



AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE

CITY OF MONROE

AND THE

POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS

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ARTICLE 1  
AGREEMENT

This Agreement is effective this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2021, by and between the City of Monroe, a Municipal Corporation, hereinafter referred to as the "Employer" and the Police Officers Association of Michigan, hereinafter referred to as the "Association."

ARTICLE 2  
PURPOSE AND INTENT

The general purpose of this Agreement is to set forth terms and conditions of employment and to promote orderly and peaceful labor relations between the Employer and the Association.

ARTICLE 3  
RECOGNITION

Section 1. Description of Bargaining Unit. Pursuant to and in accordance with all applicable provisions of Act 336 of the Public Acts of 1947, as amended, the Employer hereby recognizes the Association as the exclusive representative for the purpose of collective bargaining with respect to rates of pay, wages, hours of employment and other conditions of employment for the term of this Agreement of all regular full-time sworn Public Safety Officers and Public Safety Corporals of the City of Monroe Police Department below the rank of Public Safety Captain; excluding Public Safety Captains, Public Safety Commanders, Director of Public Safety, clerical and other non-police supervisory personnel, and all other employees of the Employer.

Although the terms and conditions of this Agreement apply exclusively to regular full-time employees, the Association reserves the right to petition the Employer to bargain concerning the wages, hours, terms and conditions of employment of regular part-time sworn Public Safety Officers and Public Safety Corporals, of the City of Monroe Police Department should the Employer elect to employ such persons during the term hereof.

Section 2. Definitions.

(a) Full-Time Employee. A full-time employee is an employee whose employment is for a period of indefinite duration and who is regularly scheduled to work eighty-four (84) or more hours per bi-weekly pay period.

(b) References to Gender. Unless the contract indicates otherwise, all references to employees or officers in this Agreement shall include male and female employees, and wherever the male gender is used it shall be construed to include both male and female employees.

(c) References to Commander. All references to Commander shall be construed to mean Public Safety Commander.

ARTICLE 4  
NON-DISCRIMINATION

The provisions of this Agreement shall apply to all employees in the bargaining unit without discrimination on the basis of age, sex, marital status, race, color, height, weight, disability, religion, national origin, political affiliation or sexual orientation, except as otherwise provided by state or federal law.

ARTICLE 5  
RIGHT TO WORK  
AND VOLUNTARY DUES DEDUCTIONS

Section 1. Each unit employee shall have the right to join, or not to join, the Association as he/she individually prefers.

The parties agree that they will not interfere with the free choice of any employee regarding the decision to join, not join, or to continue or discontinue as a member.

Section 2. During the life of this Agreement, employees may have monthly membership dues deducted from their earnings by signing and submitting to the Employer the Membership Dues Deduction Authorization form attached to this Agreement as Appendix C. Each dues deduction authorization will be limited to deduction of regular monthly basic dues and will remain in effect (1) for a specified time in accordance with law, or (2) until the Employer receives written notification that the employee has cancelled the authorization, or (3) until active employment in a covered classification is terminated. Should this Agreement be terminated for any reason, the dues deduction authorization forms will be automatically cancelled.

Deductions under all properly executed Authorization Forms shall commence effective at the time the application is tendered to the Employer and if received on or before the fifteenth (15th) day of the month preceding the month in which a deduction is to be made, shall be deducted from the first (1st) pay of such month, and biweekly thereafter.

All sums deducted by the Employer shall be remitted to the Association's Financial Officer within thirty (30) calendar days following the payday in which deductions were made, together with a list which identifies current employees for whom Association dues have been deducted, the amount deducted from the pay of each employee and any employees who have terminated their Authorization during the previous month. Employees may terminate such Check-off at any time by serving written notice thereof to the Employer.

Once any funds are remitted to the Association by the Employer, their disposition shall be the sole and exclusive obligation and responsibility of the Association. In cases where a deduction is made that duplicates a payment that an employee already has made to the Association, or where a deduction is not in conformity with the provisions of

the Constitution of the Association or applicable state or federal law, refunds to the employee shall be made by the Association to the employee.

The Employer shall not be liable to the Association for the remittance or payment of any sum other than that constituting actual deductions made from wages earned by employees.

Section 3. The Association shall indemnify, protect and hold harmless the Employer from any and all claims, actions, demands, suits, proceedings, and other forms of liability, including all costs and attorney fees, that shall arise out of or by reason of any action taken or not taken by the Employer for the purpose of complying with the provisions of this Article.

## ARTICLE 6 ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATION

Section 1. The Association shall provide the Director of Public Safety (or his designee) and the Employer's Human Resources Director with written notice of the names of its officers, the members of its Executive Board, and its authorized grievance and negotiation representatives. Such notice shall be provided promptly and, in no event, later than three (3) days following each such person's appointment.

Section 2. Representatives of the Association shall be allowed a reasonable period of time to investigate and present grievances to the Employer during working hours without loss of time or pay.

Section 3. Employees who are required to attend meetings outside their regularly scheduled shift for the purpose of contract or grievance administration or communications shall be compensated at straight time hourly rates.

Section 4. The Association's Staff Representative and up to four (4) employees selected in accordance with the Association's bylaws shall comprise the Association's bargaining committee for the purpose of conducting negotiations with the Employer. Employees who participate in contract negotiations while on duty shall suffer no loss in pay for such activity.

Section 5. An employee shall not leave his assigned work until he has notified his supervisor that his presence is required in connection with the investigation or presentation of a grievance or contract negotiations with the Employer and has received the supervisor's approval to leave his work for that purpose. Permission to leave work for such purposes shall not be unreasonably withheld. The privilege of leaving work during working hours without loss of time or pay is subject to the understanding that the time will not be abused. Employees shall perform their regularly assigned work at all times, except when necessary to leave their work for the purposes provided herein.

Section 6. The Association may schedule Employer facilities for meetings so long as such meetings do not conflict with the business of the Employer. The usage of Employer facilities shall be scheduled through the office of the responsible shift Commander (or his designee). No employee who is on duty shall attend such meetings without the approval of the responsible shift Commander (or his designee).

Section 7. Upon reasonable requests to the Employer's Human Resources Director, authorized non-employee representatives of the Association shall be granted permission to enter the Employer's operations for the purpose of adjusting grievances with designated Employer representatives.

Section 8. The Association President and up to one (1) other employee shall be granted time off without pay to attend association conventions and seminars, provided it does not result in minimum staffing and overtime does not have to be incurred. This will include travel days when necessary. The Association shall provide a written request to the responsible shift Commander (or his designee) at least thirty (30) days prior to the periods such time off is desired.

## ARTICLE 7 EMPLOYER RIGHTS

It is recognized that the government and management of the Employer, the control and management of its properties and the maintenance of municipal functions and operations are reserved to the Employer and that all lawful prerogatives of the Employer shall remain and be solely the Employer's right and responsibility except as limited by applicable law and the provisions of this collective bargaining agreement. Such rights and responsibilities belonging solely to the Employer are hereby recognized, prominent among which but by no means wholly inclusive are:

- all rights involving public policy;
- the right to decide the number and location of work stations;
- the right to determine the work to be performed within the unit;
- the right to select, hire, assign, transfer, promote and layoff employees;
- the right to discipline, suspend or discharge employees for just cause;
- the right to maintain discipline and efficiency of employees;
- the right to schedule the hours of work of the employees; and
- the right to determine the amount of overtime to be worked.

The Employer acknowledges and recognizes its responsibility and obligation to discharge the above mentioned responsibilities in a fair and equitable manner with regard to all employees covered under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the allocation of overtime.

It is further recognized that the responsibility and authority to determine the scheduling as to hours and type of work is vested exclusively in the Employer. It is further recognized that the Employer may, in lieu of laying off personnel, reassign employees to a different classification, and that the Employer reserves the right to eliminate a position created by a vacancy and to not fill vacancies for authorized positions and/or classifications, provided that any employee who is laid off or involuntarily transferred shall be reassigned to his prior position when such position is next filled.

ARTICLE 8  
GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

Section 1. A grievance is a dispute arising under and during the term of this Agreement with respect to an alleged violation of the express terms of this Agreement.

Time limits specified in the Grievance Procedure are of the essence. If an employee or the Association does not file or appeal a grievance within the specified time limits, such failure shall constitute acceptance of the action taken by the Employer, and the grievance will automatically be disallowed and the matter closed. If the Employer does not respond within the specified time limits, the grievance will be deemed denied and shall automatically move to the next step. The time limits provided in the Grievance Procedure may be extended by a written agreement between the Employer and the Association. Any resolution or forfeiture of a grievance shall be final and binding upon the employee(s) involved, the Association, and the Employer.

An employee with a grievance shall first obtain permission from his responsible shift Commander (or his designee) before leaving his job or work station to contact the Association. An Association representative shall be permitted to be present at all stages of the Grievance Procedure. No grievance may be advanced beyond Step One without the concurrence of the Association President (or designee).

For the purpose of the time limits identified herein, "work days" shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding holidays and other days City Hall is closed for business.

Section 2. Procedure

Step One

Any employee having a grievance shall first take up the matter with his shift Public Safety Captain (or his designee), whichever is applicable, within five (5) work days of the occurrence giving rise to the grievance.



### Step Two

If the grievance is not settled at Step One, it shall be reduced to writing, signed by the employee and a representative of the Association, and submitted to the responsible shift Commander (or his designee) within eight (8) days of the occurrence giving rise to the grievance. Within five (5) work days of receipt of the written grievance, the responsible shift Commander (or his designee) will give his decision in writing to the employee and the Association representative.

### Step Three

If the grievance is not settled at Step Two, the Association's President (or his designee) may request a Step Three meeting. This request shall be submitted to the City's Human Resources Director (or designee) in writing within five (5) work days of the Association Representative's receipt of the decision of the responsible shift Commander (or his designee) at Step Two. A meeting between the Association President (or his designee), the Association's Business Agent, the Human Resources Director (or his designee), the responsible shift Commander (or his designee), and such others as the Employer shall deem necessary to consideration and resolution of the grievance, shall be scheduled within ten (10) work days of the Human Resources Director's (or designee's) receipt of such request. The Human Resources Director (or designee) shall provide the Association President (or designee) a written answer to the grievance within ten (10) work days of the meeting.

### Step Four Arbitration

(a) If the answer at Step Three does not resolve the grievance, the Association may appeal the grievance to arbitration by giving the Human Resources Director (or designee) written notice of intent to arbitrate within ten (10) work days of its receipt of the Director's (or designee's) answer at Step Three. Following the serving of notice of intent to arbitrate, the Employer and the Association shall attempt to select an arbitrator to arbitrate the grievance. If the parties have not mutually selected an arbitrator within twenty (20) work days of the Association's receipt of the Director's (or designee's) answer at Step Three, the Association may file a Demand for Arbitration with the American Arbitration Association no later than twenty-five (25) work days following its receipt of such answer. Concurrent notification of such appeal shall be provided to the Human Resources Director (or designee). Notification to the Human Resources Director (or designee) shall be subject to the same time limitations set forth for filing with the American Arbitration Association and shall include a copy of the Association's Demand for Arbitration and identification of the grievance, the issue(s) and the provisions of the Agreement involved. If the grievance is not submitted to Arbitration in accordance with the procedure and time limits herein provided, the Step Three disposition of the grievance shall be final.

Selection of the arbitrator and the arbitration hearing shall be governed by the Voluntary Labor Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association in effect at the time the Association's Demand for Arbitration is filed. The arbitrator shall have the authority to issue a subpoena for a witness to attend the arbitration hearing. Grievances shall be arbitrated separately unless otherwise agreed in writing between the Employer and the Association.

The fees and approved expenses of the arbitrator shall be shared equally by the Association and the Employer. Each party shall be responsible for compensating its own representatives and witnesses. The cost (if any) of any room or other facility needed for the arbitration shall be shared equally by the Employer and the Association. All hearings shall be held at a mutually agreeable site. Employee witnesses, except the grievant and Association President (or designee), who are scheduled to work on the day of an arbitration hearing, shall be excused from work only to testify and shall return to work immediately thereafter. The grievant(s) and the Association President (or designee) shall be excused from work to attend the entire arbitration hearing and shall return to work immediately thereafter.

The arbitrator shall have authority to hear and determine any grievance involving the application or interpretation of the express terms or conditions of this Agreement, provided the grievance has been timely processed through the Grievance Procedure and is properly before him. In fulfilling his duties under this Agreement, the arbitrator shall have authority to apply and interpret the express terms or conditions of this Agreement but shall not have the authority to add to, subtract from, change, or modify this Agreement, or resolve any dispute under any section of this Agreement which is expressly excluded from arbitration, or imply a provision which is not otherwise specifically provided herein. The arbitrator's decision, when made in accordance with his jurisdiction and authority, shall be final and binding upon the Employer, the Association and any employee or employees involved and cannot be changed by any individual.

No claim for back wages shall exceed the amount of wages the employee would otherwise have earned at his regular pay rate as set forth in Appendix A, less any unemployment compensation or other compensation he may have received from any source of employment not previously approved, in writing, by the Employer as supplemental employment.

(b) Grievances processed to arbitration may be withdrawn only upon written agreement of the Employer and the Association.

### Section 3.

(a) If the Association chooses to grieve an employee's discharge, such grievance shall be filed directly at Step Three in lieu of Step One as above provided.

(b) Any employee who is reinstated after discharge shall, within fourteen (14) days, be returned to duty with the Employer at the same rate of pay, or such rate as may

be agreed to by the parties, or such rate as may be determined by the arbitrator, pursuant to the grievance procedures herein before set forth.

(c) An agreement reached between the Employer and the Association as to the resolution of a grievance or dispute is binding on all employees affected.

(d) Special meetings to discuss and possibly dispose of emergency problems and grievances may be held whenever mutually agreed upon between the Association and the Employer.

## ARTICLE 9 STRIKES AND LOCKOUTS

Section 1. The Association agrees that it will not call, authorize, sanction or participate in any strike, work stoppage, work slowdown or so-called "blue flu" or create or cause any reduction of essential services during the term of this Agreement. The occurrence of any acts prohibited in this Section or by the Michigan Public Employment Relations Act shall be deemed a violation of this Agreement.

Section 2. Nothing in this Article shall be construed to prohibit the Association from publicizing any grievances or disputes it may have with the Employer in any manner which is not in violation of this Article; provided, however, the Association shall exhaust all internal methods and remedies provided by this Agreement for resolution of grievances or disputes before publicizing any of its grievances or disputes it may have with the Employer.

Section 3. The Employer agrees that it will not engage in any lockout of employees during the term of this Agreement. A lockout shall be deemed a violation of this Agreement.

Section 4. Any disciplinary action taken under this Article shall be subject to the Grievance Procedure.

## ARTICLE 10 DISCIPLINE AND DISCHARGE

Section 1. No employee with seniority shall be disciplined without just cause.

Section 2. The following procedure shall be utilized in obtaining statements from employees in connection with complaints or charges which, if true, would constitute a violation of state or federal law, or a traffic violation involving the death or serious injury of a citizen:

- The employee shall be advised that he has the right to counsel before the employee is interrogated or required to make any written or oral statement.

- The employee shall be advised that he need not make any statement except upon written order of the Employer, the violation of which would constitute grounds for disciplinary action.
- The employee shall be given a summary of the conduct of which he has been accused, including the name of the complainant, and the time, date and place of the alleged offense.

Nothing in the foregoing procedure shall limit the right of the Employer to use such statements for disciplinary purposes, including any other hearings pertaining to such matters.

Section 3. Employees shall not be required or requested to take a polygraph examination.

Section 4. All disciplinary actions shall be provided to employees in writing. Employees shall acknowledge receipt of such notices in writing. Copies of all such notices and acknowledgements shall be maintained in employee personnel records.

Section 5. Written counseling notices are for the purpose of documenting that an employee has had a discussion with his supervisor in regards to his work performance. They shall not be regarded as discipline.

Section 6. An employee may request the presence of an Association representative when being questioned by the Employer concerning any matter he reasonably believes may result in discipline.

Section 7. In imposing discipline on a current charge, the Employer will not consider disciplinary actions which occurred more than two (2) years prior to the incident for which disciplinary action is to be taken. While the Employer need not destroy and/or remove evidence of prior disciplinary actions from an employee's personnel record after a period of two (2) years, the Employer shall not rely upon those prior actions in imposing discipline upon an employee for a current incident or matter.

Section 8. The Employer agrees to review an employee's personnel record before releasing information to a third party. The Employer agrees to withhold from the release of information any disciplinary reports, letters of reprimand, or other records of disciplinary action which are more than four (4) years old, except when the release is ordered in a legal action or arbitration to a party in that legal action or arbitration and is permitted by applicable law.

## ARTICLE 11 RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Association recognizes the right of the Employer to establish rules and regulations, not in conflict with this Agreement, as it may from time to time deem

appropriate for the purpose of maintaining order, safety and/or effective operations, and to require compliance therewith by employees. The Employer shall post its rules and regulations electronically.

The Association agrees that all employees shall abide by the Employer's rules and regulations. All such rules and regulations are hereby made a part of this Agreement by reference as though they were fully incorporated herein.

## ARTICLE 12 COMPENSATION

Section 1. Pay Periods. Employees will be paid every other Thursday. One week of wages is withheld to provide the necessary time to prepare the payroll. Payment shall be made through direct deposit. The employee shall also be provided an itemized statement of his earnings and all deductions made for any purpose.

Section 2. Base Wages. The base wages to be paid employees covered by this Agreement are set forth in Appendix A of this Agreement.

New hires shall normally commence their employment at Step One (the minimum rate) of the Wage Schedule for their job classification; provided, however, the Employer may, at its discretion, give an employee up to two (2) years experience credit at the time of the initial offer of employment or any time preceding the completion of one year of service.

Effective July 1, 2021, each person covered by this Agreement shall be placed on the Wage Schedule at the Step identified in attached Appendix G. Thereafter, each July 1 all employees (including new hires) shall advance to the next successive Step of the Wage Schedule (Appendix A) until the employee reaches the maximum step of the Wage Schedule.

Section 3. Gun Proficiency Allowance. All employees hired on or before September 10, 2010, who have passed the most recent MCOLES qualification shoot, shall receive a gun proficiency allowance in the amount of \$32.69 per pay period. The qualification shoot shall be conducted annually on a date to be designated by the responsible shift Commander (or his designee). Those who pass the qualification shoot shall receive the gun proficiency allowance payment in October of each year.

Section 4. Longevity Payments. Employees hired on or after July 1, 2008, shall not be eligible for longevity pay.

Full-time employees hired prior to July 1, 2008, shall be eligible for longevity pay based upon the number of years of continuous service the employee has worked for the Employer. Eligible full-time employees on the Employer's payroll as of December 1 shall be

entitled to longevity pay in accordance with the following schedule:

Less than 5 Years	= None
After completion of 5 years to 10 years	= \$30.00 x years of service
After completion of 10 years to 20 years	= \$35.00 x years of service
More than 20 years	= \$40.00 x years of service

The Employer shall issue special payroll checks to all employees who are eligible for longevity pay between December 1st and December 15th of each year.

Employees shall not be entitled to any longevity pay if their employment with the Employer terminates for any reason other than retirement or death prior to December 1 of any calendar year. An employee who retires or dies prior to December 1 shall be entitled to prorated longevity benefits if all other requirements are met. Longevity pay shall be based upon the number of weeks between the preceding December 1 and the employee's date of retirement or death. Time on layoff shall not apply toward longevity.

### ARTICLE 13 HOURS OF WORK AND OVERTIME

Section 1. General. Subject to the provisions hereinafter provided, the Employer shall have the sole and exclusive right to establish the hours of work and to assign personnel as required and necessary to fulfill the duties and obligations of the Employer. Nothing contained in this Article shall limit the Employer, from making such orders as are necessary to ensure adequate shift strength.

The Employer and the Association agree that all employees will be assigned a regular work schedule of eighty-four (84) hours per bi-weekly pay period (i.e., fourteen (14) day cycle).

Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, such time will be paid at normal straight time compensation in accordance with the provisions of Section 207 (k) of the federal Fair Labor Standards Act.

Section 2. Normal Work Week for Detectives, the School Resource Officer, and Court Officer. The normal work week for Detectives, the School Resource Officer, and Court Officer shall consist of five (5) days, Monday through Friday. Their work day shall be inclusive of a paid meal period. Employees shall be on-call at all times during meal periods. Shift start times shall be between 5:00 a.m. - 12:59 p.m.

#### Section 3. Normal Shift Hours for Uniformed Public Safety Officers.

The normal shift hours for uniformed road public safety officers shall be:

- Day Shift: 6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Night Shift: 6:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, one (1) bid position for each squad may, at the discretion of the Employer, be assigned an alternative shift to cover both day and night shift.

#### Section 4. Bid Positions (Shift, Squad and Eight (8) Hour Day Assignments).

The responsible shift Commander (or his designee) shall publish a schedule of available bid positions (including positions with straight days off) at least four (4) weeks in advance of employee selections. Selection of employee bid positions shall be made in January, May, and September of each year.

Uniformed Public Safety Officers may bid on shift, squad, and eight (8) hour day assignments on the basis of seniority, most senior first. Shift selections shall be submitted to the responsible shift Commander (or his designee) not more than four (4) weeks nor less than two (2) weeks prior to the shift change periods.

Bargaining unit shift positions are as follows:

- Day Shift - 10 rotating positions, divided equally into two squads.
- Night Shift - 10 rotating positions, divided equally into two squads.

The number of positions allotted to each shift is subject to change if the Police Department budget is altered by the City Council. If the number of positions assigned to the upcoming shifts are to be modified from those in place for the previous or current shift, the Employer will, upon reasonable request, meet with the Association's representatives to discuss those modifications prior to the time for shift selections by employees.

Section 5. Exchanges of Days Off and Shift Assignments. Employees will be permitted to exchange days off and shift assignments for two (2) consecutive days or less in duration with timely notice and prior approval of the responsible shift Commander (or his designee). Such exchanges shall in no event interfere or conflict with normal operations and must be between employees with similar positions and assignments. The current work week and schedule shall also be continued. Overtime or premium pay shall not be created by exchanges of days off and shifts. If an employee fails to appear for a trade for any reason (including sickness or injury) he shall not be allowed to engage in any other trades for a period of six months. Exceptions may be made at the discretion of the responsible shift Commander (or his designee).

#### Section 6. Overtime.

(a) General. The necessity of overtime shall be determined by the responsible shift Commander (or his designee). Overtime shall be available to direct areas of replacement (i.e., command for command, public safety officers for public safety officers).

(b) Overtime Pay. Overtime shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half (1½) the employee's regular hourly rate of pay for all time worked (including time spent attending mandatory or Employer-authorized training and related travel time), in excess of eighty-four (84) hours per bi-weekly period, with the exception of overtime caused by regular scheduled double backs due to shift changes. For purposes of this provision, hours for which a person is off work due to paid sick time, paid vacation, paid funeral time, paid personal leave and paid holidays shall count as hours worked.

Overtime time shall be rounded to the nearest one-quarter (1/4) hour. Overtime shall not be pyramided.

Overtime assignments will normally be voluntary. Off-duty employees shall be given preference when the overtime to be worked is more than four (4) hours.

If the necessary staffing is not secured through the solicitation of volunteers, employees shall be assigned the overtime in reverse order of seniority and classification, i.e., least senior employee in the affected classification.

(c) Employees who work overtime may elect to receive compensatory time off in lieu of overtime pay, or a combination of overtime pay and compensatory time off. The employee's compensatory time off bank may not exceed eighty-four (84) hours. Compensatory time must be scheduled and approved by management. Unused compensatory time shall be paid off at termination or retirement.

(d) Overtime Equalization. Overtime will be assigned as equitably as possible within the respective units based on overtime accumulation and the seniority of the employees so assigned.

The following are separate and distinct units that presently exist in the Monroe Police Department:

- Uniform Patrol Unit (The Uniform Patrol Unit is comprised of employees assigned to patrol duties)
- Investigative Unit, including Narcotic/Vice Unit
- Juvenile Unit, including School Liaison
- Court Officer Unit

Employees assigned to one of the above units, other than the uniform patrol unit, for a period greater than ninety (90) days, shall not be entitled to overtime in the uniform patrol unit unless no uniform patrol officers are available to work the overtime. Employees from the uniform patrol unit assigned to another unit for a period less than ninety (90) days shall maintain overtime status in the uniform patrol unit.



When an employee assigned for ninety (90) days or more returns to the regular uniform patrol unit he shall be given an average of the unit's overtime accumulation.

Employees of another unit may be utilized in the uniform patrol unit for reasons of emergency or under strength. When this happens overtime accumulation continues within the employee's regularly assigned unit.

The Employer shall keep overtime records showing overtime worked and overtime refused. The sum of the overtime worked and overtime refused shall be used in determining the employee with the least hours. The employee registered with the least number of overtime hours in that unit will be called first, and so on down the list in an attempt to equalize the overtime hours. For purposes of equalization, overtime paid for court time, holidays (regularly scheduled), seeking authorizations, swearing to breathalyzer referrals, and training (straight time) shall not be counted as overtime hours worked.

To be charged for overtime hours not worked, employees shall be contacted for such overtime work at the telephone number provided by the employee to the Employer for this purpose. The overtime contact list of the Department shall be the final determination as to whether contact was or was not made, and whether the overtime was accepted or not accepted. Employees accepting overtime must accept all hours offered. Answering machines will be considered a "No Answer" contact.

Any employee who is excused from work due to illness or injury or other paid leave time shall not be eligible to be called for overtime work until that employee returns to work following such absence for a full work shift. Employees who desire to be contacted while on vacation shall make such request by written notification to the responsible shift Commander (or his designee).

A new member of the bargaining unit shall be assigned an overtime accumulation equal to the average overtime of all employees in his assigned unit.

On January 1, the registered employee overtime equalization list shall be zeroed out and re-established with each employee who is subject to the equalization process being placed in the order of overtime hours worked at the end of the preceding calendar year, commencing with the employee who was charged with the least number of overtime hours worked.

Section 7. Shift Premium. Employees whose normal shift starts between noon to 5:59 a.m. shall receive a shift premium of \$0.65 per hour in addition to their regularly hourly rate of pay. Eligibility for shift premium shall include overtime hours before or after the employee's regular shift.

An employee working the day shift (no shift premium) held over to the night shift shall receive no premium pay. An employee working the night shift (shift premium) held over to the day shift would continue to receive the night premium rate even though

additional hours overlap the day shift. An employee assigned to the day shift (no shift premium), who starts work during the night shift hours (shift premium) will receive the night shift premium for the overtime hours worked preceding his regular day shift assignment.

An employee working outside of his normal assigned schedule will be paid the shift premium, if any, appropriate to the start time of the scheduled overtime assignment. Overtime compensation includes 1-1/2 times the hourly shift premium for each overtime hour worked.

Shift premium is paid only for hours worked as described herein. Shift premium does not apply to training time, court time, vacation time, personal time, holiday pay (day off), bereavement leave or any lump sum payments, excluding retroactivity awards.

Section 8. Report-time Pay. Two (2) hours report-time pay shall be paid to any employee who is requested or ordered to work overtime if such overtime request or direction is within twenty-four (24) hours of the commencement of said overtime. Report-time pay is not applicable when requests or assignments to work are made to employees more than twenty-four (24) hours in advance (including employees not otherwise scheduled to work on that day) or when an employee who is working has his shift extended for periods of up to four (4) hours in order to provide coverage or assistance for any reason. It shall also not apply to assignments covered under Section 9, Court Time.

The responsible shift Commander (or his designee) shall have the option to extend the hours of employees who are already regularly assigned for periods of up to four (4) hours. Otherwise coverage or assistance shall come first from employees on their scheduled days off and then from employees otherwise scheduled to work on the days when coverage is required.

Section 9. Court Time. Any employee required to attend court on any matter resulting from his performance of duty as a Public Safety Officer in the City of Monroe shall not suffer any diminution of pay as a result thereof. The Employer shall also reimburse reasonable expenses such as meals and lodging when an employee is required to travel out of the City of Monroe. The employee shall provide appropriate receipts, an itemized expense statement, and shall turn over to the Employer all subpoena fees, expenses and cost reimbursements received from any source other than the Employer.

Except as hereinafter provided, an employee who is called to court or required to appear for a deposition at a time other than his normal scheduled duty hours shall be compensated at the rate of time and one-half (1-1/2) his normal base rate of pay for the time worked, or three (3) hours per morning and three (3) hours per afternoon session, whichever is greater. Time taken for lunch will not be paid unless the employee is required to perform duties during a time period set for lunch, in which event time taken for such court related duties shall be documented and paid as time worked.

If an employee is scheduled for court time either immediately before his shift starts or immediately at the termination of his shift, there shall be no minimum time required and

such employee shall be compensated at the rate of time and one-half (1/2) his hourly rate for overtime hours beyond his normal scheduled duty hours.

Employee's who have earned overtime pay for court time in accordance with the provisions of this Section may elect to receive compensatory time off, in lieu of all or part of such overtime pay as provided in Section 6 (c) above.

Section 10. Breaks.

Depending on workload and subject to the understanding that they shall be on-call at all times, employees shall be provided the following breaks:

(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) below, employees may be permitted to take up to two (2) thirty-minute meal breaks. Such breaks may be taken at the employee's personal residence, if such residence is in the City of Monroe.

(b) Employees on the day shift may be permitted to take up to a one (1) hour meal period on Sundays.

(c) Employees on the day shift may be permitted to take up to a one (1) hour break period on New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor day, and up to a two (2) hour paid break period on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

ARTICLE 14  
APPOINTMENTS, BID ASSIGNMENTS AND PROMOTIONS

Section 1. Appointments. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 337(2) of the City Charter, the appointing officer with sole reference to the merit and fitness of the candidates, shall make all Public Safety Officer appointments. All employees shall be required to possess Firefighter I & II and emergency medical first responder certifications as a condition of employment.

All new hires shall possess such certifications at the time of appointment or as a condition of employment agree to acquire such certifications after their hire on a time table to be determined by the Employer. Employees are required to take any licensure or certification examinations within sixty (60) days of completing the training. Employees who do not successfully complete Firefighter I & II and emergency medical first responder training or fail any required licensure or certification following training shall be terminated.

Public Safety Officers who attend Firefighter I & II training during their regularly scheduled hours of work shall be compensated at straight time rates. Those who attend outside of their regularly scheduled hours of work shall be compensated at overtime rates. Meals and mileage expenses shall be covered as provided in this Agreement.

The City shall provide periodic continuing education courses to assist employees in maintaining emergency medical first responder certification and licensure.

The City shall cover the expense of officer attendance at the foregoing training program(s).

Section 2. Titles. Effective July 1, 2021, all employees shall be classified as Public Safety Officers.

Section 3. Assignments.

In addition to normal and customary police functions, a Public Safety Officer may be assigned the duties of a medical first responder and firefighter, including fire suppression and hazardous incident intervention duties as directed by the Employer.

Section 4. Job Bid Assignments to the Positions of Detective or Court Officer.

(a) The Employer shall determine if a vacant Detective or Court Officer position is to be filled. If a vacant Detective or Court Officer position is to be filled, it will be posted for bidding by employees. Any employee may be disqualified based upon two (2) or more reprimands, or a suspension of any duration, that was received by the employee within two (2) years of the deadline for submission of job bids. All new appointments to these assignments shall be at the discretion of the Director of Public Safety (or his designee) from among the top five (5) most senior applicants, with serious consideration given to the recommendation of the responsible shift Commander (or his designee), past job performance, training and other related job qualifications.

(b) Employees obtaining a job bid position will be subject to a one (1) year probationary period. An employee's performance will be evaluated by the immediate supervisor of the work section as well as the training officer or employees assigned to assist the employee. Repeated poor performance evaluations shall cause the probationary employee to be returned to his previous job assignment. Part of the criteria that will be used to evaluate performance will be the employee's ability to learn and perform the duties assigned.

(c) Once in a position, an officer cannot be displaced by another employee exercising his or her seniority.

(d) An employee who voluntarily leaves a bid position will be returned to the Uniform Patrol Unit but will not be permitted to bid on another open position for a period of one (1) year. Employees who have been reassigned by the Employer for unsatisfactory performance will not be prohibited from bidding on other vacant positions for a period of two (2) years.

(e) Detective On-Call Bonus. Employees assigned to the position of Detective in the Detective Bureau and Youth Bureau shall be paid an hourly rate 5% greater than a Public Safety Officer at the same step of the Wage Schedule (Appendix A).

Section 5. Appointments to the Positions of Narcotic/Vice Detective, School Resource Officer, Juvenile Detective and Canine Officer.

Appointments to the positions of Narcotic/Vice Detective, School Resource Officer, Juvenile Detective and Canine Officer shall be at the discretion of the Director of Public Safety, upon recommendation of the responsible shift Commander(s). Available positions shall be announced to all officers electronically at least two (2) weeks prior to the deadline for applications. Officers interested in applying for such position shall submit to the Director of Public Safety a letter of interest, current resume, and a recommendation from their Public Safety Captain and responsible shift Commander.

Applicants shall also be interviewed by a panel appointed by the Director of Public Safety. The panel shall consist of a shift Commander and Public Safety Captain familiar with the open position, and someone from outside the department with expertise specific to the position. The interview panel shall be provided with the applicant's letter of interest, current resume, a letter of recommendation from the employee's Public Safety Captain and the responsible shift Commander, and the applicant's performance evaluations and disciplinary record (including counseling notices). The recommendations of the interview panel shall be reduced to writing by the responsible shift Commander (or designee) and submitted to the Director of Public Safety for consideration.

Appointment duration shall be at the discretion of the Director of Public Safety upon recommendation of the responsible shift Commander. Notwithstanding the foregoing, absent reasonable cause for terminating the appointment of Narcotic/Vice Detectives earlier, such appointments shall be for three (3) years with possible one (1) year extension based on performance.

Section 6. Promotion to the position of Public Safety Captain. The Employer shall determine if a vacant position is to be filled. If the Employer decides to fill a Public Safety Captain position on other than a temporary basis (see Section 7 below), it shall be done in accordance with the provisions of this Article.

The Employer shall post a notice of the vacant position to be filled, including the resource texts to be used in any required testing. Employees shall be provided not less than thirty (30) days advance notice of any required testing. An employee who is interested in a posted position shall make application for testing at the Human Resources Department at least fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the date scheduled for administration of the test.

An applicant must be a Corporal and have completed five (5) years seniority as a sworn public safety officer in the Monroe Police Department in order to be eligible to take the promotional examination. Qualifications for promotion will be determined on the following basis:

A. Written Test and Oral Interview (40% of the employee's total promotional score will be based upon the results of his written test and oral interview; provided, however, an employee who fails to achieve a minimum score of 70% on the written test shall automatically be disqualified from further consideration for promotion)

- Written Test (20% of the employee's total promotional score will be based upon the results of his written test)

Promotional tests shall consist of 100 questions of a uniform style. Questions will be formulated from one or more related source texts. Tests shall be prepared and administered by a third party testing company.

An applicant may review his scored test after the testing company presents the test results to the Employer. If an applicant chooses to challenge a question from the test, he must put that request in writing to Human Resources Department and the test company within five (5) days of his receipt of notice of test results from the Employer. The Employer may also challenge the correctness of any question and its answer. If a question is determined by the test company to be defective, all tests will be rescored and credit given to all candidates for that question.

- Oral Interview (20% of the employee's total promotional score will be based upon the results of his oral interview)

Oral interviews will be administered by a Board consisting of trained and unbiased evaluators. All applicants will be interviewed by the same evaluators. Scores will be determined by a specific point process to be determined by the Board.

B. Experience and Education (20% of the employee's total promotional score will be based upon the employee's experience and education)

- Experience Employees will be awarded one percent (1%) for each full year of service up to a maximum of ten (10) years of service.
- Education Employees will be awarded up to ten percent (10%) based upon the highest academic degree attained as follows:

- Four percent (4%) for an Associate Degree.
- Eight percent (8%) for a Bachelors Degree.
- Ten percent (10%) for a Masters Degree.

- C. Assessment of the responsible shift Commander (20% of the employee's total promotional score will be based upon the responsible shift Commander's assessment of the employee's preparedness for promotion)
- The responsible shift Commander may award each candidate from 0% to 20% based upon his subjective assessment of the employee's performance including, but not limited to, his review of the employee's discipline (including counseling notices) and attendance record for the two (2) years preceding the date of application, professional standing within and outside the department, and overall preparedness for promotion.
  - The assessment of the responsible shift Commander shall be developed, sealed in an envelope, and forwarded to the Human Resources Department prior to the administration of the written test as referenced in Section A above.
- D. Assessment of Director of Public Safety (20% of the employee's total promotional score will be based upon the Director's assessment of the employee's preparedness for promotion)
- The Director of Public Safety may award each candidate from 0% to 20% based upon his subjective assessment of the employee's performance including, but not limited to, his review of the employee's discipline (including counseling notices) and attendance record for the two (2) years preceding the date of application, professional standing within and outside the department, and overall preparedness for promotion.
  - The assessment of the Director of Public Safety shall be developed, sealed in an envelope, and forwarded to the Human Resources Department prior to the administration of the written test as referenced in Section A above.

Upon receipt of the written test results, Human Resources will aggregate all of the points awarded the candidate for a total promotional score. A promotional eligibility list shall be created at the completion of the evaluation process. Eligible candidates shall be ranked in descending order from highest to lowest score, rounded to two decimal places. The candidate with the highest seniority shall break all ties.

The Employer shall appoint the candidate with the highest total score<sup>1</sup>.

The eligibility list shall be in effect for two (2) years from the date it is established. The candidate can choose to pass up the promotion once before being removed from the list.

If no promotional eligibility list for the position exists at the time a vacancy is to be filled, one will be established as soon as practicable.

Section 7. Temporary Appointments to the position of Captain. Temporary appointments to the position of Public Safety Captain may be made by the Employer in its sole and absolute discretion. Any member of the bargaining unit required to temporarily serve in the position of Public Safety Captain, shall receive step up pay in an amount equal to 5% of their regular base pay for the first thirty (30) days, and the regular pay of a Captain for the remainder of such assignments. Such appointments shall ordinarily not exceed ninety (90) days, except in the case of assignment to replace employees on medical leave of absence or employees on long-term training assignment.

Section 8. Appointments to the positions of Public Safety Commander and Public Safety Director. It is recognized that many changes have occurred over the years in the police, fire, and public safety professions, and that the City must ensure all appointees to the positions of Public Safety Commander and Public Safety Director continue to be fully prepared and qualified to confront the challenges of this ever changing environment. Therefore, it is agreed that the City shall have the full and absolute discretion to make appointments to such positions at such time and pursuant to such process and hiring criteria as the City Council may determine from time to time to be appropriate, notwithstanding any provisions of the parties' collective bargaining agreement, the City Charter, Ordinance, Act 78 or any other statutory provisions relating to Civil Service, the City of Monroe Civil Service Manual, and any policies, rules, regulations, and directives of the Monroe Civil Service Commission, to the contrary.

ARTICLE 15  
SENIORITY

Section 1. Probationary Employees

(a) All employees shall serve a probationary period. The probationary period shall extend from date of hire until one year following the successful completion of field training.

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<sup>1</sup> Applicants may appeal alleged errors in the computation of points or the assessments of their performance by the Commander and/or Director of Public Safety within five (5) days of receipt of notice of said assessments. Such appeals shall be submitted to the Director of Human Resources and City Manager whose determination shall be final and binding on all parties.



(b) Probationary employees may be disciplined, discharged, or laid off at the sole discretion of the Employer. Neither the employee nor the Association shall have recourse to the grievance and arbitration procedures of this Agreement.

(c) Training of probationary employees shall include, but not be limited to, evaluation and observation by public safety officers as well as Public Safety Captains. Final review of probationary employees shall consist of a Board of Officers (which shall include at least one (1) public safety officer) who has been involved in the training, evaluation and observation of the probationary employees.

## Section 2. Seniority

(a) Subject to those provisions hereinafter provided, employees shall be credited with seniority dating back to their last date of hire upon successful completion of their probationary period.

(b) Employees who are promoted to a position outside the bargaining unit shall be permitted to return to their former position in the bargaining unit within six (6) months of the date of their promotion without loss of seniority, unless discharged by the Employer.

(c) Except as provided in paragraphs (d) and (e) below, employees who are promoted to a position outside the bargaining unit and who remain in such position in excess of six (6) months shall have no automatic right to return but may apply for position vacancies as they occur under the same terms and conditions as other persons outside the bargaining unit. Should such an employee be reappointed to a position in the bargaining unit, he shall at that time be re-credited with that seniority earned preceding his initial departure from the unit. Such individuals shall not be credited with seniority for that period they were outside the bargaining unit.

(d) Employees who are promoted to a position outside the bargaining unit and subsequently laid off shall have seniority dating back to their last date of hire and may exercise that seniority in effecting their proper placement in the bargaining unit.

(e) Employees who are promoted to a position outside the bargaining unit and subsequently demoted shall be credited with only that seniority earned during the period they were formerly in the bargaining unit. Upon their demotion, they may exercise credited seniority in effecting their proper placement in the bargaining unit.

(f) An employee shall lose all seniority rights in the event he:

- quits;
- retires;
- is discharged for just cause;

- is absent from work for three (3) consecutive work days without prior notification to the Employer, unless it is impossible to do so;
- falsifies a material fact on his application for employment, gives a false reason to obtain a leave of absence, or fails to return to work upon the expiration of a leave of absence without obtaining an extension from the Employer;
- fails to return to work from a layoff after being notified to report to work within ten (10) days;
- has been on layoff for a period of one (1) year;
- is on medical leave of absence for more than two (2) years, except by mutual agreement of the Employer and the Association (if an employee goes on a leave of absence within ninety (90) days after his return from a prior leave of absence, he shall be deemed to be continuing the original leave of absence); or
- works for another employer while on any leave of absence, unless such employment is approved by the Employer in advance.

#### ARTICLE 16 LAYOFF AND RECALL

Lay-offs shall be in order of hire commencing with the last sworn employee appointed to the Police Department. If the Police Department shall again increase its strength or an opening becomes available due to retirement, death, etc., employees laid-off last, shall be the first to be reinstated. The Employer will give two (2) weeks notice to recalled employees. Such notice shall be sent to the employee's last address of record. The employee shall make known his desire to return to the Police Department within three (3) days of receipt of such notification. Application of the above time limits may be waived or extended due to extenuating circumstances.

#### ARTICLE 17 HOLIDAYS

Section 1. Full-time employees who meet all of the eligibility requirements set forth below shall be paid eight (8) hours pay, at their current regular straight-time hourly rate (i.e. excluding all other premiums, if any) for the following holidays:

- New Year's Day (January 1)
- Martin Luther King Day (Third Monday in January)
- President's Birthday (Third Monday in February)
- Good Friday

- Memorial Day (Last Monday in May)
- Independence Day (July 4)
- Labor Day (First Monday in September)
- Veteran's Day (November 11)
- Thanksgiving Day (Fourth Thursday in November)
- Mayor's Day (Day following Thanksgiving)
- Christmas Eve Day (December 24)
- Christmas Day (December 25)
- New Year's Eve Day (December 31)

Section 2. To be eligible for holiday pay, the employee must have worked his last scheduled work day before and the next scheduled work day after the day of observance of the holiday, unless he has an excused absence. Documentation may be required.

Section 3. An employee who has been on layoff more than ten (10) days or who is on an unpaid leave of absence at the time such a holiday occurs, will not be paid for that holiday.

Section 4. If a full-time employee works on a holiday, he shall receive one and one-half (1½) times his hourly rate for all hours worked, in addition to his regular pay for the holiday provided in Section 1 above.

Section 5. An employee shall not be entitled to both holiday pay and sick pay for the same holiday not worked.

ARTICLE 18  
VACATION

Section 1. All full-time employees shall be entitled to the vacation time with pay set forth in the following schedule.

On the anniversary of their date of hire, employees are permitted a maximum accumulation of unused vacation hours as set forth below. Any unused vacation time in excess of this amount shall be forfeited.

Effective July 1, 2016, all full-time employees hired prior to July 1, 2011, shall earn vacation hours with pay in accordance with the following schedule:

<u>Years of Service Completed<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>Vacation Hours</u>	<u>Maximum Accumulation</u>
1 year	56.0	112.0
2-9 years	112.0	224.0
10-14 years	168.0	336.0
15-22 years	224.0	448.0
23-24 years	242.0	484.0

25 and above years	261.0	522.0
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Effective July 1, 2016, all employees hired on or after July 1, 2011, shall earn vacation hours with pay in accordance with the following schedule:

<u>Years of Service Completed<sup>2</sup></u>	<u>Vacation Hours</u>	<u>Maximum Accumulation</u>
1-7 years	112.0	224.0
8-9 years	131.0	262.0
10-11 years	149.0	298.0
12-14 years	168.0	336.0
15-24 years	187.0	374.0
25 and above years	205.0	410.0

Section 2. Employees shall submit block vacation requests not less than two (2) weeks prior to the beginning of each new shift period. A block of time is a minimum of four (4) successive work days for those employees on an eight hour shift and three (3) for those employees on a twelve hour shift. One employee per shift shall have the ability to take the same block of time. Block vacations shall be granted in order of seniority. The first bid for each block of vacation time on a shift that is submitted at least two (2) weeks prior to the beginning of each new shift period shall be approved by the Department. Additional employees may take the same block of time or single vacation days during the same periods other employees are scheduled off, provided overtime does not have to be incurred.

Section 3. When an employee terminates his employment, is discharged, retires or dies prior to his anniversary date, the employee (or his estate) shall be paid for all unused accrued vacation hours, at his current rate of pay. The current year's accrual shall be prorated. Such prorated amount shall be determined by dividing the number of weeks worked by the employee since his last anniversary date by fifty-two (52) and multiplying that result by the number of vacation hours that would otherwise have been earned by the employee for that year.

## ARTICLE 19 LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Section 1. Sick Leave. Regular full-time employees shall earn eight (8) hours of paid sick leave per month, commencing with the employee's first full work day. Unpaid time lost by an employee shall not be considered in computing earned credits for sick leave. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all paid leave days, except sick leave days, shall be considered as days worked for accumulation of sick leave credits. In

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<sup>2</sup> Determined on an employee's anniversary date.

order to be eligible for sick leave credit, an employee must be on the payroll for at least one-half of his regularly assigned work days during the month for which it is earned. Each eligible employee will be allowed to accrue his unused sick time up to a maximum of eight hundred (800) hours. Any time in excess of this amount shall be forfeited.

Additionally, employees shall be paid an amount equal to one-half of the unused portion of sick leave earned in each calendar year. Except as hereinafter provided, such payment shall be made for the preceding calendar year in January of each year, using each eligible employee's rate of pay as of December 31st of the preceding calendar year.

Sick leave may be used in case of actual illness or disability, with the exception of absences due to the use of narcotics or intoxicants (unless medically prescribed), misconduct or any illness or injury incurred while gainfully self-employed or employed by another Employer. Sick leave may be used in one-half hour increments or more. However, the total hours used in a day shall not exceed the number of regularly scheduled hours the employee would otherwise have worked had he not been on sick leave. Sick leave shall not be charged for absences due to on-the-job injuries covered by worker's compensation.

Any employee who becomes ill and is unable to report to work must, unless circumstances beyond the control of the employee prevents such reporting, notify the supervisor on duty no later than one (1) hour before the starting time of his particular shift on the first day of his absence and daily thereafter if not hospitalized or sick leave pay will not be allowed.

A certificate from a doctor or physician may be required as evidence of illness or disability, and ability to return to work, if the employee's period of absence exceeds three (3) working days. Notwithstanding the duration of an employee's period of absence, the Employer shall further have the option, at its own expense, to seek an independent medical examination of the employee certifying the employee's illness or injury and/or the employee's fitness for duty. Abuse of sick leave or falsification of illness or disability will result in disciplinary action up to and including discharge.

If the employee so elects, after all accrued sick leave is used, vacation and personal leave may be used as sick leave benefits. When an employee receives his last check for sickness or disability, he will be placed on leave without pay for a period not to exceed two (2) years or the total amount of his seniority, whichever is less. If, at the end of that time, the employee is still unable to return to work his employment shall be terminated.

An employee who has exhausted his accrued sick leave benefits but is unable to return to work due to a continuing illness or injury will be eligible for up to twenty-six (26) weeks indemnity pay. Indemnity pay will be payable biweekly in accordance with the Employer's normal biweekly pay cycle and calculated at forty-percent (40%) of the employee's biweekly base salary. In order to be eligible for this benefit, the individual must be a regular full-time employee with one (1) year of service.

Section 2. Duty Disability Leave. A "duty disability leave" shall mean a leave required as a result of the employee incurring an illness or injury while in the employ of the Employer that is compensable under the Michigan Workers' Disability Compensation Act ("MWDCA").

In order to be eligible for duty disability leave, an employee shall immediately report any illness or injury to his immediate supervisor and take such first-aid treatment as may be recommended, or waive such first-aid in writing.

Employees on duty disability leave shall continue to accrue vacation and sick leave hours on the same basis as active duty employees for a period not to exceed one (1) year from the date of illness or injury.

All full-time employees who are unable to work as a result of an illness or injury sustained in the course of employment with the Employer shall continue to receive their regular pay (exclusive of shift differential or work premium) for the working days falling within the first seven (7) calendar days of disability. An employee's sick leave will not be charged for this time. (Note: After fourteen (14) days continuous absence, the MWDCA will reimburse the employee at the standard workers' compensation rate for the first week's absence previously paid by the Employer. Upon receipt of such payment, the employee shall immediately reimburse the Employer.)

After seven (7) calendar days, payment of the employee shall be governed by the regulations of the MWDCA; provided, however, for the first twelve (12) months of duty disability leave, the Employer shall also pay the employee bi-weekly the difference between the payment received under the MWDCA and his normal bi-weekly pay (exclusive of shift premium and other work premiums). Thereafter, if the employee has sufficient accrued sick leave, he will be paid bi-weekly the difference between the payment received under the MWDCA and his normal bi-weekly pay (exclusive of shift differential and other work premiums), until the employee's accrued sick leave is exhausted.

An employee who is continuing to work and being treated for a duty disability injury may be treated for such injury during regular working hours and will be compensated at his regular rate of pay. He shall report promptly to work once the appointment is completed.

If the Employer offers "favored work" to an individual on duty disability within the Police Department, which the employee is capable of performing, the employee shall report as directed or forfeit all supplemental compensation and sick leave benefits provided by the Employer under this Section and such other benefits as may be terminated in accordance with the provisions of the MWDCA.

Section 3. Emergency Leave. An employee whose spouse, child, parent, grandchild, grandparent, sibling or parent-in-law is admitted to a hospital with a condition classified as "critical" or "serious," may be granted a leave of absence with pay for a period not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours upon the approval of the Director of Public Safety (or his designee). The responsible shift Commander, (or his designee), may also

approve a paid leave of absence for a period not to exceed one (1) work day upon an admission to a hospital of a sibling of the employee's spouse under the circumstances above-described.

Section 4. Family and Medical Leave. The Employer agrees that it shall maintain a policy providing for employee family and medical leaves under the federal Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA). Employees shall be governed by the provisions of that policy; however, to the extent the Employer's policy provides less benefits than those provided by the FMLA, the provisions of the FMLA shall control. Further, employees may elect to utilize any accrued unused sick leave, vacation, and personal leave benefits while on an FMLA leave.

Section 5. Personal Leave. After one (1) year of service, employees hired before July 1, 2011, will be credited with fifty-six (56) personal leave hours per contract year (i.e. July 1 through June 30); employees hired on or after July 1, 2011, shall be credited with forty-eight (48) hours. Requests to use personal leave time must be made in writing to the responsible shift Commander (or his designee) at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the desired leave time. (Exceptions to the foregoing requirement may be made in cases of bonafide emergencies.) If an employee does not use all of his personal leave during the contract year then that time not used shall be placed in the employee's vacation carry over bank so long as he does not exceed the maximum allotted vacation carry over. Any unused hours in excess of the allotted carry over shall be forfeited. Personal leave time that is added to the employee's vacation bank shall thereafter become vacation time and lose its identity as personal leave time.

Section 6. Bereavement Leave. An employee may be granted a bereavement leave of absence, with pay, for a death in the family as described below, provided that the employee notifies the responsible shift Commander (or his designee) prior to the date of the funeral.

The maximum duration of such bereavement leave shall be five (5) continuous work days for the death of the employee's spouse, child, step-child, brother, sister, parent or parent-in-law; three (3) continuous work days for the death of the employee's grandparent and grandchild; and one (1) day for the death of the spouse's grandparent, brother and sister.

Should a death in his immediate family occur while an employee is on a scheduled vacation leave, the employee shall be eligible to receive these benefits in lieu of his vacation benefits, provided he notifies the Employer prior to the date of the funeral.

Section 7. Other Leaves. In addition to those leaves of absence provided above, an employee may request an unpaid leave of absence for a maximum period of thirty (30) days. Such leave may be extended for successive periods of up to thirty (30) days, not to exceed a maximum of ninety (90) consecutive days. Requests for leave shall be submitted to the responsible shift Commander (or his designee), with a copy to the Human Resources

Director. All leave requests, including extensions, require advance written recommendation of the responsible shift Commander (or his designee) (or his designee).

Employees on an approved leave shall not be engaged in work. Failure to comply with this provision shall result in the employee's termination and the loss of all seniority rights.

Any leave of absence taken under this Section shall not be considered time worked for purposes of earning vacation, sick leave, holiday pay or longevity.

Section 8. Jury Duty. An employee who is summoned for jury duty will be paid the straight-time hourly wage he would otherwise have earned, exclusive of premium, while serving on jury duty. Jury duty fees received by the employee shall be turned over to the Employer (excluding mileage).

## ARTICLE 20 HEALTH, DENTAL, LIFE, VISION AND GENERAL LIABILITY BENEFITS

Section 1. Health Care. Regular full-time employees shall be entitled to health care coverage commencing on their 91<sup>st</sup> day of continuous employment.

1.1. Available Plans. The plans available to employees under this Agreement are described below and vary depending on an employee's date of hire.

A. Employees Hired Prior to August 15, 2011.<sup>1</sup> All regular full-time employees hired prior to August 15, 2011, who desire health care benefits through the Employer shall have his choice of coverage under one of the following plans:

- (1) A Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan Community Blue (90/10) PPO Plan, with \$250 employee/\$500 family deductible, \$1,000 employee/\$2,000 family co-insurance, and Rx generic mandate \$10 co-pay, brand name \$60 co-pay; and mandatory purchase of all maintenance drugs through mail order with Rx generic mandate \$20 co-pay and brand name \$120 co-pay. Employees may select coverage for employee, employee and spouse, employee and child(ren), or family<sup>3</sup>. Employees covered under this Plan shall be required to pay the difference between the total illustrated premium cost of such coverage and the maximum amount the Employer is permitted to pay under Section 3 of the

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<sup>1</sup> For purposes of this Article, all references to an employee's date of hire shall refer to his last date of hire and placement in a sworn certified police officer position in the Employer's Police Department, regardless of rank or bargaining unit.

<sup>3</sup> Eligible participants include the employee, the employee's legal spouse, and the employee's children to the end of the month in which they turn age 26 if they meet the requirements as defined and provided for in the respective plan documents.



Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, Act No. 152 of the Michigan Public Acts of 2011 (see Section (4) below for the manner in which the employee's payment is determined.)

- (2) A Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan Community Blue (80/20) PPO Plan with \$500 employee/\$1,000 family deductible, \$1,000 employee/\$2,000 family co-insurance and Rx generic mandate \$10 co-pay, brand name \$60 co-pay; and mandatory purchase of all maintenance drugs through mail order with Rx generic mandate \$20 co-pay, and brand name \$120 co-pay. Employees may select coverage for employee, employee and spouse, employee and child(ren), or family<sup>2</sup>. Employees covered under this Plan shall be required to pay the difference between the total illustrated premium cost of such coverage and the maximum amount the Employer is permitted to pay under Section 3 of the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, Act No. 152 of the Michigan Public Acts of 2011 (see Section (4) below for the manner in which the employee's payment is determined.)
- (3) A Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan Flexible Blue PPO High Deductible Health Care Plan with a Health Savings Account and Rx generic mandate \$10 co-pay and brand name \$60 co-pay after the annual deductible has been met; and mandatory purchase of all maintenance drugs through mail order Rx generic mandate \$20 co-pay and brand name \$120 co-pay after the annual deductible has been met. This Plan shall include a \$2,000 individual and a \$4,000 family in-network deductible and a \$4,000 individual, \$8,000 family out-of-network deductible.

Except as above provided, after payment of the applicable in-network deductible in each calendar year, the Plan shall cover 100% of all eligible in-network expenses for the balance of that calendar year. After payment of the applicable out-of-network deductible in each calendar year, the Plan shall cover 80% of all eligible out-of-network expenses for the balance of that calendar year. For employees covered under this Plan, the Employer shall pay the illustrated premium cost of the health plan and make a contribution to the employee's HSA in an annual amount of \$350 for those who select employee only coverage, \$800 for employee/spouse or employee/child(ren) coverage, and \$1,000 for family coverage,<sup>4</sup> or the maximum annual amount permissible under Section 3 of the Publicly Funded Health Insurance

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<sup>4</sup> Eligible participants include the employee, the employee's legal spouse, and the employee's children to the end of the month in which they turn age 26 if they meet the requirements as defined and provided for in the respective plan documents.

Contribution Act, Act. No. 152 of the Michigan Public Acts of 2011. (See Section (4) below for the manner in which the employee's payment is determined.)

Employees may make contributions to their Health Savings Accounts on a bi-weekly basis, through automatic payroll withholding, in accordance with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and the related regulations, and the Employer's administrative procedures.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, employees commencing their employment with the Employer after January 1 of any calendar year shall receive prorated contributions to their Health Savings Account in their first calendar year of employment. Such proration shall be based upon the number of days between the employee's date of hire and December 31 of the first calendar year of employment divided by 365.

- (4) Employer Health Care Contributions. The Employer will annually calculate the total cost it is permitted to incur under Section 3 of the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, Act. No. 152 of the Michigan Public Acts of 2011 (the "Act"). The Employer will compare the total cost it is allowed to incur according to the Act to its actual cost if each employee were to select the plan in Section A (3) above. If the actual cost exceeds the allowed cost, the Employer's total cost will be adjusted to comply with the Act by first reducing the employer's contributions to the HSA referenced to in Section A (3) until they are eliminated and then, if necessary, adding an employee payment for the cost of the plan in Section A (3) above until the calculation is brought into compliance with Section 3 of the Act. The employee's payment or the plans in Section 1 and 2 will be adjusted to make the Employer's net cost match the cost for the plan in Section A (3) above.

The illustrated premium costs of the foregoing plans are subject to adjustment each calendar year (typically in January of each year). Prior to implementing each such adjustment, the Employer will inform employees of the adjustment and provide an open enrollment period during which time employees will be permitted to change their coverage selections.

B. Employees Hired On Or After August 15, 2011. Each regular full-time employee hired on or after August 15, 2011, who desires health care benefits through the Employer shall be provided the PPO (90/10) Plan or the Flexible Blue PPO High Deductible Health Care Plan with a Health Savings Account. The two plans shall be as described in Section 1.1 (A) above with the following exceptions; 1) those employees choosing the PPO (90/10) Plan shall be required to contribute 20%

of the illustrated premium cost of such Plan or the cost calculated in Section 1.1 A (4), whichever results in the greater employee payment; and 2) those employees choosing the Flexible Blue PPO High Deductible Health Care Plan with a Health Savings Account shall be required to pay the full amount of the annual deductible and any amount by which the annual premium exceeds the Employer's total costs as calculated in section 1.1 A (4). The Employer shall not contribute to the employee's HSA.

1.2. Spousal Coverage Limitations. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, if a regular full-time employee's spouse works for an employer, other than the City of Monroe, who provides medical coverage, such spouse shall be required to elect employee only medical coverage through his own employer, so long as the spouse's monthly contribution to the premium does not exceed one-third (1/3) of the total premium cost of employee only coverage. In such circumstance, the Employer (i.e. the City of Monroe) shall provide secondary coverage. If the spouse's contribution exceeds one-third (1/3) of the total cost of employee only coverage, the spouse will not be required to participate in his employer's plan, in which event the Employer (i.e. the City of Monroe) will provide primary coverage.

To be eligible for health care benefits as provided above, an employee must document all coverage provided to him/her under his spouse's medical plan and cooperate in the coordination of coverage to limit the Employer's expense.

1.3. Additional Limitations on Coverage. Coverage under the above plans is subject to the terms, conditions, exclusions, limitations, deductibles, illustrated premium co-payments and other provisions of such plans, and all applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and related regulations.

Subject to insurance carrier underwriting requirements and approval, and except as otherwise provided in Article 19, Leaves of Absence, Section 4, Family and Medical Leave, when on an authorized unpaid leave of absence the employee will be permitted to continue his participation in the Employer's health care plans for the period he or she is not on the active payroll. Employees electing to continue such coverage shall pay the full cost of such continued coverage. Upon return from a leave of absence, an employee's health care coverage shall be reinstated commencing with the employee's return.

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, an employee's health care benefits shall terminate at the end of the month in which the employee goes on a leave of absence, terminates, or is laid off. An employee who is on layoff or who terminates may elect to continue the health care coverage herein provided at his own expense as provided under COBRA.

The Employer reserves the right to change the carrier(s), plan(s), and/or the manner in which it provides the above benefits, provided that the benefits are equal to or better than the benefits outlined above. The Employer shall inform the Association of such changes prior to their becoming effective.

Section 2. Health Care Waiver Incentives.

A. Total Waiver of Health Care Coverage

Regular full-time employees who have health care benefits provided through a source other than the City of Monroe may waive their rights to health care benefits under this Agreement. An employee who expressly waives, in writing, all rights to any health care benefits provided through the City of Monroe, including health care benefits provided through a spouse employed by the City, will receive a cash payment (not to be added to base salary) of \$1,250 per year, payable in December of each calendar year. Any employee who has waived coverage for a period less than a full calendar year shall receive a prorated amount of such \$1,250 payment.

An employee who has waived coverage as hereinabove provided shall have such coverage reinstated, provided he demonstrates that he can no longer receive such benefits from another source.

B. Waiver of Coverage for Employee's Spouse or Spouse and Dependent Children Only. Any regular full-time employee whose spouse and eligible dependent children can secure health care coverage from a source other than the City of Monroe may waive all coverage for said spouse and/or dependent children.

An employee who waives all health care coverage for only his spouse, will receive a cash payment of \$750 per year, payable in December of each calendar year. Any employee who has waived coverage under this provision less than a full calendar year shall receive a prorated amount of such \$750 payment.

An employee who has waived all coverage for his spouse and all dependent children, will receive a cash payment of \$1,000 per year, payable in December of each calendar year. Any employee who has waived coverage under this provision less than a full calendar year shall receive a prorated amount of such \$1,000 payment.

An employee who has waived health care benefits coverage under the Employer's plan for his spouse, or spouse and dependent children, may apply to have such benefits reinstated, provided he demonstrates that his spouse, or spouse and dependent children, can no longer receive such benefits from another source.

Section 3. Dental Care Benefits.

The Employer shall provide regular, full-time seniority employees (and their eligible dependents) the dental care benefits in effect as of the date of this Agreement, subject to such terms, conditions, exclusions, limitations, deductibles, co-payments and other provisions of the plan.

Coverage shall commence on the 91st calendar day of continuous employment. Plan benefits include the following:

<u>Covered Services</u>	<u>Plan Pays</u>	<u>Employee Pays</u>
<u>Class I Benefits</u>		
Diagnostic and Preventive Services	100%	0%
Emergency Palliative Treatment	100%	0%
Radiographs - X-rays	100%	0%
<u>Class II Benefits</u>		
Oral Surgery Services	50%	50%
Endodontic Services	50%	50%
Periodontal Services	50%	50%
Relines and Repairs	50%	50%
Minor Restorative Services	50%	50%
Major Restorative Services	50%	50%
<u>Class III Benefits</u>		
Prosthetic Services	50%	50%
<u>Class IV Benefits</u>		
Orthodontic Services (to age 19)	50%	50%

Maximum Payment - \$800 per person total per benefit year on Class I, Class II and Class III Benefits. Class IV Benefits will not exceed a lifetime maximum of \$1,500 per eligible person.

Eligible participants include the employee, the employee's legal spouse, the employee's dependent children to the end of the month in which they turn 26.

Subject to insurance carrier underwriting requirements and approval, and except as otherwise provided in Article 19, Leaves of Absence, Section 4, Family and Medical Leave, when on an authorized unpaid leave of absence the employee will be permitted to continue his participation in the Employer's dental plan for the period he is not on the active payroll. Employees electing to continue such coverage shall pay the full cost of such continued coverage. Upon return from a leave of absence, an employee's dental care coverage shall be reinstated commencing with the employee's return. The Employer shall establish the policy for the collection of employee payments.

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, an employee's dental care benefits shall terminate at the end of the month in which the employee goes on a leave of absence, terminates, or is laid off. An employee who is on layoff may elect to continue the dental care coverage herein provided at his own expense as provided under COBRA.

The Employer reserves the right to change the carrier and/or manner in which it provides the above benefits, provided that the benefits are equal to or better than the benefits outlined above. The Employer shall inform the Association of such changes prior to their becoming effective.

Section 4. Term Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment Benefits. The Employer shall provide each regular, full-time seniority employee term life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment benefits in an amount equal to the employee's base annual salary, rounded up to the nearest \$1,000.00 to a maximum of \$50,000.00.

Coverage will commence on the employee's 91st calendar day of continuous employment

An employee's group term life and accidental death and dismemberment coverage shall terminate on the date the employee goes on a leave of absence, terminates, retires or is laid off.

Subject to insurance carrier underwriting requirements and approval, when on an authorized unpaid leave of absence, the employee will be permitted to continue his or her term life and accidental death and dismemberment benefits coverage for the period he is not on the active payroll. Employees electing to continue such coverage shall pay the full cost of such continued coverage. Upon return from a leave of absence or layoff, an employee's group term life and accidental death and dismemberment coverage shall be reinstated commencing with the employee's return. The Employer shall establish the policy for the collection of employee payments.

The Employer reserves the right to change the carrier and/or the manner in which it provides the above benefits, provided that the benefits are equal to or better than the benefits outlined above. The Employer shall inform the Association of such changes prior to their becoming effective.

Section 5. Vision Care Benefits. Effective January 1, 2022, regular full-time employees (and his eligible dependents<sup>5</sup>) shall be entitled to vision care benefits commencing on their 91st day of continuous employment, subject to such conditions, exclusions, limitations, deductibles and other provisions pertaining to coverage as stated in its plan.

To qualify for vision care benefits as described, such employee must individually enroll and make proper application for such benefits at the Human Resources Department

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<sup>5</sup> Eligible participants include the employee, the employee's legal spouse, and the employee's children to the end of the month in which they turn age 26 if they meet the requirements as defined and provided for in the respective plan documents.

upon the commencement of his regular employment with the Employer. Forms shall be provided to employees by the Human Resources Department.

When on an authorized unpaid leave of absence of more than two weeks, the employee will be responsible for his benefit costs for the period he is not on the active payroll. Employees electing to continue such benefits shall pay the full cost of such continued benefits. Proper application and arrangements for the payment of such continued benefits must be made at the Human Resources Department prior to the commencement of the leave. If such application and arrangements are not made as herein described, the employee's vision benefits shall automatically terminate upon the effective date of the unpaid leave of absence of more than two weeks.

Except as otherwise provided under COBRA, the employee's vision care benefits shall terminate on the date the employee goes on leave of absence of more than two weeks, terminates, retires, or is laid off. Upon return from a leave of absence of more than two weeks or layoff, an employee's vision care benefits plan shall be reinstated commencing with the employee's return to work.

An employee who is on layoff or leave of absence of more than two weeks or who terminates may elect under COBRA to continue at his own cost the coverage here provided.

The Employer reserves the right to change the carrier and/or the manner in which it provides the above benefits, provided that the benefits are equal to or better than the benefits outlined above. The Employer shall inform the Union of such changes prior to their becoming effective.

Section 6. General Liability Insurance. The Employer agrees that employees covered by this Agreement shall be covered under the provisions of its General Liability Insurance Plan, subject to the Employer's right to amend the plan from time to time and the terms, conditions, exclusions, and limitations as stated in said plan(s).

## ARTICLE 21 RETIREMENT AND RETIREE HEALTH CARE

### Section 1. Retirement Plan.

#### (a) Employees Hired On or Before June 30, 2008.

(1) General. Subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter provided, the Employer agrees to maintain the City of Monroe Employees' Defined Benefit Retirement Plan now in effect for all employees covered by this Agreement who were hired on or before June 30, 2008, and are present participants in the Plan.

Employees in the Defined Benefit Plan shall contribute five and one-half percent (5.5%) of their total earnings to the Plan. No employee contributions will be required after 30.2 years of service.

An employee participating in this Plan will be eligible for normal retirement upon attaining age 50 or older with 25 or more years of credited service, age 55 or older with 10 or more years of credited service, or age 60 or older with 5 years of credited service.

The monthly benefit formula for employees in this Plan who elect to retire shall be 2.65% of the employee's final average compensation multiplied by his years of credited service up to a maximum of 30.2 years of credited service, and capped at 80% of final average compensation. Final average compensation shall be the average of the highest three (3) years of the employee's compensation during the last 10 years of his employment. Final average compensation shall be frozen after 30.2 years of service. Final average compensation shall include base salary, shift differential, longevity pay, gun proficiency allowance, holiday pay, overtime pay (the calculation of final average compensation based on earnings after August 15, 2011, shall not include more than 200 hours per year of overtime compensation), MFR bonus, PSO bonus, and uniform cleaning allowance. Effective July 1, 2009, final average compensation shall also include the value of up to 48 unused sick hours per year paid to the retiring employee in his last 3 years of employment. (For example: An employee earns 96 sick hours per year. The Employer pays 1/2 of the unused sick days each year. Thus, an employee who uses none of the 96 hours will be paid for 48 hours each year and have such amount (a total of 144 hours) included in the calculation of his final average compensation for the last 3 years of his employment. If the employee who retires instead uses 16, 32 and 48 sick hours, respectively, in the last 3 years of his employment he will be paid for 40, 32, 24 hours for those years (1/2 of the remaining 80, 64 and 48 hours) and have that amount (i.e. a total of 96 hours) included in the calculation of his final average compensation for the last 3 years of his employment.) Except as above provided, final average compensation shall not include any unused vacation, sick leave, and any other payments not expressly referenced above as being included in final average compensation.

(2) Cost of Living Adjustments. An employee participating in this Plan who was hired on or before September 14, 2004, shall also receive an annual three percent (3%) cost-of-living adjustment, commencing on the completion of one year of retirement during which he has been receiving monthly benefits. The post-retirement escalator will also be fixed at 3% for employees hired after September 14, 2004, and prior to July 1, 2008, provided that if the firefighter Agreement is changed in the future for new hires to be provided 3% or changes in the C.P.I., whichever is lower, this Agreement will be automatically changed to reflect the same agreement. Cost-of-living adjustments shall not be compounded.

(b) Employees Hired On or After July 1, 2008



(1) General. Subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter provided, employees hired on or after July 1, 2008, shall also participate in the City of Monroe Employees' Defined Benefit Retirement Plan now in effect. Such employees shall contribute five and one-half percent (5.5%) of their total earnings to the Plan. No employee contributions will be required after 37.2 years of service.

An employee participating in this Plan will be eligible for normal retirement upon attaining age 55 or older with 10 or more years of credited service, or age 60 or older with 5 or more years of credited service.

The monthly benefit for employees hired on or after July 1, 2008, who elect to retire under this Plan, shall be determined by taking the employee's credited service and multiplying it by 2.0% of the employee's final average compensation for the first fifteen (15) years of credited service and 2.25% for each year of credited service thereafter.

Final average compensation shall be the average of the highest three (3) years of the employee's compensation during the last 10 years of his employment. Final average compensation shall be frozen after 37.2 years of service and capped at 80%. Final average compensation shall only include base salary.

(2) Cost of Living Adjustments. An employee participating in this Plan hired on or after July 1, 2008, shall also receive an annual cost-of-living adjustment of 2% or the annual rate of increase in the Consumer Price Index (All Items, Urban Consumers as published by the United States Department of Commerce) for the calendar year preceding January 1 on which the COLA would be applied, whichever is lower, commencing on the completion of one year of retirement during which he has been receiving monthly benefits.

## Section 2. Retiree Health Care.

### (a) Employees Hired On or Before June 30, 2008.

(1) General. Subject to the requirements hereinafter provided, regular full-time employees hired on or before June 30, 2008, who sever employment for purposes of immediate retirement and, concurrent therewith, commence receiving benefit payments under the City of Monroe Employees' Retirement System referenced in Section 1 (a) above, shall be eligible for health care benefits for himself, his spouse and, except for those who elect annuity withdrawal as provided in Section 1 (a) (3) above, his eligible dependents.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> "Spouse" means an employee's spouse by legal marriage at the time of the employee's retirement, and provided that the marriage status exists at the time expenses for medical claims under this Agreement are incurred. A retiree who remarries after the effective date of his retirement is not eligible to add a new spouse for healthcare benefits under this Agreement. A spouse who is covered under this Agreement at the time of a retiree's death may continue to participate in the benefits provided under this Agreement as long as the spouse receives the retiree's survivor payments under the Retirement System. If the spouse of a retiree remarries after the retiree's death, his new spouse is not eligible to receive healthcare benefits under this Agreement.

Until the retiree and/or his spouse becomes eligible for Medicare, the healthcare benefit plans to be provided under this provision shall be the same as those the Employer provides its active employees. For each year of credited service<sup>2</sup> (up to a maximum of 25 years credited service), the Employer will pay an amount equal to 4% of its share of the illustrated premium cost of coverage of the Plan selected by the retiree<sup>3</sup> and, where applicable, his eligible spouse and dependents.<sup>4</sup> Retirees, and, where applicable, his eligible spouse and dependents shall pay the remaining portion of all costs, if any, of the plan selected. The retiree's and, where applicable, spouse's and dependent's contributions, shall be made through automatic withholding from his monthly pension benefits.

To receive health care benefits under this Agreement, the retiree and, where applicable, the retiree's spouse and/or eligible dependents must timely pay all applicable monthly premiums and, when eligible, enroll and thereafter maintain his participation in Medicare Part B benefits. The retiree and, where applicable, the retiree's spouse and/or eligible dependent(s), shall be responsible for all associated costs of Medicare Part B enrollment and participation.

When the retiree and his spouse become eligible for Medicare, the Employer may change retiree health care coverage to a Medicare supplement plan, Medicare Advantage plan, or such other Medicare-coordinated coverage, but such coverage shall provide comparable prescription drug benefits that the Employer is providing to its active employees.<sup>5</sup> The Employer will pay the same percentage share of the cost of such Supplemental and prescription drug benefits for eligible retirees, spouses and dependents as it would have paid for coverage under the health care plan requiring the lowest

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"Dependent" means dependent children to the end of the month in which they turn age 26 if they meet the requirements as defined and provided for in the respective plan document.

<sup>2</sup> For purposes of this provision, credited service shall be as defined under the City of Monroe Employees' Defined Benefit Retirement Plan.

<sup>3</sup> Notwithstanding the foregoing, duty disability retirees (and their eligible spouses) shall be entitled to an Employer contribution in an amount equal to 100% of its share of the illustrated premium cost of coverage under the Health Care Plan selected by the employee if he is disabled by a qualifying action. The eligible spouses of employees who are killed in the line of duty as a result of a qualifying action shall also be entitled to an Employer contribution in an amount equal to 100% of its share of the illustrated premium cost of coverage of the Plan selected by the retiree and, where applicable, his eligible spouse and dependents. A qualifying action shall consist of one or more of the following events: death or an injury incurred while affecting an arrest or directing traffic, an on duty auto accident, death or an injury resulting from aggression or an assault by a member of the public or a prisoner, or any other similar ultra hazardous activity which results in an officer's death or injury while in the line of duty.

<sup>4</sup> For that period preceding eligibility for Medicare, the Employer's contribution, in combination with any state or federal subsidy, on behalf of a retiree (including his eligible spouse and dependents) with 25 or more years of service shall not be less than what it would have been required to contribute toward the illustrated premium cost of coverage for the retiree and his eligible spouse and dependents, whatever may be applicable, under the health care plan requiring the lowest Employer contribution at the time the retiree commenced his retirement. The Employer's minimum contribution on behalf of retirees (including his eligible spouse and dependents) with less than 25 years of credited service shall be determined by multiplying that percentage of premium to which the retiree is entitled based upon his credited service by the illustrated premium cost of coverage for the retiree and his eligible spouse and dependents, whatever may be applicable, under the health care plan requiring the lowest Employer contribution at the time the retiree commenced his retirement.

<sup>5</sup> Retirees and/or their eligible spouses who do not meet the eligibility requirement for Medicare benefits shall continue to receive the health care benefits for which they are otherwise eligible under this Agreement.

Employer contribution prior to the retiree and his spouse becoming entitled to Medicare. Retirees shall pay the remaining portion of such costs, if any, through automatic withholding from their monthly pension benefits.

The Employer hereby expressly and unqualifiedly reserves the right to change benefits from time to time for the retiree, his spouse and dependents, to reflect the changes in coverage the Employer provides its active employees.

(2) Enrollment for Retiree Benefits. Enrollment for coverage shall be made on forms provided by and filed with the Employer. In connection with his enrollment for coverage, a retiree shall furnish all pertinent information requested by the Employer including, but not limited, the names, relationships and birth dates of the retiree's spouse and dependents. The Employer may rely upon all such forms and information furnished.

(3) Required Annual Reporting. Each retiree shall annually provide the Employer's Human Resources Department with a signed affidavit indicating whether or not he and his spouse are employed and/or receiving health care benefits through another source. Retiree's (or upon the death of the retiree, the retiree's eligible spouse) who fail to report such employment and/or receipt of health care benefits from another source, or falsify such affidavit, shall forfeit all health care benefits under this Agreement for himself and his spouse and dependents.

(4) Coordination of Benefits. To receive health care benefits under this Agreement, retirees and spouses must cooperate in the coordination of coverage to limit the Employer's expense in accordance with applicable law.

If an expense is paid by the Employer on behalf of a retiree or a retiree's spouse, and such expense subsequently is paid from any other source, in whole or in part, the retiree or spouse shall assist the Employer in recovering an amount equal to the duplicated benefit. In addition, the Employer may reimburse any other health care plan, person or entity that has paid an expense on behalf of a retiree or spouse that is an expense payable under this Agreement. In such event, the Employer shall be relieved of all further responsibility with respect to that expense.

(5) Post Retirement Employment. In the event a retiree obtains employment following his retirement from the Employer and is provided health care benefits through that employment, the Employer shall not provide coverage while the retiree is so employed. Upon termination of subsequent employment, the retiree, after giving notice to the Employer, shall be eligible to receive the health care benefits provided under this Agreement.

(6) Termination of Benefits. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the retiree is employed long enough to obtain retiree health benefits through another employer and such benefits are equal to or greater than those provided to the retiree by the Employer, the Employer shall have no further obligation to provide health care benefits to the retiree, his spouse or dependents under this Agreement.

Further, except as otherwise provided herein, health care benefits provided under this Agreement shall terminate on the earliest of:

- non-payment of any required contributions to the Employer;
- the death of the retiree or any eligible spouse or dependent(s) of the retiree;
- the loss of spouse or dependent status; or
- failure to enroll for and maintain Part B Medicare Benefits upon reaching Social Security Normal Retirement Age, if the retiree or his eligible spouse is eligible for such benefits.

Section 3. Retiree Health Care Fund. Employees hired on or before June 30, 2008, shall contribute 3% of the average annualized base wages of all regular full-time employees of the City to the City's Retiree Health Care Fund, which amount shall be calculated based upon the wages paid on June 30 of each year. (Note: Once this amount is determined it shall not later be adjusted to account for changes in the workforce or compensation preceding the next following June 30.) The employee's contribution shall be paid through automatic payroll withholdings in 26 equal biweekly increments during the 12 month period commencing July 1 extending through and including the following June 30. If the employee quits or leaves City employment for any reason and is ineligible for retiree health care benefits, the employee shall be refunded the amount he contributed to the Retiree Health Care Fund. Interest will be credited in the same manner as employee contributions to the pension fund.

(b) Employees Hired On or After July 1, 2008

All employees hired on or after July 1, 2008, are expressly excluded from health care coverage provided in Section 2 (a).

Section 4. MERS Health Care Savings Plan

All full-time employees hired on or after July 1, 2008, shall participate in the MERS Health Care Savings Plan established by the Employer. All covered employees and the Employer shall contribute to the Plan. Employees employed from July 1 and June 30 of each year shall contribute 3% of the average annualized base wages of all regular full-time employees of the City of Monroe, which amount shall be calculated based upon the wages paid on June 30 of each year. (Note: Once this amount is determined it shall not later be adjusted to account for changes in the workforce or compensation preceding the next following June 30.) The employee's contribution shall be paid through automatic payroll withholdings in 26 equal biweekly increments during the 12 month period commencing July 1 extending through and including the following June 30. The Employer shall contribute an equal amount to the Plan on behalf of each employee concurrent with the employee's contribution. Employee's employed less than a full 12 month period

extending from July 1 - June 30 shall make prorated contributions. Such contributions shall be payable during the period of the employees actual employment in biweekly increments equal to 1/26th of the maximum amount subject to contribution by individuals employed the entire 12 month period.

All employees hired on or before June 30, 2008, are expressly excluded from participation in the MERS Health Care Savings Plan established by the Employer as herein provided.

Section 5. MERS 457(b) Plan.

(a) Eligibility. The Employer has adopted a Code Section 457(b) plan through the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan (the "MERS 457 Plan"). All employees may participate in and voluntarily elect to make elective deferral contributions to the MERS 457 Plan.

(b) Employer Contributions for employees hired on or after July 1, 2008. For employees hired on or after July 1, 2008, the Employer will make a matching contribution equal to two percent (2%) of Compensation to the MERS 457 Plan based on their voluntary contributions of at least six (6%) of Compensation under the MERS 457 Plan effective on and after January 1, 2022. 457 Participants may elect, throughout the Plan Year, to increase or decrease their salary deferrals elections in the manner permitted and accordance with the 457 Plan terms; but an employee is entitled to a matching contribution equal to two percent (2%) of his or her Compensation into the MERS 457 Plan only when he or she is making salary deferrals equal to at least six percent (6%) of his or her Compensation into the 457 Plan.

(c) Employees hired prior to July 1, 2008. An employee hired prior to July 1, 2008 voluntarily may contribute to the MERS 457 Plan, but the Employer will not make any employer contributions (matching or otherwise) to the MERS 457 Plan on his or her behalf.

ARTICLE 22  
EDUCATION REIMBURSEMENT

Section 1. To be eligible for educational reimbursement, employees must be employed in a regular full-time position and have completed at least one (1) year of service with the Employer.

Section 2. Eligible employees may be reimbursed only for courses of study which the Employer determines are directly related to the employee's present job or which will enhance the employee's potential for promotion. In addition, to qualify for educational reimbursement, courses must be taken at an approved accredited institution.

Section 3. Tuition reimbursement will be in accordance with the following schedule:

- (a) Undergraduate level - A or B = 100%;  
C = 90%; D or below, drop or  
withdrawal = no reimbursement.
- (b) Graduate level - A = 100%; B = 90%; C  
or below = not reimbursable.
- (c) Courses taken on a pass/fail basis.  
Pass = 100%; Fail = No reimbursement.

Section 4. Employees who desire educational reimbursement must obtain approval from the Director of Public Safety (or his designee) and the Human Resources Director (or designee) a minimum of thirty (30) days in advance of enrollment in classes. A written request detailing courses or subject areas in which the employee plans to enroll shall be accompanied by a signed tuition reimbursement agreement form. Such approval will require a positive recommendation by the employee's responsible shift Commander (or his designee) and the Human Resources Director (or designee). Upon approval of the curriculum or course of study, notification will be sent to the employee.

Section 5. Within sixty (60) days of completion of the course(s) for which reimbursement is requested, the employee shall submit to the Human Resources Department (or designee) an original or certified copy of his official grade(s) along with a receipt for tuition paid. The Human Resources Department will then process the request for reimbursement.

Section 6. Employees seeking reimbursement for educational expenses must agree in writing to repay the Employer in full if they terminate their employment voluntarily or are terminated within two (2) years from the date of reimbursement. Such sums shall be reimbursed on or before the employee's last day of employment.

## ARTICLE 23 POLICE RESERVES

Section 1. The Employer reserves the right to assign police reserve officers to complement, aid, and assist the Monroe City Police Department in maintaining law and order, as permitted under the statutes and ordinances of the State of Michigan and the City of Monroe. Examples of functions to be performed by such officers include:

Crowd Control (e.g., parades; athletic events; civic functions; special events; school and municipal dances; demonstrations and protests.)

Civil Disturbances and Other Disasters (e.g., riots and affrays; strikes; guarding municipal installations; floods; tornadoes.)

Training (police reserve officers work a controlled number of hours with full-time officers for training purposes.)

Police Work (police reserve officers are not assigned to perform the duties of a sworn public safety officer, except under direct order from a sworn public safety officer to assist under the statutes and ordinances of Michigan law and the Employer.)

Section 2. Except for inspection patrols, police reserve officers shall not be used unless under the direct supervision of a full-time sworn public safety officer.

Section 3. Police reserve officers shall not work in excess of 24 hours a week on an Inspection Patrol.

Section 4. The Employer may schedule up to four police reserve officers for each full-time public safety officer assigned to work at a civic function, special event, municipal and school dances.

Section 5. Police reserve officers shall not be used for parades, riots and affrays, strike duty and natural disaster unless all full-time employees have first been offered the opportunity to work said situation.

Section 6. In all cases, the Employer reserves the right to establish the number of regular full-time public safety officers required for any given circumstance or event. When all full-time public safety officers of the Monroe Police Department have been called and offered the opportunity to work and the Employer fails to obtain the number of full-time public safety officers to meet the required number as designated by the Director of Public Safety (or his designee), the Employer shall have the right to schedule any number of police reserve officers that is necessary. If the minimum quota is not met for full-time public safety officers, the Employer (or his designee) shall have the right to order such officers to work.

#### ARTICLE 24 SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM

The Employer reserves the right to select and use trained officers to assist the Monroe County Sheriff's Department as members of a Special Response Team ("SRT"). SRT members will assist in tactical planning and in conducting tactical operations including, but not limited to, building and vehicle assaults, the searching and clearing of buildings, hostage rescue, and tactical deliveries.

Employees assigned to the SRT will continue to receive the compensation and benefits provided under this Agreement. The Employer shall also provide any special equipment, uniforms, and weaponry required on such assignment.

Staff levels permitting, employees assigned to the SRT shall serve in such capacity in lieu of their regular scheduled work. Scheduling will be determined by the Employer.

The following procedure will be used for the selection of employees to be assigned to the SRT:

- a) Volunteers will be solicited to take part in the SRT. A minimum of two years law enforcement experience and successful completion of probation shall be required.
- b) The SRT will make a recommendation of Team Member applicants to the responsible shift Commander. The responsible shift Commander shall make a recommendation to the Director of Public Safety. The Director of Public Safety will make the final selection.
- c) Once selected, employees(s) must agree to meet the requirements set forth by the SRT. Participation in the SRT is a long-term commitment. Voluntary withdrawal by an active Team Member shall require three (3) months advance notification. The SRT may also remove an employee from the SRT if he fails to meet the requirements.

The Employer may remove an employee from the SRT to promote the effectiveness of the Monroe City Police Department.

#### ARTICLE 25 MAINTENANCE OF CONDITIONS

The Employer will make no unilateral changes in wages, hours, benefits, and conditions of employment during the term of this Agreement, contrary to the provisions of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 26 MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1. Personnel Record. The provisions of Public Act 397 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended, are hereby incorporated by reference. An official personnel record shall be maintained by the Employer. Each employee may review his or her own personnel record upon reasonable request, or authorize the review of such record by the Association President (or designee). Such authorization shall be in writing.

Except for that material which is exempt from disclosure under applicable state or federal law (e.g. pre-employment reference checks, etc.), each employee shall, upon written request, be provided a copy of material in his file relating to his qualifications and performance. If an employee disagrees with the content of a document placed in the file, he shall have the right to submit a written response to the Human Resources Director with a request that it be attached to the document in the file.

Section 2. Health and Safety. The Employer shall make reasonable provisions for the health and safety of employees, including providing safe and adequately maintained vehicles



and equipment. The Association and the Employer agree that they will cooperate in encouraging employees to observe health and safety standards.

Employees shall report problems related to maintenance and operation of their patrol vehicles and equipment to the supervisor in charge. The supervisor, in consultation with the employee, shall determine if any necessary repairs can be made during the shift or if the reported condition is of such a serious nature as to require that the vehicle or equipment shall not be used until it is repaired. If the problem reported is of a life threatening nature, the supervisor in charge shall take the vehicle and/or equipment out of service until it has been inspected by the Employer's designated repair personnel or facility.

Section 3. Bulletin Boards. The Employer agrees to furnish a bulletin board of reasonable size for the use of the Association. The bulletin board shall be available in an area generally accessible to employees. The Association agrees to keep the bulletin board neat and in a state of good repair. The bulletin board is to be used only for notices of Association meetings, Association elections and results, and social functions in connection with the Association. The Association shall designate a person who shall be responsible for all notices posted on the bulletin board. Association notices, as specified above, may not be posted in any other location except as permitted by the Employer. In no event shall a notice of a derogatory, defamatory or political nature be posted on the bulletin board.

Section 4. Foot Patrols. The value of foot patrols in police work is well established. Except in an emergency, the Employer will provide any employee assigned to a one-man foot patrol an operating two-way communication device by which he can contact the City Police Department's command post and patrol vehicles.

Whenever a foot patrol is used, volunteers will be sought first to fill such assignments. Appointments will be made in order of seniority, beginning with the most senior employee. Lacking sufficient volunteers, the responsible shift Commander (or his designee) will assign personnel to perform the prescribed duties. Such assignments will be done on a fair and equitable basis via systematic rotation of the personnel comprising the affected squad.

Shift Commander's (or their designees) shall take into account the need for the assignment, the risk of the assignment, the duration of the assignment, the temperature (including the wind chill factor below 0 degrees F as reported by the National Weather Service) and other inclement weather conditions when assigning foot patrols in severe weather. If the assignment is made in inclement weather, the employee shall be entitled to reasonable break periods out of the weather.

Section 5. Field Training Officer Stipend. Field Training Officers shall be compensated at a rate of one hour overtime pay for every day (or portion thereof) they spend evaluating and orienting an applicant during the applicant's required ride along shifts and training a probationary employee.

Section 6. City Charter. The Police Department shall be provided with a copy of the City Charter and any amendments thereto.

Section 7. Training. Subject to budget limitations and approval of the responsible shift Commander (or his designee), employees may be permitted to attend training programs on police related matters. Any employee required to attend a training program by the department shall suffer no diminution or loss of pay or benefits for said attendance. The Employer shall also pay necessary registration fees and other reasonable and customary expenses in accordance with the Employer's travel expense policies, including travel to and from the police station. Employees who attend on a voluntary basis shall also be entitled to the above with the exception of travel time.

Section 8. Business Travel. Employees sent out of town on official business for periods exceeding four (4) hours shall be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred on such assignment; provided, however, meal reimbursement shall be as follows:

Breakfast	\$ 6.00 maximum
Lunch	\$12.00 maximum
Dinner	\$18.00 maximum

Reimbursement shall be subject to the employee producing receipts and other required documentation in accordance with the Employer's travel expense reimbursement policies and procedures.

Section 9. Off Duty Weapon Requirements. Employees shall not be required to carry a weapon while off duty.

Section 10. Clothing and Equipment Allowance.

The Employer shall furnish to each employee upon initial employment to the Department and on an as-needed basis thereafter, all uniforms and equipment the employee is required to wear or otherwise utilize in the performance of his regular duties.

The employee is responsible for the cleaning of each of these items throughout his employment, with the exception of those items that are damaged in the course of performing an employee's assigned job duties which will be replaced by the Employer.

The Employer agrees to establish an account from which each employee may charge up to \$650 per year, for dry cleaning, the replacement of any items that are worn out, lost, misplaced, or stolen, as well as for the purchase of uniform accessories, e.g. baseball style caps, t-shirts, gloves, sweatshirts, and shoes that are in compliance with the City's uniform policy. Purchases shall be made from Superior or such other vendor(s) as may be approved from time to time by the Employer.

The Employer shall also provide employees a bullet proof vest every five (5) years. The cost of the basic vest shall be borne by the Employer and shall be in addition to the clothing and equipment allowance referenced above. Employees who desire vests other than those provided by the Employer, shall bear the differential in cost, if any. The purchasing of other

vests shall be subject to advance approval of the responsible shift Commander (or his designee).

Section 11. Residency. Employees shall reside within twenty (20) miles of the nearest boundary of the corporate limits of the City of Monroe, as prescribed by P.A. 212. (New hires to the Monroe Police Department shall have one (1) year after the completion of their probationary period to comply with this requirement.) The Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) will be used in determining the nearest boundary to the City of Monroe when an address is in question. The Human Resources Department will make a determination based on the information provided through SEMCOG. The parties agree that the information provided by SEMCOG will be determinative and no other source for determining residency may be used.

Section 12 Drug Testing. See Appendix B for the policy governing the drug testing of employees

## ARTICLE 27 SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

Section 1. This Agreement, including all Appendices and Memorandums of Understandings attached hereto, represents the entire agreement between the Employer, the Association, and the Employer's employees which the Association represents. This Agreement supersedes, cancels, and renders null and void, all previous agreements and letters of understandings, oral or written, or based on an alleged past practice and constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. Any agreement or agreements which supplement this Agreement shall not be binding or effective for any purpose whatsoever unless reduced to writing and signed by the Employer and the Association.

Section 2. The Employer and the Association acknowledge that during the negotiations which resulted in this Agreement, each had the unlimited right and opportunity to make demands and proposals with respect to any subject or matter not removed by law from the area of collective bargaining, and that the understandings and agreements arrived at by the parties after the exercise of the right and opportunity are contained in this Agreement. Therefore, the Employer and the Association, for the life of this Agreement, each voluntarily and unqualifiedly waives the right, and agrees that the other shall not be obligated, to bargain collectively with respect to any subject or matter referred to or covered in this Agreement, or with respect to any subject or matter not specifically referred to or covered by this Agreement, even though such subject or matter may not have been within the knowledge or contemplation of either or both of the parties at the time that they negotiated or signed this Agreement.

Section 3. Any agreement reached between the Employer and the Association is binding upon all employees in the bargaining unit who are affected by such agreement and may not be changed by any individual employee.

Section 4. Should any provision of this Agreement be rendered or declared illegal or invalid by operation of law or by any tribunal of competent jurisdiction, or if compliance with or enforcement of any provision should be restrained pending a final determination as to its validity, the remaining unaffected part(s) or provision(s) of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby. However, in such event, the parties shall meet promptly for the purpose of negotiating a mutually satisfactory replacement for those provisions rendered or declared illegal or invalid.

Section 5. This Agreement shall supersede any rules and regulations, ordinances, resolutions, acts or orders of the Employer insofar as the same would be inconsistent or conflict in any way with this Agreement.

ARTICLE 28  
DURATION

This Agreement shall be effective at 12:01 a.m. on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2021, and shall continue in full force and effect until midnight on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 30, 2026, when it shall terminate.

CITY OF MONROE



Robert E. Clark, Mayor



Vincent Pastue, City Manager



Charles F. McCormick, Chief of Police



Peggy A. Howard, Director of Human Resources

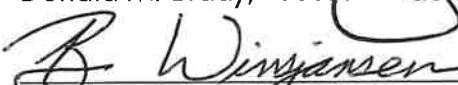


Michelle J. LaVoy, Clerk/Treasurer

POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION  
OF MICHIGAN



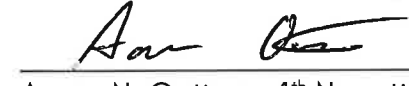
Donald M. Brady, Local President



Brian P. Winsjansen, Vice President



Michael L. Merkle, Secretary/Treasurer



Aaron N. Oetjens, 4<sup>th</sup> Negotiator

 10/4/21

Thomas K. Funke, Business Agent/POAM

APPENDIX A  
WAGE SCHEDULE

		<u>Step 1</u> <u>Start</u>	<u>Step 2</u> <u>12 Mos.</u>	<u>Step 3</u> <u>24 Mos.</u>	<u>Step 4</u> <u>36 Mos.</u>	<u>Step 5</u> <u>48 Mos.</u>	<u>Step 6</u> <u>60 Mos.</u>
July 1, 2021	Hourly Rate	\$23.46	\$26.82	\$28.49	\$30.17	\$31.84	\$33.52
	Annual Salary <sup>1</sup>	\$51,243	\$58,564	\$62,224	\$65,884	\$69,545	\$73,205
July 1, 2022	Hourly Rate	\$23.93	\$27.35	\$29.06	30.77	\$32.48	\$34.19
	Annual Salary <sup>1</sup>	\$52,268	\$59,735	\$63,469	\$67,202	\$70,936	\$74,669
July 1, 2023	Hourly Rate	\$24.41	\$27.89	\$29.64	\$31.39	\$33.13	\$34.87
	Annual Salary <sup>1</sup>	\$53,314	\$60,930	\$64,738	\$68,546	\$72,354	\$76,162
July 1, 2024	Hourly Rate	\$24.90	\$28.46	\$30.23	\$32.01	\$33.79	\$35.57
	Annual Salary <sup>1</sup>	\$54,380	\$62,148	\$66,033	\$69,917	\$73,801	\$77,686
July 1, 2025	Hourly Rate	\$25.40	\$29.03	\$30.84	\$32.65	\$34.47	\$36.28
	Annual Salary <sup>1</sup>	\$55,468	\$63,391	\$67,353	\$71,315	\$75,277	\$79,239

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<sup>1</sup> Annualized Salary determined by using a standard work year of 2,184 hours.

APPENDIX B  
DRUG TESTING POLICY

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide all sworn Public Safety Officers ("Public Safety Officers" or "Officers") with notice of the provisions of the City of Monroe Police Department's drug testing program.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of this department that the critical mission of law enforcement justifies maintenance of a drug-free work environment through the use of a reasonable drug testing program.

The law enforcement profession has several uniquely compelling interests that justify the use of drug testing. The public has a right to expect that those who are sworn to protect them are at all times both physically and mentally prepared to assume these duties. There is sufficient evidence to conclude that the use of controlled substances and other forms of drug abuse will seriously impair an officer's physical and mental health and, thus, job performance.

Where officers participate in illegal drug use and drug activity, the integrity of the law enforcement profession and public confidence in that integrity are destroyed. This confidence is further eroded by the potential for corruption created by drug use.

Therefore, in order to ensure the integrity of the department and to preserve public trust and confidence in a fit and drug free law enforcement profession, this Department will implement a drug testing program to detect prohibited drug use by sworn officers.

III. DEFINITIONS

A. Sworn Officer. Those officers who have been formally vested with full law enforcement powers and authority. The terms "sworn officer" and "officer" shall include all members of the bargaining unit.

B. Supervisor. Those sworn officers appointed by the Employer to a position having day-to-day responsibility for supervising subordinates.

C. Drug Test. The compulsory production and submission of urine and/or blood, in accordance with departmental procedures, by an officer for chemical analysis to detect prohibited drug usage.

D. Reasonable Suspicion. That quantity of proof or evidence that is more than a hunch, but less than probable cause. Reasonable suspicion must be based on specific, objective facts and any rationally derived inferences from those facts about the conduct of an officer. These facts or inferences would lead the reasonable person to suspect that the officer is or has been using drugs while on or off duty.

E. Medical Review Officer. The Medical Review Officer ("MRO") is a physician knowledgeable in the medical use of prescription drugs and the pharmacology and toxicology of illicit drugs. The MRO will be a licensed physician with knowledge of substance abuse disorders. The MRO shall have appropriate medical training to interpret and evaluate an officer's test results in conjunction with his or her medical history and any other relevant biomedical information.

#### IV. PROCEDURES/RULES

##### A. GENERAL RULES

The following rules shall apply to all officers, while on and off duty:

1. No officer shall illegally use, possess or sell any controlled substance.
2. No officer shall ingest any controlled or prescribed substance, except under the direction of a licensed medical practitioner.
  - a) Public Safety Officers shall notify their immediate supervisor when required to use prescription medicine that may influence their job performance. Employees who self report a prescription drug dependency shall be referred for appropriate treatment and placed on a leave of absence in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. The officer shall submit one of the following:
    - (1) note from the prescribing doctor;
    - (2) copy of the prescription;
    - (3) show the bottle label to his immediate supervisor.
  - b) Supervisors shall document this information and retain the memorandum for at least thirty (30) days.
3. No officer shall ingest any prescribed or over-the-counter medication in amounts beyond the recommended dosage. No officer shall ingest any controlled or prescribed substance, except under the direction of a licensed medical practitioner.
4. Any officer who unintentionally ingests, or is made to ingest, a controlled substance shall immediately report the incident to his supervisor so that



appropriate medical steps may be taken to ensure the officer's health and safety.

5. Any officer having a reasonable basis to believe that another officer is illegally using, or is in possession of, any controlled substance shall immediately report the facts and circumstances to his supervisor.

6. Discipline of sworn officers for any violation of this drug testing policy shall be in accordance with the due process rights provided in the Department's rules and regulations, policies and procedures, and the collective bargaining agreement. (The officer may be immediately relieved of duty pending a departmental investigation at the discretion of the Director of Public Safety (or his designee), when one of the following occurs:

- a) A refusal to participate;
- b) Reasonable suspicion;
- c) The MRO determines that an officer's drug test was positive.

#### B. APPLICANT DRUG TESTING

1. Applicants for the position of sworn officer shall be required to take a drug test as a condition of employment during a pre-employment medical examination.

2. Applicants shall be disqualified from further consideration for employment under the following circumstances:

- a) Refusal to submit to a required drug test, or
- b) A confirmed positive drug test indicating drug use prohibited by this policy.

#### C. RIGHT OF INSPECTION

All property owned and/or controlled by the Employer, including lockers, desks or other property issued to an officer, is subject to Employer inspection at any time as there is no expectation of privacy. Other property on the Employer's premises shall be subject to Employer inspection in accordance with departmental policies and applicable state and federal law.

#### D. TESTING STANDARDS

1. Sworn officers will be required to take drug tests as condition of continued employment in order to ascertain prohibited drug use, as provided below:

A drug test will be administered as part of any promotional physical examination required by this department.

A drug screening test shall be administered as a condition of admission to the Narcotic Unit.

2. The members of the Narcotic Unit may be tested randomly at least once every six months and also when an officer leaves the unit.

3. The Employer may order a sworn officer to submit to a drug test when there is reasonable suspicion that the sworn officer is or has been using illegal drugs or prescription drugs in violation of this policy. Reasonable suspicion may be based upon, for example, among other things, direct observation of use and/or the physical symptoms of having used drugs, a pattern of abnormal conduct or erratic behavior including, but not limited to, excessive absenteeism, tardiness, indifferent job performance, poor work, and on-the-job injuries or accidents, indictment for a drug-related offense, and/or newly-discovered evidence that the officer has tampered with a previous urine sample and/or drug test.

4. A sworn officer's failure or refusal to submit to a drug test as directed by the Department or the alteration or substitution of a specimen shall be a violation of this drug testing policy and shall result in discipline up to, and including, discharge.

#### E. DRUG USE DETERMINATION

The determination that an officer uses illegal drugs may be made on the basis of direct observation, confirmed results of the Department's drug testing program, the officer's own admission or other appropriate basis.

#### F. PENALTY

Violation of any provision of this drug testing policy shall be grounds for disciplinary action, or such other action as the Employer shall determine to be appropriate in the circumstances. Discipline shall be administered as set forth in the Code of Conduct and Rules and Regulations for the Monroe Police Department and further defined in the Department's Policies and Procedures, and may include discharge from the Police Department. Any discipline remains subject to review in accordance with the collective bargaining agreement.

#### G. DRUG TESTING PROCEDURES

1. The testing procedures and safeguards provided in this policy shall be adhered to by any laboratory personnel administering departmental drug tests.

2. Laboratory personnel authorized to administer departmental drug tests shall require positive identification from each officer to be tested before the officer enters the testing area.

3. In order to prevent a false positive test result, a pre-test interview shall be conducted by testing personnel to ascertain and document the officer's recent use of any prescription or non-prescription drugs, or any indirect exposure to drugs.

4. The testing area shall be private and secure. Authorized testing personnel shall search the testing area before an officer enters same in order to document that the area is free of any foreign substances. Authorized testing personnel may:

- a) control the test area to ensure that samples have not been hidden for a substitution;
- b) prohibit the carrying of purses, bags, luggage, briefcases, or other containers into the test area; and
- c) prohibit the wearing of coats and/or jackets into the test area.

5. It is recognized that the Employer has the right to request the clinic personnel administering a urine drug test to take such steps as checking the color and temperature of the urine specimen(s) to detect tampering or substitution, provided that the officer's right of privacy is guaranteed, and in no circumstances may observation take place while the officer is producing the urine specimens. If it is established that the officer's specimen has been intentionally tampered with or substituted by the officer, the officer is subject to discipline as if the specimen tested positive. In order to deter adulteration of the urine specimen during the collection process, physiologic determinations such as creatinine, specific gravity and/or chloride measurements may be performed by the laboratory.

Any findings by the laboratory outside the "normal" ranges for creatinine, specific gravity and/or chloride shall be immediately reported to the Employer so that another specimen can be collected without undue delay. The clinic shall also immediately notify the MRO.

6. Where the officer appears unable or unwilling to give a specimen at the time of the test, testing personnel shall document the circumstances on the drug-test report form. The officer shall be permitted no more than two (2) hours to give a sample. During that time, the officer shall remain in the testing area, which shall remain under the observation and control of the clinic personnel. Direct observation of the officer producing the sample is prohibited. Reasonable amounts of water may be given to the officer to encourage urination. Failure to submit a sample shall be considered a refusal to submit to a drug test except for good cause as determined by the MRO.

7. Urine in excess of the first 60ml shall be placed in a second container by authorized testing personnel. The samples must be provided at the same time, and marked and placed in identical specimen containers by authorized testing personnel. One sample shall be submitted for immediate drug testing. The other sample shall

remain at the facility in frozen storage. If an officer is told that the first (1st) sample tested positive, the officer may, within seventy-two (72) hours of receipt of actual notice, request that the second (2nd) urine specimen be forwarded by the first (1st) laboratory to another independent and unrelated approved laboratory of the parties' choice for Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry (GC/MS) confirmatory testing of the presence of the drug. If the officer requests a second test, he shall simultaneously pay to the Employer the cost of the second test. The officer may be suspended without pay once the first (1st) laboratory reports a positive finding while the second (2nd) test is being performed. If the second (2nd) laboratory report is negative, the officer will be reimbursed for the cost of the second (2nd) test and for all lost time.

8. All specimen samples shall be sealed, labeled, initialed by the officer and laboratory technician, and checked against the identity of the officer. Samples shall be stored in a secured and refrigerated atmosphere until testing or delivery to the testing lab representative.

#### H. DRUG TESTING METHODOLOGY

1. The testing or processing phase shall consist of:

- a) Initial screening test;
- b) Confirmation test--if the initial screen testing is positive.

2. The urine sample is first tested using the initial drug screening procedure. An initial positive test result will not be considered conclusive; rather, it will be classified as "confirmation pending". Notification of test results to the Director of Public Safety (or designee) shall be held until the confirmation test results are obtained and verified by the MRO.

3. A specimen testing positive will undergo an additional confirmatory test. The confirmation procedure shall be technologically different and more sensitive than the initial screening test.

4. The drug screening tests selected shall be capable of identifying marijuana, cocaine and every major drug of abuse, including heroin, amphetamines and barbiturates. Personnel utilized for testing will be qualified to collect urine samples, or adequately trained in collection procedures.

5. Concentrations of a drug at or about the following levels shall be considered a positive test result when using the initial immunoassay drug screening test:

- a) Initial Test Standards

The initial test shall use an immunoassay which meets the requirements of the Food and Drug Administration for commercial

distribution. The following initial cutoff levels shall be used when screening specimens to determine whether negative or positive for these classes of drugs:

<u>SKBL Analyte</u>	<u>Initial Test Level (ng/ml)</u>
Marijuana	50 ng/ml
Cocaine	300 ng/ml
Opiates	2000 ng/ml
Phencyclidine	25 ng/ml
Amphetamine	1000 ng/ml

Some specimens may be subjected to initial testing by methods other than immunoassays, where the latter are unavailable for detection of specific drugs of special concern.

b) Confirmatory Test Standards

All specimens identified as positive on the initial screening test shall be confirmed using gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) techniques and by quantitative analysis at the cutoff levels listed below:

<u>SKBL Analyte</u>	<u>Initial Test Level (ng/ml)</u>
Marijuana	15 ng/ml
Cocaine	150 ng/ml
Opiates:	
Morphine	2000 ng/ml
Codeine	2000 ng/ml
Phencyclidine	5 ng/ml
Amphetamine	500 ng/ml

I. CHAIN OF EVIDENCE - STORAGE

1. Each step in the collecting and processing of the urine specimens shall be documented to establish procedural integrity and the chain of custody.
2. Where a positive result is confirmed, urine specimens shall be maintained in a secured, refrigerated storage area. If a dispute arises, the specimens will be stored until all legal disputes are settled.

J. DRUG TEST RESULTS

All records pertaining to departmental-required drug tests shall remain confidential and shall not be provided to other employers or agencies without the written permission of the person whose records are sought. However, medical, legal, administrative and immediate supervisory personnel may have access to the records as needed in their service to the Employer.

APPENDIX C

MEMBERSHIP DUES DEDUCTION AUTHORIZATION

I authorize the City of Monroe to deduct my regular POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN membership dues from my pay. I agree that such deductions shall be consecutive and in such prorated amounts as certified to the Employer by POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN in writing, and that all dues deducted shall be remitted to the person designated by POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN in writing.

I further understand and agree that this authorization shall remain in effect until I serve written notification of cancelation upon the City of Monroe.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## APPENDIX D

### LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING RE: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT 2021 (ARPA)

It is hereby agreed by and between the City of Monroe ("Employer") and the Police Officers Association of Michigan ("Association"), as follows:

The Employer and the Association recognize employees covered under this Collective Bargaining Agreement have provided, and continue to provide, essential services to our community during the COVID-19 MIOSHA Emergency Rules: Therefore, in recognition of such service, the City of Monroe shall make five (5) lump-sum premium payments to each employee covered by the parties' Collective Bargaining Agreement who is actively on the payroll at the time of payment (not to be added to base wages).

- a) Within thirty (30) days after ratification of this Agreement by both parties, the Employer shall make a lump-sum premium payment (not to be added to base wages) to each eligible employee in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000), less required state and federal taxes.
- b) Within thirty (30) days after October 1, 2022, the Employer shall make a lump-sum premium payment (not to be added to base wages) to each eligible employee in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000), less required state and federal taxes.
- c) Within thirty (30) days after October 1, 2023, the Employer shall make a lump-sum premium payment (not to be added to base wages) to each eligible employee in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000), less required state and federal taxes.
- d) Within thirty (30) days after October 1, 2024, the Employer shall make a lump-sum premium payment (not to be added to base wages) to each eligible employee in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000), less required state and federal taxes.
- e) Within thirty (30) days after October 1, 2025, the Employer shall make a lump-sum premium payment (not to be added to base wages) to each eligible employee in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000), less required state and federal taxes.

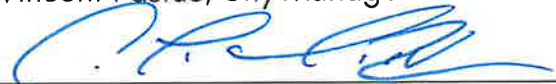
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APPENDIX E

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
RE: ENHANCEMENTS TO WAGES AND SELECTED BENEFITS

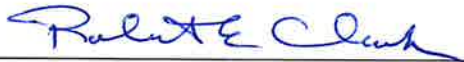
It is hereby agreed between the City of Monroe ("Employer") and the POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN ("Association") as follows:

Notwithstanding any provision of the parties' 2021-2026 Collective Bargaining Agreement ("Agreement") to the contrary, if the Employer agrees to a greater percentage increase in base pay, greater lump-sum premium payments pursuant to the ARPA, an increase in the multiplier used in the calculation of retirement benefits, changes in residency requirements, or an Early Retirement Incentive or Buy-Out Program for members of IAFF 326 during the period 7/1/2021 and 6/30/2026, that is more favorable than those provided under this Agreement, the Employer shall also grant such enhancements to employees covered by this Agreement.

The Employer and the Union agree that this Memorandum of Agreement shall not establish a precedent in the future interpretation, application or administration of the parties' Agreement.

Dated: July 1, 2021

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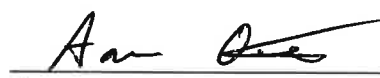
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APPENDIX F

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
RE: COURT OFFICER

It is hereby agreed between the City of Monroe ("Employer") and the POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN (POAM) ("Association") as follows:

As provided in Article 14, Section 4. Job Bid Assignments to the Positions of Detective or Court Officer, the Employer has the right to determine if the position of Court Officer is to be filled. The Association hereby reaffirms the Employer's rights in this area and agrees that the Employer may elect at any time to fill or eliminate this position, including the reassignment of its duties and responsibilities to other classifications within or outside the bargaining unit, in its sole and absolute discretion. It is further agreed that any such action(s) by the Employer may not be the subject of a grievance or other action by the Association or any employee of this Employer represented by the Association.

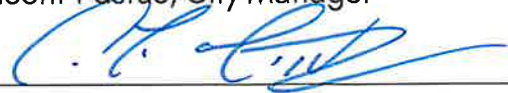
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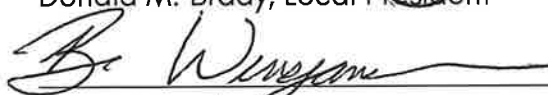
  
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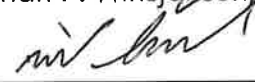
  
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**APPENDIX G**

<b>Employee Name</b>	<b>Hire Date</b>	<b>New</b>		<b>Current Classification</b>	<b>Pay rates under new wage scale Effective July 1, 2021</b>
		<b>Current Rate</b>	<b>Beg Step</b>		
ALEXANDER, BRIAN M	1/28/2019	30.39	5	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	\$31.84
BAFUS, JAY P	10/11/1999	32.15	6	POLICE CORPORAL PUBLIC SAFETY	33.52
BRADY, DONALD M	11/2/1998	29.66	5	POLICE CORPORAL	33.52
CATHEY, BRENT M	10/1/2012	31.57	6	POLICE CORPORAL PUBLIC SAFETY	33.52
FERGUSON, BRADY M	11/29/2020	22.43	2	PATROLMAN	26.81
FLORA, JASON M	2/11/2002	32.15	6	POLICE CORPORAL PUBLIC SAFETY	33.52
GONYEA, SETH T	1/11/2015	31.42	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
JOSWIAK, KRISTOPHER A	8/5/2013	31.42	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
KLEINERT, TYLER M	6/13/2016	31.42	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
KOTSCH, SHAWN M	2/6/2017	31.42	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
LAMOUR, MITCHELL B	9/17/2018	26.94	4	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	30.17
LEMANSKI, TAYLOR M	11/13/2017	30.19	5	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	31.84
MANCINI, DINO A	6/1/1998	32.15	6	POLICE CORPORAL PUBLIC SAFETY	33.52
MCKENZIE, ALEXANDER M	7/27/2015	31.42	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
MERKLE, MICHAEL L	8/20/2012	31.57	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
NELSON, CHRISTOPHER D	1/3/2012	31.71	6	POLICE CORPORAL PUBLIC SAFETY	33.52
OETJENS, AARON N	12/20/2011	31.71	6	POLICE CORPORAL PUBLIC SAFETY	33.52
PARISE, RYAN E	2/8/2015	31.42	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
PETERSON, RENAE A	5/3/2004	32.15	6	POLICE CORPORAL PUBLIC SAFETY	33.52
PROOST, DEANNA M	10/16/2017	31.42	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
REAUME, MATTHEW P	2/6/2017	31.42	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
SAWDY, JOSHUA E	7/5/2017	31.42	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
SMITHERS, PEYTON K	5/28/2017	31.42	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
TIMMINS, BRACE W	3/4/2013	31.57	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
VILLANUEVA, MICHELLE	7/4/2021	23.35	2	PATROLMAN	26.81
WILHELM, ZACHARY J	12/14/2020	25.48	3	PATROLMAN	28.49
WINSJANSEN, BRIAN P	5/7/2012	31.71	6	POLICE CORPORAL PUBLIC SAFETY	33.52
WINTER, JACOB E	1/25/2016	31.42	6	PATROL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER	33.52
ZIMMERMAN, ADAM L	1/14/2002	32.15	6	POLICE CORPORAL PUBLIC SAFETY	33.52