AGREEMENT

Between

BOROUGH OF TENAFLY BERGEN COUNTY NEW JERSEY

and

TENAFLY PUBLIC WORKS BARGAINING UNIT

January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2004

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THIS AGREEMENT was entered into this _____day of May, 2002, by and between the BOROUGH OF TENAFLY, County of Bergen State of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the "Borough" and the Tenafly Public Works Bargaining Unit, hereinafter referred to as the "Unit," and is retroactively effective January 1, 2000, except as otherwise provided herein, and shall expire December 31, 2004.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, that for the purposes of mutual understanding and in order that a harmonious relationship may exist between the Borough and Unit to the end that continuous and efficient services will be rendered to and by both parties, for the benefit of both:

NOW THEREFORE IT IS AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE I - RECOGNITION

Section 1. The Borough recognizes the Unit as the exclusive representative for collective negotiations concerning the terms and conditions of employment for all full-time employees employed by the Borough in the Department of Public Works in the position classifications of Driver/Laborer, Parksman, Chief Mechanic, Foreman, and Senior Foreman for the purpose of bargaining with respect to rates of pay, wages, hours of work and other working conditions. The Unit shall not represent part-time or seasonal employees, or employees in the position classifications of Administrative Assistant or any other office clerks, Supervisor of Public Works, or Director of Public Works.

Section 2. The Borough shall deal with the designated representative of the bargaining unit in all matters relating to grievances and interpretation of this agreement. The name of the designated representative of the bargaining unit shall be provided in writing to the Borough immediately upon the execution of this agreement and the bargaining unit shall notify the Borough promptly of any changes of such designated representative.

ARTICLE II - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

The purpose of the Grievance Procedure shall be to settle all grievances between the Borough and the members of the bargaining unit as quickly as possible so as to assure efficiency and promote employee morale. A grievance is defined as any disagreement between the Borough and members of the bargaining unit involving the interpretation, application or meaning of this Agreement. All grievances shall be settled in the following manner:

- Step 1. An employee with a grievance shall present it orally with or without representation to the Director of Public Works within five (5) working days of its occurrence or the date when the employee reasonably should have known about the grievance issue. The discussion and resolution of grievances at the first step shall be on an informal basis. The Director shall attempt to adjust the matter and shall respond to the employee within three (3) working days.
- Step 2. If the grievance has not been settled, it shall be presented in writing to the Borough Administrator by the employee or his bargaining unit representative within three (3) working days of the disposition by the Director of Public Works. The Administrator shall, within three (3) working

days, meet with the aggrieved employee and his bargaining unit representative along with the Director of Public Works who may be included in the meeting to discuss the grievance. The Administrator shall consider, review and determine such grievance and render a written report of his findings to all parties concerned within five (5) working days from the date of the last meeting of the parties. If the aggrieved employee is not satisfied with the disposition of his grievance, he may continue on to Step 3.

Step 3. The final step will be a review of the grievance by the Mayor and Council if requested in writing by the employee or the employee's designated representative within three (3) working days after receiving the report from the Borough Administrator. The Mayor and Council will schedule a meeting on the grievance as soon as the meeting can be arranged. The decision of the Mayor and Council is final.

Failure of an aggrieved employee to pursue the grievance to the next step in accordance with the time limits set forth herein shall constitute abandonment of the grievance unless both parties agree to an extension of time.

ARTICLE III - MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

Section 1. Except as may be otherwise specifically provided in this agreement to the contrary, the Borough hereby retains and reserves unto itself, 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 not limited to the following rights:

(a) To the executive management and administrative control of the Borough government and its properties and facilities;

- (b) To hire all employees and to determine their qualifications and conditions for continued employment:
- (c) To introduce new, different or improved methods and procedures in operations; and
- (d) To determine the number and type of equipment and the materials, products and supplies to be used or operated.

Section 2. To establish policy, the Borough shall have the right to maintain the efficiency of the Borough operations entrusted to it and to determine methods, means and personnel by which the Borough operations are to be controlled.

Section 3. To recall employees with no advance notice for emergency situations such as snowstorms, sewer backups, flooding conditions, windstorms, fires, disasters of any kind, civil disorder or any declaration of a state of emergency by the Mayor or Acting Mayor of the Borough of Tenafly.

Section 4. Employees covered by this agreement agree to be bound by the terms of the Salary Ordinance of the Borough of Tenafly applicable for 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2004, and the State Code of Ethics except as may be modified herein.

Section 5. The Borough will adopt a Salary Ordinance consistent herein and providing for the pension, medical and dental coverage, insurance and other fringe benefits as currently exist.

ARTICLE IV - COMPENSATION

Section 1. Salaries for members of the bargaining unit shall be as set forth in Appendix A-1, Appendix A-2, Appendix A-3 and Appendix A-4 annexed. To be eligible for a retroactive payment, an employee must be

employed when the parties ratify the contract or left the employ of the Borough through either retirement or disability. Salary, longevity and overtime shall be the only retroactive benefits.

Section 2. Within six (6) months after the execution of this

Agreement, any employee in the position classification of Parksman may
apply for the position of Driver/Laborer and commensurate salary. The

Director of Public Works will conduct a performance evaluation after six (6)
months. Upon receipt of a satisfactory evaluation and recommendation of
the Director, the employee shall be eligible for permanent appointment to the
position classification of Driver/Laborer. Alternatively, at any time prior to
the end of the six (6) month period, the employee may elect to return to the
position classification of Parksman and commensurate Parksman salary.

Section 3. Employees in the step system shall be eligible to advance one step every January 1st. The Mayor and Council may, upon the recommendation of the Director of Public Works, deny a step increase for an employee due to the employee's unsatisfactory performance based on a written evaluation prepared by the Director and submitted to the employee and bargaining unit representative for review.

Section 4. Newly hired employees who commence employment before July 1st shall move up one step on January 1st of the next year. Employees hired after June 30th of any year will not move up to Step 2 until the following year.

Section 5. The Mayor and Council may, in their sole discretion, place new hires as high as Step 3 based on experience and expertise.

Section 6. There shall be a twelve (12) month probationary period for Foreman 1. After the twelve (12) month probationary period, and upon the written recommendation of the Director of Public Works, a Foreman 1

who was promoted from a Driver/Laborer position classification shall be eligible to advance to Foreman 3. A Foreman 1 hired from the outside shall, upon the recommendation of the Director of Public Works, advance to Foreman 2 after one (1) year; and then to Foreman 3 after one (1) year as a Foreman 2.

Section 7. Every employee covered by this agreement shall possess a valid Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Class B, or higher. Newly hired employees must possess a CDL prior to their appointment. The Borough shall reimburse employees for the cost to renew their CDL and shall provide up to three (3) hours of time during regular working hours to renew said CDL in person at the Division of Motor Vehicles, if required.

Section 8. Any employee covered by this agreement whose regular duties involve parks maintenance shall be required to obtain and maintain a commercial pesticide applicator license with 3-A and 3-B certifications. The Borough will reimburse each employee for the annual license fee upon the submission of proof of renewal.

Section 9. In instances where an employee uses his personal vehicle for on-the-job transportation and where said use is authorized by the Director of Public Works, the Borough will reimburse said employee at the rate of \$ 0.365 per mile.

Section 10. A regular full-time employee who is discharged, except in cases of retirement and disciplinary reasons, who has more than six (6) months of service shall be entitled to two (2) weeks notice or receive two (2) weeks pay in lieu of notice.

ARTICLE V - ADMINISTRATION & RECORDS

Section 1. The Mayor and Council shall establish and maintain all personnel records of the employee.

Section 2. The Borough Council reserves the right to amend, change, interpret or eliminate any personnel policies concerning terms and conditions of employment, practices and rules whenever it appears to be in the best interest of the Borough to do so according to law.

<u>Section 3.</u> A separate personal history file will be established for each employee.

Section 4. Personal history files are confidential records and will be maintained in the office of the Borough Clerk. The files will be in two groups: "ACTIVE" representing employees on the payroll and "CLOSED" for employees no longer in the service of the Borough.

Section 5. Only the Mayor, Council Laision to the Department of Public Works, Borough Administrator, and the Director of Public Works may have access to any or all of the personal history files but with the presence of the Borough Clerk who is responsible for maintaining the files. Any employee may, at reasonable times and in the presence of the Borough Clerk, examine his own personal history files.

Section 6. Notice of all vacancies in positions covered by this agreement shall be posted on employee bulletin boards. Notices shall be posted for a period of five (5) working days.

ARTICLE VI - APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT

Section 1. All applicants shall first complete an application form furnished by the Borough Clerk. Applicants will be advised that if employed by the Borough, he must enroll in the Public Employees

Retirement System as a condition of employment. Replies to inquiries on references, previous employment and results of the medical examination will be held confidentially by the Borough. All new employees must complete and file with the Borough Clerk an Employment Eligibility Verification Form.

Section 2. A medical examination form will be given to the applicant to take to the Physician designated by the Borough for a complete medical examination at the expense of the Borough. The Director of the Department of Public Works will arrange an appointment for such medical examination and advise the examining Doctor to return the completed form directly to the Borough Clerk.

Section 3. The Director of Public Works will personally interview the applicant and note impressions gained from such an interview on the application form.

Section 4. Full-time, part-time, temporary and seasonal employees shall be appointed by the Borough Administrator. The applicant and Director of Public Works must sign the Request for Personnel Action, Form PA-1. Upon approval of the Borough Administrator, the new employee may start work.

Section 5. All new employees shall be made aware that the Borough expects two weeks notice of separation from the Borough. Vacation time accumulated is forfeited if this notice is not given in writing by the employee to the Director of Public Works and the Borough Clerk.

Section 6. New appointees to permanent positions shall serve a probationary period of six (6) months. During such period employee performance shall be evaluated periodically by their supervisor and continued employment will be based upon satisfactory completion of this

period. The Director of Public Works shall conduct an evaluation of employee performance at the end of three (3) months and before the end of six (6) months. The probationary period may be extended for an additional period of three (3) months at the option of the Director of Public Works, who shall notify the Borough Administrator and Borough Clerk of the exercise of this option. Upon the successful completion of the probationary period and the recommendation of the Director of Public Works, the employee shall be eligible for permanent appointment. An unsatisfactory evaluation may result in termination.

Section 7. Temporary employees may be hired from time to time for seasonal or part-time employment. Such temporary employees are not entitled to Borough benefits including vacation, sick or holiday pay, or medical, pension or other benefits. The Borough reserves the right to terminate such employment for any reason.

ARTICLE VII - HOURS OF WORK

Section 1. The regular workweek is Monday through Friday and averages thirty-five (35) hours for all employees covered by this agreement. The normal work hours per day are seven (7) hours.

Section 2. Except as may be specifically set forth in this agreement, all employees shall start work at 7:30 a.m. and quit work at 3:30 p.m. prevailing time Monday through Friday.

Section 3. From time to time, there may be exceptions due to the requirements of specific assignments, such as street sweeping or the operation of the transfer station should the Borough decide to take-over its operation.

Section 4. Each employee shall be permitted a one (1) hour lunch period and one coffee break period in the morning only not to exceed fifteen (15) minutes scheduled by the Director of Public Works. Employees are permitted a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes of wash-up time prior to the lunch period and a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes of wash-up time prior to quitting time each work day. Return schedules, lunch periods and coffee breaks may be scheduled cooperatively to avoid time loss.

<u>Section 5.</u> The payroll period is bi-weekly terminating on Mondays and payable on Thursdays.

Section 6. A six (6) hour rest period will be allowed between the end of an emergency night work shift and the start of a regular shift for Parksmen and Driver/Laborers. There will be no additional time or other breaks. There will be no loss of premium pay due to the emergency night work shift. The six (6) hour rest period shall not apply to workers starting after 2:00 a.m. as part of their emergency night work shift. A food break will be allowed every four (4) hours during the emergency work time. If an employee misses a meal because of emergency work, the Borough will provide a meal within a reasonable length of time.

Section 7. Employees who are required to work overtime and miss their regular meal period shall be reimbursed for reasonable meal expenditures up to an amount of \$ 15.00 per meal upon the submission of supporting receipts to the Director of Public Works.

Section 8. Attendance is a measure of performance. An employee who is unable to report for work or who will be unduly delayed in reporting must telephone his supervisor as far in advance of the starting time as possible. Failure to comply with this procedure may result in disciplinary action, including termination.

Section 9. An employee is late when he fails to report to work at his scheduled starting time. Chronic lateness or absence can result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Section 10. Any employee who receives two warnings for lateness in any six (6) month period and is late a third time or thereafter shall be subject to the following penalties:

- (a) For up to 5 minutes late 1/4 hour docked pay
- (b) For up to 15 minutes late 1/2 hour docked pay
- (c) For up to one hour late 2 hours docked pay

Section 11. Any absence without notice for three (3) consecutive days is reason for immediate termination for job abandonment.

ARTICLE VIII - STANDBY

Section 1. A standby crew consisting of a Foreman and two (2) Driver/Laborers shall be available on call each weekend. The Borough may schedule one (1), rather than two (2) Driver/Laborers for standby at its discretion.

Section 2. The compensation for weekend standby shall be \$ 50.00 per day for Driver/Laborers and \$ 60.00 per day for Foremen. There shall be no additional compensation for weekdays except when an observed holiday falls on a Monday or Friday.

Section 3. Effective January 1, 2002, the compensation for weekend standby shall be \$ 60.00 per day for Driver/Laborers and \$ 70.00 per day for Foremen. Effective January 1, 2003, the compensation for weekend standby shall be \$ 65.00 per day for Driver/Laborers and \$ 75.00 per day for Foremen. Effective January 1, 2004, the compensation for weekend standby

shall be \$ 70.00 per day for Driver/Laborers and \$ 80.00 per day for Foremen.

Section 4. Employees who are called out to perform unscheduled emergency work will receive a minimum of one (1) hour's pay.

ARTICLE IX - OVERTIME

Section 1. All overtime shall be authorized in advance by the Director of Public Works or the Supervisor of Public Works.

Section 2. Employees covered by this agreement shall be eligible for overtime for any work performed on Saturdays or on the regular weekdays prior to 7:30 a.m. or after 3:30 p.m. prevailing time. Such payment is to be made at one and one half (1-1/2) times the hourly rate of the employee based upon the employee's annual base salary. For those employees whose regular duties require a different normal work day (such as sweeper operator), overtime compensation shall be paid at the same rate as aforesaid for hours worked in advance or immediately after the different normal work day assigned to said position. A workweek shall be considered thirty-five (35) hours.

Section 3. Employees shall be eligible for overtime at one and one-half (1-1/2) times the hourly rate for any work performed on a Friday on which a Saturday holiday is observed and on a Monday on which a Sunday holiday is observed. At the option of the employee, he may elect to take time and one-half (1-1/2) off for one and one-half (1-1/2) or double time off for double time overtime work instead of receiving overtime pay, subject to scheduling the time off by the Director of Public Works or the Supervisor of Public Works.

Section 4. Employees must take compensatory time off within twenty (20) weeks from the occurrence and time off shall be scheduled in increments of days plus any remaining hours due. Otherwise, the employee shall submit an overtime voucher for payment for the overtime to the Director of Public Works.

Section 5. Planned overtime will be equalized on an annual basis and on a departmental basis substantially as follows: Overtime will be circulated on a monthly basis for signatures by an employee designated by the Unit.

Section 6. Adjustments in overtime equalization shall occur on planned overtime work so it will not be necessary to waste time polling and changing workmen to complete jobs in progress. Where possible, the employee who starts a project shall complete the project. When only part of a crew is to be retained, an effort shall be made by the supervisor to retain the full-time employees who have the least accumulated overtime hours. Exceptions to this would be where the Director of Public Works, at his discretion, deems it necessary to keep on an employee he feels is qualified to complete the job. Nothing herein, however, shall be deemed to guarantee overtime to any employee or to the department as a whole since the employees recognize the duty of the Borough to minimize the overall cost to the taxpayers wherever possible.

Section 7. Nothing in this agreement shall be deemed to prohibit the Mayor and Council from hiring temporary employees, part-time or seasonal employees for performing any services deemed necessary by the Director of Public Works. Temporary, part-time or seasonal employees, however, shall not be eligible for overtime unless the opportunity for said overtime is first offered to two permanent employees, unless an exception from this rule has

been discussed in advance and approved by the authorized representative of the Unit.

ARTICLE X - SENIORITY

Section 1. Seniority standing shall be granted to all full-time employees. The principle of seniority shall govern and control for all cases of decreases or increases in the working force as well as preference in assignments and choice of vacation period and in any other matter in which preference is a factor.

Section 2. Employment seniority for all employees covered by this agreement shall be based upon time accrued from continuous length of full-time service with the Borough. Position or title classification seniority begins from the time the employee obtains permanent appointment to his title or position classification.

Section 3. For a period of one year, employees dismissed due to a reduction in the workforce must be offered the opportunity to return before a new employee is hired.

ARTICLE XI - TRANSFERS

Section 1. Medical transfers may be made in job assignments by the Director of Public Works when proper certification is made by a physician that continued performance in a certain job is harmful to the health of the employee.

ARTICLE XII - VACATIONS

Section 1. All regular full-time employees shall be eligible for vacation as follows:

l year 10 work days 13 years 18 work days 2 years -11 work days 14 years 19 work days 3 years -11 work days 15 years 20 work days 4 years -12 work days 16 years 20 work days 5 years -12 work days 17 years 21 work days 6 years -13 work days 18 years 21 work days 7 years -14 work days 19 years 22 work days 8 years -15 work days 20 years 22 work days 9 years -16 work days 21 years 23 work days 10 years -16 work days 22 years 23 work days 11 years -17 work days 23 years 24 work days 17 work days 24 years 24 work days 12 years -25 years or more 25 work days

Section 2. During the first calendar year of employment, a newly hired employee shall be entitled to one (1) vacation day for each one (1) month of service after the successful completion of the probationary period.

Section 3. Vacation leave must be taken in the year it is accrued. If there is a conflict around the scheduling of vacation time, preference will be given to the employee with the greater length of service with the Borough.

Section 4. Vacation leave may be taken at any time during the year subject to the advance approval of the Director of Public Works, except that no more than one (1) employee assigned to leaf collection and one (1) Foreman shall be permitted to use vacation leave during leaf collection season from November 1st to December 15th and no more than three (3) persons shall be permitted to use vacation leave during snow season from December 15th to March 15th. Not more than one (1) employee assigned to parks maintenance duties shall be permitted to take vacation leave between March 15th and May 30th or between September 1st and November 30th.

Section 5. An employee's vacation leave may be taken at one time or may be divided and taken at various times during the year subject to the advance approval of the Director of Public Works and the limitations contained hereinabove.

Section 6. The vacation leave for which an employee is eligible in any calendar year must be taken in that year and cannot be carried forward. However, in the event all vacation leave can not be utilized by an employee, an employee may carry over a maximum of five (5) vacation days until April 1st of the following year.

Section 7. A vacation may not be waived by an employee and vacation pay received in lieu thereof.

Section 8. In the event an observed holiday or holidays fall within an employee's vacation period, the employee shall not be assessed a vacation day for the holiday.

Section 9. If an employee becomes ill or injured before leaving for a scheduled vacation, the employee's vacation may be rescheduled. If an employee becomes ill or injured while on vacation, such disability will be considered to be vacation time unless it is of eight or more calendar days duration in which case the following is applied:

(a) The employee's vacation will be deemed to have ceased with the first day of illness or injury; he will be placed on disability leave as of the first day. When such employee has recovered sufficiently to be able to resume his duties he may, with appropriate approvals, either continue his vacation or take the balance of his vacation, the provisions of paragraph next shall apply.

(b) If an employee on disability leave approaches the end of the calendar year without having taken and without being able to take all of the vacation for which he is eligible, that period of time equal to the vacation for which he is eligible and which he has not taken will be designated as vacation. For that period of time he will receive full vacation pay.

ARTICLE XIII - HOLIDAYS

Section 1. Employees covered by this agreement are entitled to the following paid holidays:

New Year's Day Independence Day

Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Labor Day

Presidents' Day Columbus Day

Good Friday Veteran's Day

Memorial Day Christmas Day

Thanksgiving Day Day After Thanksgiving

Presidential Election Day Easter (Transfer Station only)

Section 2. In addition to the observed holidays above, employees covered by this agreement are entitled to one paid floating holiday determined each year, after consultation with the bargaining unit, by resolution of the Mayor and Council.

Section 3. Holidays falling on a Saturday or a Sunday shall be taken on the preceding or following day as the case may be. An employee shall be eligible for overtime at one and one-half (1-1/2) times the hourly rate for any work performed on a Friday on which a Saturday holiday is observed and on a Monday on which a Sunday holiday is observed.

Section 4. Employees who are called back to work on any of the holidays set forth above or on any Sunday shall be compensated for the hours worked at double time based on their annual base salary as aforesaid; for the purpose of this section, the work holiday shall mean the dates on which the holidays set forth above are officially observed.

Section 5. The double time rate shall also apply from 6:00 p.m. to Midnight on Christmas Eve and on New Year's Eve. No extra compensation shall be given for personal days. Employees shall be excused from work duties at Noon on the last working day before Christmas and New Year's Day except in the case of an emergency such as snow, flooding conditions or similar type of circumstances in which case they are expected to work as needed without overtime pay during their normal scheduled work time.

ARTICLE XIV - PERSONAL DAYS

Section 1. Each permanent full-time employee shall be entitled to six (6) personal days off each year. In the event the six (6) personal days are not utilized before December 31st, a maximum of two (2) days may be carried over and taken before April 1st of the following year.

Section 2. During the first calendar year of service, newly hired employees shall be entitled to one (1) personal day off for each two (2) months of employment.

Section 3. Employees shall be permitted to utilize personal time in increments of hours. However, no employee shall utilize personal time in less than one-hour increments. Personal time shall be subject to the following provisions:

(a) Employees must notify the Director of Public Works or his designee at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of

- time of utilization. In such case, the employee's time utilization shall not be denied.
- (b) In the event of a personal emergency, the use of personal time shall not be denied once the employee has notified the Director of Public Works or his designee of such emergency.
- (c) In the event less than twenty-four (24) hours notice is given as to personal time utilization, exclusive of personal emergencies, personal time will be granted at the discretion of the Director of Public Works or his designee.
- (d) For purposes hereof, time utilization shall be subject to the limitation that not more than four (4) employees shall be permitted personal time off at the same time except for emergency personal time off with seniority the principal determining factor.

Section 4. Those employees who are required to make visits to the Veteran's Administration during working hours shall be excused without losing credit for personal time or vacation time.

ARTICLE XV - INSURANCE, HEALTH & WELFARE

Section 1. All full-time employees will receive Blue Cross and Blue Shield coverage, Rider "J" and major medical insurance coverage, or its equivalent for themselves and their eligible dependents.

Section 2. All full-time employees shall receive coverage under the Borough's dental plan for themselves and their eligible dependents.

Section 3. The Borough will also reimburse members annually for the cost to maintain coverage for the employee and spouse for the Blue Cross and Blue Shield basic hospitalization plan only for those employees retiring with at least twenty-five (25) years of service with the Borough as a full-time employee and having reached the age of fifty-five (55). In the event the retired employee dies leaving a surviving spouse, said spouse may elect to continue coverage as provided herein with the Borough reimbursing the surviving spouse's premium cost. The Borough will continue to reimburse the spouse annually for the cost of the basic hospitalization plan in accordance with the limitations herein until the spouse is covered by Medicare.

Section 4. An employee with twenty-five (25) years of full-time service with the Borough and who has qualified for a state disability retirement based upon a work related injury shall be eligible for all retirement health benefits set forth in Section 2 above.

Section 5. All regular full-time employees are entitled to receive Group Life Insurance coverage in the amount of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars with a double indemnity clause.

Section 6. All other statutory requirements, including Worker's Compensation, will be provided by the Borough.

Section 7. Eyeglasses accidentally broken during an employee's performance of his job shall be repaired or replaced by the Borough by reimbursement upon submission of a receipted bill to the Director of Public Works. If reimbursement can be made by Worker's Compensation Insurance, then no second reimbursement is to be paid. The maximum reimbursement shall be up to \$100.00. Employees are urged to wear eyeglass straps where the straps are not deemed to be a hazard in and of

themselves. Also, safety glasses shall be worn when performing certain tasks where there is a danger to the eyes from flying chips of stone, masonry, or other objects.

Section 8. The Borough agrees to pay for three (3) cholinesterase blood tests (optional) per employee per year to test for acute organic phosphates from the use of certain chemicals as part of the employee's work to a maximum cost of \$ 100.00 in any one (1) calendar year per employee.

ARTICLE XVI - BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

Section 1. In the event that an employee suffers a death in his immediate family which for this purpose is defined and limited to husband, wife, child, mother, father, grandfather, grandmother, sister, brother, mother-in-law, father-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, or grandchild the employee shall be entitled to a maximum of four (4) consecutive working days off including the day of the funeral without losing credit from vacation or personal days. In the event the funeral of such an immediate family member is held outside a 100 mile radius of the Borough of Tenafly, then the employee shall be entitled to a maximum of five (5) days off up to and including the day of the funeral.

Section 2. If the funeral of a relative of an employee, other than a relative listed in Section 1 above, is held on a workday, the employee may have the workday off providing he actually attends the funeral. However, the employee may not have more than one day off per calendar year under these conditions. For the purposes of this section, a relative shall include in addition to those listed in Section 1 above, the following persons: a blood relative of the employee limited to relatives such as nephew, niece, uncle,

aunt, and first cousins. The employee may use a personal day to attend funerals for all other relatives.

ARTICLE XVII - JURY DUTY

Section 1. Should a full-time employee be called to jury duty, either petit or grand, on County, State or Federal level, said employee shall remit to the Borough any sum paid for jury duty except any expenses paid by the Court and in so doing shall be paid their regular salary while at jury duty. In the event, however, that an employee reports in the morning for jury duty and is excused for the remainder of that day, the employee shall report promptly for work for the remainder of the workday.

ARTICLE XVIII - LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Section 1. A leave of absence may be accorded to permanent full-time employees and without loss of job status or seniority for true personal emergency situations of which the final determination is at the total discretion of the Mayor and Council. A maximum of ninety (90) days over two calendar years is permitted. During said leave, the employee shall not be considered unemployed so as to collect unemployment compensation nor shall the Borough pay any salary or benefits. Notwithstanding the aforesaid, insurance coverage for medical or death benefits may remain in force if the employee agrees to reimburse the Borough during said leave of absence. The intention of the leave of absence cannot be for the purpose of the employee experimenting with a full-time job elsewhere. Although there would be no objection to sporadic, part-time, temporary or self-employment work while on leave of absence. The employee shall submit to the Director of Public Works all the facts bearing on his request and the Director shall make recommendations to the Mayor and Council. Each case shall be

considered on its merits, and a denial shall not be the subject of a grievance.

One renewal may also be requested. Normally such leave will not be granted for illness unless sick leave is exhausted and vacation time is exhausted.

ARTICLE XIX - FAMILY LEAVE

Section 1. The Family and Medical Leave Act allows eligible employees to take job-protected unpaid leave, or to substitute appropriate paid leave if the employee has earned or accrued it, for up to a total of twelve (12) workweeks for any one, or more, of the following reasons:

- (1) The birth of an employee's son or daughter, and to care for the newborn child;
- (2) The placement with the employee of a son or daughter for adoption or foster care, and to care for the newly placed child;
- (3) To care for the employee's spouse, son, daughter, or parent with a serious health condition as defined in the Act; and
- (4) Because of a serious condition that makes the employee unable to perform one or more of the essential functions of his job.

Section 2. An employee who has been employed for at least twelve (12) months with not less than 1,000 base hours during the immediately preceding twelve (12) month period, is entitled to a family leave of twelve (12) weeks in any twenty-four (24) month period upon advance notice to the Borough. Notice shall be made by the employee in writing to the Director of

Public Works who shall forward same to the Mayor and Council for approval.

Section 3. Family leave is exclusive of sick leave and vacation time. Family leave shall be without pay except that family leave may be with pay if sick leave and vacation leave is applied thereto but if the total of sick leave and vacation leave is less than twelve (12) workweeks, then the additional weeks of leave added to attain the twelve (12) week total shall be unpaid.

ARTICLE XX - UNIFORMS

Section 1. The Borough shall supply to every new full-time employee a complete set of uniforms consisting of:

6 - long sleeve work shirts

3 - short sleeve work shirts

6 - tee shirts

6 - pair of work pants

1 - mid-weight work jacket

1 - parka work coat

1 - hooded thermal sweatshirt

Section 2. In addition, the Borough will provide to employees whose duties require that they work outdoors in the rain, foul weather gear, specifically one rain suit consisting of jacket and pants and one pair of rain boots.

Section 3. The maintenance and upkeep of uniform clothing and the replacement of worn uniform clothing shall be the responsibility of the employee. Each full-time employee shall be entitled to receive a clothing and maintenance allowance in the amount of \$ 625.00 annually. Such amount shall be processed for payment upon the submission of a properly prepared and executed municipal voucher or purchase order and paid upon the adoption of the municipal budget. Effective January 1, 2003, each full-

time employee shall be entitled to receive a clothing and maintenance allowance in the amount of \$ 725.00 annually.

Section 4. The Borough will reimburse each full-time employee up to one hundred (\$100.) dollars towards the purchase of work shoes.

Section 5. The complete uniform must be worn while on duty. Only designated uniform items approved by the Borough are acceptable. All personnel shall be neat appearing and well groomed while in uniform. Uniforms shall be kept neat and clean at all times.

ARTICLE XXI - SICK LEAVE

<u>Section 1.</u> "Sick leave" is defined as the temporary absence of an employee from work because of personal illness or non-job related injury authorized by the Borough.

Section 2. Salary continuation during periods of sick leave may be granted based on length of continuous service in accordance with the following schedule and subject to the provisions hereof:

Salary

	Continuation
Continuous Service	Period
Less than 1 month	. None
At least 1 month but less than 2 months	5 working days
At least 2 months but less than I year	10 working days
At least 1 year but less than 2 years	20 working days
At least 2 years but less than 3 years	30 working days
At least 3 years but less than 4 years	40 working days
At least 4 years but less than 5 years	50 working days
At least 5 years but less than 6 years	60 working days
At least 6 years but less than 9 years	70 working days
Ten (10) years and over	130 working days

Continuation

Section 3. "Continuous service" is defined as the period of time from the date of employment until the date that service is interrupted by the illness or injury.

Section 4. The salary continuation period runs consecutively without regard to the calendar years involved.

Section 5. The above sick leave schedule may apply to separate unconnected injuries or illnesses.

Section 6. A medical certificate from a physician covering the period of illness may be required by the Director of Public Works at his discretion.

Section 7. In any case of salary continuation, the employee's salary will be reduced by the amount of any loss of time payments to which he may be entitled under any Worker's Compensation claim.

Section 8. An employee is eligible for salary based upon the length of his continuous service at the time the sick leave commences. A person who is on temporary employment at the time his sick leave commences will not be eligible for salary continuation even though such person may later be deemed to be in non-temporary employment for the effective date of his initial employment.

Section 9. Extended Sick Leave: Prior to application for an extended sick leave, all earned vacation and personal days must be expended or committed toward the employee's sick leave. It is understood that an automatic extension of thirteen (13) weeks will be added to the normal sick leave provisions in the event of a "terminal illness" to the employee. Satisfactory documentation must be provided in all such cases to the Mayor and Council.

ARTICLE XXII - EMPLOYMENT-RELATED DISABILITY LEAVE

Section 1. Immediately following initial treatment for injury an accident report must be filed with the Director of Public Works within three (3) days of occurrence for consideration by the insurance carrier for the Borough. Forms are available from the Director of Public Works and the Borough Clerk. Be sure to contact Bergen Risk Managers or other agency designated by the Bergen County Joint Municipal Insurance Fund (JIF) immediately upon the occurrence of the injury to be directed to an appropriate Fund and approved physician.

Section 2. An employee injured in the performance of duties shall receive disability compensation for bona fide disability as follows:

- (a) During the first seven (7) days of disability the Borough shall pay the disabled employee's normal salary.
- (b) After seven (7) days, payment by Worker's

 Compensation will normally begin. The Borough will

 continue to pay the employee at the regular earnings rate
 and the employee shall forward to the Borough Treasurer
 any Worker's Compensation payments received during
 the disability period.
- (c) Worker's Compensation will continue for as long as allowed under existing law and coverage.
- (d) The Borough's contribution to paid disability leave will continue for a period of not more than one (1) year from the date of initial disability absence but shall not be counted against personal sick leave. If absence over one

- (1) year, that absence may then be charged to personal sick leave.
- (e) The Borough reserves the right to require medical examination by a physician at any time during an employee's absence and may require a letter of fitness to work before allowing the employee to return to work.

Section 3. A permanent employee is eligible for salary based on the length of his continuous service at the time his disability leave begins as described above.

XXIII - LONGEVITY PAY

Section 1. In addition to the base salary scale, each full-time employee shall receive longevity compensation computed at one (1%) percent of their respective annual base salary for each two (2) years of completed service during their first twenty-four (24) years of service. After twenty-four (24) years, one-half (1/2%) percent of their base salary for the twenty-fifth year to a maximum of twelve and one-half (12-1/2%) percent after twenty-five (25) years of service.

XXIV - TERMINAL LEAVE

Section 1. The terminal leave plan for employees who terminate their service with the Borough shall be calculated as follows: 12.5% of their final year's annual base salary plus longevity upon completion of fifteen (15) years of service with the Borough as a full-time employee; and an additional 2.5% for each full year of service after fifteen (15) years service to a maximum of seventy-five (75%) percent of their last year's annual base salary plus longevity after forty (40) years of service as a full-time employee of the Borough.

ARTICLE XXV - PERSONNEL MANUAL

Section 1. Attached hereto and made a part hereof is the Personnel Manual of the Borough of Tenafly, which shall be binding upon the parties hereto. Any provisions in this agreement inconsistent with the provisions in the Manual shall take precedent and be binding upon the parties.

ARTICLE XXVI - DURATION

Section 1. This agreement shall be effective retroactive to January 1, 2000, except as otherwise provided herein, and shall expire December 31, 2004.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be signed by their respective representatives and appropriately attested.

BOROUGH OF TENAFLY

Ann A. Moscovitz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nancy Hatten, Borough Clerk

TENAFLY PUBLIC WORKS BARGAINING UNIT

Florida Jacob

ATTEST:

JUDY MULLER NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AUGUST 9, 2003

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APPENDIX A-1 SALARIES - DRIVER/LABORER

	STEP_1	STEP2	STEP 3	STEP 4	STEP 5	STEP 6	STEP 7	STEP 8
2000	\$26,910	\$30,015	\$33,120	\$36,225	\$39,330	\$43,988	\$48,024	\$52,100
2001	\$27,852	\$31,065	\$34,279	\$37,493	\$40,707	\$45,528	\$49,705	\$53,924
2002	\$28,896	\$32,230	\$35,564	\$38,899	\$42,234	\$47,235	\$51,569	\$55,946
2003	\$29,980	\$33,439	\$36,898	\$40,358	\$43,818	\$49,006	\$53,503	\$58,044
2004	\$31,149	\$34,743	\$38,337	\$41,932	\$45,527	\$50,917	\$55,590	\$60,308

APPENDIX A-2 SALARIES - PARKSMAN

	STEP 6	
2000	\$51,600	
2001	\$52,924	
2002	\$54,446	
2003	\$56,044	
2004	\$57,808	

APPENDIX A-3 SALARIES - CHIEF MECHANIC

2000 \$55,631

2001 \$57,578

2002 \$59,738

2003 \$61,978

2004 \$64,395

APPENDIX A-4
SALARIES - FOREMAN

	FOREMAN 1	FOREMAN 2	FOREMAN 3
2000	\$49,643	\$51,103	\$57,132
2001	\$51,381	\$52,892	\$59,132
2002	\$53,308	\$54,875	\$61,349
2003	\$55,307	\$56,933	\$63,650
2004	\$57,464	\$59,153	\$66,132
	FOREMAN 1	FOREMAN 3	
2000	\$54,131	\$57,132	
2001	\$56,026	\$59,132	
2002	\$58,127	\$61,349	
2003	\$60,307	\$63,650	
2004	\$62,659	\$66,132	
SENIOR EQREMAN		MAXIMUM	
2000		\$58,685	
2001		\$60,739	