

ORDINANCE NO. 5768

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA ADOPTING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA AND THE SANTA BARBARA POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2019

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Santa Barbara and the Santa Barbara Police Officers Association entered into as of July 1, 2016 and attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit "A" is hereby adopted.

SECTION 2. During the term of the agreement, the City Administrator is hereby authorized to implement the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Santa Barbara and the Santa Barbara Police Officers Association without further action by the City Council, unless such further action is explicitly required by state or federal law. This authorization shall include, but not be limited to, the authority to implement employee salary increases and publish changes to the salary schedule(s) adopted with the annual operating budget.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA  
AND THE  
SANTA BARBARA POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

THIS AGREEMENT, SIGNED ON \_\_\_\_\_, IS ENTERED INTO AS OF JULY 1, 2016, BETWEEN THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE "CITY," AND THE SANTA BARBARA POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE "ASSOCIATION."

Pursuant to Section 3.12 of the Municipal Code of the City of Santa Barbara and Section 3500 et. seq. of the Government Code, the duly authorized representatives of the City and the Association, having met and conferred in good faith concerning wages, hours, and terms and conditions of employment of Unit employees, declare their agreement to the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding.

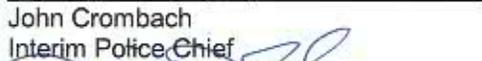
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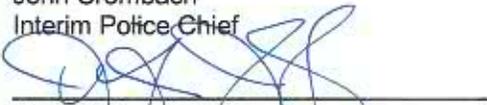


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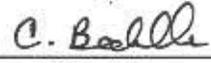
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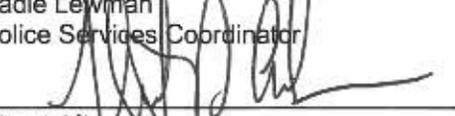
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**1. Benefits- Domestic Partners**

Employees may be entitled to add their registered domestic partners to City health and welfare benefits, to take family medical leave to attend to a domestic partner, and to other domestic partner benefits, as provided under City policy or under state law.

**2. Benefits- During Authorized Leave Without Pay**

No sick leave, vacation, or holidays shall accrue to any employee during authorized leave without pay for any full biweekly pay period. Employee shall be responsible for full payment of insurance premiums during authorized leave without pay, except as otherwise provided by law.

**3. Benefits- Part-time Employees**

A. Employees filling positions authorized by City Council in the official Position and Salary Control Resolution at more than 20 hours per week on a less-than-full time basis shall receive benefits as follows:

- i. Cafeteria plan contribution, medical contribution, dental contribution, vision contribution, holiday time, and other benefits under this agreement equal to the percent of time regularly scheduled versus a regular work week rounded up to the nearest ten percent (10%).
- ii. Vacation and sick leave equal to the percent of time actually worked versus a regular work week rounded up to the nearest ten percent (10%).

B. Grandfathering: Employees filling positions authorized by City Council in the official Position and Salary Control Resolution at more than 20 hours per week on a less-than-full-time basis before March 1, 2005 will continue to receive full-time health benefits (cafeteria plan contribution, medical contribution, dental contribution, vision contribution).

**4. Bereavement Leave**

In case of the death of an immediate family member, full-time employees shall be eligible for up to forty (40) hours leave with pay.

Immediate family member is defined as: mother, father, brother, sister, spouse, registered domestic partner, child, grandparents by blood or marriage, grandchildren by blood or marriage, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, person standing in loco parentis, and step family members. "In-law" and "step" relationships shall include the immediate family of a registered domestic partner on the same basis as that of a spouse.

Co-worker funeral attendance is acceptable upon the approval of the Chief of Police, consistent with the operational needs of the Department.

**5. Biweekly Pay Period**

It is understood that all references to "hours or days per month" may be considered on the basis of "hours per biweekly pay period" through conversion factors providing substantially equal employee benefits.

**6. Cafeteria Plan**

- A. Each full-time employee shall be eligible to allocate a discretionary amount equal to \$6,000 per plan year under the "125 Cafeteria Plan."
- B. If medical, dental, and vision insurance plan selections exceed the cafeteria plan allocation, the City will pay the difference of these insurance premiums up to the amounts in the Medical, Dental and Vision Insurance Article of this MOU; said excess premiums are not discretionary.

**7. Call Back**

- A. An employee officially called back to duty after being off from scheduled duty for ten (10) hours or more shall be compensated for actual hours worked with a minimum of three (3) hours of pay or compensatory time off at the overtime rate.
- B. An employee officially called back to duty after being off from scheduled duty for less than ten (10) hours shall be compensated at the overtime rate for actual hours worked with a minimum credit of four (4) hours at the overtime rate set forth in the Overtime Article of this agreement. An employee called back to work in this capacity shall continue to be compensated at the overtime rate for as many continuous hours worked from the reporting time of the call back including regularly scheduled work hours.
- C. Multiple call backs within the minimum paid time periods outlined in Sections A and B of this Article will not receive additional compensation.
- D. A "call back" occurs when an employee has left work and is on a regular day off or otherwise off duty and is requested to return to work. Call back does not begin until the employee arrives at duty station and begins work. At no time does a "call back" entitle an employee to "portal" pay or travel time.

An employee shall not be compelled to take vacation or CTO to avoid payment of overtime for a call back.

- E. Management shall make every effort to avoid scheduling consecutive work days (excluding overtime) without a minimum of ten (10) hours of time off with the following exceptions:
  - 1. Shift change;
  - 2. By mutual consent of both management and the employee; or
  - 3. During an emergency or natural disaster.
- F. Telephone Consultations: An employee who receives a phone call authorized in advance by the shift commander on off-duty hours for which he or she is not otherwise receiving compensation (i.e. standby or callback pay) shall be paid for the time actually spent on the phone call, or ½ hour, whichever is greater. This will apply to phone calls for professional consultation purposes, not routine phone calls such as calling an employee back to work. This section will apply independently to multiple phone calls, even regarding the same event, except if those multiple phone calls occur within the same half hour.



**8. Canine Pay**

It is agreed that employees assigned to serve as canine handlers shall receive the following overtime pay in addition to their regular base salary:

The time spent by a canine handler in the care, grooming and feeding of his/her assigned police dog shall be hours worked payable at a time and one half overtime rate of \$37.4568 per hour (hourly rate of \$ 24.9712 at a time and one-half overtime premium) effective July 1, 2016. In order to maintain equivalency, this hourly rate for dog care shall be increased by the same percentage as the general salary increases for Police Officers.

It is agreed that canine handlers normally spend 6 hours per biweekly pay period performing such work and written authorization from the Police Chief must be obtained to perform such work for more than 6 hours.

**9. Child Care**

The City will maintain a pre-tax salary reduction plan for employee dependent care needs in accordance with Section 129 of the Internal Revenue Code.

**10. Educational Incentive Pay Plan**

A. Effective the beginning of the first full pay period after the City is notified officially by POST of an officer's qualification for an Intermediate or Advance POST certificate, said officer shall receive the supplement to his or her base pay as described in Section B of this Article.

B. The monthly amount of Intermediate or Advance POST pay a full-time employee shall receive is as follows:

<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Police Officer</u>		<u>Sergeant</u>	
	<u>Intermediate</u>	<u>Advance</u>	<u>Intermediate</u>	<u>Advance</u>
July 1, 2016	\$396	\$603	\$420	\$656

Said supplemental pay shall be included in the employee's regular biweekly paycheck.

**11. Emergency Medical Dispatch Personnel**

Public Safety Dispatch personnel (Dispatchers I, II and III, and Supervisors) who are certified as Emergency Medical Dispatchers and provide pre-arrival medical instructions to callers to the Police/Fire Communications Center shall be eligible to receive a biweekly premium equal to 5% of the employee's biweekly base salary.

**12. Equal Employment Opportunity**

A. The City and the Association agree that the provisions of this agreement shall be applied equally to all employees covered herein without discrimination because of a person's age (over 40), ancestry, color, mental or physical disability including HIV and AIDS, gender identity and expression, marital status, medical condition (cancer or genetic characteristics), national origin, race, religious belief, sex (including pregnancy/childbirth), sexual orientation, political affiliation, or union membership.

B. The City and the Association agree to commit themselves to the goal of equal employment opportunity in all City services. Further, the Association agrees to encourage their members to assist in the implementation of City equal employment opportunity programs.

- C. Employees shall adhere to, and have the ability to file a complaint under, the Citywide “Non-discrimination and Harassment Policy and Employee Complaint Procedure” as that policy may be amended from time to time.

**13. Grievance Procedure**

- A. Any employee who has a grievance shall first try to get it settled through discussion with that employee’s immediate supervisor without undue delay. An employee must discuss the grievance with his/her supervisor within 30 calendar days from the date of occurrence or when the employee knew or should have known of the occurrence of the behavior that is the subject of the grievance. Every effort shall be made to find an acceptable solution at the lowest possible level of supervision.
- B. If after such discussion the employee does not believe the grievance has been satisfactorily resolved, that employee may file a formal appeal in writing to the Police Chief within ten (10) calendar days after receiving the informal decision of the immediate supervisor. The Police Chief shall render a written decision and comment to the employee within ten (10) calendar days after receiving the appeal.
- C. If after receipt of the written decision of the department head the employee is still dissatisfied, that employee may appeal the decision of the Police Chief to the City Administrator. Such appeal shall be made by filing a written appeal to the City Administrator within five (5) days after receipt of the written decision of the Police Chief. The City Administrator shall review the decision of the Police Chief, and the City Administrator’s decision, which shall be rendered within twenty-five (25) days after the appeal is made, shall be final. The City Administrator may request the advice of the Board of Civil Service Commissioners (Board) in any grievance proceeding, but the City Administrator shall not be bound to follow any recommendation of the Board.
- D. Grievances general in nature regarding interpretation of City-wide policy or which involve matters beyond the authority of the Chief of Police, shall be filed with the Assistant City Administrator who shall respond in accordance with the rules applicable to the Police Chief outlined herein.

**14. Health Insurance for Unit Members' Survivors**

The City shall maintain and pay for the existing level of insurance benefits for up to six (6) months for the surviving family of a unit member who dies in the line of duty, or for such greater period of time required by state or federal law.

**15. Holidays**

- A. Except as indicated below, full-time employees shall accrue four (4.333) hours of holiday leave each biweekly pay period (24 pay periods). Said hours shall be credited to the employee’s Holiday bank.
- B. The following days shall be designated as holidays by the City:

- January 1st (New Year’s Day)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in January (Martin Luther King Jr.’s Birthday)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in February (President’s Day)
- Last Monday in May (Memorial Day)
- July 4th (Independence Day)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Monday in September (Labor Day)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday in November (Thanksgiving)
- The Friday immediately following Thanksgiving Day
- December 25<sup>th</sup> (Christmas Day)

Four additional days (32 hours) each fiscal year may be designated by the employee as holidays.

- C. When a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday the preceding Friday or following Monday respectively, shall be observed as a legal holiday.

- D. If a holiday is requested by the employee and approved by the City or is a day listed in Section B of this Article, and designated by the City and if the employee is called back to work on that holiday, the employee shall receive compensation for the hours worked in accordance with the overtime Article of this Agreement and also shall be entitled to reschedule the holiday for the hours lost. Requests for holiday time off shall not unreasonably be denied.
- E. If an employee's holiday bank exceeds 120 hours, the City shall have the option to either require the employee to take holiday time off or to pay the employee for the hours. The option of time off or pay in-lieu of holiday hours shall be at the sole discretion of the City.
- F. Employees may schedule up to 80 hours of their accrued holiday time during the regular annual the vacation sign up period established by the Department, pursuant to the same rules and procedures.

**16. Implementation of MOU**

City shall implement provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding by adopting appropriate resolutions, ordinances, and administrative policies.

**17. Jury Duty and Court Appearances**

The parties agree that members of the bargaining unit performing jury duty or responding to a subpoena arising from line of duty civil court appearances shall be compensated as though they were on duty. Any and all other remuneration received by the employee for such jury duty or court appearances shall be paid to the City.

A sworn employee who is required by subpoena to be at court outside of his/her regularly scheduled work week regarding a matter arising from line of duty, and whose presence in the courtroom is necessary both before and after a scheduled court lunch period, shall be deemed to be on duty during the scheduled lunch period.

Notwithstanding the above, the Chief of Police has the right to adjust an employee's work schedule in keeping with court appearances, jury duty schedules, and/or needs of the City.

**18. Layoff Procedure**

In cases of abolition of positions, which result in layoff of personnel, or reduction-in-force, the following seniority policy shall apply to sworn members of the bargaining unit:

- A. The individual with the least time in rank shall be first reduced. Where equal time in the rank is the case, total time with the Police Department shall be used to determine seniority.
- B. The individual affected shall have the right to "bump" downward to the next lower sworn classification such that the last hired employee in the lowest sworn rank shall be the first employee laid off. Rehiring shall be accomplished pursuant to Section 3.16.350 of the Municipal Code.

In cases of abolition of positions, which result in layoff of personnel, or reduction-in-force, the seniority and layoff policy found in Municipal Code Section 3.16.350 shall apply to non-sworn members of the bargaining unit.

## **19. Life Insurance**

The City and the Association agree that employees shall be entitled to a term life insurance policy covering the employee only, the premium for which shall be paid by the City. The limits of life insurance coverage shall be seventy-five thousand (\$75,000) of term insurance with one hundred fifty thousand (\$150,000) double indemnity in case of accidental death for sworn employees; and fifty thousand (\$50,000) of term insurance with one hundred thousand (\$100,000) double indemnity in case of accidental death for non-sworn employees. Said life insurance policy will be subject to such reasonable restrictions and requirements as may be imposed by the insurance carrier.

## **20. Loss Control Support**

- A. The Association agrees to support, without qualification, the City's Safety Program and will encourage its members to attend safety courses if required by the City and made available on City time.
- B. Both the City and the Association recognize the need and will strive to reduce the number of industrial injuries among employees.
- C. It is the duty of management to make every reasonable effort to provide and maintain a safe place of employment. The Association will cooperate by encouraging all employees to perform their work in a safe manner. It is the duty of all employees in the course of performing their duties to be alert to unsafe practices, equipment and conditions, and report them to their immediate supervisor. If such conditions cannot be satisfactorily remedied by the immediate supervisor, an employee has the right to submit the matter either personally or through the Association to the Chief of Police or designated representative. On any matter of safety that is not resolved, consultation will take place between management and Association representatives.
- D. It is agreed that the City shall continue maintaining vehicles and equipment in a safe operating condition and that no employee will be penalized for refusing to use vehicles or equipment proven to be unsafe pursuant to State law.

## **21. Maintenance of Benefits**

- A. The City and the Association agree that all benefits other than direct wages as provided by ordinances, resolutions and City Charter in existence at the commencement of this agreement shall not be diminished, lessened, altered or reduced except as may be herein provided for the duration of the agreement.
- B. Wage adjustments as provided for from time to time by ordinance, resolution, or City Charter, as such may be amended in accordance with this agreement, shall also continue for the duration of this agreement.
- C. City and Association shall meet and confer concerning any work schedule changes from current 4/10 work schedule for sworn personnel.

## **22. Management Rights**

The rights of the City include, but are not limited to, the exclusive right to determine the mission of its constituent departments, commissions and boards; set standards of service; determine the procedures and standards of selection for employment and promotion; direct its employees; take disciplinary action; relieve its employees from duty because of economic reasons or for cause as provided in Section 1007 of the City Charter; maintain the efficiency of governmental operations; determine the methods, means and personnel by which government operations are to be conducted; determine the content of job classifications; take all necessary actions to carry out its

mission in emergencies; and exercise complete control and discretion over its organization and the technology of performing its work.

**23. Medical, Dental, and Vision Insurance**

- A. The parties agree that the City will pay 100% of the premium for medical insurance for the employee only up to a monthly maximum as follows.

PPO that is coordinated with a Health Reimbursement Account (HRA):	\$1,414.64
All other Health Plans:	\$1,374.64

It is agreed that should the amount of subject premium be less than the limits herein described, the difference between the employee only premiums and said dollar amount limits shall be applied to employee dependent medical coverage, if any.

- B. For an employee enrolled in a PPO plan that is coordinated with a Health Savings Account (HSA), the City will match the employee’s contribution to the HSA on a dollar-for-dollar basis, not to exceed a maximum City contribution of \$75.00 per month, provided however that the total combined employer and employee amount will not exceed the annual indexed allowable HSA contribution limits.
- C. The City will pay for the premium for dental insurance up to a monthly maximum of \$105.00.
- D. For the length of this agreement the City will pay for the premium for vision insurance up to a monthly maximum of \$7.50.
- E. The City retains full and complete control over the selection, approval and administration of insurance programs to include selection of carrier, insurance contract renewal and changes in program specifications.
- F. Should the City discontinue offering an HMO plan, or discontinue offering an HRA coordinated PPO plan, or discontinue offering an HSA-coordinated PPO plan, the parties will reopen negotiations for the sole purpose of developing an alternative City contribution structure that will maintain the same total City contribution toward bargaining unit medical benefits as was in place immediately before the change.
- G. The parties will reopen negotiations to address cost-neutral changes to the structure of contributions under this Article, Article 6 (Cafeteria Plan), Article 3 (Benefits- Part-time employees) and related articles that may be necessary to avoid impacts of the Affordable Care Act (e.g. Cadillac Tax, affordability provisions, etc.)

**24. Meeting and Conferring**

Except as provided in the “Municipal Code Changes” Article of this Agreement, or as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the parties agree that there shall be no meeting or conferring over any issues of wages, hours, or other terms and conditions of employment covered by this agreement during the term of this agreement unless both parties consent.

**25. Municipal Code Changes**

During the term of the Agreement the City and the Association shall meet and confer with regard to any City proposed updates to Santa Barbara Municipal Code Title 3 affecting the terms and conditions of employment of Association Members as required by law.

**26. No Unfair Labor Practices**

The parties agree that during the term of this agreement the City will not lock out employees and the Association will not engage in labor practices detrimental to providing services to the Citizens of Santa Barbara, or detrimental to the interests of the City; nor will the Association sanction, support, condone, approve, or engage in a strike, sit-in, slow down, work stoppage, or speed-up.

The City and the Association further agree that all matters of controversy concerning issues covered by this agreement, will be settled by established grievance procedures.

The Association acknowledges that violations of the above shall be just cause for disciplinary action including termination.

**27. "Non-Sworn Personnel" Shift Assignments**

Non-sworn personnel in the bargaining unit shall normally be allowed a minimum of ten (10) hours off between shifts unless the employee consents otherwise. The above ten hour provision shall not apply during the regular periods of shift rotation, in cases where the employee has worked overtime prior to reporting for his/her next regular shift assignment, or in cases of emergency.

**28. Overtime**

- A. Except as provided in the Call Back Article overtime shall be defined as any hours worked beyond eighty (80) hours in a fourteen-day work period. For the purpose of computing overtime, all regular, scheduled work hours, including paid leave time, shall be considered time worked.
- B. Overtime shall continue to be compensated at a time and one-half overtime cash or time and one-half CTO rate.
- C. Effective September 21, 2013, if an employee's scheduled overtime is cancelled within 8 hours of the scheduled overtime start time, the employee will receive 3 hours of pay at straight time. ,
- D. If an employee is called back to work or held over from his/her previous regularly scheduled shift and works five (5) or more hours outside his/her normal shift, and any portion of the hours worked on a call-back or hold-over basis falls within five (5) hours of the beginning of his/her next scheduled shift, that employee will be receive at least five (5) hours of continuous rest before resuming work without a loss in pay. If any portion of the rest period falls during the next regularly scheduled shift, then that portion of the rest period will be paid by the City at the employee's normal straight time pay rate. The employee shall have no restrictions on the location of the rest area.

If such call-back or hold over is concluded less than 3 hours before the start of the employee's next scheduled shift, then the employee may request to take the equivalent paid rest period at the back-end of the shift instead. If the request is approved, the employee will be paid at the employee's normal straight time rate during the regularly scheduled shift and the rest period.

- E. An employee who has accrued CTO shall be permitted to use such time within a reasonable period after making the request to do so if the use of compensatory time does not unduly disrupt the operations of the City. For purposes of this provision, "unduly disrupt the operation of the City" shall include, but not be limited to, requested use of compensatory time during Fiesta (Old Spanish Days), July 4th, and Christmas.
- F. The City shall have the option to pay off all overtime subject to an employee retaining a CTO bank that shall not exceed a maximum of 50 hours.

- G. Overtime for declared disasters shall be paid at time and one-half only if federal or State disaster or emergency relief funds are made available to defray costs. Section F of this Article shall apply to the duration of emergency incidents, not the duration of the formal declared emergency.
- H. Employees may use up to 40 emergency leave hours per calendar year from their overtime bank for time off due to illness or injury of their spouse, registered domestic partner, or children. Such emergency leave shall not be withheld by the City, and shall be in addition to paid sick leave use for this purpose under State law. Emergency leave shall be deducted from the employee's accumulated overtime. No emergency leave payment shall be made except after satisfactory evidence of dependent illness or injury has been accepted and approved by the Chief of Police.

**29. Payroll Deductions**

- A. Any changes in Association dues deduction only shall be subject to indemnification of City by the Association.
- B. City shall maintain a payroll program with equal bi-weekly deductions (24 checks plus 2 checks without voluntary deductions).

**30. Premium Pay for Use of Bilingual Skills**

For all full-time Patrol Officers and employees in other positions designated by the Chief of Police, who establish to the satisfaction of the Chief and the Human Resources Manager proficiency in conversing and reading skills in Spanish, as demonstrated by appropriate testing every other year, the City will pay premium pay of \$51.20 each biweekly pay period.

For all full-time employees in positions designated by the Chief of Police who meet the following qualifications, the City paid premium will be \$102.50 each biweekly pay period:

- A. Establish to the satisfaction of the Chief and the Human Resources Manager a complex level of verbal and/or written proficiency in Spanish as demonstrated by appropriate testing every other year.
- B. Provide written translation from Spanish-to-English and English-to-Spanish and/or act as a translator for complicated interviews with Spanish speaking witnesses or suspects.

**31. Recruitment Incentives**

The City may, at its option, implement any of the following recruitment incentive programs at any time during the term of this Agreement:

- A. Vacation Credit for Prior City Service: An employee who (1) received a performance evaluation of "meets standards" or better on his or her last two performance evaluations, and (2) separates from City service and then is rehired within 3 years of his or her termination date, may recoup his or her past service credit toward the vacation accrual rate. Such employee may also be eligible for credit for other government service under section B of this article.
- B. Vacation and Sick Leave Credit for Prior Government Service: An employee appointed from outside City of Santa Barbara government service within 6 months of leaving employment with either a city, county, state agency, federal agency or special district and who, in the opinion of the Police Chief, possesses government experience directly related to the position to which he or she has been appointed, may receive credit for years of prior service with his or her immediate previous government employer in the following ways:

- i. Vacation Accrual: Upon appointment, employee will receive credit for the full prior years of service at his or her immediate previous government employer toward the initial vacation accrual rate. Employee will not be eligible to progress to a higher accrual rate until employee has the normal required minimum amount of City of Santa Barbara service (including prior service under Section A of this Article) for that accrual rate.
- ii. Sick Leave: Employee will be credited with 96 hours of sick leave. Thereafter, employee will accrue sick leave at the normal rate.

- C. Uniform: New employees may be provided an initial uniform set at City cost.
- D. Signing Bonus: New employees who have already completed a full basic academy at the time of hire (e.g., a lateral hire or a post-academy hire) may be provided a signing bonus in an amount determined by the City.
- E. Employee Referral Bonus: Existing employees who refer an applicant from outside City employment who is hired and successfully completes the probationary period may be provided a referral Bonus. The City may establish the amount of such bonus and procedures for documenting the referral at the time of application.

### **32. Retiree Medical Insurance Contribution**

- A. This provision is applicable to employees who retire from City service, and
  - 1. Have 15 or more years of regular City service; or
  - 2. Retire from the City with an industrial disability.
- B. The City shall contribute \$9.10 per month, per year of service up to a maximum of 35 years (i.e., \$318.50/month). Employees will receive a prorated contribution for portions of a year of service. Service will be calculated based on the nearest full one hundredth (.01) of a year. (For example, an employee retiring on November 30th with 15.233 years of service will receive  $15.23 \times \$8.70 = \$132.50$  per month).

Accrued liability for past retiree medical increases was factored into past labor agreements and will not be charged again toward costing in future negotiations.

- C. The retiree is not limited to the purchase of a City sponsored plan, provided however, that if the retiree purchases another insurance plan, the retiree must supply the City with adequate proof of insurance coverage prior to any contribution from the City. Proof of such coverage shall be provided to the City on a periodic basis, as determined by the City.

The City will contribute only up to the maximum monthly premium of the City's sponsored plan.

- D. Except as specifically provided in Section F of this article, below, the City shall continue to make its contribution until the retiree reaches age 65 or dies, whichever occurs first. If there is a surviving spouse or registered domestic partner, he/she will be permitted to remain on the medical insurance plan at his/her own cost, subject to the conditions set forth by the insurance company.
- E. The City will continue the normal retiree medical allowance past the age of 65 for the six (6) employees named below who retire after December 23, 2006 and thereafter certify, on an annual basis, that they are not eligible to apply for Medicare Part A (hospitalization) coverage on the basis of their City service, other covered employment, through a spouse's covered employment, or through any other means.

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hire Date</u>
1.	Robert E. Casey	Police Officer	1/6/75
2.	Leonard J. Gomez	Police Officer	9/25/78
3.	David M. Gonzales	Police Sergeant	3/7/77
4.	George B. Hansen	Police Officer	7/13/79
5.	Jessie M. Ramey	Parking Enforcement Officer	2/11/75
6.	Kathryn H. Denlinger	Parking Enforcement Officer	10/19/77

The City shall continue to make its contribution until the retiree dies. However, if at the time the retiree dies there is a surviving spouse or registered domestic partner over 65 years of age who is not eligible for Medicare Part A, one half of the allowance will continue until the death of the spouse or registered domestic partner.

- F. In the event Health Care legislation is passed which affects the nature of the benefit described above, the parties will reopen negotiations and modify this benefit, if necessary, so as to maintain their original intent (e.g., eligibility, scope, cost).

### 33. Retirement

- A. The City contract with the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) shall provide the 3% at age 50 benefit formula for all Classic Police Safety members.
- B. Safety Employees will pay the full 9% member contribution.
- C. The City contract with the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) shall provide the 2.7% at age 55 benefit formula for all Classic Miscellaneous members.
- D. Under the negotiated 2.7% at 55 cost/benefit sharing formula for Classic Miscellaneous employees:
1. If the PERS miscellaneous plan employer rate is exactly equal to 20.164%, the employee shall pay 7.162% of the 8% required employee contribution. The City will pay 0.838% of the 8% required employee contribution.
  2. If the employer rate is less than 20.164%, the employee shall receive credit for 30.559% of the amount by which the employer rate is less than 20.164%. The credit shall be applied until the City again pays a full 7% of the 8% required employee contribution.  
*[For example: If the employer rate is only 18.164% of PERS-able compensation, the City will pay an additional 0.61% (2% times 30.559%) of the 8% employee contribution, for a total of 1.448%];*
  3. If the employer rate exceeds 20.164%, the employee shall pay 30.559% of the amount by which the employer rate exceeds 20.164%. The employee shall pay for this cost in the following manner:

i. First, through an increase in the employee-paid portion of the 8% required employee contribution up to a maximum increase of 0.838%

*[For example: If the employer rate is 22.164% of PERS-able compensation, the employee will pay an additional 0.61% (2% times 30.559%) of the 8% employee contribution, for a total of 7.772%];*

ii. Second, through payroll deduction.

*[For example: If the employer rate is 25.164% of PERS-able compensation, the employee will pay an additional 1.528% (5% times 30.559%) of PERS-able compensation as follows: an additional 0.838% (8%-7.162%) to cover the full 8% employee contribution, and a payroll deduction equal to 0.69% (1.528%-0.838%) of PERS-able compensation.]*

- E. The City shall report the value of Employer Paid Member Contributions (EPMC) to PERS as compensation earnable for Classic Miscellaneous employees pursuant to Government Code Section 20636(c)(4).
- F. The City will provide the PERS One-Year Highest Compensation benefit to Classic Safety and Miscellaneous employees.
- G. The City will provide an amendment to the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) contract to allow widows/widowers to continue receiving benefits upon remarriage.
- H. The City will provide the PERS Increased Level of 1959 Survivor Benefits (Level Two) for Safety employees, and the PERS Increased Level of 1959 Survivor Benefits (Level Four) for Miscellaneous employees.
- I. The PERS contract shall provide for Public Service Credit for Peace Corps or Americorps: Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) for Miscellaneous employees only.
- J. Notwithstanding the provisions above, effective January 1, 2013, new members as defined by California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (hereinafter "AB 340") will be covered under the 2.7% at 57 Safety retirement formula or the 2% at 62 Miscellaneous retirement formula, with a final compensation measurement period of the average of the highest three (3) consecutive years, as well as all other statutory requirements of AB 340. Effective July 1, 2013, new employees and/or members as defined by AB 340 shall contribute half the normal cost for benefits, as defined by AB 340; the City will not pay any portion of these employees' required contributions.

### **34. Retroactivity**

An employee will be eligible for retroactive increases to salaries and benefits provided under this Agreement on the dates specified for each increase if the employee is an active City employee and bargaining unit member on the date that the City Council ratifies this Agreement.

**35. Salary Adjustments**

- A. All sworn positions represented by the Association (police officers and police sergeants) shall receive the following regular increases to base salary:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Increase</u>
<u>July 9, 2016</u>	<u>3.0%</u>
<u>July 8, 2017</u>	<u>3.0%</u>
<u>July 7, 2018</u>	<u>3.0%</u>

- B. All non-sworn positions represented by the Association shall receive the following regular base salary increases:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Increase</u>
<u>July 9, 2016</u>	<u>3.0%</u>
<u>July 8, 2017</u>	<u>3.0%</u>
<u>July 7, 2018</u>	<u>3.0%</u>

**36. Salary Increases Upon Promotion**

Employees shall receive at least a five percent (5%) salary increase upon promotion provided however that the City shall not be required to pay a salary in excess of the authorized salary range in the City Position and Salary Control Resolution.

For purposes of this article, the base for the (5%) salary increase shall be the employee's current step on the appropriate salary range plus Specialty Assignment pay if appropriate. All officers promoted to the classification of Sergeant shall be appointed to "C" Step.

**37. Salary Ranges For Police Officer**

- A. Effective July 9, 2016, there shall be four base salary ranges for the classification of Police Officer (Ranges A, B, C, and D) at 2% apart. Each salary range shall include five (5) salary steps (Steps 1 through 5) and be reflected on the City's publicly available pay schedule.

- B. Salary Range Assignment

1. Range A will be set at the prior single base salary range for Police Officer, inclusive of any salary increase provided in this Agreement. All new assignments to the Police Officer classification shall be in range A, and any officer not meeting the requirements for placement in ranges B, C, or D shall be assigned to range A.
2. An officer will be assigned on the Range "B":
  - o During the active performance of a Senior Officer assignment, OR
  - o If he/she has successfully completed one Senior Officer assignment for the minimum period of time determined for the assignment by the Chief of Police AND
  - o He/she meets or exceeds performance standards, remains available to work any assignment, and continues to apply for and compete in good faith for upcoming Senior Officer Assignments.
3. An officer will be assigned on the Range "C":
  - o During the active performance of a Senior Officer assignment if he/she has successfully completed one previous and different Senior Officer assignment for

the minimum period of time determined for the assignment by the Chief of Police  
OR

- If he/she has completed two full Senior Officer assignments for the minimum period of time determined for the assignments by the Chief of Police, AND
- He/she meets or exceeds performance standards, remains available to work any assignment, and continues to apply for and compete in good faith for upcoming Senior Officer Assignments.

4. An officer will be assigned on the Range "D":

- During the active performance of a Senior Officer assignment if he/she has successfully completed two previous and different Senior Officer assignments for the minimum period of time determined for the assignments by the Chief of Police  
OR
- If he/she has completed three or more full Senior Officer assignments for the minimum period of time determined for the assignment by the Chief of Police, AND
- He/she meets or exceeds performance standards, remains available to work any assignment, and continues to apply for and compete in good faith for other upcoming Senior Officer Assignments.

5. At the discretion of the Police Chief, based on the needs of the department, credit for a reassignment to a Senior Officer assignment previously completed may be granted as if it were a different assignment.

C. Movement between salary ranges shall be from the employee's current salary step in one range to the same salary step in the other range. Movement from one salary step to another salary step within the Police Officer classification, regardless of the assigned salary range, will be governed by Article 38 (Salary Step Movement) of this Agreement.

D. Effective the first day of the first full pay period following ratification of this Agreement, the former specialty assignment pay program will be discontinued. All employees that were receiving 2% specialty assignment pay will be placed at their current salary step in salary range B. All employees that were receiving 4% specialty assignment pay will be placed at their current salary step in salary range C. All employees that were receiving 6% specialty assignment pay will be placed at their current salary step in salary range D. Time spent in the prior specialty assignments will be credited toward the corresponding Senior Officer assignments.

E. Credit for successful completion of a Senior Officer assignment, shall require that the position be held for a minimum of 75% of the maximum duration of that assignment unless approved by the Police Chief. If the employee is on a leave of absence of more than 30 consecutive calendar days during the assignment, the maximum duration of the assignment will be extended by the period of the leave. Duration of Senior Officer assignments will be determined and publicized in advance by the Police Chief.

F. The Police Chief shall have sole discretion over the number and nature of Senior Officer assignments based on the needs of the Department. The Police Chief may create, abolish, or change the duration of a Senior Officer assignment at any time. Officers currently performing the assignment will receive full credit for any abolished assignment. For a lengthened assignment, officers currently performing the assignment shall receive credit based on assignment duration publicized at the time they applied.

G. At the sole discretion of the Police Chief, certain Senior Officer assignments may be designated as "long-term assignments" not having a maximum duration, and allowing credit for more than

one Senior Officer assignment, for purposes of salary range placement. For these assignments, the first 4 years in the assignment will be counted as the first Senior Officer assignment, years 4 to 6 will be counted as a second Senior Officer assignment, and years 6 to 8 as the third Senior Officer assignment.

- H. If an employee has been moved back to Salary Range A-as a result of failing to meet the requirements to maintain a salary range for which he or she previously qualified, the employee may be moved back to the higher salary range by again complying with the above requirements for retention of that salary range.

**38. Salary Step Movement**

The parties agree that achieving the second salary step, or "Step 2," and subsequent salary steps thereafter, shall require, in addition to satisfactory performance, a period of one year of actual service.

It is further agreed that any salary adjustments in cases of employee reclassification shall not necessarily move "step to step."

**39. Scope of Representation**

- A. The Association represents all employees (except hourly and confidential employees) in a police bargaining unit composed of the following job classifications:

- Police Sergeant
- Police Officer
- Police Officer - Entry Level
- Identification Technician
- Assistant Identification Technician
- Public Safety Dispatcher (I,II,III)
- Public Safety Dispatcher Supervisor
- Police Property/Evidence Specialist
- Police Property/Evidence Assistant
- Police Range/Equipment Specialist
- Police Crime Analyst
- Parking Enforcement Officer
- Police Records Specialist
- Police Records Supervisor
- Police Technician

Reclassification of these positions that does not entail changes in job duties or responsibilities will not affect their inclusion in the bargaining unit except as is provided by applicable State law.

- B. If the City creates a Community Services Officer classification to perform some or all functions currently being performed by sworn officers, but not requiring the service of a sworn employee, the classification will be included as a non-sworn classification in the bargaining unit. City agrees that the creation of new Community Services Officer positions will not result in layoff of any sworn officer.

**40. Service Credit for Sick Leave Upon Retirement**

At the time of retirement, the City shall purchase an annuity for a retiring employee that pays a monthly benefit similar to the PERS amendment that provides service credit for sick leave under Government Code Section 20965.

The following conditions apply to this benefit:

- A. In order to qualify for service credit for sick leave upon retirement, the retiring employee must have been hired by the City on or before September 17, 2013 and have at least 500 sick leave hours;
- B. The conversion rate of 0.004 years of service credit for each day of sick leave is utilized. (For purposes of this section, a "day" is the equivalent of eight (8) hours.);
- C. The retiring employee may take the cash purchase value of the annuity in lieu of the monthly annuity;
- D. Prior to September 17, 2013, safety group members who obtain 90% of final compensation upon retirement are not eligible for this benefit; however, employees who retire on or after September 17, 2013 and who obtain 90% of final compensation upon retirement will be eligible for this benefit; and
- E. If the City amends its PERS Miscellaneous or Police contract to include service credit for sick leave upon retirement, non-safety or Police members, respectively will be included in that PERS contract amendment and the annuity program will be discontinued for that group.

**41. Shift Differential for Non-Sworn Personnel**

- A. Full-time, non-sworn personnel regularly assigned to a shift of eight (8) or more hours shall receive:
  - 1. Swing shift differential pay when 50% or more of the hours of their regularly assigned shift , excluding overtime, falls between 5:00 p.m. and midnight; or
  - 2. Graveyard shift differential pay when 50% or more of the hours of their regularly assigned shift, excluding overtime, falls between midnight and 7:00 a.m.
- B. Employees who are regularly assigned to a shift that does not meet the definition of a swing shift or graveyard shift shall not receive shift differential. This includes, but is not limited to, circumstances wherein an employee may be called back to work or scheduled to work an overtime shift that qualifies for shift differential pay when regularly assigned to the shift.
- C. The biweekly amount of shift differential for a full-time employee shall be as follows:

<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Swing Shift Biweekly</u>	<u>Graveyard Shift Biweekly</u>
July 1, 2016	\$64	\$128

**42. Sick Leave**

- A. Employees shall accrue sick leave at the rate of eight (8) hours per month of service rendered up to a maximum of 2,080 hours of accumulated sick leave.
- B. The City's "non-replenishable" sick leave program (M.C. 3.08.150b) shall be retained for the term of this agreement.
- C. A full-time employee may use up to 48 hours of available accrued sick leave (the equivalent of 6 months of accrual) per calendar year for the diagnosis, care, or treatment of an existing health condition of, or preventive care for, a family member of the employee. "Family member" means any of the following: a spouse or registered domestic partner; a child (biological, adopted, or foster child, stepchild, legal ward, or a child to whom the employee stands in loco parentis, regardless of age or dependency status); a parent (biological, adoptive, or foster parent, stepparent, or legal guardian) of an employee or the employee's spouse or registered domestic partner; a person who stood in loco parentis when the employee was a minor child; a

grandparent; a grandchild; or a sibling. Part-time employees may use the equivalent of six (6) months of sick leave accrual at their prorated accrual rate for such purposes. All rules for use of sick leave will apply, including those regarding physician statement requirements and use of sick leave for medical appointments

**43. Specialty Assignment Program**

The Specialty Assignment Program included in the labor agreement immediately preceding this Agreement will be eliminated effective July 9, 2016 and the related 2%-6% special assignment pay discontinued.

**44. Standby Pay**

The City and the Association agree that when an employee is officially designated by management to remain available to return to work, at any time during specific hours outside of normal working hours, the employee shall receive three (3) hours of straight time pay or compensatory time off for each eight (8) hours on standby or fraction thereof. To the extent feasible, the parties agree that standby shall be assigned on an equitable basis to all eligible employees.

The City and Association agree that all employees will be on automatic standby duty during a state of emergency or civil defense disaster as declared by the President of the United States, the Governor of the State, the Mayor of the City, the City Council, or the City Administrator. Such automatic emergency standby shall be without compensation unless the City is reimbursed by the State or federal government for such an expenditure.

**45. Term of Agreement**

- A. This Memorandum of Understanding shall become effective July 1, 2016 and shall remain effective through June 30, 2019.
- B. The agreement may be extended beyond its expiration date, if both parties concur.

**46. Time Off for Association Officers**

- A. Reasonable time off with pay at straight time will be granted to Association officers and negotiators for the purpose of meeting and conferring or consulting with the City subject to approval by the Chief of Police as to specific times.
- B. The Association will maintain a complete and current list of its officers and negotiators on file with the Assistant City Administrator.
- C. Upon reasonable advance notice, Association officers will be granted up to an aggregate of one hundred sixty (160) hours pay annually for attendance at Association meetings and conventions and for conducting normal and regular Association business during the term of this agreement.

**47. Training**

The City and the Association agree that all direct costs for all training or instruction required by the City shall be paid for by the City. However, the City shall retain the right to determine what training is required for the employee to improve his performance on the job and to make such training a condition of employment.

For the purposes of this agreement, this section shall include requests by Department Heads for additional training of current employees, subject to the approval of the City Administrator.

Both parties recognize that training programs and the advancement of employees to positions of higher skill are matters of great importance and interest to the City, the Association, and the employees covered by this agreement.

**48. Transportation Demand Management**

- A. Effective December 23, 2006, will provide up to 8 additional carpool parking spaces, based on need, with reasonable distance from the Police Department.
- B. Bargaining unit members shall be eligible to participate in any established Citywide Alternative Transportation Program.

**49. Tuition Reimbursement**

Employees shall be eligible for tuition reimbursement through the City of Santa Barbara's Educational Reimbursement Program.

**50. Unauthorized Leave/Suspension**

No sick leave, vacation, or holiday time shall accrue or be paid during any period of unauthorized leave or suspension. Suspension is defined as provided in Municipal Code Section 3.16.310 and City Charter Section 1007. Retroactive accrual of sick leave, vacation, or holiday time shall be provided for suspensions later found to be in error. This section shall not apply to any non-disciplinary suspension.

**51. Uniform Allowance**

- A. Except as indicated below, the City shall provide an annualized uniform allowance to full-time employees in the bargaining unit who are required to maintain a uniform as follows:

Sworn police personnel not assigned motorcycle, SWAT or canine duty	\$1,038
Sworn police personnel assigned canine duty	1,088
Sworn police personnel assigned motorcycle or SWAT duty	1,238
Non-sworn personnel	863

- B. Payment of the uniform allowance will be paid to employees who are on the payroll during the pay period ending two (2) weeks prior to the payday on which the uniform allowance is paid in June or December of each year. Payment will be made in a separate check, in an amount equal to half of the annualized allowance, per the following schedule:

December 9, 2016 and June 9, 2017  
 December 8, 2017 and June 8, 2018  
 December 7, 2018 and June 7, 2019

**52. Use of Computer Resources**

Employees' rights and obligations regarding use of the City's computers and computing resources are governed generally by the City's computer use policies. The Association and the City agree that occasional and incidental employee use of City computing resources for Association business is allowable within the same parameters applied to other acceptable non-commercial personal use under those policies.

The parties agree that such use shall not interfere with the performance of work duties or the effective delivery of services, and shall not result in any significant cost to the City or compromise the security of City systems. The parties further agree that City computer resources, including the e-mail system, will not be used by the Association or City employees to support or oppose a political campaign or ballot measure.

The Association acknowledges that employees have no expectation of privacy in the use of City

computer resources, including but not limited to e-mail and text messaging, even if they are locked or password-protected.

**53. Vacation**

- A. It is agreed that vacation time may be taken as accrued subject to City approval.
- B. It is agreed that vacation accrual for sworn personnel shall be in accordance with the following schedule:

<u>Length of Service</u>	<u>Vacation Entitlement</u>
0 through 5 years	80 hours per year
6 through 10 years	120 hours per year
11 through 24 years	160 hours per year
After 24 years	200 hours per year

- C. It is agreed that vacation accrual for non-sworn police personnel shall be in accordance with the following schedule:

<u>Length of Continuous Service</u>	<u>Vacation Entitlement</u>
0 through 2 years	80 hours per year
3 through 5 years	104 hours per year
6 through 10 years	144 hours per year
11 through 17 years	184 hours per year
18 through 23 years	200 hours per year
24 and over years	224 hours per year

- D. Maximum vacation accrual will be 320 hours. Said maximum vacation accrual shall not apply if scheduled vacations are canceled by the City for emergencies or personal emergencies of employees. Where requested in advance by the employee, management will make reasonable efforts to work with the employee to try to avoid the loss of vacation time accruals under the accrual maximum.

**54. Work Schedule**

- A. When regular days off (RDO) are changed, reasonable notice shall be given to the affected employee(s). "Reasonable notice" is at least 48 hours unless by mutual consent.
- B. Except as provided in Appendix B (Memorandum of Understanding Regarding 3/12.5 Schedule), all sworn employees shall be placed on a 4/10 work schedule. Management retains the right to change an employee's day off at any time with less than 48 hours' notice without incurring overtime liability in order to meet departmental needs related to court subpoenas and other planned events. Other planned events shall include incidents such as drug sweeps in investigations and employee training. Overtime liability for an employee on a 4/10 schedule will continue to occur when an employee works in excess of eighty (80) hours in a 14-day work period as required by the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA).

Uniformed sworn officers on a 4/10 schedule who are subject to call for service during the lunch period will work ten (10) hours and take a one half (1/2) hour paid lunch break. Other sworn and non-sworn employees on a 4/10 schedule will work ten (10) hours and take a one-half (1/2) hour or one-hour unpaid lunch break. A change made by management to this practice will be a normal meet and confer issue.

- C. Upon mutual agreement between management and an employee represented by the Association, s/he may work a schedule different than that delineated in Section B of this Article.

**55. Workers' Compensation: Non-Sworn Personnel**

- A. Non-sworn employees who sustain illness or injury arising out of and in the course of their City employment shall receive benefits equal to those mandated by the State of California plus the difference between State mandated benefits and the equivalent of eighty-five percent (85%) of the individual's gross (excluding O.T.) salary, if any, paid by the City for a maximum of ninety (90) working days.
- B. This Article shall not be construed to grant employees the use of sick leave benefits in lieu of or to supplement workers' compensation benefits herein or by State law, except as follows:

An employee who returns from an accepted work-related injury or illness to regular duty or modified duty may attend follow-up medical appointments during work hours when it is not possible to arrange such appointments on non-work time. Reasonable advance notice must be given to the supervisor, which in no event shall be less than 24 hours. Release time is subject to supervisory approval based on operational needs. Under these conditions, to account for the lost work time to attend physician, physical therapy, chiropractic, counseling and other physical and mental care appointments, the employee may:

1. Use accrued paid leave time (sick leave, vacation time, compensatory time, or personal leave); or
2. Use "industrial leave without pay" if employee has no accrued paid leave time, or
3. If the employee has not reached a permanent and stationary status, the employee may elect to use "industrial leave without pay" if employee does not choose to use accrued paid leave (sick leave, vacation time, compensatory time, or personal leave). However, employees who have reached permanent and stationary status must exhaust available leave balances before being placed on leave without pay.

An employee who has not reached a permanent and stationary status and uses industrial leave without pay may be entitled to "wage loss" under workers' compensation system depending on eligibility.

The City may make changes to its Personnel Policies including, but not limited to, the Santa Barbara Municipal Code to reflect the substance of this Agreement.

## **APPENDIX A- TRAINING AND RELATED TRAVEL TIME FOR REQUIRED CLASSES**

The purpose of this Appendix is to provide a guide to utilize when determining when an employee is entitled to payment for attending training.

### **Non-Exempt Employees**

The Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) indicates that time spent by non-exempt employees in training is compensable unless all of the following conditions are met:

1. Attendance is outside of the employee's regular working hours.
2. Attendance is in fact voluntary. FLSA indicates that attendance is not considered voluntary if the employee believes that present working conditions or the continuance of employment will be adversely affected by non-attendance.
3. The course, lecture, or meeting is not directly related to the employee's job. The regulations state that training is directly related to the employee's job if it is designed to make the employee handle his or her job more effectively, as distinguished from training for another job.
4. The employee does not perform any productive work during such attendance.

If all four of the above conditions are not met, then all hours spent in training (including those outside of normal working hours) are considered to be compensable under FLSA.

If the training is considered compensable and travel time is associated with the employee's attendance, then the next question is whether the time spent traveling should be paid for. , The following must be considered.

1. **Travel During Regular Working Hours.** If the travel time related to attending required training occurs during normal working hours, then the time is considered to be compensable.
2. **Special One-Day, Out-of-Town Travel.** Travel time associated with special one-day, out-of-town training is required to be paid for irrespective of the mode of transportation utilized or whether the employee drives or is a passenger. Time that can be excluded from payment is normal home-to-work travel time and time spent eating while traveling.
3. **Overnight Travel.** If an employee travels overnight on business (for more than one day), the employee must be paid for time spent in traveling (except for meal periods) during their normal working hours on their non-working days, such as Saturday, as well as, on their regular working days. Travel time as a passenger on an airplane, train, boat, bus, or automobile outside of regular working hours is not considered worktime unless the employee performs any actual work or the employee drives a car without being offered public conveyance. Therefore, nighttime travel policies when associated with training for more than one day may prove to be more advantageous. The cost for hotel accommodations and meals for the employee versus the overtime payment should be considered when trying to determine which is more advantageous.

### **Special Requirements for 207K Exempt Employees**

The only special requirement related to 207(k) exempt employees under FLSA relates to time spent in required training when an employee is confined to a campus or to barracks 24 hours a day. Only the time spent in actual training is considered compensable hours of work as long as the other hours are spent in studying or other personal pursuits. Other than this, the same requirements that apply to non-exempt employees apply to 207(k) exempt employees.



## **TRAINING AND RELATED TRAVEL TIME FOR REQUIRED CLASSES- CONTINUED**

### **Exempt Employees**

In the case of an exempt employee, the MOU is the guiding document in whether training or related travel time is compensable. Generally, exempt employees will only be paid for time spent in required training and travel during normal work hours. Travel outside of regular work hours is excluded.

Employees who have questions regarding the compensability of training and related travel time, may contact either the Chief of Police or one of the Personnel Analysts at Ext. 5316.

## **APPENDIX B- MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING REGARDING 3/12.5 SCHEDULE**

This memorandum of understanding was entered into as of September 25, 1999, and amended on July 3, 2001 and December 10, 2015, between the City of Santa Barbara, hereinafter referred to as "City," and the Santa Barbara Police Officers Association, hereinafter referred to as "Association."

This agreement is intended to allow the City to implement a "3/12.5" work schedule for some of those Officers and Sergeants assigned to patrol functions.

The work period shall be defined as a 28-day work period as permitted by the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) for law enforcement personnel for all sworn personnel irrespective of their shift assignment in order to accommodate the new "3/12.5" schedule. FLSA mandated overtime for all sworn personnel shall be defined as any hours worked beyond one hundred seventy one (171) hours in a designated twenty-eight (28) day cycle. Overtime under a "4/10" or "3/12.5" work schedule is defined as hours worked beyond the regularly scheduled shift, whether it be a 12.5-, 10-, 9- or 8-hour day. Overtime liability shall also occur if a member works in excess of his/her regularly scheduled 75, 80 or 85 hours in a pay period. The City shall continue for purposes of computing overtime to count all regular, scheduled work hours, including paid leave time, as time worked. Overtime shall continue to be compensated at a time and one-half overtime cash or time and one-half CTO rate but not to exceed the 50 hours CTO maximum bank. Once overtime is earned in connection with any approved method of accrual (daily, biweekly, FLSA) said amounts shall be deducted from overtime owed under any other approved method of accrual. There shall be no double or triple payment of overtime for the same hours involved.

The basic work schedule for those assigned to a "3/12.5" shall be to work 12 shifts of 12.5 hours and one shift of 10 hours during each 28-day work period. This is the equivalent of working 160 hours in a four-week period; the same as employees assigned to a "4/10", work schedule. The current meal break policy shall apply to all sworn patrol personnel assigned to a "3/12.5" work schedule.

For those assigned to a "3/12.5" schedule, the 10-hour shift must be worked within the designated 28-day work period and is considered an integral part of the City's staffing needs. Therefore, the 10-hour shift is not intended to be "routinely" utilized for leave time. In situations where an employee who, for whatever reason, does not either actually work or report leave time approved by the Department for the required 10-hour shift within the 28-day work period shall have paid leave utilized for any hours necessary to account for the required 160 hours in the following order: CTO, Holiday, Vacation unless an agreement between management and the employee to utilize in a different order. If no leave balances are available, then the hours shall be reported as leave without pay.

The one 10-hour shift shall not be limited to any particular purpose; however, it is generally intended to be utilized to facilitate training, patrol responsibilities or special assignments. Complete flexibility for scheduling this day shall be maintained by management to allow for changing priorities, training availability, and the special needs of the organization.

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING REGARDING 3/12.5 SCHEDULE- CONTINUED**

Under the "3/12.5" work schedule employees shall regularly work 75 hours during one biweekly pay period and 85 hours during the other biweekly pay period within the 28-day work cycle. As a matter of convenience for employees assigned to the "3/12.5" work schedule, the City shall ensure that the payments received by the employees at the end of each biweekly pay period are equal, or 80 hours per biweekly pay period, exclusive of any overtime. An exception will be in the case of an employee who does not work the required hours and does not have sufficient leave balances to cover the hours.

Management shall make every reasonable effort to have changes in patrol shift assignments coincide with the end of a 28-day work period. However, if the needs of the department (as determined in the sole discretion of the Police Chief) warrant a change from the "3/12.5" within the 28-day work period, the Association acknowledges that an adjustment will be required to balance the actual hours worked with the actual hours paid. This adjustment may necessitate a deduction from an employee's CTO, holiday, vacation time and/or gross pay. A similar adjustment may be necessary in situations such as, but not limited to, the resignation of an Officer.

The Association agrees that management retains the absolute right to discontinue the use of the "3/12.5" work schedule at any time without having to engage in the meet and confer process. Management also retains the right to assign an officer to either the "3/12.5" or the "4/10" work schedule without having to engage in the meet and confer process. If the "3/12.5" work schedule is discontinued by management, employees assigned to a "3/12.5" work schedule shall return to a "4/10" work schedule.