

A GREEMENT

Between

CITY OF OCEAN CITY

And

COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA AFL-CIO, LOCAL 1078

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PREAMBLE

THIS AGREEMENT entered into this 20th day of September, 2000, by and between the City of Ocean City, in the County of Cape May, a Municipal Corporation of the State of New Jersey, hereinafter called the "City", and the Communications Workers of America, AFL-CIO, hereinafter called the "Union", represents the understanding between the City and the Union on all issues contained herewithin.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, that for the purpose of mutual understanding and in order that a harmonious relationship may exist between the City and the Union and to the end that continuous efficient service will be rendered to and by both parties, for the benefit of both;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED as follows:

ARTICLE I

UNION RECOGNITION

- A. The City hereby recognizes the Union as exclusive and sole representative of all collective negotiations concerning grievances and terms and conditions of employment, for all permanent and provisional full-time personnel and all permanent and provisional (after six months provisional status) part-time personnel of the City of Ocean City. Titles represented are specifically enumerated in Appendix "A", but exclude police officers, fire fighters and EMT personnel of the Public Safety Department, Lifeguards, Department Heads, Elected Officials, Managerial and Professional Employees.
- B. Unless otherwise indicated, the term "Employee" when used hereinafter in this Agreement, shall refer to all employees of the City of Ocean City represented by the Union in the negotiating unit as above defined.
- C. The City agrees that personnel who are not included in the bargaining unit shall not do work other than that described in their job description, if such work is in conflict with work normally assigned to employees within the bargaining unit.

ARTICLE II

MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

It is recognized that the management of the City, the control of its properties and the maintenance of order and efficiency, is a right and responsibility of the City.

Accordingly, the City hereby retains and reserves unto itself, without limitation, all powers, rights, authority, duties and responsibilities conferred upon and vested in it prior to the signing of this Agreement by the Laws and Constitution of the State of New Jersey and of the United States, including but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following rights:

- To the executive management and administrative control of the municipal government and its properties and facilities and to determine the methods of operation to be offered by its employees and to direct the legitimate business activities of its employees;
- 2. To determine the standards of selection of employment and to hire all employees and, subject to the provisions of Law and Department of Personnel Rules and Regulations, to determine their qualifications and conditions for continued employment or assignment and to promote and transfer employees;
- To suspend, demote, discharge or take other disciplinary action for just cause according to Law and subject to the limitations of Article XX.

ARTICLE III

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- A. Pursuant to Chapter 123, P.L. of N.J., 1974, the City agrees that it will not establish new work rules or regulations, or modify existing work rules or regulations governing wages, hours or working conditions except those so negotiated in this Agreement without prior negotiations with the Union.

 However, if a new work rule needs to be established and it does not govern wages, hours or working conditions and it is not contrary to this Agreement, then the City may establish such a rule.
- B. This Agreement shall not be modified in whole or in part by the parties except by an instrument in writing duly executed by both parties.
- C. Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, nothing contained herein shall be interpreted and/or applied so as to eliminate, reduce or otherwise detract from any employee benefit existing prior to its effective date.

ARTICLE IV

LEGAL REFERENCE

- A. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to deny or restrict to any employee such rights as he/she may have under any other applicable laws and regulations.
 The rights granted the employee shall be deemed to be in addition to those provided elsewhere.
- B. The provisions of this Agreement shall be subject to and subordinate to and shall not annul or modify existing applicable provisions of Federal, State and Local laws.
- C. The parties agree that they will not engage in any discrimination against any employees on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age, gender, disability, marital status, or union membership or activity.

ARTICLE V

UNION REPRESENTATIVES AND MEMBERS

- A. The City agrees to grant time off with pay to Union representatives, not to exceed 890 hours for the life of this three-year agreement, for the purpose of attending to Union business relative to City employees to include but not be limited to:
 - Preparation for contract negotiations.
 - Attendance at union seminars, conferences, conventions or training sessions.
 - 3. Conducting local union business as it pertains to Ocean City employees.

 The Union must provide two (2) working days notice to each affected department head on forms provided by the city which, when approved, will be used as the basis for totaling all hours so specified.
- B. In addition to the 890 hours in Paragraph A, the City agrees to provide an additional 60 hours during the life of this three-year agreement, to be used for the purpose of furthering labor-management relations (e.g. training, seminars, etc.). The specific use of these 60 hours will be determined jointly by the City and by the CWA.

- C. Any request by authorized representatives of the Union to attend to union business relative to city employees not covered in Article V, Section A, shall require prior request and authorization of the department head, or his/her designee. Such authorization shall not be unreasonably denied. In no event shall there be any interference with the operation of the City or respective Divisions.
- D. During negotiations, the Union representatives so authorized by the Union, not to exceed seven (7), shall be excused from their normal duties for such periods of negotiations as may be agreed upon by the parties. Such excused individuals, however, shall be available for duty in the event that an emergency arises.
- E. The City and Union agree that all hours spent by employees in attending to Union business and attending negotiations pursuant to this Article are not mandated work by the City and as such are not compensable as hours worked for Fair Labor Standards Act purposes. However, hours spent on contractually permissible paid Union leave time are considered part of the normal work week under Article X.

ARTICLE VI

RETENTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS

A. Union members shall retain all civil rights and protection of the laws, rules and regulations of the State of New Jersey and of the United States of America.

ARTICLE VII

SUB CONTRACTING (INDEPENDENT)

- A. The City shall notify the Union 45 days in advance of any plans to grant a subcontract which affects the present levels of employment unless emergency circumstances make such notification impossible.
- B. The City agrees to sit and meet with the Union representatives to discuss any decision by the City to contract or subcontract which is based on solely fiscal considerations whenever it becomes apparent that a layoff or job displacement will result from the contract or subcontract.

ARTICLE VIII

EXTRA CONTRACT AGREEMENT

The City agrees not to enter into any other Agreements or Contracts with Bargaining
Unit members who are covered hereunder, individually or collectively, which in any way
conflict with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

ARTICLE IX

LEAVES OF ABSENCE - PERMANENT EMPLOYEES

- A. Leaves of absence, without pay, may be granted by the City for emergency situations, or other valid reasons, by the Department Head and approved by the Appointing Authority in accordance with current New Jersey Department of Personnel rules.
- B. Periods of absence shall not exceed six (6) months at any one time. Such leaves may be renewed for an additional six (6) months by the Department Head through the Appointing Authority with approval by the governing body.

 No further renewal or extension may be granted except upon request by the Appointing Authority and written approval by the New Jersey Department of Personnel.
- C. Leaves of absence shall be requested by the employee in writing at least 30 days (if possible) prior to requested commencement date. The employee shall receive a written response within ten (10) working days after submitting the request.
- D. Except for military leave, education, sick or disability leave or any other leave designated by the Merit System Board or by law, periods of leaves of absence without pay shall be deducted from an employee's total continuous service, except as otherwise posted by Department of Personnel rule.

E. Military leaves shall be granted in accordance with the law.

F. <u>Pregnancy - Disability Leave</u>

An employee may request and be granted disability leave due to pregnancy under the same terms and conditions as all other leaves without pay. The Appointing Authority may request acceptable medical evidence that the employee is unable to perform her work because of disability due to pregnancy.

- G. Child care leave may be granted under the same terms and conditions as all other leaves without pay.
- H. A permanent employee shall be granted a leave without pay to campaign for and/or serve elective public office for the term of the office.
- I. The City shall pay all health benefits not to exceed six (6) months at which point the employee may elect to retain said benefits by reimbursing the City for the costs incurred.
- J. A leave of absence that is approved for a specific purpose and is used for her purpose may be considered an abuse.

ARTICLE X

WORK WEEK AND OVERTIME

A. Hours of work

Each Department will establish, in writing, the regular hours of work (schedules) for all full-time employees within their jurisdiction. The standard workweek for full-time Blue Collar workers shall be 39 hours. The daily work shift for Blue Collar workers shall include two 15-minute breaks and an unpaid lunch period. All White Collar workers shall work 35 hours in a standard workweek, Monday through Friday. The daily work shift for White Collar workers shall include one 15-minute break and an unpaid one-hour lunch period. The standard workweek for all Public Safety Telecommunicators shall average 40 hours per week within a 14-day period. The work shift for Public Safety Telecommunicators will include a paid one-hour meal period and two 15-minute breaks subject to recall to duty. Existing variations to the standard Blue Collar and White Collar workweek, as established in writing at the time of execution of this contract, shall continue and shall not be changed without prior agreement of the CWA and the City.

The City recognizes the disruptive effect of schedule changes on employees, and thus the need for adequate notice. Schedule changes are intended to accommodate the various workloads and situations inherent in the provision of public services in Ocean City. Temporary schedule changes shall be implemented in the following manner:

- 1. To accommodate seasonal activities, in which case at least 15 calendar days' notice shall be given. The following shall apply to seasonal schedule changes:
 - a. The "Seasonal" schedule shall commence on May 1st and will extend to September 30th of each year.
 - b. "Seasonal" changes shall apply to the following departments:
 - Finance, for revenue operations. To be defined as Parking Meter/Lot, Airport and Transportation Center operations.
 - ii. Community Services, for Music Pier operations.
 - iii. Public Works, specifically for the functions of sanitation,golf course and beach maintenance activities.
 - c. The City shall make all possible attempts to fill the "seasonal" schedules on a voluntary basis. Otherwise, schedules will be filled by title in reverse order of scniority in that title, with the intent being to initially fill schedules with the employees who work within the applicable unit.

- 2. To provide for emergency (a sudden, extremely important and unexpected occurrence that affects the public safety) responses, in which case the schedule change will only be for the duration of the emergency. In the event a schedule change is necessary in response to an emergency and no overtime is worked, the appropriate additional payments as defined in paragraph 3 below shall apply.
- 3. To accommodate projected temporary workloads, in which case 15 calendar days' notice shall be given. For every day worked on a revised schedule in this situation, the following additional payment to the affected employee shall apply:
 - a. For work on a day other than that on the employee's established schedule: \$75 in addition to straight time pay. This provision does not apply if the day is being paid at the overtime rate. This additional pay is for every day other than that on the established schedule.
 - b. For work on a shift starting prior to, or later than the established schedule:
 - i. \$25 per day for shift revisions less than three (3) hours.
 - ii. \$50 per day for shift revisions of three (3) hours or more.

- c. Temporary workload changes shall be limited to 30 consecutive working days and shall not exceed 60 working days in a 12-month period for any one employee.
- d. In the event that a schedule change is imposed with less than 15 days' notice, then all hours other than the employee's established schedule will be paid at the time-and-one-half rate, unless otherwise provided.
- 4. To revise schedules for the mutual accommodations and/or mutual convenience of the City and the employee, provided the accommodation does not adversely affect the economic benefits of any other employees. For any new hires to a CWA position, the City may establish work schedules for such position. This shall not preclude any other CWA employee from applying or competing for such position, or requesting assignment to any newly established schedule. New hires to a CWA position shall be informed of their work schedule prior to appointment. The City will negotiate any of the aforementioned changes with the CWA prior to implementation.

B. Overtime

Overtime shall be defined as time worked beyond the full-time employee's regular workweek. Overtime shall be compensated, unless otherwise provided, at the rate of time-and-one-half the employee's regular rate of pay on the following basis:

0 - 15 minutes no compensation

16 - 30 minutes .5 hour compensation

31 - 60 minutes 1 hour compensation

Thereafter, all overtime shall be administered in .50 hour segments.

- 2. If the Department Head, or their designee, gives the employee at least 24 hours' notice of overtime work, the City will then have the option of providing comp time or pay, or a combination thereof. In the event the notice is less than 24 hours, form of payment will be at the employee's discretion.
- 3. If an employee is requested to work on a holiday, s/he shall be paid for all time worked at the time-and-one-half (1½) rate as per paragraph 2 above, in addition to the regular holiday pay.
- If s/he is called to duty on his/her scheduled day off, s/he shall be paid for all hours worked and shall be guaranteed a minimum of four (4) hours at time-and-one-half (1½) his/her regular rate of pay.

- 5. If an employee is recalled to duty, s/he shall receive a minimum of three(3) hours at time-and-one-half (1½) of his/her regular rate of pay.
- 6. All overtime in all Divisions shall be assigned on a fair and equal basis.
 Management will provide a report to the union of overtime worked,
 and overtime refusals (including unavailable when called), on a
 monthly basis.
- 7. All employees, upon being personally notified of an emergency, shall report to work within 30 minutes, provided s/he is able to do so; otherwise, s/he shall report as soon as possible.

C. On-Call

- Upon contract signing, any employee who is designated to be on-call
 and is not called out during said day shall be paid a stipend of \$35.00
 per 24-hour period.
- 2. On-Call duty shall be assigned on a fair and equal basis.
- It is understood that the above on-call provision for compensatory time does not apply to Court employees.

D. <u>Court Employees</u>

For calendar year 2000, the provisions of the City/CWA agreement of January 1, 1997, to December 31, 1999, remain in effect.

- 1. Beginning in calendar year 2001, eligible Court employees will be designated to be on-call for periods of one week (7-day period, from Tuesday to Tuesday, 9 a.m.), with on-call assignments to be rotated among those employees. Those employees designated to be on-call will be provided with a pager and must respond within 30 minutes. Employees placed on-call will be paid a minimum of \$40 for each one-week period. For each incident in a one-week period in which court employees execute court documents at their residence, the employee will be paid \$20 per incident.
- 2. Beginning in calendar year 2001, in the event a Court employee is recalled to duty to appear at Court or its offices, s/he shall be paid a flat \$50.00 stipend for such appearance. These payments are in lieu of all compensatory time or other overtime payments for on-call or recall of these employees.

E. <u>Accumulation of Compensatory Time</u>

An employee with 240 hours of compensatory time accumulated for hours worked after April 15, 1986, shall be paid for all additional overtime hours worked at the rate of one-and-one-half (1½) times their regular rate of pay until such time as the employee has less than 240 hours of accumulated compensatory time. Accumulated compensatory time shall be taken at the rate of 7.8 hours per day for all Blue Collar workers and 7 hours per day for all White Collar workers. Telecommunicators, and all other employees not on 7.8 or 7-hour work days, shall have accumulated compensatory time taken in increments equivalent to the hours of their regularly scheduled work day for each day taken.

ARTICLE XI

VACATIONS

- A. Annual vacations shall be granted as follows:
 - 1. From the date of hire to the end of the first year one (1) working day for each month worked.
 - From the beginning of the second calendar year until the end of the fifth calendar year - 12 working days.
 - From the beginning of the sixth calendar year until the end of the tenth calendar year - 14 working days.
 - From the beginning of the eleventh calendar year until the end of the fifteenth calendar year - 16 working days.
 - From the beginning of the sixteenth calendar year until the end of the twentieth calendar year - 18 working days.
 - From the beginning of the twenty-first calendar year until the end of the twenty-fifth calendar year - 20 working days.
 - From the beginning of the twenty-sixth calendar year until the date of retirement - 22 working days.

- B. If an employee becomes sufficiently ill so as to require in-patient hospitalization while he or she is on vacation, he or she may charge such period of illness and post hospital recuperation against sick leave at his or her option. Said employee must submit proof of hospitalization and physician's certificate as to the need for post hospital recuperation.
- C. For members of the Bargaining Unit, vacations shall be picked by seniority, within classification, in each individual Division.
- D. Vacation leave shall be taken during the calendar year in which vacation leave is earned at such time as permitted or directed by the Department Head unless the Department Head determines and certifies that it cannot be taken because of pressure of work. The Department Head will document in writing the reason(s) for rejection of vacation requests. It is the intent of the City Management to be reasonable in granting requests for vacation time.
- E. Any unused vacation resulting from the pressure of work as determined by the Department Head, or their designee, may be carried forward to the next succeeding year only, and will be scheduled by the employee to be taken in the next succeeding year. No more than one-half of an employee's current year's authorized vacation, with a maximum of ten (10) days, may be carried forward to the next year, in which case these days must be scheduled by January 30th for use during the year.

- F. Employees shall not be recalled to work on their vacation except in emergencies.
- G. Permanent/provisional part-time employees shall receive vacation on a pro rata basis. For part-time employees, any vacation time remaining at the end of a calendar year shall be paid to the employee by February 28th following the year in which vacation was earned.
- H. Vacation may be granted in one-half or full day increments.

ARTICLE XII

HOLIDAYS

- A. The following shall constitute paid holidays for full time employees under this
 - Agreement:
 - 1. New Year's Day
 - 2. Martin Luther King Day
 - 3. Presidents' Day
 - 4. Good Friday
 - 5. Memorial Day
 - 6. Independence Day
 - 7. Labor Day
 - 8. Columbus Day
 - 9. Veterans' Day
 - 10. November Election
 - 11. Thanksgiving Day
 - 12. Day after Thanksgiving
 - 13. Christmas Day

- B. A full-time employee shall be entitled to an additional floating holiday per calendar year if he/she is on payroll by Presidents' Day.
 - 1. This holiday shall be requested similar to other time off.
 - 2. This holiday is not accumulative.
- C. Permanent/provisional part-time employees shall be entitled to time-and-one-half (1.5) for the hours worked on the following holidays, according to the holiday schedule established by Management:
 - 1. New Year's Day
 - 2. Memorial Day
 - 3. Independence Day
 - 4. Labor Day
 - 5. Thanksgiving Day
 - 6. Christmas Day
- D. For all full-time employees, whenever one of the observed holidays falls on an employee's regularly scheduled day off, the employee shall have the option of receiving eight (8) hours of straight time pay or eight (8) hours of comp time for that holiday.

ARTICLE XIII

INJURY LEAVE

If any employee is incapacitated and unable to work because of a job-related injury, he/she shall be entitled to injury leave with full pay during the period in which he/she is unable to perform his/her duties up to a period of one year, as mutually certified by the employee's own doctor and the City's doctor. These wages are to be offset by the amount of Worker's Compensation wage payments pursuant to Chapter XV of Title 34 of the Revised Statutes of the State of New Jersey.

ARTICLE XIV

SICK LEAVE

A. Service Credit for Sick Leave

- 1. All employees shall be entitled to sick leave with pay.
- Permanent/provisional part-time employees are entitled to sick time on a pro-rata basis.

B. Amount of Sick Leave

- 1. During the first year of employment only, employees shall be entitled to and accrue one and one-quarter (1¼) calendar sick days per month.

 Thereafter, sick leave shall be added each year as of January 1st at the rate of 15 calendar days per year per employee, in anticipation of continued employment for the full year.
- Any amount of sick leave allowance not used in any calendar year shall accumulate to the employee's credit from year to year, to be used if and when needed for sick leave.

C. Reporting of Absence on Sick Leave

 Employees shall call in prior to the start of their shift in accordance with Departmental procedures. In the event an employee is unable to notify his/her Department Head or designee prior to the start of their shift, a 15-minute grace period will be enacted. Extenuating circumstances shall be given fair consideration.

- (a) Failure to so notify the Department Head or designee may be cause for denial of the use of sick leave for that absence and may constitute cause for disciplinary action.
- (b) Absence without notice for five (5) consecutive days may constitute a resignation not in good standing.

D. Verification of Sick Leave

- An employee who has been absent on sick leave for five (5) or more consecutive days will be required to submit acceptable medical evidence substantiating the illness.
 - (a) An employee who has been absent on sick leave for periods totaling more than 15 days in one calendar year consisting of periods of three (3) days or less shall have his/her sick leave record reviewed by the City and thereafter will be required to submit acceptable medical evidence for any additional sick leave in that year. In cases where an illness is of a chronic or recurring nature causing recurring absences of one day or less, only one submission of such proof shall be necessary for a period of six (6) months.

- (b) The City may require proof of illness of an employee on sick leave, whenever there appears to be abuse. Abuse of sick leave shall be cause for disciplinary action.
- (c) The Union further acknowledges that the City, through its Business Administrator or his designee, may adopt such sick leave verification policies from time to time to control sick leave abuses as it may deem necessary. A copy of said policy shall be given to the Union 20 days prior to its implementation.
- In case of leave of absence due to exposure to contagious disease, a certification from the Department of Health shall be required.
- 2. The City may require an employee who has been absent because of personal illness, as a condition of his/her return to duty, to be examined at the expense of the City by a physician designated by the City. Such examination shall establish whether the employee is capable of performing his/her normal duties and that his/her return will not jeopardize the health of other employees. If an employee is under a specialist's care due to his/her condition, the specialist's release should be sufficient to return the employee to work.

E. Sick Leave Compensation Upon Retirement (full-time employees)

- 1. If an employee retires without using up all of his/her sick leave, s/he shall be compensated for sick leave as provided herein:
 - (a) Criteria for payment:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>DAYS</u> NEEDED	COMPENSATION
2000	150	\$15,000
2001	155	\$16,000
2002	160	\$16,500

(b) Criteria for payment in addition to (a) above:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>DAYS NEEDED</u>	COMPENSATION
2000	more than 150	\$85 per each day over 150
2001	more than 155	\$90 per each day over 155
2002	more than 160	\$95 per each day over 160

- 2. An employee who retires during 2000-2002, inclusive, and is not eligible for a payment under the criteria set forth in this Article, shall be guaranteed payment for the number of their accumulated sick days at the daily rate established in 1(b) above, but such payment shall never be in excess of the compensation in 1 (a) above.
- All employees have the option of participating in a sick leave payment mutually agreed to by the individual and the Director of Financial Management.
- 4. The City will not object to an employee withdrawing his/her retirement application prior to the date of actual retirement for reasons of serious illness, subject only to the requirements of the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits.
- 5. In the event an employee dies prior to retirement with accumulated earned sick leave, his/her estate shall be compensated for any unused sick leave per paragraphs (1) (3) above after providing documentation of undisputed legal right to inherit.

ARTICLE XV

INSURANCE, HEALTH AND WELFARE

- A. The City shall provide a comprehensive health benefit program including hospitalization, medical treatment, major medical coverage (80% of the first \$4000 and 100% thereafter), surgical fees, office visits, dental coverage, vision coverage and co-pay prescription plan for the employee and his/her family.
 - 1. Maximum benefit coverage for orthodontics shall be \$2,000.
 - Yearly pediatric well care visits, including immunizations, for children up to 12 years of age with a yearly benefit of \$200 per child.
 - Mandatory pre-admission notification is part of the comprehensive health benefit program. Lack of proper notification will reduce the level of reimbursement for health care expenses by 30%.
 - a. Mandatory Outpatient Procedure Notification will be part of the program. Single procedures that cost more than \$500 and multiple procedures for a single medical problem or continuing care which collectively cost more than \$1,000 require notification.

- 4. The prescription co-pay shall be \$2.00 for generic, \$7.00 for formullary brand name drugs, and \$14.00 for non-formullary brand name drugs effective 7/1/01. Co-pays are not eligible for reimbursement through the major medical part of the health plan.
- For all mental care and self inflicted injuries (in-patient, out-patient and out-of-hospital), there is a \$15,000 Benefit Period maximum and a \$30,000 Lifetime maximum.
- 6. The emergency room benefit is clarified as follows: Emergency room treatment and charges (no deductible, no coinsurance) are paid under usual customary and reasonable charges for the initial treatment only when it is provided within 48 hours of the emergency occurrence. Any non-emergency visit will be paid (deductible and coinsurance) in accordance with the plan.
- B. The City shall provide a vision care program for the employee and his/her family.
 Coverage shall be 1/3 co-pay with a maximum benefit of \$500 for the member and/or his/her family.
- C. The City shall provide a \$25,000.00 life insurance policy on the life of each member.
 The employee shall designate the beneficiary thereof. Upon separation of service of the member, and at his/her option and cost, the employee may convert said life insurance policy on an individual basis.
- D. If a member dies while in the employ of the City, the City shall continue to provide in

full force and effect all insurance benefits as specified in paragraphs A and B above for the member's spouse and children until each child reaches his/her 21st birthday. In the event that there are no children, or the children have already reached their 21st birthday, the surviving spouse benefits will continue for three (3) years, or until the spouse is eligible for Medicare, whichever comes first.

E. All CWA employees shall be covered by appropriate liability insurance purchased by the City of Ocean City. The City agrees to provide legal representation for all CWA employees if litigation should develop as a result of actions performed in the course of duty as a City employee. Additionally, the City will indemnify and save harmless the CWA employees from any liability for personal injury or property damage which may result from legal actions undertaken by the CWA employee during the normal course of employment.

F. Retirement Health Benefits

- A member who retires and reaches Medicare-eligibility must sign up for Medicare Part B (Part A is automatic).
- 2. A member who retires on/after January 1, 1990, with 25 or more years of permanent full-time service with the City shall be entitled to receive health benefit coverage (medical/major medical) for the retiree and his/her family.
- 3. A member who retires on or after January 1, 1996, with 25 or more years of permanent full-time service with the City shall receive prescription benefits with a 1/3 co-pay for the retiree and his/her family.

- 4. Such coverage for the employee or for the spouse shall not extend beyond the date when each individually reaches the age of 65 or becomes eligible for Medicare/Medicaid, or until the death of said retiree.
 - (a) When a member, who retires after January 1, 1992, and his/her spouse becomes eligible for Medicare/Medicaid, the City's health plan shall remain in effect as secondary provider. The City's maximum liability as secondary provider shall be \$10,000 per illness/injury.
 - (b) When a member, who retires after January 1, 1996, dies prior to reaching the age of 65, the City shall continue the health benefit coverage entitlement for the member's spouse until his/her death or remarriage and for the retired member's children until each reaches his/her 21st birthday.
- Such coverage shall be limited to retirees who are not covered by an equal
 or better health insurance plan through a future employer.
- 6. If a retiree's future employment terminates and thereby discontinues his/her health insurance, she/he must notify the City, Division of Personnel, prior to October 1st so that they might be budgeted and included in the next open enrollment period. In the event the plan does not permit reentry, the retiree shall not be covered.
- It is understood and agreed that health care coverage for retirees is not retroactive and will only apply to individuals who retire after January 1, 1990,

who conform to any restrictions noted above.

- G. An employee, upon retirement and at his/her own expense, shall be permitted to continue the comprehensive health benefit program (medical/major medical) for the retiree and his/her family.
- H. At least 60 days prior to the City's changing the existing insurance carrier of any benefit, they shall notify the Union, in writing, and provide the Union with a full description of the proposed insurance plan in which the benefits shall be equal or better than those presently in effect.
 - 1. However, if during the term of this contract, the City decides to participate in the State Health Benefits Plan and the other Bargaining Units (PBA, FMBA, Middle Management) agree, the CWA will agree to participate in the State Health Benefits Plan. All members insured at the time must continue to receive health benefits coverage. The City (represented by the Personnel Director) and the CWA (represented by a CWA designee) will meet every two months to review costs, analyze reports, discuss ongoing cost containment measures, explore alternatives to maximize ongoing savings, and to prepare an annual report of the total cost of the Health Care Benefits Package for CWA employees together with recommendations for any changes to the Health Care Benefits Package.

2. To work towards standard health benefits for the entire Ocean City work force, the CWA will participate with other Ocean City labor bargaining units and the City in joint discussions during the life of this contract, beginning within 60 days after execution of this contract, in an attempt to develop common language for all or portions of this article, as well as similar articles in other labor contracts within the City.

CWA Sponsored Disability Plan

- 1. The City agrees to make payroll deductions for eligible participants in the CWA sponsored disability plan. The administration of the CWA sponsored disability plan shall rest solely with the CWA. The Director of Financial Management shall promulgate rules and regulations for the implementation and documentation of said deduction. The CWA shall indemnify, defend and save the City harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits or other forms of liability that shall arise out of or by reason of action by the City in reliance of the deduction documentation and said plan. The CWA shall provide a formal copy of the executed CWA sponsored disability plan to the City prior to implementation of the plan.
- All CWA employees participating in the CWA sponsored disability plan shall be enrolled in direct deposit and continue direct deposit while enrolled in the CWA sponsored disability plan. Direct Deposit participation shall not be

limited to those employees who are enrolled in the CWA sponsored disability plan. The CWA shall encourage its members to enroll in the City's Direct Deposit Program.

J. The City's current health care benefits package is comprised of the traditional plan and an optional PLUS plan. Effective on the date that the other City Bargaining Units (PBA, FMBA, Middle Management) agree to a monthly contribution, employees who choose the traditional plan will be required to make a monthly contribution of \$20 towards the cost of that plan. Those employees who choose the PLUS plan will not be required to make a contribution. Prior to the implementation of this contribution provision, there will be a two-month open enrollment and educational period, for employees to learn more about the PLUS plan.

ARTICLE XVI

DUES DEDUCTION

- A. The City agrees to deduct from the salaries of its employees subject to this Agreement dues for the Union. Such deductions shall be made in compliance with Chapter 310, Public Laws of 1967, N.J.S.A. (R.S. 52:14-15.9(e)), as amended. Said monies together with records of any corrections shall be transmitted to the Union Treasurer within fifteen (15) working days from the payroll period ending date of each bi-weekly payroll period.
- B. If during the life of this Agreement there shall be any change in the rate of membership dues, the Union shall furnish to the City written notice thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of such change and shall furnish new authorizations from its members showing the authorized deduction for such employee.
- C. The Union will provide the necessary "check-off" authorization form and the Union will secure the signatures of its members on the form and deliver the signed forms to the City Treasurer. The Union shall indemnify, defend and save the City harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits or other forms of liability that shall arise out of or by reason of action taken by the City in reliance upon salary deduction authorization cards submitted by the Union to the City or in reliance upon the official notification on the letterhead of the

- Union and signed by the President and Secretary of the Union advising of such changed deduction.
- D. The Union agrees that there shall be no discrimination, intimidation, restraint, coercion, harassment or pressure by it or its officers, agents or members against any employee who refuses or fails to execute an authorization card.
- E. Any such written authorization may be withdrawn at any time by the filing of notice of such withdrawal with the City Treasurer. The filing of notice of withdrawal shall be effective to halt deductions as of January 1 or July 1 next succeeding the date on which notice of withdrawal is filed, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-15.9(e) as amended.
- F. Any permanent or provisional employee in the bargaining unit on the effective date of this Agreement who does not join the Union within thirty (30) days of initial employment within the unit, and any permanent employee previously employed with the unit who does not join within ten (10) days of re-entry into employment with the unit shall, as a condition of employment, pay a representation fee to the Union by automatic payroll deduction. This representation fee shall be paid in an amount not greater than eighty-five percent (85%) of the regular Union membership dues, fees and assessments as certified to the employer by the Union. The Union may revise its certification on the amount of the representation fee at any time to reflect changes in the regular Union membership dues, fees and assessments. The Union's

of the Agreement as long as the Union remains the majority representative of the employees in the unit, provided that no modification is made in the provision by a successor agreement between the union and the employer.

- G. The Union agrees to furnish the City with a copy of its "demand and return system" which must be established and maintained by the Union in accordance with the law.
- H. The Union shall indemnify, defend and save the City harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits or other forms of liability that shall arise out of or by reason of any action taken in making deductions and remitting the same to the Union pursuant to this Article.

ARTICLE XVII

UNIFORM ALLOWANCE

A.	The City shall provide an initial uniform issue to be worn by Blue Collar workers and
	consisting of the following:
	3 long sleeve shirts
	3 short sleeve shirts
	3 pairs trousers
	1 winter jacket
	1 summer jacket
	1 cap
	1 pair protective shoes
	1 pair rubber boots
	1 pair chest waders or hip waders or thigh high boots (employee's choice)
	1 rain gear
	Appropriate shoulder patches.

 An employee must remain in the employ of the City for three months to retain the initial issue. Thereafter, an employee need only return the patches to the City upon resignation.

- The City shall provide an annual uniform allowance (\$600 for 2000, and \$650 for 2001 and 2002) for the maintenance and replacement of clothing used for work, to be paid by October 15th.
 - a) In the first quarter of a year, the individual's Department or Division

 Head will conduct a clothing inspection. The purpose is to verify an

 inventory comparable to the original issue as well as additional

 divisional required items and that they are in an acceptable condition

 for wear on duty.
 - b) Public Safety Telecommunicators shall receive an annual \$650 uniform allowance to be paid in accordance with the procedure used within the Police Division.
- Eligible employees hired between January 1st and June 30th shall receive \$100 for uniform maintenance in October, if still employed.
- Amounts shall be reported to the Internal Revenue Service based upon applicable law.
- B. All uniforms and work clothes damaged in the line of duty shall be replaced by the City no later than 30 days after approval of the Department Head.

- C. All personal items that are damaged, lost or destroyed in the line of duty, which are not covered by insurance, shall be replaced by the City within 30 days after approval of the appropriate Department Head. The City's liability shall not be more than \$300 per incident. The City's liability for non-prescription sunglasses shall be no more than \$100.
- D. Permanent/provisional part-time employees will be supplied uniforms if required by the City.
- E. In the event that the City originates any change in the present uniform or any part thereof, or a new uniform is required as a result of promotion, the resultant uniform cost shall be borne by the City and shall not be considered as part of that year's annual uniform allowance.

ARTICLE XVIII

TIME OFF

- A. Employees shall be granted time off without deduction from pay or time owed for the following incidents:
 - Death in the immediate, family four (4) working days. Up to one (1)
 working day will be authorized, if requested for attending services for
 the death of an aunt, uncle, niece or nephew. Proper notification shall
 be given to the appropriate division head as soon as possible.
 - (a) Permanent/provisional part time employees are entitled to prorated bereavement time for pre-scheduled work immediately following a death in the immediate family.
 - 2. Serious illness (including childbirth) in the immediate family of the employee shall not exceed three (3) working days per year. Serious illness shall be any instance in which such member of the immediate family is either hospitalized or incapacitated while at home with medical certification either verbal or written.
 - 3. Immediate family shall consist of wife, husband, child, mother, father, brother, sister, stepmother, stepfather, stepchild, guardian, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandmother, grandfather, grandchildren, sister-in-law, brother-in-law and spouse's grandparents.

4. Personal Time

An employee may receive one (1) personal day per calendar year to attend to his/her personal business.

- (a) Personal time may be used for emergencies, religious holidays or personal matters.
- (b) A personal day may be taken any time providing there is no scheduling conflict. A scheduling conflict shall mean any time the City would have to compensate someone at premium time to give the employee the day off. Any conflict may be resolved on the basis of seniority within the work unit.
- (c) Personal time will be granted upon recommendation of the supervisor and approval of the Department Head.
- Any time off under this article shall not be deducted from any other time
 or benefits owed to the employee, and items 1, 2 and 4 are not to be
 accumulative.

ARTICLE XIX

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

- A. The purpose of this procedure is to secure, at the lowest possible level, an equitable solution to the problems which may arise affecting the terms and conditions of employment under this Agreement.
- B. Nothing herein shall be construed as limiting the right of any employee having a grievance to discuss the matter informally with any appropriate member of the Division.
- C. A "grievance" as used herein means any controversy arising over the interpretation, application, or violation of policies, agreements or administrative decisions affecting the terms and conditions of employment of an employee, group of employees or the Union.
- D. The following constitutes the sole and exclusive method for resolving grievances between the parties covered by this Agreement, and shall be followed in its entirety unless a step is waived by mutual consent:
 - 1. Step One Department Head
 - (a) The aggrieved party may file his grievance in writing to the appropriate Department Head within 30 calendar days after the occurrence of the event giving rise to the grievance, using the approved Grievance form. A copy of the grievance shall be sent to the Union and to the Personnel Director.

- (b) The Department Head shall have 10 calendar days from the date the grievance was filed to meet with the grievant and to render a written decision to the grievance.
- (c) The parties both agree that the date that shall be used to meet the meaning of "the date the grievance was filed" shall be the date stamped by the receiving Department Head's office.
- (d) The parties also agree that, over the life of this three-year agreement, the Personnel Director and the Union will work to improve the contract language in this article so that it reflects the process of working together to resolve problems, not just settle grievances.

2. Step Two - Administrator or Designee

- (a) If the grievant is not satisfied with the decision rendered at Level One, he/she may advance the grievance to Level Two within five (5) calendar days after receiving the Level One answer, or if no Level One answer has been rendered, within 15 calendar days from the day the grievance was submitted at Level One.
- (b) The Administrator or designee shall have 15 calendar days to meet with the grievant and to render a written decision to the grievance.

3. Step Three - Binding Arbitration

- (a) In the event the grievance has not been satisfactorily resolved at Step 2, the Union and only the Union may submit the matter to arbitration on the following conditions:
 - The request for arbitration shall be filed only by the International Representative of the Union.
 - 2) The request for arbitration must be filed in writing with the Public Employment Relations Commission (PERC) no later than 45 working days after receipt of the response or expiration of the time to respond at Step 2.
- (b) Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as compelling the Union to submit a grievance to arbitration or to represent an employee before the Department of Personnel. The Union's decision to request the movement of a grievance to arbitration or to terminate the grievance prior to submission to arbitration shall be final.
- (c) For all non-disciplinary grievances, the cost for the service of the arbitrator shall be borne equally by the City and the Union. Any other expenses, including but not limited to the presentation of witnesses and the preparation of transcripts, shall be paid by the party incurring same.

- (d) For disciplinary grievances, the cost of the first two arbitration hearings, per year, shall be borne equally by the City and the Union. Thereafter, any additional arbitration costs beyond the first two per year shall be paid by the losing party.
- (e) The arbitrator shall be bound by the provisions of this Agreement and the Constitution and Laws of the State of New Jersey, and be restricted to the application of the facts presented to him involved in the grievance. The arbitrator shall not have the authority to add to, modify, subtract from, alter in any way the provisions of this Agreement or any amendment or supplement thereto. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding.

- E. The designated Union representatives shall be permitted as members of the grievance committee to confer with employees and the City on specific grievances in accordance with the grievance procedure set forth herein during work hours of employees, without the loss of pay, provided the conduct of said business shall not diminish the effectiveness of the designated representative's Division or require the recall of off-duty employees, and further provided that permission is granted in advance by the appropriate Department Head or his/her designee.
- F. Any aggrieved party may be represented by the Union's representatives at all stages of the grievance procedure and no reprisals of any kind shall be taken by the City against any party or representative involved in the grievance. A minority organization or outside party may not represent anyone at any stage of the grievance procedure.
- G. All employees who have filed a grievance under this Agreement shall continue to work in accordance with the direction of the Department Head or other supervisory personnel until such grievance is properly determined.

ARTICLE XX

DISCIPLINE AND EVALUATION PROCEDURES

- A. Employees shall be evaluated by their supervisors or other designee at least once, but not more than three times each contract year which is followed by a written evaluation report and by a conference between the employee and the evaluator for the purpose of identifying strengths and weaknesses.
- B. An employee shall be given a copy of the evaluation report prepared by his/her evaluator at least 24 hours before any conference to discuss it. No such report shall be submitted to the Personnel office or placed in the employee's file without prior conference. The employee shall sign the evaluation report and date it when it is presented to him/her. Said signature shall merely indicate that the employee has received a copy of this report. In the event an employee refuses to affix his/her signature to the evaluation report, the City shall have the right to note such refusal and place the document in the file and the Union shall be notified in writing.
- C. An employee shall have the right to review the contents of his/her personnel file. An employee shall have the right to have a representative of the Union accompany him/her during such review.

- D. No material derogatory to an employee's conduct, service, character or personality shall be placed in his/her personnel file unless the employee has received a copy of it which shall be indicated by the employee's signature on the document in the file folder of the employee. In the event an employee refuses to affix his/her signature to the document, the City shall have the right to note such refusal and place the document in the file and the Union shall be notified in writing.
- E. No employee shall be disciplined or reduced in compensation without just cause and such action shall be subject to the grievance procedure as follows:
 - For permanent employees, discipline of more than five (5) days shall not
 be subject to binding arbitration but shall be subject to the New Jersey
 Department of Personnel procedures. Discipline of five (5) or less days
 shall be subject to binding arbitration.
 - For provisional employees, discipline and discharge shall not be subject to binding arbitration for the first 45 days of employment. Thereafter, all discipline shall be subject to binding arbitration.
- F. An employee may have a representative of the Union present in any meeting where the matter could adversely affect continued employment, withholding of increment, or disciplinary action.

- G. All disciplinary action, including suspension, taken against any employee shall be done in accordance with New Jersey Department of Personnel Rules and Regulations. In cases when the Department Head deems the suspension of an employee to be an immediate necessity for the safety of the public or the welfare of the City, he/she shall submit a report explaining such action to the Business Administrator within 24 hours. Two copies of said report shall be given immediately to the employee, one copy for the employee and one copy for the Union, at the employee's discretion.
- H. Charges should be brought against any employee within a reasonable time after a documented incident. Reasonable time under most circumstances shall mean thirty (30) days.

ARTICLE XXI

COMMENDATION

Compensatory time off shall be granted to an employee who has received a written commendation from the Mayor for an act of extraordinary bravery at the risk of one's own health and safety.

ARTICLE XXII

WAGES

- A. This article lists all of the position titles under the jurisdiction of the CWA, as well as the salary levels for permanent full-time and permanent part-time CWA employees of the City.
- B. Salary Committee

Up to three individuals each from the City and the CWA shall meet on a regular basis.

- This Salary Committee would be jointly chaired by the Personnel
 Director and by one CWA official to be designated by the CWA.
- 2. This Salary Committee will be convened in order to negotiate the grade level whenever a new position title is initiated. When a new position title is initiated, the City will communicate that information to the CWA, and a discussion will be conducted to determine if that title falls under the jurisdiction of the CWA. After that determination is made, if the title does belong in the CWA, the City will negotiate the grade level of the new position title with the CWA.
- C. Effective 1/1/2000, all permanent part-time and provisional part-time employees who work in excess of 1,040 hours in a calendar year (actual hours worked, exclusive of calculated time off) shall receive a \$500 stipend payable in February of the following year.

D. List of CWA Recognized Full Time Titles and Salary Levels

<u>Title</u>	<u>Level</u>
Account Clerk	2
Account Clerk, Typing	3
Accountant	10
Administrative Clerk	9
Administrative Secretary	9
Airport Attendant	6
Animal Control Officer	11
Assessing Clerk	3
Assistant Municipal Tax Collector	17
Assistant Supervisor Building Service	12
Assistant Supervisor of Accounts	8
Assistant Supervisor Public Works	15
Assistant Supervisor Recreation Maintenance	12
Assistant Tax Assessor	9
Assistant Violations Clerk	3
Assistant Violations Clerk, Typing	3
Audiovisual Equipment Technician	12
Building Inspector	12
Building Maintenance Worker	4
Building Sub-Code Official	20
Building Superintendent	19
Clerk	2
Clerk Typist	2
Code Enforcement Officer	16
Deputy Municipal Court Administrator	10
Electrical Sub-Code Official	20
Electrician	12
Engineering Aide	10
Equipment Operator	11
General Supervisor, Laboring	19
General Supervisor, Recreation Maintenance	19
General Supervisor, Streets	19
Greenskeeper	12
Heavy Equipment Operator	13

E. CWA Part-Time Permanent/Provisional/Temporary Employees

Effective 9/24/2000	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Level A	6.20	6.70	7.20	7.70	8.20	8.70	9.20	9.70	10.20
Level B	8.80	9.30	9.80	10.30	10.80	11.30	11.80	12.30	12.80
Level C	10.00	to 24.00)						
Effective 1/1/2001	1	2	3	4		6	7	8	9
Level A	6.40	6.90	7.40	7.90	8.40	8.90	9.40	9.90	10.40
Level B	9.10	9.60	10.10	10.60	11.10	11.60	12.10	12.60	13.10
Level C	10.00	to 24.00)						
Effective 1/1/2002	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Level A	6.60	7.10	7.60	8.10	8.60	9.10	9.60	10.10	10.60
Level B	9.40	9.90	10.40	10.90	11.40	11.90	12.40	12.90	13.40
Level C									

Level A Titles

Account Clerk

Account Clerk, Typing

Airport Attendant

Assistant Violations Clerk Building Maintenance Worker

Cashier Clerk Clerk Typist

Golf Ranger Lifeguard - Pool

PS Telecommunicator Trainee

Recreational Aide Recreation Leader

Recreation Maintenance Worker

School Traffic Guard Telephone Operator Water Safety Instructor Level B Titles

Assessing Aide

Audiovisual Equipment Technician

Equipment Operator Identification Officer

Mechanic Postal Clerk

PS Telecommunicator Public Works Inspector Recreation Attendant Senior Account Clerk

Senior Bldg. Maintenance Worker

Truck Driver

Level C Titles

Accountant

Assistant Zoning Officer

Building Inspector

Code Enforcement Officer

Fire Official

Fire Protection Sub-Code Official

Housing Inspector

Housing Inspector, Typing

Recreation Leader (Aerobics Instructor)

Recreation Leader (Yoga)

Technical Assistant 3

Identification Officer	7
Laborer	1
License Inspector	16
Maintenance Repairer	6
Maintenance Repairer, Electrical (HVAC)	10
Mason	8
Mason's Helper	4
Mechanic	12
Mechanical Repairer Light Equipment	12
Mechanic's Helper	1
Payroll Supervisor	17
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	20
Principal Account Clerk	9
Principal Account Clerk Typing	9
Principal Clerk	9
Principal Clerk Typist	9
Principal Purchasing Assistant, Typing	17
Public Information Assistant	2
Public Participation Specialist	11
Public Safety Telecommunicator	8
Public Safety Telecommunicator Trainee	1
Public Works Repairer	6
Purchasing Assistant, Typing	8
Recreation Maintenance Worker	4
Recreation Program Coordinator	4
Recreation Supervisor	10
Recreation Supervisor Sports	10
Recreation Supervisor Swimming	10
Senior Account Clerk	4
Senior Account Clerk Typing	4
Senior Assessing Clerk	4
Senior Building Maintenance Worker	12
Senior Clerk Typist	4
Senior Communications Technician	16
Senior Engineering Aide	17
Senior Maintenance Repairer	12
Senior Maintenance Repairer Carpenter	12
Senior Maintenance Repairer Electrician	12
Senior Maintenance Repairer Plumber	12
Senior Mason	12

Senior Mechanic	15
Senior Mechanical Repairer (Light Equipment)	15
Senior Parking Meter Repairer	12
Senior Public Information Assistant	4
Senior Public Works Repairer	12
Senior Recreation Maintenance Worker	12
Senior Traffic Maintenance Worker	12
Supervising Cashier	10
Supervising Electrician	18
Supervising Groundskeeper	18
Supervising Heavy Equipment Operator	18
Supervising Laborer	18
Supervising Maintenance Repairer	18
Supervising Maintenance Repairer Carpentry	18
Supervising Mechanic	19
Supervisor Building Service	18
Supervisor of Accounts	8
Supervisor Public Works	18
Supervisor Recreation Maintenance	18
Supervisor Sanitation	18
Supervisor Streets	18
Supervisor Traffic Maintenance	18
Tax Clerk, Typing	2
Technical Assistant, Land Use	11
Tourism Representative	8
Traffic Maintenance Worker	4
Traffic Signal Electrician	12
Truck Driver	6
Truck Driver, Heavy	10
Violations Clerk	4
Violations Clerk Typing	4
Welder	15
Zoning Officer	17

F. Out Of Title Wages

Work assignments that are inconsistent with an employee's normal duties are discouraged by the City and the Union. The City and the Union agree to jointly pursue a timely resolution of any existing situation of employee work assignments that are inconsistent with their job title. In the event management designates an employee to work Out Of Title, that employee shall be paid at the rate of \$15.00 per day after having worked for five (5) consecutive days or having worked for a total of 15 days in any six (6) month period. The Out Of Title Wages will apply to any CWA employee who is required to perform work outside of his/her job title at a higher level position. Designation of an employee to work Out Of Title shall be in writing, prior to the commencement of the work, except in the case of an emergency. An Out Of Title designation shall be issued from the Department Head or designee. Once the Out Of Title assignment reaches the 121st consecutive calendar day, the Out Of Title daily rate becomes \$30.

G. Wage Increments

- All employees shall be eligible for step increases annually, provided they have received not less than a satisfactory rating the previous year.
- 2. All employees hired prior to July 1st in any given year shall be eligible to receive the appropriate increment. All employees hired from July 1st through December 31st shall not be eligible for increment until the second January 1st they have

been in the employ of the City. All other increments shall be payable January

1st of any given year.

- Effective 1/1/2000, part-time permanent/provisional employees must work a minimum of 400 hours in a calendar year to be eligible for a step increase.
- Part-time permanent/provisional employees may work a total of 1,248 hours during a calendar year, exclusive of prorated time off.

H. Promotions

A full-time CWA employee, who is promoted during the year, shall receive a minimum of a \$1,000 prorated increase to his/her annual salary. If the promotion title level and maximum step does not provide a \$1,000 increase, then the individual will receive the difference between their new promotional base and \$1,000 in a one-time lump-sum payment. In no case can the maximum base salary exceed the maximum salary on the wage guide. If the promoted individual is not eligible for a step in January, then their annual salary, including the prorated stipend, will be adjusted by the negotiated percentage increase for other CWA wages.

I. Wage Increases

For all full-time CWA employees, effective with the signing of this Agreement, a 2% general wage increase applied to base wages, retroactive to 1/1/2000. Also effective 9/24/2000, a 2% general wage increase applied to base wages. Effective 1/1/2001, a 3.5% general wage increase applied to base wages. Effective 1/1/2002, a 3.75% general wage increase applied to base wages. Also effective 1/1/2000 is the attached new CWA Wage Guide. The current six-step CWA Wage Guide will remain in effect until 12/31/2002, at which time it will be terminated. The current six-step CWA Wage Guide will be utilized only for promotions in order that such promotions during that time period can be accomplished while ensuring that those affected do not suffer any financial loss as a result of the transition to the new CWA Wage Guide. Any person, who would be adversely affected by the transfer from the current six-step Wage Guide to the new universal nine-step Wage Guide, will be held harmless. For all part-time CWA employees effective 9/24/2000, a \$.20/hour increase for all Level A positions, and a \$.30/hour increase for all Level B positions applied to the current wage scale. Effective 1/1/2001, a \$.20/hour increase for all Level A positions, and a \$.30/hour increase for all Level B positions. Effective 1/1/2002, a \$.20/hour increase for all Level A positions, and a \$.30/hour increase for all Level B positions.

SECT	ION 1, SCHE	DULE 3 CWA	REVISED	NINE STEP	SCALE }				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Effect	ive 1/1/2000								
1	22,686	23,989	25,293	26,597	27,900	29,204	30,507	31,811	33,113
2	22,967	24,142	25,318	26,911	28,153	29,394	30,636	31,878	33,119
3	23,684	24,865	26,045	27,225	28,405	29,585	30,764	31,944	33,125
4	24,448	26,073	27,698	29,323	30,947	32,572	34,197	35,821	37,446
5	25,282	26,715	28,147	29,579	31,011	33,426	35,138	36,851	38,563
6	25,282	27,082	28,881	30,681	32,481	34,280	36,079	37,880	39,679
7	26,689	28,167	29,644	31,122	32,600	34,695	36,361	38,028	39,693
В	27,447	28,979	30,512	32,044	33,577	35,109	36,642	38,175	39,708
9	27,558	29,183	30,740	32,387	34,033	35,681	37,327	38,973	39,790
10	27,670	29,384	31,099	32,813	34,528	36,243	37,957	39,672	41,388
11	27,781	29,591	31,402	33,212	35,023	36,833	38,644	40,454	42,040
12	27,890	29,796	31,703	33,610	35,516	37,423	39,330	41,237	43,143
13	28,908	30,267	32,110	33,857	35,604	38,298	40,255	42,212	44,169
14	29,340	30,927	32,516	34,103	35,691	39,173	41,180	43,187	45,195
15	29,759	31,816	33,874	35,932	37,990	40,047	42,106	44,163	46,221
16	31,249	33,529	35,810	38,092	40,373	42,322	43,964	45,606	47,248
17	34,111	35,753	37,395	38,092	40,373	42,653	44,935	47,045	48,427
18	34,609	36,962	39,316	41,669	44,023	46,376	46,832	47,216	49,498
19	37,377	38,759	40,140	43,988	46,169	48,350	50,532	51,084	53,437
20	40,276	42,285	44,295	46,305	48,314	50,324	52,334	54,344	56,353
			4184						•
Effect	tive payroll p	eriod commer	cing Septem	per 24th, 200	0 / ending	October 7th,2	1000		
1	23,140	24,469	25,799	27,128	28,458	29,788	31,117	32,447	33,776
2	23,427	24,625	25,825	27,449	28,716	29,982	31,248	32,516	33,782
3	24,158	25,362	26,566	27,769	28,973	30,177	31,380	32,583	33,787
4	24,937	26,595	28,252	29,909	31,566	33,223	34,880	36,538	38,195
5	25,787	27,249	28,710	30,171	31,631	34,095	35,841	37,588	39,334
6	25,787	27,624	29,459	31,294	33,130	34,966	36,801	38,637	40,473
7	27,223	28,731	30,237	31,745	33,252	35,389	37,088	38,788	40,487
8	27,996	29,559	31,123	32,685	34,249	35,812	37,375	38,938	40,502
9	28,110	29,767	31,355	33,035	34,714	36,394	38,073	39,753	40,586
10	28,223	29,972	31,721	33,470	35,219	36,967	38,716	40,465	42,215
11	28,336	30,183	32,030	33,876	35,723	37,570	39,417	41,263	42,881
12	28,448	30,392	32,337	34,282	36,227	38,171	40,117	42,061	44,006
13		30,873	32,752	34,534	36,316	39,064	41,060	43,056	45,052
14	29, 927	31,546	33,166	34,785	36,405	39,957	42,004	44,051	46,099
15	30,354	32,452	34,552	36,650	38,750	40,848	42,948	45,046	47,146
16	31,874	34,200	36,526	38,854	41,180	43,168	44,843	46,518	48,193
17	34,793	36,468	38,143	38,854	41,180	43,506	45,834	47,986	49,395
18	35,301	37,701	40,102	42,502	44,904	47,304	47,769	48,160	50,487
19	38,124	39,534	40,943	44,867	47,093	49,317	51,542	52,105	54,506
20	41,081	43,131	45,180	47,231	49,281	51,330	53,381	55,430	57,480
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2	24,247	25,487	26,729	28,410	29,721	31,032	32,342	33,654	34,964
3	25,004	26,249	27,495	28,741	29,987	31,233	32,478	33,724	34,970
4	25,810	27,526	29,241	30,956	32,671	34,386	36,101	37,817	39,532
5	26,690	28,203	29,715	31,227	32,738	35,288	37,095	38,903	40,711
6	26,690	28,590	30,490	32,389	34,290	36,190	38,089	39,990	41,889
7	28,176	29,736	31,295	32,856	34,416	36,628	38,386	40,146	41,904
8	28,976	30,593	32,212	33,829	35,448	37,065	38,683	40,301	41,919
9	29,093	30,809	32,452	34,191	35,929	37,668	39,406	41,144	42,007
10	29,211	31,021	32,831	34,641	36,451	38,261	40,071	41,882	43,693
11	29,328	31,239	33,151	35,062	36,973	38,885	40,796	42,708	44,382
12	29,443	31,456	33,468	35,482	37,495	39,507	41,521	43,533	45,546
13	30,518	31,953	33,898	35,743	37,587	40,431	42,498	44,563	46,629
14	30,975	32,650	34,327	36,002	37,679	41,355	43,474	45,592	47,713
15	31,416	33,588	35,761	37,933	40,106	42,278	44,451	46,623	48,796
16	32,989	35,397	37,805	40,214	42,621	44,679	46,413	48,147	49,880
17	36,011	37,744	39,478	40,214	42,621	45,029	47,438	49,666	51,124
16	36,536	39,021	41,506	43,990	46,475	48,960	49,441	49,846	52,255
19	39,459	40,918	42,376	46,438	48,741	51,043	53,346	53,929	56,413
20	42,519	44,640	46,762	48,884	51,005	53,127	55,249	57,370	59,492
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2	25,156	26,443	27,731	29,475	30,836	32,195	33,555	34,916	36,275
3	25,941	27,234	28,526	29,819	31,112	32,404	33,696	34,988	36,281
4	26,778	28,558	30,337	32,117	33,896	35,675	37,455	39,235	41,014
5	27,691	29,260	30,829	32,398	33,966	36,612	38,486	40,362	42,238
6	27,691	29,663	31,633	33,604	35,576	37,547	39,517	41,489	43,460
7	29,233	30,851	32,469	34,088	35,707	38,001	39,826	41,651	43,476
8	30,063	31,741	33,420	35,098	36,777	38,455	40,134	41,812	43,491
9	30,184	31,964	33,669	35,473	37,276	39,081	40,884	42,687	43,582
10	30,306	32,184	34,062	35,940	37,818	39,696	41,574	43,452	45,331
11	30,428	32,411	34,394	36,377	38,360	40,343	42,326	44,309	46,046
12	30,547	32,635	34,724	36,813	38,901	40,989	43,078	45,166	47,254
13	31,662	33,152	35,169	37,083	38,997	41,947	44,091	46,234	48,378
14	32,136	33,874	35,614	37,352	39,092	42,906	45,104	47,302	49,502
15	32,594	34,848	37,102	39,355	41,610	43,863	46,118	48,371	50,626
16	34,226	36,724	39,222	41,722	44,220	46,355	48,153	49,952	51,751
17	37,361	39,160	40,959	41,722	44,220	46,718	49,217	51,528	53,041
18	37,906	40,484	43,062	45,640	48,218	50,795	51,295	51,715	54,214
19	40,938	42,452	43,965	48,179	50,569	52,957	55,347	55,951	58,529
20	44,114	46,314	48,515	50,717	52,918	55,119	57,321	59,522	61,723

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3	23,684	25,573	27,460	29,348	31,236	33,125	
4	24,448	27,048	29,647	32,247	34,847	37,446	
5	25,282	27,574	29,866	32,157	34,448	36,740	
6	25,282	28,162	31,041	33,920	36,800	39,679	
7	26,689	29,053	31,417	33,782	36,147	38,512	
В	27,447	29,899	32,351	34,803	37,256	39,708	
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10	27,334	30,145	32,956	35,766	38,576	41,388	
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13	28,908	31,085	33,260	35,438	37,614	39,790	
14	29,340	31,880	34,421	36,961	39,501	42,040	
15	29,759	33,050	36,344	39,636	42,928	46,221	
16	31,249	34,898	38,549	42,197	45,847	49,498	
17	34,111	36,738	39,366	41,993	44,621	47,248	
18	34,609	38,373	42,139	45,906	49,672	53,437	
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1	23,949	26,150	28,353	30,556	32,757	34,958	
2	24,247	26,232	28,218	30,206	32,191	34,177	
3	25,004	26,998	28,990	30,983	32,976	34,970	
4	25,810	28,555	31,299	34,043	36,788	39,532	
5	26,690	29,110	31,529	33,948	36,367	38,787	1
6	26,690	29,731	32,770	35,809	38,849	41,889	
7	28,176	30,671	33,167	35,664	38,160	40,657	
8	28,976	31,565	34,153	36,742	39,331	41,919	
9	28,976	31,757	34,539	37,320	40,101	42,883	
10	28,856	31,824	34,792	37,758	40,725	43,693	
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12	29,443	32,664	35,084	39,105	42,325	45,546	<u> </u>
13	30,518	32,816	35,113	37,412	39,709	42,007	
14	30,975	33,656	36,338	39,019	41,701	44,382	
15	31,416	34,891	38,368	41,844	45,319	48,796	
16	32,989	36,842	40,696	44,548	48,401	52,255	
17	36,011	38,785	41,559	44,332	47,106	49,880	
18	36,536	40,511	44,486	48,463	52,439	56,413	
19	39,459	41,792	44,125	46,457	48,790	51,124	
20	42,519	45,914	49,308	52,704	56,097	59,492	
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1	24,848	27,131	29,416	31,702	33,985	36,269	
2	25,156	27,216	29,276	31,338	33,399	35,459	
. 3	25,941	28,010	30,077	32,145	34,213	36,281	
4	26,778	29,626	32,472	35,320	38,168	41,014	
5	27,691	30,201	32,711	35,221	37,731	40,241	
6	27,691	30,846	33,998	37,152	40,306	43,460	
7	29,233	31,821	34,411	37,001	39,591	42,182	
8	30,063	32,748	35,434	38,120	40,806	43,491	
9	30,063	32,948	35,834	38,720	41,604	44,491	
10	29,939	33,018	36,097	39,174	42,252	45,331	
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12	30,547	33,889	37,229	40,571	43,912	47,254	
13	31,662	34,047	36,429	39,015	41,198	43,582	
14	32,136	34,918	37,701	40,483	43,264	46,046	
15	32,594	36,199	39,807	43,413	47,018	50,626	
16	34,226	38,224	42,222	46,218	50,216	54,214	
17	37,361	40,239	43,117	45,995	48,873	51,751	
18	37,906	42,030	46,155	50,280	54,405	58,529	
19	40,938	43,359	45,779	48,199	50,620	53,041	
20	44,114	47,636	51,157	54,680	58,200	61,723	

ARTICLE XXIII

LONGEVITY

A. All full time employees hired prior to January 1, 1997, shall receive longevity compensation which shall be computed in the following manner:

5 - 9 years of service 2%

10 - 14 years of service 5%

15 - 19 years of service 8%

20 - 23 years of service 10%

24+ years of service 12%

- B. All employees hired from January 1st through June 30th shall receive their longevity retroactive to January 1st of the year hired. All employees hired from July 1st through December 31st shall receive their longevity pay which shall be computed from the January 1st next following the date of their hire.
- C. All full time employees hired on or after January 1, 1997, shall receive longevity compensation which shall be computed in the following manner:

Beginning in the tenth year of service, \$100 multiplied by total years of service.

ARTICLE XXIV

HEALTH AND SAFETY

- A. The City agrees to provide a safe and healthful place to work.
- B. The City agrees to provide the Union and employee who so requests the chemical names of any substances used in the workplace, as well as a copy of the appropriate Material Safety Date Sheet (MSDS).
- C. There shall be a Health and Safety Committee whose mission will be to address city-wide health and safety issues. This committee shall be comprised of the following members:
 - 1. The Personnel Director and one member of Middle Management.
 - Two CWA members.
 - (a) The two CWA committee members and one other CWA member may visit job sites after employees from that site have submitted safety or health problems, in writing, to the Business Administrator and to the Health and Safety Committee. Prior to submission of health and safety problems to the Business Administrator, a reasonable attempt shall be made to address the problem with the appropriate manager and/or department head. Health and safety problems submitted in writing to the Business Administrator shall be copied to the department head. Health and safety problems submitted in writing to the department head shall be copied to the Business Administrator and to the Personnel Director.

ARTICLE XXV

COURT TIME

- A. If an employee is required to appear in Court on City related business on his/her day off or time off, he/she shall be compensated according to Article X, Overtime.
- B. If an employee is required to appear in Court on City related business he/she is expected to be dressed in suitable fashion, and said employee shall suffer no loss in pay during working hours.

ARTICLE XXVI

EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS

- A. The City shall pay for tuition and books for all courses whose resulting knowledge may be directly utilized in job performance. The courses shall be authorized in advance by the Department Head and the employee shall be compensated for pre-approved costs 30 days after successful completion of the approved course(s) and filing of the proper documentation.
- B. Effective January 1, 1991, in addition to his/her salary, each member shall receive an additional stipend for an earned degree as follows:
 - After March 30, 1994, programs leading to State certification following successful completion of exam and certificate as well as technical degree -\$200.00 plus \$1,000.00 at the end of the third (3rd) anniversary year of obtaining the initial payment provided still employed by the City.
 - After March 30, 1994, an Associate degree \$400.00 plus \$2,000.00 at the end of the fourth (4th) anniversary year of obtaining the initial payment provided still employed by the City.
 - Effective January 1, 1991, a Bachelor degree \$800.00 plus \$4,000.00 at the end of the fifth (5th) anniversary year of obtaining the initial payment provided still employed by the City.
- C. Upon hire, any degree previously earned may be submitted for review to the Personnel Director.

- D. The City will pay for only one degree/certification from an accredited college or City approved technical school. If an additional higher degree is earned by the employee, the employee shall be entitled to the difference between the earned degrees as noted in B above.
- E. Members shall submit a copy of an official transcript from the institution to the Department Head, and a representative of the Union, in order to take advantage of this Article.

ARTICLE XXVII

MUTUAL COOPERATION PLEDGE

- A. The Union hereby agrees that during the term of this Agreement, it will not authorize a strike or illegal job action against the City.
- B. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to limit or restrict the City in its right to seek and obtain such judicial relief as it may be entitled to have under the law.

ARTICLE XXVIII

MISCELLANEOUS PERSONNEL PRACTICES

- A. All employees shall be made aware of any reports or charges made against him/her. He/she shall have the right to remain silent until he/she consults with an attorney or the Union.
- B. Employees shall, within 30 days of engaging in outside employment, notify their Division Head in writing of the employment. She/he shall provide in this letter a listing of the position held, the name of the outside employer and the hours of employment.
 - Employees shall be entitled to engage in outside employment during off duty hours provided that such employment does not conflict with his/her employment responsibilities as an employee of Ocean City.
- C. A committee of management and Union members will be formed to meet for the purpose of managing the contract and exploring areas of mutual concern during the term of this contract. They shall meet at least once per year.

- D. A member who is required to hold a Commercial Drivers License (CDL) for his/her job duties shall be reimbursed for the drivers license fee. It is understood that this reimbursement is not retroactive and will apply only to initial or renewal licenses acquired after the signing of this contract. A receipt for the fee and a copy of the license should be submitted to the Department Head as documentation.
 - A member will be reimbursed for a physical required to renew a CDL license in an amount not to exceed \$50.

ARTICLE XXIX

SEVERABILITY AND SAVINGS

A. If any provision of this Agreement or any application of this Agreement to any employee or group of employees is held invalid by operation of law, or by a Court or other tribunal of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be inoperative but all other provisions shall not be affected thereby and shall continue in full force and effect.

ARTICLE XXX

JOB POSTING AND VACANCIES

- A. All job vacancies shall be posted on the Personnel Division's bulletin boards for a minimum of ten (10) calendar days prior to filling the position.
- B. The Union president shall be provided with a copy of the posting.

ARTICLE XXXI

<u>UNION BULLETIN BOARDS</u>

The City hereby agrees to install in a prominent non-public location in each work area a bulletin board for the exclusive use of the Union. The Union shall supply the bulletin boards.

ARTICLE XXXII

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

School Crossing Guards shall be entitled to all the provisions of this Contract except as modified below:

- A. The City will provide each school crossing guard with a work uniform as determined and defined by the Ocean City Police Chief.
- B. Each school crossing guard shall receive six and one-quarter (6¼) sick leave days per school year, which shall be accumulated without maximum limitation from year to year. For purposes of this sub-section, a school year shall consist of two contiguous semesters.
- C. The City will contribute to the New Jersey Public Employee Retirement System those amounts statutorily mandated for each of the crossing guards.
- D. The City shall provide to the four (4) regular crossing guards health benefits to include hospitalization, medical treatment, major medical, surgical fees and office visits.
- E. School crossing guards shall not be entitled to vacations (Article XI) and holidays (Article XII).

ARTICLE XXXIII

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

It is acknowledged that commencing on April 15, 1986, the City is required to comply with the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) and the regulations promulgated thereunder as they relate to employees covered by this Agreement. The City reserves the right to take appropriate action to ensure such compliance, including, but not limited to:

- The exercising of any election or option available to it under the FLSA or regulations;
- The awarding of compensatory time in lieu of monetary compensation for overtime;
- 3. Establishing procedures to monitor and control hours worked and overtime;
- The crediting of any overtime payments made pursuant to this Agreement against any overtime obligation incurred under FLSA;
- Establishing such rules and regulations as may be necessary to ensure compliance with the provisions of FLSA.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article, other articles of this Agreement control payment.

ARTICLE XXXIV SENIORITY

- A. Seniority is defined as continuous unbroken service with the employer.
- B. Seniority shall be given strong consideration by the employer with respect to promotion.
- C. Seniority shall prevail in the selection of vacation schedules and work schedules.
- D. The Union shall provide the City with a Seniority List on October 1st of each year.

ARTICLE XXXV

DURATION

- A. This Agreement shall be in full force and effect as of January 1, 2000, and shall remain in effect to and including December 31, 2002, without any reopening date. This Agreement shall continue in full force and effect from year to year thereafter, unless one party or the other gives notice, in writing, no sooner than 150 days, no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of this Agreement of a desire to change, modify or terminate this Agreement.
- B. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seal at the City of Ocean City on this 20th day of September, 2000.

FOR THE UNION: Antigolan J. Bawines. Corol & Joy CDA Rop	FOR THE CITY! Lingulary Fileggi
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APPENDIX A

FULL TIME:

Account Clerk

Account Clerk, Typing

Accountant

Administrative Clerk

Administrative Secretary

Airport Attendant

Animal Control Officer

Assessing Clerk

Assistant Municipal Tax Collector

Assistant Supervisor Building Service

Assistant Supervisor Recreation Maintenance

Assistant Supervisor of Accounts

Assistant Supervisor Public Works

Assistant Tax Assessor

Assistant Violations Clerk

Assistant Violations Clerk, Typing

Audiovisual Equipment Technician

Building Inspector

Building Maintenance Worker

Building Sub-Code Official

Building Superintendent

Clerk

Clerk Typist

Code Enforcement Officer

Deputy Municipal Court Administrator

Electrical Sub-Code Official

Electrician

Engineering Aide

Equipment Operator

General Supervisor, Laboring

General Supervisor, Recreation Maintenance

General Supervisor, Streets

Greenskeeper

Heavy Equipment Operator

Identification Officer

Laborer

License Inspector

Maintenance Repairer

Maintenance Repairer, Electrical (HVAC)

Mason

Mason's Helper

Mechanic

Mechanical Repairer Light Equipment

Mechanic's Helper

Payroll Supervisor

Plumbing Sub-Code Official

Principal Account Clerk

Principal Account Clerk Typing

Principal Clerk

Principal Clerk Typist

Principal Purchasing Assistant, Typing

Public Information Assistant

Public Participation Specialist

Public Safety Telecommunicator

Public Safety Telecommunicator Trainee

Public Works Repairer

Purchasing Assistant, Typing

Recreation Maintenance Worker

Recreation Program Coordinator

Recreation Supervisor

Recreation Supervisor Sports

Recreation Supervisor Swimming

Senior Account Clerk

Senior Account Clerk Typing

Senior Assessing Clerk

Senior Building Maintenance Worker

Senior Clerk Typist

Senior Communications Technician

Senior Engineering Aide

Senior Maintenance Repairer

Senior Maintenance Repairer Carpenter

Senior Maintenance Repairer Electrician

Senior Maintenance Repairer Plumber

Senior Mason

Senior Mechanic

Senior Mechanical Repairer (Light Equipment)

Senior Parking Meter Repairer

Senior Public Information Assistant

Senior Public Works Repairer

Senior Recreation Maintenance Worker

Senior Traffic Maintenance Worker

Supervising Cashier

Supervising Electrician

Supervising Groundskeeper

Supervising Heavy Equipment Operator

Supervising Laborer

Supervising Maintenance Repairer

Supervising Maintenance Repairer Carpentry

Supervising Mechanic

Supervisor Building Service

Supervisor of Accounts

Supervisor Public Works

Supervisor Recreation Maintenance

Supervisor Sanitation

Supervisor Streets

Supervisor Traffic Maintenance

Tax Clerk, Typing

Technical Assistant, Land Use

Tourism Representative

Traffic Maintenance Worker

Traffic Signal Electrician

Truck Driver

Truck Driver, Heavy

Violations Clerk

Violations Clerk, Typing

Welder

Zoning Officer

PART TIME:

Account Clerk

Account Clerk, Typing

Accountant

Airport Attendant

Assessing Aide

Assistant Violations Clerk

Assistant Zoning Officer

Audiovisual Equipment Technician

Building Inspector

Building Maintenance Worker

Cashier

Clerk

Clerk Typist

Code Enforcement Officer

Equipment Operator

Fire Official

Fire Protection Sub-Code Official

Golf Ranger

Housing Inspector

Housing Inspector, Typing

Identification Officer

Lifeguard - Pool

Mechanic

Postal Clerk

PS Telecommunicator

PS Telecommunicator Trainee

Public Works Inspector

Recreation Attendant

Recreation Leader

Recreation Leader (Aerobics Instructor)

Recreation Leader (Yoga)

Recreation Maintenance Worker

Recreational Aide

School Traffic Guard

Senior Account Clerk

Senior Building Maintenance Worker

Technical Assistant 3

Telephone Operator

Truck Driver

Water Safety Instructor

And Any Replacement/Amended Title Forwarded by the New Jersey Department of Personnel during the term of this Agreement

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The following sidebar provisions are deemed to be in the best interest of the parties and shall remain in effect as if part of the original contract. They have been agreed to independently by each party and fully resolve any outstanding complaints, grievances or disputes regarding the subjects of said agreement.

Retiree Health Benefit Sidebar Agreement

Time served with the Ocean City Library shall be credited toward entitlement for City paid retiree health benefits for Jack Coughlin (9/23/74 - 7/15/89) and Deborah Tucker (9/4/79 - 8/31/84). This sidebar agreement is limited to the aforementioned individuals and shall not be expanded to include any other members.

Vacation Sidebar Agreement

For all employees hired prior to August 30, 1984, annual vacations shall be granted as follows:

- 1. From the date of hire to the end of the first calendar year one (1) working day for each month.
- 2. From the beginning of the second calendar year until the end of the fifth calendar year twelve (12) working days.
- 3. From the beginning of the sixth calendar year until the end of the tenth calendar year eighteen (18) working days.
- 4. From the beginning of the eleventh calendar year until the end of the fifteenth calendar year twenty-two (22) working days.
- 5. From the beginning of the sixteenth calendar year until the end of the twentieth calendar year twenty-seven (27) working days.
- 6. From the beginning of the twenty-first calendar year until the date of retirement thirty (30) working days.

Representation Sidebar Agreement

Effective April 1, 1996, notwithstanding the fact that Ruth Vanderpool holds the title of Administrative Clerk, as long as she serves in the capacity of overseeing payroll operation within the Department of Financial Management, she will be considered a confidential employee exempt from the CWA Local 1078 collective negotiations unit.