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TO: All Lifeguards, Lead Lifeguards, Lieutenants and Sr. Lieutenants

FROM: Jeffrey S. Chiesa, DLGS State Designee

Timothy Cunningham, Director, Division of Local Government Services

cc: Charles A. Richman, Commissioner, Department of Community Affairs

Donald A. Guardian, Mayor, City of Atlantic City Marty Small, Atlantic City Municipal Council President All Members of the Atlantic City Municipal Council

Jason Holt, Business Administrator

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RE: NOTICE OF CHANGES IN THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF YOUR

**EMPLOYMENT** 

DATE: May 19, 2017

As you are aware, the City of Atlantic City is in severe financial distress. The Municipal Stabilization and Recovery Act provides that we may unilaterally modify wages, hours, or any other terms and conditions of employment to assist in the financial rehabilitation and recovery of the municipality. As a result, the following changes to your terms and conditions of employment will occur:

- Duration of Agreement: May 19, 2017 through December 31, 2021.
- Effective May 19, 2017, eliminate Longevity in its entirety for all employees.
- Effective May 19, 2017 (at the beginning of the next pay period), a new salary guide is hereby established for all current Lifeguards, Lead Lifeguards, Lieutenants and Sr. Lieutenants. Lifeguards will be placed on the lowest step that is closest to their current base salary. (The maximum salary for Lifeguards is reached when a Lifeguard achieves twenty-four (24) years of service). The salaries listed below shall be your entire base salary. There shall be no supplemental compensation except for overtime where applicable. You will receive a separate letter setting your new salary within the parameters below:

RANK 2017 Salaries

**LIFEGUARDS** 

 $1^{ST}$  to  $3^{rd}$  year \$100.65 per day



4 <sup>th</sup> year	\$120.65 per day
5 <sup>th</sup> year	\$130.00 per day
6 <sup>th</sup> year	\$133.78 per day
7 <sup>th</sup> year	\$139.50 per day
8 <sup>th</sup> year	\$142.50 per day
9 <sup>th</sup> year	\$146.90 per day
10 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> year	\$153.80 per day
13 <sup>th</sup> year	\$160.07 per day
14 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup> year	\$166.61 per day
16 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> year	\$173.16 per day
19 <sup>th</sup> year	\$175.00 per day
20th year	\$181.24 per day
21st to 22nd year	\$183.32 per day
23 <sup>rd</sup> year	\$186.32 per day
24 years and over	\$189.32 per day

<u>LEAD LIFEGUARDS</u> – Add \$10.00 per day to all above steps

<u>LIEUTENANTS</u> \$215.02 per day

SR. LIEUTENANTS \$225.02 per day

- Effective May 19, 2017, AFSCME Local 2303C will no longer be entitled to binding interest arbitration when a settlement cannot be reached in contract negotiations.
- Effective May 19, 2017, the City will no longer grant leave from duty with pay for up to two meetings of the United States Lifeguard Association for two (2) employees per year.
- Effective May 19, 2017, unpaid leaves of absence for medical reasons will be subject to the approval of a physician designated by the City, and such unpaid leave of absence will be granted at the discretion of the Chief.
  - Effective May 19, 2017, lifeguards who are not absent for an entire season from starting date through Labor Day will no longer receive one-half (1 ½) day additional pay at the end of the season.
- Effective May 19, 2017, employees must complete one hundred twenty (120) days of service from May 1 through October 31 during the calendar year in order to earn credit for one (1) year of service for seniority purposes (Article XVII.C.), pension purposes (Article XVII.F.), probationary period purposes (Article XIX) and tenure purposes (Article XXI).
- Effective May 19, 2017, an employee shall be entitled to overtime after forty-eight (48) hours worked in any given week, and sick leave shall not count as hours worked for overtime purposes.

- Effective May 19, 2017, employees shall not be granted up to two (2) seasons of unpaid leave of absence upon request. (Eliminate Article XXII.A. in its entirety).
- Effective May 19, 2017, the \$5.00 per day stipend for all employees certified as an EMT shall be eliminated.
- Upon the conclusion of this agreement, employees shall not receive salary increases or movement through the salary guide increments until a new agreement is signed by the City and AFSCME 2303C.
- For more information concerning your AFSCME Local 1210 contract, please contact your AFSCME representative