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RESOLUTION 2025-84

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO FINALIZE AND EXECUTE A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WELLSTON AND THE OHIO CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION ACTING AS A REPRESENTATIVE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF WELLSTON EMPLOYEES AND ADOPTING SAID AGREEMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Wellston, Ohio and OCSEA as representative for the employees of the City of Wellston, have negotiated a Collective Bargaining Agreement to be effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028 and the parties desire finalize the Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the City employees have approved the agreement by a vote, and;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Wellston, Ohio, to enter into agreement with OCSEA, in accord therewith.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Council of the City of Wellston, County of Jackson, State of Ohio:

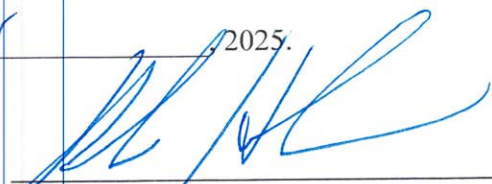
Section 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any document necessary to finalize an Agreement with OCSEA, acting on behalf of the employees of the City of Wellston, a copy of which Agreement has been provided to Council attached as Exhibit A, and to be effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028 and said Exhibit A is hereby approved and adopted by this body and thereby made the Agreement between OSCEA and the City of Wellston.

Section 2. This resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure made necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the City of Wellston, Ohio, the emergency being the immediate necessity of resolving and concluding the negotiations that have been ongoing with the OCSEA.

Section 3. In the event this Resolution receives a majority vote for passage but fails to receive the required number of votes to pass as an emergency, this Resolution shall be deemed to have passed but with no emergency clause, and shall take effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

Section 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of the Council and any of its committees which resulted in such formal actions, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

PASSED THIS 20th DAY OF November, 2025.



Council President

ATTEST:

M. B. E. W. H. A. N. G. L. E.
Clerk of Council



Approved this 20th day of November, 2025.

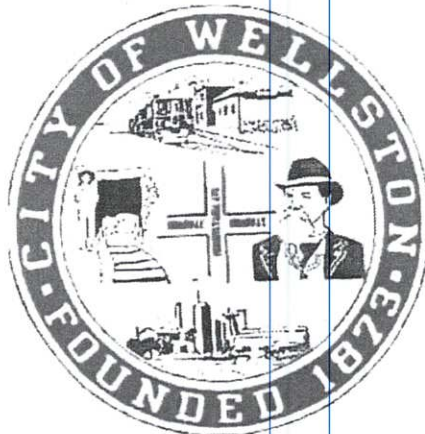
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Mayor

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Wellston Public Library, and the Wellston Post Office.

Reviewed by: Joe Kirby, Law Director, City of Wellston

TENTATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN



AND



LOCAL 11

AFI-CIO

*Ohio Civil Service
Employees Association*

CHAPTER 4010

January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028

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ARTICLE I AGREEMENT PURPOSE

This agreement is made between the office of the Mayor representing the City of Wellston, hereinafter referred to as the "City" and the Ohio Civil Service Employees Association, hereinafter referred to as the "Union." Management, Employees, and the Union will work together to increase efficiency for betterment of the City. The male pronoun or adjective where used herein refers to the female also, unless otherwise indicated. The term "employee" or employees" where used herein refers to all employees in the bargaining unit as provided herein. The purpose of this agreement is to provide a fair and reasonable method of enabling employees covered by this agreement to participate, through Union representation, in the establishment of terms and conditions of their employment of all differences between the parties subject to the applicable laws of the United States, the State of Ohio, and the City of Wellston.

ARTICLE 2 RECOGNITION AND DUES CHECK-OFF

Section 1: The Union is recognized as the sole and exclusive representative for all employees of the City in the bargaining unit (as defined later) for the purpose of establishing rates of pay, hours, and other conditions of employment.

The Union's exclusive bargaining unit shall include only the job classifications in Appendix A, and the City shall not recognize any other Union as the representative for any employees within such classifications. All full-time employees will be assigned job classifications.

Section 2: For the purpose of this agreement, full-time employees shall be deemed to be any employee of the City employed on a continuing basis, who works more than thirty-two (32) hours during a work week.

Section 3: The City will deduct regular monthly dues from the pay of employees covered by this Agreement to begin within 21 days upon receipt from the Union of individual written authorization cards voluntarily executed by an employee on a form provided by the Union for that purpose and bearing his signature. Provided that (1) any employee shall have the right to revoke such authorization by given written notice to the City and Union within two (2) weeks prior to the termination of this agreement, and the authorization card shall clearly state on its face the right of the employee to revoke his membership during this period.

(2) The City's obligation to make deductions shall terminate automatically upon timely receipt of revocation of authorization or upon termination of employment or transfer to a job classification outside of the bargaining unit.

Deductions under the previous paragraph shall be made on a bi-weekly basis. The Employer will also deduct biweekly voluntary contributions to the Union's political action committee (P.E.O.P.L.E.), upon receipt of a voluntary written individual authorization from any bargaining unit employee on a form mutually agreed to by the Union and the Employer.

All deductions under the previous paragraph, accompanied by an alphabetical list of all employees for whom deductions have been made, shall be transmitted to the Union no later than fifteen (15) days following the end of the pay period in which the deduction is made, and upon receipt, the Union shall assume full responsibility for the disposition of all funds deducted. (The above-named list shall include the name, address, phone number and any changes such as additional members, elimination of dues deducted during any leaves of absence, transfers outside the bargaining unit and any such termination resulting in dues not deducted).

It is the obligation of each employee to keep the City advised of his current address, and for the purpose of this Agreement, the City may rely on that list, an address supplied by an employee.

The Union will indemnify and save the City harmless from any action growing out of deduction hereunder and commenced by an employee against the City (or the City and the Union, jointly).

Section 4: The Union shall have the right to use the employers' email system to transmit information regarding the Union to its bargaining unit members, except that the information shall not be of a partisan political nature.

Section 5: The Union shall have the sole and exclusive authority to change any membership card, form or authorization so long as the basic information that the employer needs to process is included on the new card, form or authorization.

ARTICLE 4 **NON-DISCRIMINATION**

Both the City and Union recognize their respective responsibilities under Federal and State Civil Rights laws, fair Employment Practice Acts, and other similar constitutional and statutory requirements. Therefore, both parties hereby reaffirm their commitment, legal and moral, not to discriminate in any manner relating to employment on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, age or sex.

Therefore, the City agrees that there shall be no discrimination interference, restraint, coercion or reprisals by the City against any employee or any applicant for employment because of Union membership or because of any lawful activity in an official capacity on behalf of the Union.

ARTICLE 5

UNION REPRESENTATION

Section 1: The accredited representative of the Union shall be permitted to enter the City's premises during working hours, with prior notice to the City mayor or service director, but at no time shall such visitation rights interfere with the work requirements of any employee or disrupt operation in any way unless expressly permitted by the City.

Section 2: The City recognized the right of the Union to select Stewards of the Union to act as the bargaining unit members' Union representative. One Chief Steward will be elected. The total number of Stewards shall not exceed five.

- A. Union representatives shall, upon request to their immediate supervisors, be allowed a reasonable time to take up grievances.
- 8. Union representatives shall process grievances with proper regard for the City's operational needs and work requirements and shall cooperate in good faith with the City in keeping to a minimum the time lost from work due to grievance handling.
- C. The Union shall furnish the City with a written list of Union representatives and shall promptly notify the City in writing of any changes therein.

Section 3: A Labor/Management Committee will be established to maintain continuous communication between the City and the Bargaining Unit. The purpose of the Committee will be to discuss mutual concerns, unresolved grievances and program changes and will meet as often as mutually agreed, but no less frequently than once per quarter. The City shall be represented by the Mayor and/or the Service Director. The Union may be represented by the Staff Representative, Chief Steward, one other Steward, and other members having direct input into issues being discussed. Both labor and management reserve the right, with prior notice to call upon subject matter experts and representatives to attend and take part in the labor management meetings. Meetings will be held between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. No overtime will be allowed for attending these meetings.

ARTICLE 6

CORRECTIVE ACTION

Section 1: Any employee who is disciplined will be furnished with a brief written statement advising him of his right to representation and describing the misconduct for which he has been disciplined and in the case of suspension, the extent of the discipline. Thereafter, he may request the presence of his Union Representative, and if so requested, shall be promptly granted an interview with his Union Representative, if his behavior permits, before he is required to leave the premises. Otherwise, the Union Representative shall be given a copy of the disciplinary notice within twenty-four (24) hours of the disciplinary action against the employee. In imposing discipline on a current charge, the City will not take into account

any prior infractions which occurred more than twelve (12) months previously. Employees in the bargaining unit shall have the right to appeal against any disciplinary action through the Grievance Procedure of this agreement.

Section 2: No employee shall be reduced in pay or position, suspended or removed except for grounds as provided in 124.32 and 124.34 ORC, nor shall any employee be given any disciplinary action without just cause.

ARTICLE 7

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

Section 1: Grievance Policy: The City of Wellston and the Union recognize that in the interest of effective personnel management, a procedure is necessary whereby employees can be assured of prompt, impartial and fair processing of their grievances. Such procedures shall be available to all employees, except those on probationary status as a newly hired employee, and no reprisals of any kind shall be taken against any employee initiating or participating in the grievance procedure.

Section 2: Defined: Grievance is a claim based upon the interpretation, meaning or violation of any of the provisions of this agreement, or a claim arising as the result of disciplinary action. Any grievance shall contain specific reference to the provision(s) of the agreement allegedly violated or to the specific disciplinary action. It is not intended that the grievance procedure be used to effect changes in the Articles of this Agreement. This grievance procedure shall be the exclusive method of resolving grievances. Any employee choosing on his own to pursue other means of resolution, such as Civil Service Appeal or court action, shall be considered to have waived his or her right to the grievance procedure for resolution of the grievance.

Section 3: Disciplinary Action Defined. Disciplinary action shall include:

- A. Verbal reprimand (with appropriate notation in employee file)
- B. Written reprimand
- C. Suspension (short term) five days or less
- D. ~~Suspension (long term) twenty days or less~~
- E. Removal

The City will follow the principle of Progressive Discipline, except in instances of serious misconduct. The discipline imposed shall be reasonable and commensurate with the offense and shall not be used solely for punishment. Verbal reprimands shall be grievable through Step 2. If a verbal reprimand becomes a factor in a disciplinary grievance that goes

to arbitration, the Arbitrator may consider evidence regarding the merits of the verbal reprimand.

Section 4: Qualifications. A grievance may be initiated by the Union or an aggrieved bargaining-unit member. The Union will make every reasonable effort to see that grievances it initiates affect more than one member of the bargaining unit.

Section 5: Step 1: An employee who has a grievance may take it up orally with his supervisor outside of the bargaining unit, either alone or accompanied by a Union Representative if the employee so wishes, within five (5) working days after the employee has knowledge of the event(s) upon which his grievance is based, and the immediate supervisor shall give his answer to the employee, and the Union Representative (if the Representative was present at Step 1) within three (3) working days after the grievance is presented to him.

Step 2: If the employee's grievance is not satisfactorily settled at Step 1, the grievance shall within five (5) working days after the receipt of the Step 1 answer, be reduced to writing and filed with the employee's department head setting forth the complete details of the grievance (i.e.,) the facts upon which it is based, the approximate time of the occurrence, the relief or remedy requested, dated, and signed by the employee and his Union Representative. The department head shall meet with the representatives of the Union within five (5) working days after the grievance has been filed, and a written answer shall be given to the Union within five (5) working days after the Step 2 hearing.

If the Supervisor is also the Department Head, the employee's grievance may be taken from Step 1 to Step 3 with the concurrence of the Supervisor/Department Head. If this option is elected, the Supervisor/Department Head will indicate in writing on the grievance form that Step 2 is waived, and the grievance will be forwarded to the Service Director.

Step 3: If the grievance is not satisfactorily settled at Step 2 of the Grievance Procedure, the Union may within seven (7) working days after the receipt of the Step 2 answer, appeal in writing to the Service Director. The Service Director shall meet with the representatives of the Union within five (5) working days after the grievance is submitted to the Service Director and a written answer shall be given to the Union within five (5) working days after the Step 3 meeting. Grievances, except those involving verbal or written reprimands, may be appealed by the Union to arbitration within thirty (30) calendar days after the Step 3 answer is received.

Section 6: In the event a grievance is submitted to arbitration, the arbitrator shall have jurisdiction, power and authority only over disputes arising out of grievances as to the interpretation and/or application of and/or compliance with the provisions of this agreement, including all disciplinary actions, and in reaching his decision and the arbitrator shall have no authority to add to or subtract from or modify in any way, any of the provisions of this agreement. The arbitrator shall issue a decision within thirty (30) calendar days after the record is closed.

Section 7: All decisions of arbitrators consistent with previous paragraph, and all pre-arbitration grievance settlements reached by the Union and the City shall be final, conclusive, and binding on the City, the Union, and the employees. Provided that a grievance may be withdrawn by the Union at any time and the withdrawal of any grievance shall not be prejudicial to the positions taken by the parties as they relate to that grievance or any future grievances.

Section 8: A policy grievance which affects a substantial number of employees may be initially presented by the Union at Step 3 of the grievance procedure.

- A. The time limits set forth in the grievance procedure shall, unless extended by mutual written agreement of the City and the Union, be binding and any grievance not timely presented, or timely processed thereafter, shall not be considered a grievance under this agreement and shall not be arbitrable.
- B. In the absence of an extension as referred to in Section 8 (a) of this Article, all grievances for which no timely answer is submitted by the City shall automatically be advanced to the next step; however, two (2) working days' notice shall be given to the Service Director of the Union's intent to implement this provision.
- C. In computing the time for presenting, answering, or appealing a grievance, Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays shall not be counted as workdays.

Section 9: If a grievance is posted for arbitration, the Union and/or the City shall request a list of arbitrators from the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. The cost of such arbitration shall be borne by the losing side. In selection of an arbitrator in the event the matter is submitted to arbitration, the arbitrator shall be appointed by mutual consent of the parties hereto, within seven (7) days after the arbitration is invoked. If the parties cannot agree, they shall, by joint letter, solicit a panel of five (5) arbitrators from the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

Both the Employer and the Union shall strike two (2) names from the panel. The party requesting arbitration shall strike the first name; the other party shall then strike one name; the process will be repeated, and the remaining person shall be arbitrator.

Any grievance submitted to arbitration shall be heard as soon as possible.

ARTICLE 8

LOCAL LABOR DISPUTES

Section 1: It shall not be a violation of this memorandum, and it shall not be cause for discharge or disciplinary action if any employee refuses to enter upon any property involved in a primary labor dispute, refuses to go through or work behind any lawful primary picket line or refuses to do work normally done by primary striking members of another Union,

except that the City shall not be required to pay the wages of any such employees. Provided that in no case shall any employee refuse to do any work, regardless of the existence of a lawful primary labor dispute, if, in the City's judgment, such a refusal would be detrimental to the public health or safety unless the City cannot reasonably provide for the personal safety of the employees.

Any alleged violation of the above paragraph is subject to immediate review at Step 3 of the grievance procedure.

ARTICLE 9 **PROBATIONARY PERIOD**

Section 1: New employees shall be on probation for a period of ~~ninety (90)~~ **one hundred and eighty (180)** calendar days. Probationary employees shall have no recourse to the grievance procedure under this agreement concerning disciplinary action.

If any employee is discharged or quits and is later rehired, he shall be considered a new employee and subject to the provisions of the preceding paragraph.

ARTICLE 10 **SENIORITY**

Section 1: Bargaining unit seniority shall be defined as the length of continuous service in a bargaining unit position with the City. Seniority shall be measured in calendar days of employment with the City beginning with the employee's first day of employment.

- A. Departmental seniority shall be defined as the length of continuous service in a department or section within the City.
- B. In the event of shift work, shift preference shall be determined by departmental seniority.

Section 2: An employee shall have no seniority for the probationary period provided in Article 10, but upon completion of probationary period, seniority shall be retroactive to the date hired.

Section 3: The term "continuous service" as used in this agreement shall be so construed that absence from employment due to illness, injury, approved leaves of absence, or lay-offs by the City due to lack of work or funds, shall not cause a break in the meaning of the term "continuous" for the purpose of computing seniority.

Section 4: Seniority shall be broken when an employee:

- A. Quits.

- B. Is discharged for just cause.
- C. Is laid off for a period of time more than twenty-four (24) consecutive months.
- D. Is absent without leave for five (5) or more regular workdays, unless proper excuse for the absence is shown or if no notice was given a satisfactory excuse for the failure to give notice.
- E. Fails to report to work when recalled from lay-off within fourteen (14) calendar days from the date on which the City sends the employee notice by registered mail to the employee's last known address as on the City's records.

Section 5: Seniority List - During the month of July of each year of this agreement, the Service Director shall provide the Union, at no cost, with a seniority list of all employees in the bargaining unit. The list shall contain the name, job classification, date of hire, section, department, and current address of each employee in the bargaining unit.

Article 11

NEW POSITIONS OR NEW METHODS OF OPERATION

Section 1: If substantial changes in the method of operation, tools, or equipment of a job occur, or if a new job is established which has not been previously included in the bargaining unit, as defined in this agreement, then the wage rate for such a job shall be determined by City Council. Before putting such rate into effect, the Service Director, Mayor, and two (2) members of City Council, shall meet with the Union to negotiate the rate for the position; in the event the parties are unable to agree upon a rate for the classification, the City may put the rate into effect without any further delay. Should a non-bargaining unit position be created, the Union agrees that it has no right to negotiate the wage rate for that position.

Section 2: The Union may file a grievance on the single issue of whether the rate established by the City Council is reasonable or unreasonable, and if the grievance is submitted to arbitration, the arbitrator shall have the authority to set a new rate, if he determines that the rate set by the City Council is unreasonable.

ARTICLE 12

CONSOLIDATION OR ELIMINATION OF POSITIONS

Section 1: Employees displaced by the elimination of jobs through consolidation (combining the duties of two (2) or more jobs), the installation of new equipment or machinery, the curtailment or replacement of existing facilities, the development of new facilities, or any other reasons shall be permitted to exercise their seniority rights to another job in the department, which job is at an equal or lower level (pay scale equal or lower), departmental seniority shall prevail.

Section 2: no positions are available in the employee's department, the employee shall be allowed to transfer to any position in the bargaining unit that his seniority and qualifications will permit. An employee shall take all his seniority with him. An employee shall have a thirty (30) day trial period to determine if he is qualified to perform the job. Every reasonable effort will be made to ensure that no loss of employment shall result from such action.

ARTICLE 13 **ASSIGNMENT OF TEMPORARY WORK TRANSFERS**

Section 1: ~~Five (5) days~~ **Forty (40) hours'** notice will be given by the City if transfers are deemed necessary, unless such transfer is due to unforeseen circumstances, in which case as much notice as possible will be given.

When an employee is temporarily transferred to another job:

- A. If the rate of pay for such other job is lower than his regular rate, he shall receive his regular rate.
- B. If the rate of pay for such other jobs is higher than his regular rate, he shall receive an adjustment in pay commensurate with the work he is doing on the higher job, payable in two (2) hour increments.
- C. Temporary transfers and temporary occupancy will be based on departmental seniority among those employees qualified to perform the job to be temporarily filled.

EXAMPLE: Should the assigned driver of the garbage truck be absent, the next senior member of the garbage crew that is qualified to drive shall be assigned as driver.

EXAMPLE: Should a laborer's position need filled temporarily, the least senior member of the department that is qualified to perform the work will be assigned, unless a more senior employee volunteers to fill the position.

- D. Such temporary assignments shall not exceed thirty (30) days.
- E. An emergency shall be defined as an unexpected occurrence that causes deviation from normal work schedule, that prevents the City of Wellston from performing its mission of preservation of the peace, health, safety, and welfare of the public. Temporary assignments not to exceed three (3) times a year from an employee's designated department unless emergency steps require it.

ARTICLE 14
PROMOTION AND JOB BIDDING

Section 1: Whenever a vacancy is to be filled and there is no appropriate eligibility list, the Mayor may authorize the nomination of eligible employees for promotion without competitive examination. However, it will be necessary for the Mayor, in all such cases, to comply with the following guidelines:

1. Should any presently filled position become vacant due to removal, retirement or resignation, the vacancy shall be posted for promotion or transfer within ~~five (5) days~~ **forty (40) working hours** and filled within ~~ten (10) working days~~ **eighty (80) working hours**.
2. Vacancies must be posted at least ~~five (5) working days~~ **forty (40) working hours** prior to making a selection. Employees shall be notified by the ~~Mayor's Secretary~~ **Human Resource Director** if on leave for any posting.
3. All candidates in the City meeting the minimum qualifications who apply must be interviewed.
4. First preference shall be given to **bargaining unit** employees based on seniority.
5. ~~Second preference shall be given to those employees seeking a lateral transfer. A lateral transfer is moving to another department within the same pay grade, to a similar position for which the employee is qualified.~~
6. ~~Third preference must be given to bargaining unit employees.~~
7. ~~When qualifications are relatively equal, seniority should be the deciding factor.~~
8. An employee, once accepting a new position, shall have ~~five (5) days~~ **forty (40) working hours** to decide if he shall keep the position. If for some reason he feels that (A) he is not qualified for the new position, or (B) the job was not as expected, then he shall be allowed to fall back into his old position before the promotion. In the event the old position has been filled by another employee, this person shall be "bumped" by the person who previously occupied the position. In no case shall the City have the right to delete the old position during the ~~five (5) working day~~ **forty (40) hour working period**.

ARTICLE 15
LAY-OFF AND RECALL

Section 1: Whenever it is necessary because of lack of work (including displacement because of discontinuance of operations and/or funds, or whenever it is advisable in the interest of economy or efficiency, to reduce the working force of the City), employees shall be laid off in the following order:

Seasonal or part-time employees.

Temporary employees who have not completed their probationary period.

Full-time employees who have not completed their probationary period.

Employees who have completed their probationary period, based on bargaining unit seniority.

Section 2: Before an actual lay-off, the City and the Union will meet immediately for the purpose of attempting to find an available job with the City, in the bargaining unit, which the affected employee is qualified to perform and if any such job is available the employee shall be given the option of accepting it rather than being laid off.

Employees with the greatest seniority will be allowed to take the lay-off first only if the employee with the lesser seniority for whom the senior employee is substituting is also covered by unemployment compensation.

Section 3: Employees shall be recalled in the reverse order of lay-off according to seniority. An employee on lay-off will be given fourteen (14) calendar days notice to the employee by certified mail to his last known address (as shown on the City's records). A laid-off employee will be recalled to the first available job position which he is qualified to perform and, thereafter, will have a right to claim his original job position in the event it becomes available.

Section 4: Regular full-time employees shall be given a minimum of fourteen (14) calendar days advance written notice of lay-off indicating the circumstances which make the lay-off necessary, and the Union shall receive a copy of all such lay-off notices. Notice of lay-off shall not be given to an employee on approved leave.

Section 5: In the event an employee is laid off, he may, upon request, receive payment for earned but unused vacation as quickly as possible.

Section 6: Employees shall have recall rights for a period of twenty-four (24) months.

Section 7: A laid-off employee may, for a period of one year from the date of lay-off, continue participation in any insurance program in which he participated while in the bargaining unit, provided that such laid-off employee shall be required to pay the applicable premium for such insurance.

Section 8: Laid-off employees will not be replaced with substitute help in violation of the regulations of the program from which the City obtains such substitute help.

ARTICLE 16
HOLIDAYS AND PERSONAL DAYS

Section 1: All regular full-time employees shall be entitled to the below listed holidays with pay:

New Year's Day
Good Friday
Memorial Day
Juneteenth
Fourth of July
Veteran's Day
Labor Day

Thanksgiving Day
~~Day after Thanksgiving~~
Christmas Eve Day
Christmas Day
~~Employee's Birthday~~
**Day after Thanksgiving
shall remain for 5-day
operations**

Employees are automatically entitled to any holiday given by the Mayor, Governor, or President in excess of the above-listed holidays.

One holiday may be exchanged for another day off with pay, providing the bargaining unit agrees to take the exchanged day in lieu of the scheduled holiday, and the City work schedule can be accommodated. Approval of the Mayor and Service Director must be obtained no less than thirty (30) days prior to the exchange. No more than a total of twelve (12) paid holidays will be granted per year, except in the case of a holiday declared by the Mayor, Governor, or President in excess of the above listed days and any other special day as may be declared by the Mayor that provides time off, or special pay for any other City employees.

Section 2: Employees shall be given five (5) personal days **sixty (60) personal hours**, to be used at the employee's discretion. Personal days not used in the calendar year will be paid out by the City in the first pay period of January the succeeding year.

Section 3: To be entitled to holiday pay, an employee must be on active payroll (i.e., actually received pay) on his last regular work day before, and his first regular work day after the holiday, unless absent because of illness or injury or funeral leave.

Section 4: If any of the listed holidays fall on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed as the holiday. If the holiday falls on Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be observed as the holiday.

Section 5: Employees in classifications identified by the Employer as normally requiring overtime to cover an absence and who are scheduled to work and call off sick the scheduled day before, the day of, or the scheduled day after a holiday shall forfeit their right to holiday pay for that day, unless there is documented extenuating circumstances which prohibit the employee from reporting for duty.

ARTICLE 17 **VACATIONS**

Section 1: All regular full-time employees shall be granted vacation leave with full pay based on their length of City service as follows:

AFTER 1 year of service:	40 hours
AFTER 2 years of service:	80 hours
AFTER 5 years of service:	120 hours
AFTER 10 years of service:	160 hours
AFTER 15 years of service:	200 hours
AFTER 20 years of service:	240 hours

Employees may take up to ~~ten (10) days~~ **eighty (80) hours** of vacation **consecutively** per year in ~~four (4) hour increments~~ as mutually agreed by the Service Director and the employee.

Section 2: It is the intent of the parties that vacation time be taken in the year of entitlement. Should an employee fail to request his vacation, the employee can request a vacation cash out of up to 80 hours annually. An employee may roll over and maintain up to 80 hours of accrued vacation each year. Any other vacation not scheduled or not cashed out, shall be forfeited. If however, the employee is unable to take any part of his vacation entitlement due to the operational needs of the City, the employee shall be paid for any unused vacation entitlement at his base rate of pay.

Section 3: The City cannot cancel any scheduled vacation without the consent of the employee. However, the City reserves the right to limit the number of employees absent on vacation at any one time in order to insure the maintenance of an adequate workforce.

Section 4: Vacation schedules shall be posted in each department no later than March 1 of each year. The senior employees will have preference. Normally no vacation of less than one (1) week may be authorized by the employee's department head based on forty- eight (48) hours' notice. Changes in vacation schedules may be made if agreeable to the City. In such cases, at least three (3) days' notice must be given to the City. In cases of emergency, the City may grant vacation of one (1) week or more to the employees.

Section 5: An employee who fails to make his vacation application during his appropriate period will be given his vacation without regard to seniority based upon when his application was made.

Section 6: If a recognized holiday falls within an employee's vacation leave, the employee shall receive an additional paid vacation day in lieu of the holiday (either at the beginning or the end of his vacation).

ARTICLE 18

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Section 1: General: All leave of absence (and any extension thereof) must be applied for in writing on forms to be provided by the City. An employee may, upon request, return to work prior to the expiration of any leave of absence if such early return is agreed to by the City. When an employee returns to work after a leave of absence, he will be assigned to his former position. If it is found that a leave of absence is not actually for the purpose for which it was granted, the City may cancel the leave and direct the employee to return to work. Such notice shall be sent by certified mail or in person. An employee who fails to return to work at the expiration or cancellation of a leave of absence or fails to secure an extension of such leave shall be deemed to be absent without leave and shall be subject to discipline or loss of seniority under section seniority.

Section 2: Sick Leave with Pay: Regular full-time employees of the bargaining unit shall be credited with sick leave at the rate of 4.6 hours per 80 hours in pay status ~~excluding overtime, not to exceed 120 hours per year.~~ There shall be no limit on cumulative sick leave.

- A. Paid sick leave shall be granted only for:
 - 1. Actual sickness or injury.
 - 2. Confinement by reason of quarantine.
 - 3. Serious illness or death in employee's immediate family where the employee's presence is reasonably necessary for the health and welfare of the employee or affected family member.
 - 4. Immediate family shall be defined as: spouse, child, mother, father, foster parent or guardian, brother, sister, grandparents, grandchild, in-laws, spouse's grandparents, step-father, step-mother, step-children, step-sister, step-brother, half-sister, half-brother, or other person living in the employee's household.
- B. No paid sick leave shall be granted unless the City is notified of sickness within one (1) hour of the employee's scheduled starting time on the first day of absence unless emergency or other conditions make it impossible to do so.

- C. A certificate from a physician must be provided for any sickness extending beyond three (3) days. Each employee shall furnish a satisfactory written, signed statement to justify the use of sick leave.
- D. On death or retirement, an employee will be paid for accumulated sick leave pursuant to ORC Section 124.39.
- E. An employee with more than five (5) years of City service, who has more than ~~sixty (60) days~~ **four hundred and eighty (480) hours** ~~six hundred (600) hours~~ of accumulated sick leave, may exchange up to ten (10) days per year of excess leave to vacation time.
- F. **If an employee works overtime during a week, any sick leave taken within that week must be supported by a doctor's excuse or FMLA for the employee to be eligible to receive overtime pay as active pay status.**

Section 3: Sick Leave without Pay: After an employee has exhausted his sick leave pay, he may, in the City's discretion be granted a leave of absence without pay for a period not to exceed two (2) years because of personal illness or injury upon request supported by medical evidence satisfactory to the City if the employee has reported such illness or injury to his department head or immediate supervisor no later than the second day of absence. If the illness or injury continues beyond two (2) years, the City may grant additional sick leave under this paragraph upon request. An employee on sick leave is expected to keep the City informed on the progress of his illness or injury as circumstances allow.

Personal Leave: For those employees who have completed their probationary period, personal leaves of absence may be granted without pay for good cause shown for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days. The granting of such leaves will be based upon the operational need of the employee's department and shall only be granted by the City Service Director.

Compensatory Time: Compensatory time will be granted with ~~twenty-four (24)~~ one (1) hours' advance notice to the employee's supervisor, pending approval.

Section 4: Union Leave: **At the request of the union, no more than two employees selected to attend the Stewards Conference, President's Conference, and the OCSEA Convention will be granted administrative leave with pay.** Also, at the request of the Union, a leave of absence without pay shall be granted to any employee selected for a Union office, or employed by the Union, or ~~required to attend a Union convention or perform any other function on behalf of the Union necessitating a suspension of active employment.~~

Education Leave: The City may grant permanent employees time off with pay, during regular working hours, to participate in non-agency training/continuing education programs that are directly related to the employee's work and will lead to improvement of the employee's skills and job performance. Reasonable efforts will be made to equitably distribute such training opportunities among employees.

Section 5: Military Leave: An employee shall be granted extended leave of absence without pay for the required military duty in accordance with the law. After discharge, he shall be restored to employment within the City, upon request, in accordance with State and Federal law.

Employees who are drafted shall be granted leave of absence with pay for the purpose of taking military physicals.

Full-time employees of the City who are temporarily called to active duty (e.g., summer training) shall be granted a leave of absence for the duration of such duty for a period not to exceed one hundred and seventy-six (176) hours in any calendar year. However, an employee will receive only the difference between military pay and regular pay. He shall accumulate vacation and sick leave credit during the period of such leave.

Employees on military leave who thereafter return to employment with the City shall receive retirement credit for all time spent in active military service as may be sanctioned by State and Federal law.

Section 6: Jury Duty Leave: An employee serving on jury duty will be excused with pay for the time lost during his regular work week. ~~Employees shall turn in all compensation upon completion of jury service to the Treasurer of the City of Wellston.~~ However, an employee must return to work when excused from jury duty.

Section 7: Bereavement Leave: In the case of death in the employee's immediate family (spouse, child, mother, father, foster parent or guardian, brother, sister, grandparents, grandchild, in-laws, step-father, step-mother, step-children, step-sister, step-brother, half-sister, half-brother, or other person living in the employee's household) up to three (3) days leave with pay shall be granted for the funeral.

Time off may, upon approval by the service director, be taken for the funeral of any other relative without pay. Special cases may be taken up with the Service Director.

Section 8: Employees may donate sick leave to another bargaining unit member who is ill or injured and out of sick leave, vacation leave or compensatory time. Donations of sick leave will be divided equally among those donating leave. Donations will be at eight (8) hour increments only. All leave donated but not used by the ill or injured employee shall be returned to the donating bargaining unit employees, by dividing the total leftover equally among the donating employees, if the ill/injured employee comes back to work, retires or is no longer employed by the City of Wellston. The City nor the Union will interfere in the decision of employees as to whether to donate sick leave. No one employee will donate more than forty (40) hours per year to the sick leave donation program. The chapter president will be allowed to monitor the leave donation program or participate in any oversight of the program along with any management representatives.

Section 9: In the event an employee is suspected of abusing sick leave, the employer may require the employee to justify his/her use of sick leave by obtaining a physician's certificate at employer's expense from a physician designated by the employer. In addition or in the alternative, the employer may require the employee to obtain a certificate from his/her own doctor at the employees expense, or other verification of illness or injury acceptable to the employer to justify his/her use of sick leave and/ or any or all future absences for which sick leave is claimed with a period of six (6) consecutive months.

- A. Grounds for suspicion of leave abuse shall include, but not limited to, information received by the employer that the employee is or was, during any time for which sick leave is claimed:
1. Engaging in other employment.
 2. ~~Engaging in strenuous physical exercise of recreation, including work around the home other than as ordered or recommended by a doctor.~~
 3. ~~Present in a tavern or other place inconsistent with a claim of illness or injury.~~
 4. Engaging in pattern abuse. Pattern abuse occurs when there is a consistent period of sick leave usage such as: before and/or after holidays; before and /or after weekends or regular days off; after paydays; any one specific day; absence following overtime worked, half days, continued pattern of maintaining zero or near zero leave balances, excessive absenteeism. If an employee abuses sick leave in pattern, the City may reasonably suspect pattern abuse.
- B. Any employee who is suspected of abusing sick leave shall be confronted with such suspicion by the Service Director and given an opportunity to explain his use of sick leave prior to being required to produce a physician's certification for future absences as set forth above.
- C. If an employee is required to provide a physician's certificate, it must be provided within three (3) days.
- D. While on paid sick leave employees are not authorized to work at other jobs without the written permission of the employer.

ARTICLE 19

HOURS OF WORK AND OVERTIME

Section 1: The regular work week shall be from 12:01 a.m. Sunday to 12:00 midnight Saturday, and the normal straight-time work week of employees will include five (5) days of eight (8) hours each **or four (4) days of ten (10) hours** of mutually agreed hours of work. Each department will receive one hour for lunch, of which one half (1/2) is unpaid.

Section 2: One and one-half (1-1/2) times the basic hourly rate of pay will be paid for all hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours per work week. No employee shall be required to reduce his regularly scheduled working hours because of overtime worked if such regular scheduled work is available.

Section 3: No employee shall be required to work in excess of sixteen (16) hours in any workday **without prior approval. Any work beyond sixteen (16) hours that is approved shall be entitled to a minimum of eight (8) hours' rest before returning to work. If the required rest period overlaps with the employees' next scheduled shift, the overlapping hours shall be paid at the regular rate. The employee may take the remainder of the day off, provided they have sufficient vacation, personal, sick leave or compensatory time available.**

Section 4: If an employee reports for work without receiving notice prior to his scheduled starting time, and there is no work available at his regular job, he will be given four (4) hours pay at his regular rate, or four (4) hours work with the City in another position.

Section 5: Non-bargaining unit members will not perform work routinely performed by members of the bargaining unit, except in cases of emergency, or in training new employees. ~~All work orders to employees shall be given by supervision.~~ The administration shall be the sole judge of the necessity for overtime.

Section 6: When an employee is required to work on a holiday, he or she will be paid one and one-half (1-1/2) times his or her regular rate of pay for all hours worked, in addition to the ~~eight (8) ten (10)~~ hours of holiday pay or mutually agreed hours of work.

Section 7: For the purpose of computing overtime pay; holidays, and approved vacations, or personal days, shall be counted as days worked.

All City employees will be paid every two (2) weeks.

Section 8: A shift differential will be paid for in departments which work more than one shift. Shift differential will be paid at the rate of fifteen (15) cents per hour for the second shift and twenty (20) cents per hour for the third shift.

First shift is the shift which starts from ~~7 a.m.~~ **6 a.m.** to 9 a.m.

Second shift is that shift which begins ~~eight (8) ten (10)~~ hours after the beginning of first shift.

Third shift is that shift which begins ~~eight (8) ten (10)~~ hours after the beginning of the second shift.

Employees will be assigned to a shift.

Employees will be paid the shift differential for those hours worked which fall within second or third shift as defined above. Shift Floater employees will be paid twenty (20) cents per hour.

EXAMPLE: Shift Floater to fill in for scheduled vacations.

Section 9: Emergency Shift Adjustment Pay

In the event of inclement weather, natural disaster, or other unforeseen emergencies requiring a temporary change from the employee's regular shift to a twelve (12) hour shift, any employee who reports as scheduled shall receive pay for the full twelve (12) hours regardless of whether fewer hours are actually worked.

ARTICLE 20

ROTATION OF OVERTIME OPPORTUNITIES

Section 1: Whenever practical, the City will rotate overtime opportunities among qualified full-time employees who normally perform the work that is being assigned for overtime.

Section 2: The Department Head will supply weekly overtime lists to the Union on Friday of each week. The list will contain the employees' name and total overtime worked from 7:01 a.m. Monday to 7:00 a.m. the following Monday. The Union will post information weekly in each department showing overtime worked by each employee. The Department Head will post overtime information on a monthly basis. Overtime is to be kept within sixteen (16) hours, if possible, in each sub-classification and is to be offered to employees with the lowest number of hours.

Section 3: Overtime will be offered to the full-time non-probationary employees within the department or unit who, on the roster, have the fewest aggregate hours worked and are refused among those qualified to perform the work being assigned.

Section 4: Where there are errors in the distribution of overtime opportunities, the City will be given one opportunity to correct the error by granting to any member whose rights were violated the next opportunity to overtime within his or her overtime group.

Section 5: If an employee cannot be contacted, he shall not be charged with the overtime hours offered, but the attempt to contact shall be recorded.

Section 6: If the low-houred man, according to the roster, is on his regularly scheduled day off, he will be given the opportunity to work the complete eight (8) hour shift.

Section 7: No employee will be considered for overtime of a non-emergency nature who is on vacation, holiday, or sick leave.

Section 8: No employee's regular schedule will be altered to avoid the payment of overtime.

Section 9: An employee may elect to take compensatory time off in lieu of overtime pay. Compensatory time earned must be used within one hundred eighty (180) days. Compensatory time will be paid out in the first pay period of June and in the first pay period of December. If the employee does not take the compensatory time off within the prescribed time limit, he will be paid for the overtime worked in the next following pay period.

ARTICLE 21

CALL-IN

Section 1: Whenever an employee is called to work outside his regular work schedule, he shall be paid three (3) hours call-out pay at time and one-half. The City may require the employee to work the full three (3) hours for which the employee is being paid. If called within one (1) hour of starting time, he/she will be paid time and one-half to the employee's regular starting time.

ARTICLE 23
SENIORITY LONGEVITY

Section 1: Longevity payments will be made as follows

3 - 5	years continuous employment:	0.50 /hour
5 - 7	years continuous employment:	0.65/hour
7 - 10	years continuous employment:	0.85/hour
10 - 15	years continuous employment:	1.00/hour
15 - 20	years continuous employment:	1.15/hour
20 - 25	years continuous employment:	1.30/hour
25 - 30	years continuous employment:	1.45/hour

After 30 years an additional .20 per hour shall be added for each year thereafter.

The above rates will be paid in addition to the base pay for the employees' classification.

ARTICLE 24
LICENSED/CERTIFIED OPERATORS

For each license or certificate required by competent authority as a condition to meet State or Federal standards and earned through attendance and successful completion of a state-approved course of instruction, as evidenced by a duly authenticated document from the licensing or certifying agency, and applying directly to the job occupied by the employee, the employee shall be paid \$1.25 per hour, per license or certificate. Only the licenses or certificates required to complete the employees' responsibilities to the City will receive this monthly allotment.

Water Operators and Wastewater Operators holding valid, current certification will be paid at the same base rate per hour. The Garbage Truck Driver and individual employees who operate vehicles which require CDL will receive \$1.00 per hour supplement.

Wastewater Collections/Water Distribution Operator of Record will be paid \$1.53 more per hour.

Required Licensure: After sixty (60) days on the job probationary period, the employee will be required to attend formal training or schooling, as it becomes available, to qualify for required Operator I license. Subsequent training will be required for advanced licenses II and III. Class I operator's license must be obtained within thirty-six (36) months. Class II operator license must be obtained within six (6) years of employment in the affected classification. If an employee makes a good faith effort to obtain the required license but is not successful, the employer and the Union may mutually agree to extend the timelines. An employee who cannot obtain required license will be permitted to bid into any vacant bargaining unit position for which he or she meets minimum qualifications.

ARTICLE 25
FRINGE BENEFITS

Section 1: Health Insurance

- A. The City shall pay ninety percent (90%) and the employee shall pay ten percent (10%) of the premiums for medical insurance, dental and optical insurance. If any committee or procedure is established for the purpose of seeking employee input on any insurance benefit provided to bargaining unit employees, such committee or procedure shall include the participation of the OCSEA Bargaining Team.
- B. Employees may select their coverage and make arrangements for method of payment of insurance premiums that exceed the above listed schedule. Any employee not requiring insurance shall receive a \$3,250.00 bonus in a lump sum payment at the end of each insurance contract year. Should an employee's needs change and insurance become necessary, his lump sum payment shall be prorated for each month of no coverage. ~~Employees who are eligible or covered under another City employee's coverage with the City are not eligible to utilize this benefit.~~

Section 2: Foul weather gear will be provided to employees who work regularly in inclement weather. Departments will receive one pair of boots and coveralls on an as needed basis. Employees will bring their used coveralls and boots into their supervisor for inspection before requesting new work clothing reimbursement. The reimbursement will be for boots or coveralls of good quality such as Carhart or Rocky boots. This reimbursement shall be for the following departments only: cemetery, street, garbage and water departments.

Section 3: The City shall reimburse an employee for glasses or contact lenses for cost of replacement if destroyed while the employee is on duty and following standard safety procedures. The City will reimburse \$100 for frames and total cost for lenses. The City may reimburse for other articles.

Section 4: The City will, at its cost, provide a term life insurance policy on the life of employees at an amount at least equal to one (1) year base salary not to exceed \$35,000. The policy shall have a double indemnity clause for accidental death. The City shall contact

the provider and request for retirees to be allowed to pick up their life insurance at the City of Wellston group rate.

Section 5: Foul weather gear shall be rain gear, rain boots, coats and gloves. Work boots will be replaced on an as needed basis.

The City shall contact the provider and request for retirees to be allowed to pick up their life insurance at the City of Wellston group rate.

Section 6: Each member of the bargaining unit shall receive a payment of \$30.00 per month beginning the ratification date of this agreement as reimbursement for individual cell phone service.

ARTICLE 26 **PAYROLL INFORMATION**

Section 1: In addition to the information currently provided, the balance of the employees' sick leave hours, vacation hours, and personal days shall be provided the employee at the end of each pay period.

ARTICLE 27 **TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT**

Section 1: The Employer and the Union recognize the need for training and development of employees in order that services are efficiently and effectively provided and employees are afforded the opportunity to develop their skills and potential.

Section 2: Training: Whenever employees are required to participate in training programs, they shall be given time off from work, with pay, to attend such programs, including any travel time required. Costs of tuition, books, instructional material, and required travel shall be paid by the employer.

Every reasonable effort shall be made to notify employees of training opportunities through available channels of communication.

ARTICLE 28 **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

A joint Union-Employer Health and Safety Committee shall be established for the City. The Union shall select one (1) member representative from each department to serve on the committee for that facility, and one (1) non-member representative shall be selected by the Appointing Authority for each facility. The committee will meet not more frequently than monthly at a mutually satisfactory time to consider health and safety matters relating to

conditions and activities affecting health and safety of employees at each facility. Recommendations for improvements will be submitted, in writing, to the Mayor or his designated Health and Safety Representative.

The Union representative serving on the Health and Safety Committee will receive his or her regular rate of pay for the time spent in the meetings if held during his or her regular scheduled hours of employment on the day of the meeting.

Highlights of monthly health and safety meetings will be posted on all employee bulletin boards.

Adequate first-aid equipment will be provided at all appropriate work locations. First Aid training will be provided for all employees and designated lead persons will be appointed to administer first aid and ensure that first-aid kits are properly maintained.

All members are responsible for reporting any unsafe conditions or practices, and for properly using and caring for all tools and equipment furnished by the employer. Unsafe conditions or practices will be reported to the Union Representative on the Health and Safety Committee.

No employee may be required to operate any unsafe equipment or to perform any unsafe practice. If any employee is required to operate unsafe equipment, or equipment believed to be unsafe by the department Union Representative, the employee may file a protest with the Health and Safety Committee. Such protest will be heard by the Health and Safety Committee within twenty-four (24) hours after the incident is reported.

The decision of the Health and Safety Committee, along with recommendations for corrective action, will be forwarded to the Safety Service Director. If a disagreement arises between the Committee and the Safety Service Director, a mutually acceptable qualified third party will inspect the equipment and make a final decision.

ARTICLE 29

SAVINGS CLAUSE

Section 1: In the event that any Article or Section of this agreement is declared in violation of local, state, or federal law by a court of competent jurisdiction, only those Article(s) or Section(s) shall be declared void. All remaining Articles and Sections of this agreement shall remain in effect.

The parties to this agreement shall meet within thirty (30) days after such findings to begin work on a mutually acceptable Article or Section to remedy the condition in violation of the law.

ARTICLE 30
PERSONNEL FILES

There shall be only one official personnel file maintained by the City.

- A. Every member shall have the right to review his/her personnel files at any time upon reasonable written request. A member may also authorize his/her attorney or Union representative to review these files. Such request shall be made to the City Service Director, and he will be present when this takes place.
- B. Information in the employees file will only be released as required by the Ohio Revised Code.
- C. An employee may copy documents in his/her file, with the employee paying the cost of these copies.
- D. If upon examining his/her personnel file, an employee feels there are inaccuracies in the documents contained therein, the employee may write a memorandum to the City Service Director, explaining the alleged inaccuracy.
- E. Employees may attach a memorandum to the document in question.

ARTICLE 31
WAGES

Employee base rates are reflected in appendix A.

Bargaining Unit wages will be increased by the following percentages:

January 1, 2026: 2.0%

January 1, 2027: 2.0%

January 1, 2028: 2.0%

Definitions: "Classification salary base" is the minimum hourly rate of the pay range for the classification to which the employee is assigned.

"Step rate" is the specific value within the pay range to which the employee is assigned.

"Base rate" is the employee's step rate plus longevity adjustments.

"Regular rate" is the base rate (which includes longevity) plus all applicable supplements.

"Total rate" is the regular rate plus shift differential, where applicable. Notwithstanding any other provision of this agreement, if these definitions lead to any reduction in pay, the previous application shall apply.

ARTICLE 32

DURATION

Section 1: This agreement shall be effective as of January 1, **2026** and shall remain in full force and effect until 12:00 Midnight, December 31, **2028**, unless otherwise terminated as provided herein.

Section 2: If either party desires to modify, amend, or terminate this Agreement, it shall give written notice of such intent no earlier than one hundred twenty (120) calendar days prior to the expiration date nor later than ninety (90) calendar days prior to the expiration date of this Agreement. Such notice shall be by certified mail with return receipt. The parties shall commence negotiations within two (2) calendar weeks upon receiving notice of intent.

Appendix A

Position	2026	2027	2028
City Clerk	\$25.50	\$26.01	\$26.53
Asst. City Clerk	\$21.57	\$22.00	\$22.44
Secretary to Mayor	\$23.15	\$23.61	\$24.08
Deputy Auditor	\$23.15	\$23.61	\$24.08
Assistant Deputy Auditor	\$21.57	\$22.00	\$22.44
Mechanic	\$27.46	\$28.01	\$28.57
Utility Foreman	\$24.70	\$25.19	\$25.69
Water Treatment			
Chief Water Plant Operator	\$27.38	\$27.92	\$28.47
Water Plant Operator(s)	\$22.30	\$22.74	\$23.19
Chief Lab Technician / Water Plant Operator	\$23.21	\$23.67	\$24.15
Water Plant Attendant(s)	\$21.61	\$22.04	\$22.48
Wastewater Treatment			
Chief Wastewater Plant Operator	\$27.38	\$27.92	\$28.47
Wastewater Plant Operator(s)	\$22.30	\$22.74	\$23.19
Wastewater Plant Attendant(s)	\$21.61	\$22.04	\$22.47
Water & Sewer Distribution			
Distribution Foreman	\$26.50	\$27.03	\$27.57
Chief Operator	\$23.86	\$24.34	\$24.83
Water Meter Reader Tech	\$22.39	\$22.84	\$23.30
Laborer	\$21.57	\$22.00	\$22.44
Streets & Sanitation			
Street & Sanitation Foreman	\$26.50	\$27.03	\$27.57
Heavy Equipment Operator	\$24.06	\$24.54	\$25.03
Laborer – Streets & Sanitation	\$21.57	\$22.00	\$22.44
Infrastructure			
Infrastructure Foreman	\$26.50	\$27.03	\$27.57
Infrastructure Concrete Specialist	\$22.36	\$22.81	\$23.27
Pipefitter Specialist	\$22.36	\$22.81	\$23.27
Cemetery			
Sexton	\$26.50	\$27.03	\$27.57
Asst. Cemetery Sexton	\$22.36	\$22.81	\$23.27
2% Chief Maintenance & Repairman	\$20.06	\$20.46	\$20.87
Floating Laborer	\$21.57	\$22.00	\$22.44

Appendix B

License / Certification / Stipend	Additional Pay (per hour / stipend)	Notes / Conditions
State or Federal approved license or certificate (directly related to job)	\$1.25 per license	Must be required to complete employee's responsibilities to the city; proof of certification required
Water Operator Certification	\$1.25	Paid same base rate as Wastewater Operators
Wastewater Operator Certification	\$1.25	Paid same base rate as Water Operators
CDL (Garbage Truck Driver or employees operating CDL-required vehicles)	\$1.00	Supplement for CDL requirement
Wastewater Collections / Water Distribution Operator of Record	\$1.53	Applies only to Operator of Record designation
Grant Writer	\$1.00	Stipend for grant writing duties
Mechanic	\$3.00	Stipend for use of personal tools
Cemetery Sexton 1	\$7,500 annual stipend	For care and maintenance of cemetery
Cemetery Sexton 2	\$4,500 annual stipend	For care and maintenance of cemetery
Cemetery Records Coordinator	\$1.00	For keeping records of cemetery

Appendix C
City Provided Clothing Allowance

Street, Cemetery, Garbage, Water Distribution, Sewer Distribution

- Muck boot (or similar brand)
- Storm Defender raincoat & coveralls
- Carhartt insulated coat & insulated coveralls
- \$200 towards boots (as needed)
- 8 Shirts (annually)
- 4 Sweatshirts (annually)

Mechanic

- Muck boots (or similar brand)
- Storm Defender raincoat & coveralls
- Carhartt insulated coat & insulated coveralls
- 2 pairs of pants
- 2 shirts
- \$200 towards boots (as needed)

Water Plant, Sewer Plant

- Carhartt insulated coat & insulated coveralls
- \$200 towards boots (as needed)
- 8 Shirts (annually)
- 4 Sweatshirts (annually)

City Building

- 8 T-shirts (annually)
- 4 Sweatshirts (annually)
- 1 Coat (as needed)

TENTATIVE AGREEMENT SIGNATURE PAGE

Executed by and between the parties this 6th day of November, 2025.

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