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AGREEMENT BETWEEN

KING COUNTY

AND

PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES UNION COMMUNICATIONS CENTER SUPERVISORS

These articles constitute an agreement, terms of which have been negotiated in good faith, between King County (the County), the King County Sheriff's Office (KCSO), and the signatory organization subscribing hereto. This Agreement shall be subject to approval by Ordinance by the County Council of King County, Washington.

MLA Working conditions that KCSO and the Union agree apply to this bargaining unit include, the following MLA Articles: Unpaid leaves (Article 3), Donated Leaves (Article 6), Holidays (Article 10), Professional Development (Article 12), Supported Employees (Article 13), Reclassifications (Article 14), Special Duty (Article 15, except 15.3), Union Engagement (Article 21), Bulletin Boards (Article 23), Savings Clause (30), Duration (31), After Hours Support (Article 33), and Required Training/Certifications (Article 36).

MLA provisions that do not apply to this bargaining unit include, the following MLA Articles: Jury Duty (Article 5), TLT Positions (Article 17), Job Postings (Article 18), Public Disclosure (Article 19), Union notification (Article 20), Union Leave (Article 22), Grievance procedure (Article 26), Discipline (Article 27), Sick Leave (Article 34), Vacation Leave (Article 35), and Working Out of Class (Article 37).

ARTICLE 1: PURPOSE

The intent and purpose of this Agreement is to promote the continued improvement of the relationship between King County and its employees by providing a uniform basis for implementing the right of public employees to join organizations of their own choosing, and to be represented by such organizations in matters concerning their employment relations with King County and to set forth the wages, hours and other working conditions of such employees in appropriate bargaining units provided the County has authority to act on such matters and further provided the matter has not

 been delegated to any civil service commission or personnel board similar in scope, structure and authority as defined in RCW 41.56.

ARTICLE 2: UNION RECOGNITION AND MEMBERSHIP

Section 2.1. *Jurisdiction:* The County Council recognizes the signatory organization as representing those employees whose job classifications are listed in the attached Addendum C.

Section 2.2. <u>Union Security</u>: It shall be a condition of employment that all regular full-time and regular part-time employees who are members of the Union on the effective date of this Agreement, shall remain members in good standing, or pay an agency fee to the Union for their representation to the extent permitted by law.

It shall be a condition of employment that regular full-time and regular part-time employees covered by this Agreement and hired on or after its effective date shall, on the thirtieth (30th) day following such employment, become and remain members in good standing in the Union, or pay an agency fee to the Union for their representation to the extent permitted by law.

Provided, that an employee with a bona fide religious objection to union membership and/or association based on the bona fide tenets or teachings of a church or religious body of which such employee is a member shall not be required to tender those dues or initiation fees to the Union as a condition of employment. Such employee shall pay an amount of money equivalent to regular union dues and initiation fee to a non-religious charity mutually agreed upon between the public employee and the Union. The employee shall furnish written proof that payment to the agreed upon non-religious charity has been made. If the employee and the Union cannot agree on the non-religious charity, the Public Employment Relations Commission shall designate the charitable organization. It shall be the obligation of the employee requesting or claiming the religious exemption to show proof to the Union that he/she is eligible for such exemption.

All initiation fees and dues paid either to the Union or charity shall be for non-political purposes.

Section 2.3. <u>Dues Deduction</u>: Upon receipt of written authorization individually signed by a bargaining unit employee, the County shall have deducted from the pay of such employee the amount of dues as certified by the secretary of the signatory organization and shall transmit the same to the

treasurer of the signatory organization.

The signatory organization will indemnify, defend, and hold the County harmless against any claims made and against any suit instituted against the County on account of any check-off of dues for the signatory organization. The signatory organization agrees to refund to the County any amounts paid to it in error on account of check-off provision upon presentation of proper evidence thereof.

Section 2.4. *Union Membership Form:* The County will require all new employees, hired or promoted into a position included in the bargaining unit to sign a form (in triplicate), which will inform them of the union's exclusive recognition.

Section 2.5. <u>Bargaining Unit Roster</u>: The County will transmit to the Union a current listing of all employees in the bargaining unit within thirty (30) days of request for same but not to exceed twice per calendar year. Such list shall include the name of the employee, classification, department and salary.

ARTICLE 3: RIGHTS OF MANAGEMENT

It is recognized that the Employer retains the right to manage the affairs of the County and to direct the work force. Such functions of the Employer include, but are not limited to:

- a. determine the mission, budget, organization, number of employees, and internal security practices of the Department;
- **b.** recruit, examine, evaluate, promote, train, transfer employees of its choosing, and determine the time and methods of such action, and discipline, suspend, demote, or dismiss employees for just cause. When a transfer is used as a disciplinary sanction, it shall be subject to the grievance procedure and just cause provisions of Article 12;
- **c.** assign bargaining unit work to any employee in any classification in the bargaining unit consistent with Article 11, Section 7 and direct the work force;
 - d. develop and modify class specifications;
 - e. determine the method, materials, and tools to accomplish the work;
 - f. designate duty stations and assign employees to those duty stations;
 - g. reduce the work force;

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h. establish reasonable work rules:

- i. assign the hours of work;
- j. take whatever actions may be necessary to carry out the Department's mission in case of emergency;

k. Bi-weekly pay: the right to define and implement a common bi-weekly payroll system that will standardize pay practices and fair Labor Standard Act work weeks is vested exclusively in King County. Implementation of such system may include, but is not limited to, the conversion of wages and leave benefits into hourly amounts and changes to scheduled pay dates. The parties recognize that applicable provisions in the collective bargaining agreement may be reopened at any time during the life of this agreement by the County for the purposes of negotiating these standardized pay practices, to the extent required by law.

In prescribing policies and procedures relating to personnel and practices, and to the conditions of employment, the Employer will comply with state law to negotiate or meet and confer, as appropriate. However, the parties agree that the Employer retains the right to implement any changes to policies or practices that are not mandatory subjects of bargaining.

All of the functions, rights, powers, and authority of the Employer not specifically abridged, deleted, or modified by this Agreement are recognized by the Union as being retained by the Employer.

- 1. Civil Service and Career Service: King County retains the right to bargain changes or effects - to the extent required by law - to King County Civil Service Rules and Career Service/Personnel Guidelines, and may propose such changes at any time. Such proposals may be discussed in labor/management meetings or any forum acceptable to the parties.
- m. Early Intervention Systems (EIS): Consistent with the authority retained in Article 3 Section B supra, King County has the right to develop and implement an EIS system consistent with King County Sheriff's Office policies and procedures.
- n. Performance Review: Consistent with the authority retained in Article 3, Section B supra, King County has the right to develop and implement a performance evaluation system consistent with King County Sheriff's Office policies and procedures.

o. Civilian Review: King County has the right to create, develop and implement a system of civilian review and an Office of Law Enforcement Oversight (KC OLEO) consistent with King County Ordinances.

ARTICLE 4: HOLIDAYS

Employees covered by this Labor Agreement shall be eligible for holidays with pay as provided in the Master Labor Agreement (MLA), Article 10, except as modified below.

Section 1. <u>Date of Observance</u>: All holidays shall be observed in accordance with RCW 1.16.050, as amended. Provided further, that employees who work in a twenty-four hour seven day per week operation such as the Communications Center shall observe the following four (4) holidays on the specific dates listed below. For these specific named holidays, overtime will be paid only to those employees who work on the dates listed below:

| Holiday | Date of Observance and |
|------------------|--------------------------|
| | Overtime Payment |
| New Year's Day | First of January |
| Independence Day | Fourth of July |
| Veteran's Day | Eleventh of November |
| Christmas Day | Twenty-Fifth of December |

Section 2. *Overtime Payment:* All employees shall take holidays on the day of observance unless their work schedule requires otherwise for continuity of services, in which event, they shall be paid at one and one half (1-1/2) times the regular rate for any shift that begins on a holiday, in addition to the regular holiday pay.

Section 3. <u>Holidays, Eligibility</u>: Pursuant to Master Labor Agreement, Article 10

Section 4. <u>Pro-Rata Benefits</u>: Regular part-time employees will receive holiday benefits based upon the ratio of hours actually worked (less overtime) to a standard work year.

ARTICLE 5: VACATIONS

Section 5.1. <u>Accrual - 40 Hour Employees:</u> MLA Provisions regarding Vacation Leave shall not apply to this bargaining unit. Regular full-time employees working 40 hours per week, shall receive vacation benefits as indicated in the following table:

| Full Years of Service | Maximum Annual Leave in Days |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Upon hire through end of year 5 | 12 |
| Upon beginning of Year 6 | 15 |
| Upon beginning of Year 9 | 16 |
| Upon beginning of Year 11 | 20 |
| Upon beginning of Year 17 | 21 |
| Upon beginning of Year 18 | 22 |
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| Upon beginning of Year 24 | . 28 |
| Upon beginning of Year 25 | 29 |
| Upon beginning of Year 26 and beyond | 30 |

Maximum vacation accrual will be 480 hours (320 hours for employees hired on or after January 1, 2018).

Section 5.2. <u>Accrual Based on Hours Worked</u>: Vacation benefits for regular, part-time employees will be established based upon the ratio of hours actually worked (less overtime) to a standard work year. For example, if a regular, part-time employee normally works four (4) hours per

day in a unit that normally works eight (8) hours per day, then the part-time employee would be granted four-eighths of the vacation benefit allowed a full-time staff member with an equivalent number of years service. Employees may not use accrued vacation leave during their first six (6) months of employment, except as substitution for sick leave pursuant to Article 6.

Section 5.3. *No County Employment While on Vacation:* No person shall be permitted to work for compensation for the County in any capacity during the time when vacation benefits are being drawn.

Section 5.4. *Vacation Increments:* Vacation may be used in one-half hour increments at the discretion of the department director or his/her appointed designee.

Section 5.5. <u>Maximum Payment Upon Termination</u>: Upon termination for any reason, the non-probationary employee will be paid for unused vacation credits up to a maximum allowable accumulated vacation. Vacation payoff shall be calculated by utilizing the employee's base wages as set forth in Addendum C.

The hourly rate shall be determined by dividing the annual rate of pay by the number of work hours in that year.

Section 5.6. <u>Payment Upon Death of Employee</u>: In cases of separation by death, payment of unused vacation benefits shall be made to the employee's estate, or, in applicable cases, as provided by RCW, Title 11.

Section 5.7. <u>Vacation Leave Cap</u>: Pursuant to Master Labor Agreement, Article 9 and as modified below. All employees may continue to accrue additional vacation beyond the maximum specified herein if, as a result of cyclical workloads or work assignments, accrued vacation will be lost. Non-probationary employees who leave King County employment for any reason will be paid for their unused vacation up to the maximum specified In the MLA consistent with Section 5.5 above. Employees shall use or forfeit excess vacation accrual prior to the pay period that includes December 31st of each year. Employees may carryover excess vacation accrual only when express approval is granted by the Sheriff or his/her designee.

Section 5.8. <u>Vacation Preference</u>: In accordance with past practice, vacation shall be granted on a seniority basis within each shift, squad, or unit and shall be taken at the request of the

employee with the approval of the Division Commander. Employees who are transferred involuntarily, and who have already had their vacation request approved as specified above, will be allowed to retain that vacation period regardless of their seniority within the new shift, squad, or unit to which they are transferred.

Section 5.9. <u>Shift Assignments - Communications Center</u>: Communications Supervisors shall be allowed to submit shift and furlough preference forms prior to shift change(s). Shift assignments may be made with consideration given to employee seniority and preference, with the Department's staffing and training requirements given first priority. Decisions concerning shift assignments pursuant to this section shall not be a subject for the grievance procedure.

Section 5.10. **Donated Leaves:** Pursuant to Master Labor Agreement, Article 6.

ARTICLE 6: SICK LEAVE

Section 6.1. <u>Accrual</u>: MLA provisions regarding Sick Leave shall not apply to this bargaining unit. Full-time regular employees, and part-time regular employees who receive vacation and sick leave shall accrue sick leave benefits at the rate of 0.04616 hours for each hour in pay status exclusive of overtime up to a maximum of eight (8) hours per month. Employees shall accrue sick leave from their date of hire in a leave eligible position. The employee is not entitled to sick leave if not previously earned.

Section 6.2. <u>Loss of Accrual</u>: During the first year of service, employees eligible to accrue vacation leave may, at the appointing authority's discretion, use any accrued days of vacation leave as an extension of sick leave. If an employee does not work a full year, any vacation leave used for sick leave must be reimbursed to the county upon termination.

Section 6.3. *Increments:* Sick leave may be used in one-half hour increments at the discretion of the division manager or department director.

Section 6.4. *No Sick Leave Limit:* There shall be no limit to the hours of sick leave benefits accrued by an employee.

Section 6.5. <u>Verification of Illness</u>: Department management is responsible for the proper administration of the sick leave benefit. Verification of illness from a licensed health care provider may be required for any requested sick leave absence.

Section 6.6. <u>Separation from Employment</u>: Separation from County employment except by reason of retirement or layoff due to lack of work or funds or efficiency reasons, shall cancel all sick leave currently accrued to the employee. Should the employee resign in good standing or be laid off and return to the County within two years, accrued sick leave shall be restored.

Section 6.7. *Pregnancy Disability:* Accrued sick leave may be used for absence due to temporary disability caused by pregnancy.

Section 6.8. <u>Other Than County Employment:</u> Sick leave because of an employee's physical incapacity shall not be approved where the injury is directly traceable to employment other than with the County.

Section 6.9. <u>Sick Leave Cashout</u>: Employees eligible to accrue sick leave and who have successfully completed at least five (5) years of county service and who retire as a result of length of service, or who leave County employment in good standing after twenty-five (25) years or more, or who terminate by reason of death shall be paid, or their estates paid or as provided for by RCW Title 11, as applicable, an amount equal to thirty-five (35) percent of their unused, accumulated sick leave multiplied by the employee's rate of pay in effect upon the date of leaving county employment less mandatory withholdings.

Section 6.10. *Maximum Compensation:* Employees injured on the job may not simultaneously collect sick leave and workers' compensation payments in a total amount greater than the net regular pay of the employee. Provided that employees who qualify for workers' compensation may receive payments equal to net regular pay.

Section 6.11. <u>Uses of Sick Leave</u>: Employees are eligible for payment on account of illness for the following reasons:

- 1. Employee illness;
- 2. Noncompensable injury of an employee (e.g., those injuries generally not eligible for worker's compensation payments);
 - 3. Employee disability due to pregnancy or childbirth;
 - 4. Employee exposure to contagious diseases and resulting quarantine;
 - **5.** Employee keeping medical, dental, or optical appointments.

ARTICLE 7: WAGE RATES

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Section 7.1. The wage range is listed in Addendum C.

Section 7.2. Wage Increases:

- a. Wage rates for 2018 will be adjusted pursuant to the Total Compensation Coalition and Master Labor Agreements. 2019 and 2020 wage rates are yet to be determined through the Total Compensation Coalition bargaining to occur in 2018.
- Section 7.3. <u>Shift Differentials</u>: The value of the shift differential has been rolled over into the base wage of all employees in this bargaining unit and is included in the wages outlined in Addendum C.

Section 7.4. <u>Communication Center Training Duty</u>: Employees in the Communications

Center who are assigned in writing the responsibility of training and written evaluation of new

employees or newly promoted Communications Supervisors shall be compensated in the following

manner:

For each day a trainer is assigned an employee to train, the trainer will receive one (1) day's training credit. After a total of twenty (20) days, (i.e., four weeks), training credit has been accrued, the trainer will have the option of receiving thirty (30) hours additional pay at the straight time rate or thirty (30) hours of additional vacation time or any combination totaling thirty (30) hours. Each additional block of twenty (20) days training credit will entitle the trainer to the aforementioned compensation option. In addition, Phase III training compensation will be increased to eight (8) hours of straight time pay, vacation time or any combination of pay and vacation time totaling eight (8) hours.

Section 7.5. Reinstated Employees:

- a. <u>Reinstatement Within One Year</u>: Employees who are reinstated pursuant to Civil Service Rules within one calendar year of the date they left County service shall, upon reinstatement, be compensated at Step 1 of their respective pay range. Upon successful completion of six (6) months actual service after reinstatement, they shall be compensated at the equivalent of the same salary step that they were on when they left service plus any step advancement due for the addition of the current service.
- b. *Reinstatement Within Two Years:* Employees who are reinstated pursuant to Civil Service Rules within two (2) calendar years but after one (1) calendar year shall, upon reinstatement, be compensated at Step 1 of their respective pay range. Upon successful completion of twelve (12) months actual service after reinstatement, (or six (6) months for job classifications which obtain a step after six (6) months of service) they shall be compensated at the equivalent of the same salary step that they were on when they left service plus any step advancement due for the addition of the current service.
- c. In order to receive credit for prior service under this Section, employees must receive an overall rating of "Meets Standards" or better on all performance evaluations during the six

(6) month or one (1) year period respectively.

ARTICLE 8: OVERTIME

Section 8.1. Contract Overtime:

Overtime shall be payable after working 40 hours in a week. Overtime shall be paid at one and one half (1-1/2) times the employee's regular rate calculated using their hours worked. "Hours worked" excludes all sick leave. Hours worked excludes all sick leave, but this exclusion will be suspended for the duration necessary, consistent with Addendum G.

- Section 8.2. Callouts: Are pursuant to the MLA, Article 33.
- **Section 8.3.** *Training Shift Pay:* In the event that the department requires an employee to attend a mandatory training session, and such training is not directly before or after a shift or during a shift, then a two hour shift minimum will be paid.
- Section 8.4. *Overtime Authorization:* All overtime shall be authorized by the Department Director or his/her designee in writing. Saturday and Sunday work is not overtime when it is a regularly scheduled workday for the individual crew.
- **Section 8.5.** <u>Minimum Standards Set By Law:</u> If any provision of this article conflicts with minimum standards established by RCW 49.46 then that provision shall be automatically amended to provide the minimum standards.
- **Section 8.6.** *Work Week:* For the purpose of calculating contract overtime compensation, an employee's work week shall be defined as beginning with the first day of work after a furlough day and continuing for a total of seven (7) consecutive days. Also, the workday shall be defined as beginning with the first hour of work and continuing for a total of twenty-four (24) consecutive hours.
- Section 8.7. <u>Compensatory Time</u>: Employees may submit written requests for compensatory time in lieu of over time payments for working over time as defined by this Article. The employer will approve or deny such requests in writing. Employees who accrue compensatory time shall be allowed to carry up to sixty (60) straight time hours of compensatory time at any given time.

The parties agree that it creates an undue hardship on King County and King County Sheriff's

Office for accrued compensatory time to be scheduled or taken at any other time than during the time slots reserved for annual leave. Minimum staffing levels, staffing shortages, regulations concerning response time, federal funding requirements, and public safety responsibilities combine to unduly disrupt the Department's operation if compensatory time is not scheduled in this manner.

The parties reasonably and in good faith, anticipate that it would impose an unreasonable burden on the agency's ability to provide services of acceptable quality and quantity for the public during the time requested without the use of an employee's services if scheduled compensatory time is not limited to the time slots set aside for annual leave. Annual leave, compensatory time and discretionary leave may be scheduled in these annual leave slots, with annual leave given priority in scheduling. Requests for leave other than annual leave will be reviewed on a first come first serve basis, however, backfill requirements alone will not cause the Department to deny requests to schedule compensatory time. Requests to schedule compensatory time may be submitted no sooner than 60 calendar days prior to the first day of requested leave.

Nothing in this agreement changes or affects in any way the rules, procedures or practices for bidding or scheduling annual leave or discretionary leave.

Section 8.8. <u>Voluntary Training</u>: Employees who request training on a voluntary basis will not be paid for study time associated with said training, nor will overtime compensation be paid for workdays that extend beyond the normal contractual workday if said workday is part of the normal training schedule, provided, however, employees who are required to attend by the Department will be paid overtime pursuant to the overtime provisions of this agreement. If an employee seeks professional development opportunities under the MLA Article 12, they must obtain advance approval for scheduling and time away from work.

ARTICLE 9: HOURS OF WORK

Section 1. The normal working hours of the classifications affected by this Agreement shall be the equivalent of forty (40) hours per week on an annualized basis.

Section 2. <u>Work Schedules</u>: The establishment of reasonable work schedules and starting times is vested solely within the purview of department management and may be changed from time to time provided a two (2) week prior notice of change is given, except in those circumstances over

which the Department cannot exercise control. PROVIDED: the required two (2) calendar week (or ten (10) working days) notification period shall not commence until the employee has received verbal or written notification of the proposed change.

In the exercise of this prerogative, department management will establish schedules to meet the dictates of the workload, however, nothing contained herein will permit split shifts.

Section 3. *Minimum Standards*: If any provision in this article shall conflict with the minimum standards of RCW 49.46, then that provision shall be automatically amended to conform.

Section 4. <u>Employee Requests</u>: With management approval, work schedules may be altered upon written request of the employee.

Section 5. <u>Job Sharing</u>: If two employees in the same job classification and work site wish to job share one full time position, they shall submit such a request in writing to their immediate supervisor. The immediate supervisor shall submit such request to the Division Chief, via the Division Manager. The request shall be transmitted to the Sheriff/Director. The Sheriff/Director shall have ninety (90) days from the date he/she receives the request to review the request and either approve or deny the request for job sharing. Employees who job share one full-time position shall receive benefits pursuant to County policy. In the event that one of the job-sharing employees terminates his/her employment (voluntarily or involuntarily), the County shall have the following options:

- a. No change to the situation, allowing a half-time position to continue.
- **b.** Fill the vacant half-time position with temporary help.
- **c.** Expand the half-time position to a full-time position, with sixty (60) calendar days notice to the affected employee.

Section 6. <u>Alternative Work Schedules</u>: The Department supports the concept of alternative work schedules when said schedules enhance the efficient operation of the Communications Center and improve employee morale. Supervisors may present alternative work schedules to Management for consideration, review and approval. The parties agree to work collaboratively to modify or adjust alternative schedules so that the schedule provides that appropriate levels of experienced, fully competent Supervisors (or Acting Supervisors) are assigned

on each shift.

Once an alternative schedule is approved Management retains the right to revert to the traditional schedule i.e. five/eight (5/8) hour days with fourteen (14) calendar days notice; or a different schedule pursuant to Article 9 HOURS OF WORK, Section 2. Work Schedules. In emergency situations, less than fourteen (14) days noticed may be provided.

ARTICLE 10: INSURED BENEFITS, HRA AND VEBA

Pursuant to Master Labor Agreement, Article 25.

ARTICLE 11: MISCELLANEOUS

Section 11.1. <u>Leave-of-Absence for Union Employment</u>: MLA provisions regarding Union Leave shall not apply to this bargaining unit. An employee elected or appointed to office in a local of the signatory organization which requires a part or all of his/her time shall be given leave of absence up to one (1) year without pay upon application.

Section 11.2. <u>Reimbursement for Personal Transportation</u>: Pursuant to Master Labor Agreement, Article 24.

Section 11.3. <u>Civil Service Hearings</u>: Employees who are directly involved with proceedings before the Civil Service Commission may be allowed to attend without loss of pay provided prior permission is granted by the Department Director or his/her designee.

Section 11.4. <u>Access to Premises</u>: The Department administration shall afford Union representatives a reasonable amount of time while on on-duty status to consult with appropriate management officials and/or aggrieved employees, provided that the Union representative and/or aggrieved employees contact their immediate supervisors, indicate the general nature of the business to be conducted, request necessary time without undue interference with assignment duties. Time spent on such activities shall be recorded by the Union representative on a time sheet provided by the supervisor.

Union representatives shall guard against use of excessive time in handling such responsibilities.

Section 11.5. <u>Loss of Personal Effects</u>: Employees who suffer a loss or damage, in the line of duty, to personal property and/or clothing worn on the body, will have same repaired or replaced at

department expense, not to exceed \$150.00.

Section 11.6. *Work Out of Class:* MLA provisions regarding Working Out of Class shall not apply to this bargaining unit. Whenever an employee is assigned, in writing, by the division manager or his/her designee, to perform the duties of a higher classification for a period of three working days or more, that employee shall be paid at the first step of the higher class or a minimum of five percent (5%), whichever is greater, over the salary received prior to the assignment, for all time spent while so assigned. The department may assign an employee to perform the duties of a lower classification for a temporary period of time. In such cases the employee shall retain the same salary of his/her normal classification.

Section 11.7. <u>Lead Worker Pay:</u> Employees assigned, in writing, by the division manager or his/her designee to perform lead-worker duties, shall be compensated at a rate which is five percent (5%) greater than their regular rate for all time so assigned. Assignment of "lead worker" status or pay will not confer on an employee any privilege or right, including the right of appeal, right of position, right of transfer, demotion, promotion, or reinstatement. Lead worker assignments and pay may be revoked at any time at the sole discretion of the appointing authority or his/her designee. At such time as the "lead worker" designation is removed, the employee's compensation reverts to the rate received prior to the designation. Provided, however, that when revocation of lead worker pay is used as a disciplinary sanction, such revocation shall be subject to the grievance procedure and just cause provisions of Article 12.

Section 11.8. *Mandatory Higher Education:* Employees who are required to obtain additional formal education beyond that initially required for employment shall be allowed time off from work with pay to attend classes/seminars with scheduling approval of same at the sole discretion of management.

Section 11.9. <u>Jury Duty</u>: MLA provisions regarding Jury Duty shall not apply to this bargaining unit. An employee required by law to serve on jury duty shall continue to receive his/her salary and shall be relieved of regular duties and assigned to day shift, with Saturday and Sunday off, for the period of time necessary for such assignment. If they have four hours or more left on their shift at the completion of the jury duty assignment for the day, they shall report to their work location

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and complete the day shift. Once the employee is released for the day, or more than one day, then he/she is required to contact the supervisor who will determine if he/she is required to report for duty, provided however such release time is prior to 1:00 p.m. If an employee is released after 1:00 p.m. he/she shall not be required to report for work on that particular day.

The fees, exclusive of mileage, paid by the Court for jury duty shall be forwarded to the Comptroller. The employer may request verification of jury duty service.

When an employee is notified to serve on jury duty, he/she will inform his/her immediate supervisor as soon as possible, but not later than two (2) weeks in advance, regarding the dates of absence from regular duties. The supervisor will ensure that the employee is relieved of regular duties a minimum of twelve (12) hours prior to the time of reporting for jury duty.

When the employee is dismissed from jury duty (completion of jury duty assignment) the employee is required to contact his/her supervisor immediately. The supervisor will instruct the employee when to report to work, PROVIDED: there must be a minimum of twelve (12) hours between the time the employee is dismissed from jury duty and the time he/she must report for regular duties.

ARTICLE 12: GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

MLA Provisions regarding Grievance Procedure and Discipline and Sunset Clause shall not apply to this bargaining unit.

King County recognizes the importance and desirability of settling grievances promptly and fairly in the interest of continued good employee relations and morale and to this end the following procedure is outlined. To accomplish this, every effort will be made to settle grievances at the lowest possible level of supervision.

Employees will be unimpeded and free from restraint, interference, coercion, discrimination or reprisal in seeking adjudication of their grievances.

Section 12.1. Definition: Grievance - An issue raised in writing by a party to this Agreement relating to the interpretation of his/her rights, benefits, or conditions of employment as contained in this Agreement, except that verbal or written reprimands are not subject to Step 5 of the grievance procedure outlined in this Agreement.

Procedure

Step 1 - <u>Immediate Supervisor</u>: A grievance shall be presented by the aggrieved employee, or his/her representative if the employee wishes, on a Union grievance form within fourteen (14) calendar days of the occurrence of such grievance, to the employee's immediate supervisor. The grievance must:

- **a.** fully describe the alleged violation and how the employee was adversely affected;
- **b.** set forth the section(s) of the Agreement which have been allegedly violated; and
- **c.** specify the remedy or solution being sought by the employee filing the grievance.

The supervisor shall gain all relevant facts and shall attempt to adjust the matter and notify the employee within ten (10) calendar days. If a grievance is not pursued to the next level within ten (10) calendar days, it shall be presumed resolved.

Step 2 - Section Commander: If, after thorough discussion with the immediate supervisor, the grievance has not been satisfactorily resolved, the employee and his/her representative shall present the grievance to the appropriate manager for investigation, discussion and written reply. The appropriate manager shall be defined as Section Commander. The manager shall make his/her written decision available to the aggrieved employee within ten (10) working days. If the grievance is not pursued to the next higher level within five (5) working days, it shall be presumed resolved.

Step 3 – <u>Section Chief/Office of Labor Relations (OLR)</u>: If, after thorough evaluation, the decision of the manager has not resolved the grievance to the satisfaction of the employee, the grievance may be presented to the Section Chief. The Chief, in consultation, with OLR will determine whether the grievance relates to a working condition (KCSO) or wage or benefit (OLR), and the appropriate agency shall review and respond to the grievance. All letters, memoranda and other written materials previously submitted to lower levels of supervision shall be made available for the review and consideration of the Chief/OLR. He/she may interview the employee and/or his/her representative and receive any additional related evidence which he/she may deem

pertinent to the grievance. The Chief/OLR shall make his/her written decision available within fourteen (14) calendar days. If the grievance is not pursued to the next higher level within ten (10) calendar days, it shall be presumed resolved.

Mediation: By mutual agreement, the parties may call in a mediator to attempt to resolve the dispute. The parties shall jointly select the mediator, who will hear both sides of the dispute and attempt to bring the parties to an agreement. The mediator may not bind the parties to any agreement, as mediation is a voluntary process. Parties are encouraged to participate in good faith mediation and nothing the mediator says shall be admissible in an arbitration.

Step 4 - Arbitration: Either the County or the Union may request arbitration within thirty (30) days of the issuance of the Step 3 decision and the party requesting arbitration must at that time specify the exact question which it wishes arbitrated. If the Step 3 decision is not timely appealed, the grievance will be presumed resolved. The parties shall then select a third disinterested party to serve as an arbitrator. In the event that the parties are unable to agree upon an arbitrator, then the arbitrator shall be selected from a panel of seven (7) arbitrators furnished by the American Arbitration Association or the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, PERC, or by another agency if the parties mutually agree. The arbitrator will be selected from the list by both the County representative and the Union, each alternately striking a name from the list until one name remains. The arbitrator, under voluntary labor arbitration rules of the Association, shall be asked to render a decision promptly and the decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on both parties.

The arbitrator shall have no power to change, alter, detract from or add to the provisions of this Agreement, but shall have the power only to apply and interpret the provisions of this Agreement in reaching a decision.

The arbitrator's fee and expenses and any court reporter's fee and expenses shall be borne equally by both parties. Each party shall bear the cost of any witnesses appearing on that party's behalf. Each party shall bear the cost of their own attorney fees.

No matter may be arbitrated which the County by law has no authority over, has no authority to change, or has been delegated to any civil service commission or personnel board.

There shall be no strikes, cessation of work or lockout during such conferences or arbitration.

Time restrictions may be waived in writing by consent of both parties.

Section 12.2. <u>Multiple Procedures</u>: If employees/union have access to multiple procedures for adjudicating grievances, then selection by the employees/union of one procedure will preclude access to other procedures; selection is to be made no later than at the conclusion of Step 2 of this grievance procedure. If any other complaints/claims relating to the issue in question are pursued after Step 2, then the grievance is automatically withdrawn.

Section 12.3. <u>Just Cause/Progressive Discipline</u>: No employee may be discharged, suspended without pay, or disciplined in any way except for just cause. Just cause shall be defined as cause which is based upon reasonable grounds and must be a fair and honest cause or reason, regulated by good faith. In addition, the County will employ the concept of progressive discipline in appropriate cases. The County's policy is that discipline is corrective, rather than punitive in nature. It is understood that there may be egregious cases that may result in discharge, disciplinary transfer, or other disciplinary action, that do not require corrective action.

Written reprimands may not be used for purposes of progressive discipline once three (3) years have passed from the date the reprimand was issued, and the employer has documented no similar problems with the employee during this three (3) year time period. In those instances where disciplinary action is based on reasonable evidence of the commission of a crime, or the proposed discipline involves suspension or termination of the employee the grievance procedure will begin at Step 3.

Section 12.4. <u>Probationary Period</u>: All newly hired and promoted employees must serve a probationary period as defined in RCW 41.14 and Civil Service Rules. To the extent permitted by law, the probationary period shall be automatically extended for any absence from work, or any period during which the employee cannot perform the essential functions of the job, that extends longer than ten (10) work days. As the above specify that the probationary period is an extension of the hiring process, the provisions of this Article will not apply to employees if they are discharged during their initial probationary period, or are demoted during the promotional probationary period for performance related issues. Grievances brought by probationary employees involving issues other than discharge or demotion may be processed in accordance with this Article.

Section 12.5. <u>Union Concurrence</u>: Inasmuch as this is an agreement between the County and the Union, only the Union, and not individual employees may make use of the provisions of this Article. The final authority to settle a grievance is vested with the Union and the County.

ARTICLE 13: USE OF COUNTY BULLETIN BOARDS AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Pursuant to Master Labor Agreement, Article 23.

ARTICLE 14: NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Employer or the Union shall not unlawfully discriminate against any individual with respect to compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, age, sex, or any sensory, mental or physical handicap.

The parties agree that personnel actions may be taken to accommodate disabilities, as may be required under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and that such an accommodation under the ADA shall take precedence over any conflicting provisions of this agreement.

ARTICLE 15: SAVINGS CLAUSE

The Savings Clause in the Master Labor Agreement (MLA) applies also to this addendum and appendices.

ARTICLE 16: WORK STOPPAGES AND EMPLOYER PROTECTION

Section 1. No Work Stoppages: The employer and the signatory organization agree that the public interest requires efficient and uninterrupted performance of all County services, and to this end pledge their best efforts to avoid or eliminate any conduct contrary to this objective. Specifically, the signatory organization shall not cause or condone any work stoppage, including any strike, slowdown, or refusal to perform any customarily assigned duties, sick leave absence which is not bona fide, or other interference with County functions by employees under this agreement and should same occur, the signatory organization agrees to take appropriate steps to end such interference. Any concerted action by any employees in any bargaining unit shall be deemed a work stoppage if any of the above activities have occurred.

Section 2. <u>Union Responsibilities</u>: Upon notification in writing by the County to the signatory organization that any of its members are engaged in a work stoppage, the signatory organization shall immediately, in writing, order such members to immediately cease engaging in

such work stoppage and provide the County with a copy of such order. In addition, if requested by the County, a responsible official of the signatory organization shall publicly order such signatory organization employees to cease engaging in such a work stoppage.

Section 3. <u>Disciplinary Action</u>: Any employee who commits any act prohibited in this article shall be considered absent without leave. Such employees are also subject to the following action or penalties:

- 1. Discharge.
- 2. Suspension or other disciplinary action as may be applicable to such employee.

ARTICLE 17: WAIVER CLAUSE

The parties acknowledge that each has had the unlimited right within the law and the opportunity to make demands and proposals with respect to any matter deemed a proper subject for collective bargaining. The results of the exercise of that right and opportunity are set forth in this agreement. Therefore, the County and the signatory organization, for the duration of this agreement, each agree to waive the right to oblige the other party to bargain with respect to any subject or matter not specifically referred to or covered by this Agreement.

The parties agree that in the event they enter into Memoranda of Understanding during the life of this agreement, such agreements are binding when signed by authorized representatives of the parties. No ratification process is required.

ARTICLE 18: REDUCTION-IN-FORCE

Section 1. <u>Layoff Procedure</u>: Employees laid off as a result of a reduction-in-force shall be laid off according to seniority within the department and classification, with the employee with the least time being the first to go. In the event there are two or more employees eligible for layoff within the Department with the same classification and seniority, the Department head will determine the order of layoff based on employee performance, PROVIDED: no regular or probationary employee shall be laid off while there are temporary extra-help employees serving in the class or position for which the regular or probationary employee is eligible and available.

Section 2. <u>Reversion to Previously Held Positions</u>: In lieu of layoff, a regular or probationary employee may, on the basis of department seniority, bump the least senior employee in

any lower level position within the bargaining unit formerly held by the employee designated for layoff. Section 3. Re-employment List: The names of laid off employees will be placed in inverse order of layoff on a Re-employment List for the classification previously occupied. The Reemployment List will remain in effect for a maximum of two (2) years or until all laid off employees are rehired, whichever occurs first.

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ADDENDUM A

STEP PROGRESSION

- 1. All step increases are based upon satisfactory performance during previous service.
- 2. Satisfactory performance shall mean overall rating of "Meets Standards" or "Exceeds Standards" on the employee performance evaluation utilized by the respective department.
- 3. If the performance of the employee is rated "Unsatisfactory" or "Improvement Needed" on any factor or overall rating, specific facts on which the rating is based must be provided; such facts shall include time, place and frequency of unacceptable performance.
- 4. The employee, if denied a step increase, shall be placed on either monthly or quarterly evaluations and at such time that the employee's performance becomes "Satisfactory" as defined supra, the employee shall receive the previously denied step increase the first of the month following attaining a "Satisfactory" evaluation. The date on which an employee would be entitled to a future step increase will not be affected by the above action. Performance evaluations and Department actions related thereto are not subject to the grievance procedure under this contract.

ADDENDUM B

DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Agreement, the following definitions will apply:

1. Department: King County Sheriff's Office.

2. Party: Either King County or Public Safety Employees Union Communication Center Supervisors.

3. "Part-time regular position": means a regular position in which the part-time regular employee is employed for at least nine hundred ten hours but less than a full-time basis in a calendar year in a work unit in which a thirty-five hour work week is standard or for at least one thousand

forty hours but less than a full-time basis in a calendar year in a work unit in which a forty-hour work

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week is standard. Where the standard work week falls between thirty-five and forty hours, the

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director, in consultation with the department, is responsible for determining what hour threshold will

apply.

4. "Temporary employee": means an employee employed in a temporary position and in addition, includes an employee serving a probationary period or is under provisional appointment.

Temporary employees shall not be members of the career service.

extended up to five years upon approval of the director.

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5. "Term-limited temporary employee": means a temporary employee who is employed in a

term-limited temporary position. Term-limited temporary employees are not members of the career

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service. Term-limited temporary employees may not be employed in term-limited temporary

positions longer than three years beyond the date of hire, except that for grant-funded projects capital

improvement projects, and information systems technology projects the maximum period may be

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ADDENDUM C

to the

AGREEMENT

by and between

KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

and

PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES UNION COMMUNICATIONS CENTER SUPERVISORS WAGE ADDENDUM

THIS ADDENDUM is supplemental to the AGREEMENT by and between the KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, hereinafter referred to as the County, and the PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES UNION hereinafter referred to as PSEU.

| Job Class Code | PeopleSoft Job Code | Classification Title |
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Wage Range - Communications Supervisor pay range is Range 58 of the 2016 King County (KC) Squared Table. Employees at Step 1 are paid at Step 6 of the KC Squared Table, Employees at Step 2 are paid at Step 8 of the KC Squared Table and Employees at Step 3 are paid at Step 10 of the KC Squared Table.

<u>Step Movement</u> - Step increases shall occur annually on an employee's adjusted service date based on date of hire as a King County Sheriff's Office Communication Specialist Supervisor.

ADDENDUM D TRANSITION TO BIWEEKLY PAY

- 1. The County provided timely notice to the Union of its intent to implement a biweekly payroll schedule for employees represented by the Union who are currently paid on a semimonthly schedule.
- **2.** As provided for in the collective bargaining agreement, the County is entitled to implement a biweekly payroll schedule for employees represented by the Union. The affected employees are members of the Public Safety Employees Union.
- **3.** To assist the employees during the transition period, employees may elect to receive a transition paycheck in an amount equivalent to one (1) week of the requesting employee's base wage.
- **4.** The transition paycheck will be a payment of earnings for time worked after the close of the pay period covered by the last semi-monthly paycheck. Employees who elect to receive the transition check must request it on the designated form by no later than the cut-off to be established for such designation.
- 5. Employees who elect to receive the transition check must designate a repayment schedule; the options are to refund the County in equal deductions from future paychecks over either three (3) months, six (6) months, or twelve (12) months, beginning with the second (2nd) biweekly paycheck.
- 6. If an employee separates from County service prior to returning the full transition check amount, the remaining amount will be due and payable on the last day of that employee's County employment. The remainder may be deducted from the employee's final paycheck. If the amount of the final paycheck is insufficient to recover the remainder of the funds advanced in the transition check, the amount may be deducted from the payoff of accrued vacation leave. If the final paycheck and vacation payout are insufficient, the employee will be required to agree to a repayment plan acceptable to the County.
- 7. The County agrees to provide briefings on the progress of the transition to Union representatives at least once a month in the three (3) months preceding the transition and to provide ongoing information to employees as the transition plan approaches implementation.
- **8.** The Union acknowledges that the County has fulfilled its obligation to bargain the effects of implementation of the biweekly pay with the execution of this Agreement.

ADDENDUM E PAYMENT PRACTICES AND PAYROLL COMPLAINT PROCESS

- 1. Payment practice: For as long as the King County Sheriff's Office is paid on a semimonthly basis, the Union knowingly acknowledges that the County may reasonably pay as follows. Overtime pay, and holiday pay for hours worked on the 1st through the 15th will be paid by the 1st pay date of the following month and for hours worked from the 16th through the end of the month by the 2nd pay date of the following month. An employee who on the 1st through the 15th of a month submits a request for compensation in accordance with King County Sheriff's Office policies for "acting" pay will be paid his or her pay by the 1st pay date of the following month. If this request is submitted on the 16th through the end of the month, the pay will be paid on the 2nd pay date of the following month. This section shall not apply when there is a bona fide dispute as to the underlying pay.
- 2. Authorized Employee: Within 30 days following the effective date of an ordinance to appropriate funds for settlement of *Covey, et al v. King County*, King County Superior Court Cause No. 02-2-08317-0 SEA, the King County Sheriff's Office will designate an employee responsible for the investigation ("Authorized Employee") and resolution of employee complaints regarding the payment of wages. Written complaints will be submitted in accordance with King County Sheriff's Office policies. A response will be provided to the employee within ten (10) business days from the date the complaint is received by the Authorized Employee. If the employee complied with the King County Sheriff's Office policies regarding timely submission of his/her pay request, and timely resubmission as necessary, the Authorized Employee will award one hour of straight time pay for each incident of overtime that is paid one pay period beyond the date noted in Paragraph 1 above, and may issue an appropriate additional remedy for late payment beyond one pay period up to a total maximum amount equal to the underlying pay at issue. If the employee does not agree with the resolution of the complaint, the employee may, if within ten (10) business days of receipt of the response from the Authorized Employee, submit the issue to the Payroll Review Board.
- 3. The Payroll Review Board: The Payroll Review Board will consist of one KCSO Chief appointed by the Sheriff and one union representative from the bargaining unit representing the employee who filed the complaint. The Authorized Employee will present to the Payroll Review Board the facts relating to the complaint. If the Board finds that the employee complied with the King County Sheriff's Office policies regarding timely submission of his/her pay request, and timely resubmission as necessary, the Board will award one hour of straight time pay for each

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incident of overtime that is paid one pay period beyond the date noted in Paragraph 1 above, if not previously awarded by the Authorized Employee, and may issue an appropriate additional remedy for late payment beyond one pay period, if not previously awarded by the Authorized Employee, up to a total maximum amount equal to the underlying pay at issue. The decision of the Payroll Review Board to alter the resolution determined by the Authorized Employee must be unanimous. A decision on each case presented to this Board must be issued within five (5) business days of the presentation by the Authorized Employee. The Authorized Employee will communicate the decision of the Board to the employee who filed the complaint. If the Payroll Review Board cannot reach a unanimous decision, the disputed claim may be presented to a mutually agreeable third person, who need not be an arbitrator, for a decision. If the Payroll Review Board is unable to agree on a third person, the winner of a coin toss will select the third person.

- **4.** The remedies afforded in paragraphs 2 and 3 do not apply if there is a bona fide dispute concerning the underlying pay.
- 5. <u>Collective Bargaining Agreement</u>: The Payroll Review Process is separate from and not subject to the grievance process outlined in the collective bargaining agreement covering the employees represented by the Union. Matters submitted to the Payroll Review Board may not be submitted to the collective bargaining agreement grievance process. Disputes arising out of the collective bargaining agreement, that meet the contractual definition of a "grievance", remain subject to the contractual grievance process.

ADDENDUM F SICK LEAVE AND OVERTIME

- 1. The King County Sheriff's Office has a longstanding past practice of including paid leave as "hours worked" for purposes of calculating hourly overtime compensation rates, but excluding paid sick leave from such calculation. The exclusion of sick leave in calculating this rate is mandated by the last sentence of Article 8, Section 1 ("Hours worked" excludes all sick leave.)
- 2. Due to the payroll related difficulties of implementing this particular language with respect to the exclusion of sick leave from the overtime rate calculation, the parties agree to a temporary suspension of this language.
- 3. The effect of this temporary suspension is that the hourly overtime rate for members of this bargaining unit will assume "Hours worked" include paid sick leave.
- **4.** This agreement does not constitute a change in contract language, but merely a temporary change in practice, or a suspension of the contract language in question. The "status quo," for purposes of collective bargaining, remains the current language found in Article 8, Section 1.