTIVE STAND-BY PAY:** Detectives assigned to scheduled stand-by ~~on-call~~ status will receive eight (8) hours of compensatory time for each week assigned to such activity. Detectives assigned to stand-by status of less than one week shall not receive eight (8) hours of compensatory time, but will receive \$1.50 for each hour the employee is on standby status.

**(C) EDUCATION AND P.O.S.T. INCENTIVES:** All employees hired before January 1, 2008, who have attained an Associate's Degree shall receive a 2.5% pay increase and those who have attained a Bachelor's Degree shall receive a 5.0% pay increase. The degree must be earned at a fully accredited college, community college, university, or other institution acceptable to the City and related to law enforcement. To be eligible for the education incentive pay the employee must provide to the City Human Resources Department a certified copy of the degree from the accredited institution. The degree must be awarded to be eligible. Employees will be eligible for education incentive pay upon successful completion of their probationary period. All employees who are receiving educational incentive pay as of January 1, 2008, shall continue to receive such pay.

Employees hired on or after January 1, 2008, who have attained an Associate's degree shall receive a 2.0% pay increase, and those who have attained a Bachelor's degree shall receive a 4.0% pay increase. The degree must be earned at a fully accredited college, community college, university, or other institution acceptable to the City and limited to the subject of Criminal Justice. To be eligible for the education incentive pay the employee must provide to the City Human Resources Department a certified copy of the degree from the accredited institution. The degree must have been awarded to be eligible. Employees will be eligible for education incentive pay upon successful completion of their probationary period.

Employees who obtain a Nevada Intermediate, Advanced or Management P.O.S.T. Certificate shall receive the following proficiency pay biannually on the first pay day of July and December: (1) Intermediate P.O.S.T. Certificate - \$250; Advanced P.O.S.T. Certificate - \$500; (3) Management P.O.S.T. Certificate - \$750.



**(D) ACTING PAY:** Should the Sheriff appoint an employee in an acting capacity to work in job classifications to which they are not permanently assigned, the employee shall receive salary compensation for that classification, provided that:

- 1) The classification is higher than the employee's permanent classification; and
- 2) The employee has worked five work periods (shifts) in the higher classification for which employee will be paid for the 1st and each shift thereafter worked.
- 3) The employee is on the City Human Resources eligibility list for the higher classification, if a current eligibility list exists.

**(E) MOTORCYCLE OFFICER:** An officer permanently assigned to operate a motorcycle shall receive a salary differential of \$35.00 per pay period.

**(F) CANINE OFFICER:** An officer assigned to canine duty will be permitted one hour per regular shift for canine training and shall receive a salary differential of \$10 per hour for time spent in the care and feeding of the dog to which he is assigned, up to seven hours per week. This differential will be paid only for hours spent outside the officer's regular working hours. Any additional time spent in the care and feeding of such dog must be approved by the canine officer's watch commander.

**(G) LONGEVITY:**

- 1) After six years of service, employees will receive \$200 semi-annually payable on the first payday of June and the first payday of December. For each additional year of service after six years, the employee will receive an additional \$25 semi-annually payable in the same manner. Thus, an employee in his or her 7th year of service will receive \$200 semi-annually, and an employee in his or her 8th year of service will receive \$225 semi-annually. The longevity package will cap at twenty-five (25) years of service.
- 2) To be eligible for longevity pay, an employee must have had no major discipline (suspension or demotion) in the previous eighteen (18) months. Thus, an employee will not be eligible for longevity pay until he or she has been discipline free for twelve (12) months. After twelve (12) discipline-free months, the employee will be eligible for longevity pay on the next date it is normally disbursed.

- 3) An employee must have a standard or better evaluation to be eligible for longevity pay. An employee who receives a below-standard evaluation will not be eligible for longevity pay until the date of his or her next annual evaluation. If such evaluation is standard or better, the employee will receive longevity pay on the next date it is regularly disbursed.
- 4) It is agreed by the City and the Association that during Fiscal Year 2009, the employees are not eligible to receive longevity pay pursuant to this article.

**(H) DETECTIVES:** Any officer assigned as a detective shall receive special assignment pay of 10% of base pay for the duration of the assignment. Assignment as a detective is not a promotion. Assignment as a detective shall be a maximum of three (3) years unless the employee requests transfer out of the assignment, or is transferred as a result of unsatisfactory performance as a Detective. The Sheriff may deny a transfer request for operational means. At the end of the three (3) year term, rotation back to patrol is automatic unless the Sheriff authorizes up to a one (1) year extension. An extension is at the discretion of the Sheriff and may be authorized on a year-to-year basis by the Sheriff or his designee. The Sheriff may approve or deny a voluntary transfer request based on the needs of the department. Assignment of a detective is solely at the discretion of the Sheriff and is not subject to appeal through the grievance or other process.

**(I) RESPONSIBILITY PAY:** A 5% incremental adjustment will be made to an employee's regular hourly rate for the period during which he/she is assigned job responsibilities extending beyond or above those of a Deputy. Detectives, Field Training Officers, Forensic Specialist, Motorcycle Officers, or Canine Officers are excluded from receiving responsibility pay.

## **Article 32. LAYOFF POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

### **I. DEFINITIONS FOR THIS POLICY ONLY**

**A. Break In Service.** A break in service occurs when employee resigns, is discharged for cause or retires. However, city seniority accrued prior to layoff shall be continued upon recall and re-employment. Job classification seniority may be continued provided that the employee is rehired into the same job

classification. Should there be a voluntary interruption or break in service, seniority shall commence as of the date of last entrance into city service. Leaves of absence shall not be considered as breaks in service.

**B. City Seniority.** An employee shall have city seniority as of the date of hire following the successful completion of the initial probationary period.

**C. Divisions.** A division is defined as a clearly established first sub-unit of a department which has been determined by the department administrator.

**D. Job Classification Series.** A job classification series is defined as the normal line of progression from trainee, entry or preparatory levels to supervisory or administrative levels within a job specialty. The minimum qualifications, tests for fitness, and the duties and responsibilities are similar but different in level. Class series also includes all positions which an employee has previously held within the Sheriffs Department.

**E. Job Classification Seniority.** An employee shall have job classification seniority as of the date of appointment to the job following the successful completion of the probationary period.

**F. Regular Employee.** An employee who has completed the probationary period, but is serving a new probationary period is considered a regular employee for layoff purposes. If an employee has been employed in a class series for a period of time equivalent to the minimum required to complete a probationary period, but because of promotions within that class series had never completed a probationary period, shall for layoff purposes be considered a employee.

**G. Seniority.** Seniority shall be calculated on the basis of calendar days of continuous service.

## **II. PROCEDURES**

**A. Determination of job classifications to be Affected Layoffs.** The

department administrator shall determine which job classifications of that department will be subject to layoffs.

**B. Notice to Bargaining Unit.** Whenever it is determined that a layoff of employees may occur because of lack of work or funds, the City Manager shall give written notice of the layoff, including the specific reason(s) such action is necessary and the estimated length of the layoff period to the Bargaining Unit at least seven (7) calendar days prior to the effective date of notification to employees.

**C. Sequence of Layoff.** Within the job classifications selected for layoff, the following sequence of layoff shall occur:

1. Probationary employees shall be laid off first,
2. Regular employees shall be laid off only after those layoffs within paragraph 1 of this provision have been exhausted.

**D. Notice of Layoff.** All employees to be laid off shall be given written notice of such layoff at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date.

**E. Vacancies.** Whenever possible, employees will be permitted to fill available vacancies, provided the transferee meets minimum qualifications and any necessary tests. If offered, the employee must submit his decision in writing within seven (7) calendar days of notification.

**F. Bumping.**

1. Any regular employee who is to be laid off may elect to replace an employee in a lower level of the same classification series provided;
  - a. the bumping employee has more city seniority than the employee being bumped;
  - b. meets the minimum occupational qualifications.

2. An employee electing to exercise bumping rights shall assume the grade of the employee being bumped and the step closest to his, the employee exercising the bumping right, existing salary at the time of the layoff.

3. Any employee who is bumped shall have the right to exercise bumping rights in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph. The decision to bump must be submitted in writing within seven (7) calendar days of notification.

4. Those employees laid off, within the Sheriffs Department who have attained their present positions by promotion or appointment through the affected class series will have employment rights at the next lower level within the department and will become the senior member in the lower class.

**G. Seniority.** Whenever it is determined that a layoff of employees shall occur, the City agrees to supply current city seniority lists and job series seniority lists to the Bargaining Associations for the jobs being affected.

**H. Ties.** In the case of seniority or job classification ties, scores will be used to break it if available; i.e., highest score. If scores are not available, then lots shall be drawn.

### **III. RECALL**

**(A)** The name of an employee who has been laid off shall be placed on a reemployment list and shall be recalled in the inverse order in which the employee was laid off. Persons on such a list will be offered appointment to an opening in the job classification or equated job classification or any vacancy for which he is qualified and no new employee will be hired until all qualified employees on layoff status desiring to return to work shall have been offered the position. The employee must provide the employer with any address change while waiting for recall.

**(B)** Notice of recall will be made in writing by certified mail to the employee's address of record.

- (C) An employee who is sent notice of recall must respond within ten (10) working days of the receipt of the notice of certification for recall.
- (D) An employee recalled to his former or equated job classification must report for re-employment on the date established by the department administrator or be considered to have abandoned his recall rights so long as said date is beyond ten (10) working days from the date of receipt of the recall notice.
- (E) An employee recalled to a job classification with a lower salary rate than his previous job classification may refuse such position and remain eligible for recall. In the event that an employee accepts such a position, his name will be removed from the re-employment list
- (F) An employee on layoff accrues no additional sick leave or vacation time.

**Article 33. COURT TIME**

- (A) An employee who appears to testify pursuant to a subpoena in any criminal court or administrative proceeding that is required by the employee's job shall receive his regular salary during the period of court or administrative testimony or pretrial conference required by the District Attorney. If said criminal court or administrative testimony is during the employee's regular time off, he/she shall be entitled to a minimum of three (3) hours overtime pursuant to Article 10, if said employee has already worked in excess of forty hours a week pursuant to Article 10 during the time scheduled for said court testimony. Said court time includes time involved in obtaining evidence or other related matters at the Carson City Sheriffs Office. The employee must first obtain his supervisor's written approval in order to be eligible for overtime for any pretrial conference required by the District Attorney or for any time involved in obtaining evidence or other required matters at the Carson City Sheriffs Office. Employees subpoenaed to testify by the District Attorney shall tender any witness fees received to the City. Employees who testify pursuant to a subpoena during the employee's regular time off shall not be entitled to call back pursuant to Article 9. Employees who are not subpoenaed but are ordered to testify by the District Attorney or by the employee's supervisor are entitled to call back pursuant to Article 9. If the subpoena is canceled or the order to testify rescinded prior to the off duty employee's departure for his court appearance, there shall be no entitlement to overtime

pursuant to this Article. This Article shall not apply to preparation or testimony in response to subpoenas issued by criminal defense counsel.

- (B) The City and the Association will form a bilateral court appearance committee composed of one representative of the Department appointed by the Sheriff, one representative of the District Attorney's Office, one representative of the courts and three members of the bargaining unit to study and develop mutually agreeable solutions to issues relating to court time.

**Article 34. JURY DUTY**

Any employee of the City who is required to serve on any jury shall receive his regular salary during the period of jury service, provided that he remit his compensation for such jury duty to the Clerk for deposit in the General Fund.

**Article 35. MILITARY LEAVE**

Any employee who is an active member of the Nevada National Guard or any reserve component of the United States Armed Forces shall be relieved from his duties upon request to serve under orders on training duty without loss of his regular compensation for a period not to exceed fifteen (15) working days in any calendar year. Any such absence shall not be deducted from the employees accrued vacation.

**Article 36. ADOPTION OF AGREEMENT AND AMENDING PROCEDURE**

- (A) **ADOPTION:** This Agreement will be deemed adopted and binding, terminating negotiations during its term upon approval and subscription of the Association and the City.
- (B) **AMENDMENTS:** If either the Association or the City desires to modify or change this Agreement during its term, they shall serve written notice on the other party setting forth the nature of the modifications or changes. Failure of the other party to give written approval of the modifications or changes proposed within thirty (30) days of the required written notice shall be deemed a rejection of the proposal.

Any amendment, whether a proposed amendment or an alternate to a proposed

amendment, that may be mutually agreed upon shall become part of this Agreement, effective on the agreed date.

By adopting this Agreement, the Association agrees that they will not seek any additional wage demands during the duration of this Agreement, but are entitled to entertain negotiations seeking to amend this Agreement concerning non-wage benefits.

- (C) **BENEFITS:** No presently existing benefit, whether monetary or otherwise, may be reduced below its present level, whether such benefit is the subject of this contract, regular, ordinary, regulation or established custom of the Sheriffs Department.

**Article 37. SAVINGS CLAUSE**

- (A) This Agreement is the entire Agreement of the parties terminating all prior arrangements and practices and concluding current negotiations during the term of this Agreement. The City shall from time to time meet with the Association to discuss its views relative to the administration of this Agreement; the Association or the City Board of Supervisors may request discussions if it wishes.

- (B) Should any provisions of this Agreement be found to be in contravention of any Federal or State law by a court of competent jurisdiction, such particular provision shall be null and void, but all other provisions of this Agreement shall remain in force and effect. The parties hereto agree to renegotiate any provision found to be in contravention of State or Federal law.

**Article 38. ABSENCE OF SHERIFF**

Any reference to the Sheriff in this Agreement shall include his authorized designee should the Sheriff be absent for any reason.



**Article 39. DURATION OF AGREEMENT**

This Agreement shall become effective July 1, 2007, following ratification by the Carson City Sheriff's Protective Association and approval by the City Board of Supervisors, and shall continue in force until June 30, 2011.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the City and the Association have caused these presents to be duly executed by their authorized representatives on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

CARSON CITY

CARSON CITY SHERIFF'S PROTECTIVE  
ASSOCIATION

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Marv Teixeira, Mayor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Don Gibson, CCSPA President

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Alan Glover, Clerk/Recorder

# **Exhibit A**

APPENDIX "A"

Name	Increase as of Jan 1, 2008	Review Increase (if any)	Rate Adjustment (Jan 1)	Jan 1 thru June 30 Rate	Rate Cap
Deputy Sheriff 1	1.80	-	1.80	28.55	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 2	1.80	-	1.80	28.55	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 3	1.80	-	1.80	28.55	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 4	1.80	-	1.80	28.55	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 5	1.80	-	1.80	28.55	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 6	1.80	-	1.80	28.55	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 7	1.80	-	1.80	28.55	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 8	1.80	-	1.80	28.55	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 9	1.80	-	1.80	28.55	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 10	1.80	-	1.80	28.55	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 11	1.80	-	1.80	28.55	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 12	1.80	-	1.80	28.55	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 13	1.80	-	1.80	28.22	28.55
Deputy Sheriff 14	3.30	-	3.30	26.70	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 15	3.30	1.79	1.51	26.65	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 16	3.30	-	3.30	26.70	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 17	3.30	1.89	1.41	26.70	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 18	3.30	1.79	1.51	26.65	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 19	3.30	1.89	1.41	26.70	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 20	3.30	1.24	2.06	26.70	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 21	3.30	1.84	1.46	26.70	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 22	3.30	-	3.30	26.70	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 23	3.30	(0.00)	3.30	26.70	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 24	3.30	1.15	2.15	26.08	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 25	3.30	-	3.30	26.65	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 26	3.30	-	3.30	26.08	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 27	3.30	-	3.30	26.70	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 28	3.30	-	3.30	26.65	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 29	3.30	-	3.30	25.52	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 30	3.30	-	3.30	26.70	26.70
Deputy Sheriff 31	2.00	-	2.00	24.22	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 32	2.00	1.13	0.87	24.22	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 33	1.00	1.79	-	25.14	26.00
Deputy Sheriff 34	1.00	1.18	-	26.18	26.00
Deputy Sheriff 35	2.00	-	2.00	24.22	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 36	1.75	-	1.75	22.90	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 37	2.00	-	2.00	24.29	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 38	2.00	-	2.00	24.29	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 39	2.00	1.10	0.90	23.68	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 40	2.00	1.13	0.87	24.22	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 41	2.00	-	2.00	24.29	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 42	2.00	-	2.00	24.22	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 43	2.00	-	2.00	24.22	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 44	2.00	-	2.00	23.68	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 45	2.00	-	2.00	24.29	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 46	2.00	-	2.00	23.68	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 47	2.00	-	2.00	23.68	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 48	2.00	-	2.00	24.29	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 49	2.00	0.53	1.47	23.15	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 50	2.00	1.67	0.33	23.68	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 51	2.00	1.10	0.90	23.68	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 52	1.75	-	1.75	22.90	22.90
Deputy Sheriff 53	1.75	-	1.75	22.90	22.90
Deputy Sheriff 54	1.75	0.36	1.39	22.54	22.90
Deputy Sheriff 55	1.75	(0.00)	1.75	22.90	22.90
Deputy Sheriff 56	1.75	0.51	1.24	22.39	22.90
Deputy Sheriff 57	1.75	1.04	0.71	22.39	22.90
Deputy Sheriff 58	1.75	1.04	0.71	22.39	22.90
Deputy Sheriff 59	1.75	-	1.75	22.39	22.90
Deputy Sheriff 60	1.75	-	1.75	22.39	22.90
Deputy Sheriff 61	1.00	-	1.38	22.02	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 62	1.00	-	1.00	21.64	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 63	1.00	-	1.00	21.64	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 64	1.00	-	1.00	21.64	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 65	1.00	-	1.00	22.68	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 66	1.80	-	1.80	24.29	24.29
Deputy Sheriff 67	2.00	-	2.00	22.68	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 68	1.80	-	1.80	22.68	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 69	1.00	-	1.00	21.64	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 70	1.00	-	1.00	21.64	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 71	1.00	-	1.00	21.64	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 72	1.00	-	1.00	21.64	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 73	1.00	-	1.00	21.64	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 74	1.00	-	1.00	21.64	22.68
Deputy Sheriff 75				22.22	22.68
Sr. Forensic Specialist	1.19				31.08