

2003-2005

STAFF ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WATERLOO

AND

THE STAFF ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF WATERLOO

WATERLOO, ONTARIO

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This agreement made this 14th day of August 2003, A.D.

between:

The Corporation of the City of Waterloo hereinafter called "The Corporation"

of the first part

- and -

The City of Waterloo Staff Association hereinafter called "The Association"

of the second part

Whereas the Association has presented to the Council of The Corporation of the City of Waterloo, that it is authorized on behalf ofcertain employees of the Corporation as hereinafter defined to negotiate with the said Corporation, in the matter of salaries and working conditions, covering the employment of such employees engaged by the Corporation for the carrying out of the various services provided by the Corporation

And Whereas it is desirable and necessary that there shall be harmonious relations between the Corporation and its employees.

Now Therefore The Corporation And The Association covenant and agree each with the other of them as follows:

1.00 EMPLOYEES COVERED

- 1.01 This Agreement shall apply lo the employees coming within the lob Classifications in Schedule "A" and schedule "B" included hereto. Membership in the Association shall be a condition of employment.
- 1.02 Each employee shall be required, as a condition of employment, to contribute to the Association such dues as are from lime to time authorized, levied and collected from the general membership of the Association. This includes Regular Full Time and Regular Part Time employees. Management will contribute for social purposes only. Contract employees will also contribute for social purposes only.
- 1.03 Under the terms of this Agreement the Corporation on behalf of the Staff Association is authorized to deduct an amount equal to the normal monthly dues from the earnings of each employee covered by this Agreement.
- 1.04 Contracts of Temporary employees will not extend beyond twenty-four (24) continuous months at which time a decision must be made to make the employee Regular or to terminate.

- 2.01 It is agreed that the basis of payment for 2003 salaries is effective January 1, 2003 and July 1, 2003; 2004 salaries are effective January 1, 2004; and 2005 salaries are effective January 1, 2005.
- 2.02 The salary range for any position shall be as shown on Schedule "A" dated January 1, 2003 and July 1, 2003, January 1, 2004 and January 1, 2005. Schedule "B" dated January 1, 2003 and July 1, 2003, January 1, 2004 and January 1, 2005.

2003-January

Schedule "A"

January 2003 - Rates 35 Hour Workweek Grades and Levels

Job Grade	Minimum	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6
I	21,504.777	22,148.763	22,814.394	23,497.343	24,203.021	24,575.342
2	25,003.944	25,753.997	26,526.780	27,322.291	28,142.696	28,576.710
3	28,505.276	29,360.314	30,241.330	31,148.321	32,083.452	32,576.994
4	32,005.525	32,965.550	33,954.797	34,973.268	36,022.045	36,578.361
5	36,005.809	37,085.973	38,198.606	39,344.792	40,525.612	41,150.115
6	41,007.248	42,236.773	43,505.261	44,810.549	46,154.800	46,864.808
7	46,007.604	47,388.654	48,809.751	50,274.141	51,782.906	52,580.583
8	55,009.326	56,659,877	58,360.215	60,110.339	61,913,498	62,868,111

Schedule "B"

January 2003 Rates 40 Hour Workweek Grades and Levels

Job Grade	Minimum	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6
1	24,575.342	25,313.489	26,072.202	26,853.643	27,659.978	28,086.415
2	28,576.710	29,433.913	30,317.090	31,226.248	32,163.545	32,658.168
3	32,576.994	33,554.336	34,559.820	35,596.689	36,666.030	37,231.005
4	36,578.361	37,674.759	38,805.793	39,969.295	41,168.515	41,803.841
5	41,150.115	42,385.051	43,655.705	44,965.322	46,313.903	47,029.322
6	46,864.808	48,271.834	49,719.989	51,211.437	52,747.261	53,560.090
7	52,580.583	54,157.534	55,783.190	57,456.470	59,180.619	60,091,939

2003-July

Schedule"A"

2003 July Rates 35 Hour Workweek Grades and Levels

Job Grade	Minimum	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6
1	21,719.825	22,370.251	23,042.538	23,732.316	24,445.051	24,821.095
2	25,253.983	26,011.537	26,792.048	27,595.514	28,424.123	28,862.477
3	28,790.329	29,653.917	30,543.743	31,459.804	32,404.287	32,902.764
4	32,325.580	33,295.206	34,294.345	35,323.001	36,382.265	36,944.145
5	36,365.867	37,456.833	38,580.592	39,738.240	40,930.868	41,561.616
6	41,417.320	42,659.141	43,940.314	45,258.654	46,616.348	47,333.456
7	46,467.680	47,862.541	49,297.849	50,776.882	52,300.735	53,106.389
8	55,559.419	57,226.476	58,943.817	60,711.442	62,532.633	63,496.792

Schedule"B"
2003 July Rates 40 Hour Workweek Grades and Levels

Job Grade	Minimum	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6
1	24,821.095	25,566.624	26,332.924	27,122.179	27,936.578	28,367.279
2	28,862.477	29,728.252	30,620.261	31,538.510	32,485.180	32,984.750
3	32,902.764	33,889.880	34,905.418	35,952.656	37,032.690	37,603.315
4	36,944.145	38,051.507	39,193.851	40,368.988	41,580.200	42,221.879
5	41,561.616	42,808.902	44,092.262	45,414.975	46,777.042	47,499.615
6	47,333.456	48,754.552	50,217.189	51,723.551	53,274.734	54,095.691
7	53,106.389	54,699.109	56,341.022	58,031.035	59,772.425	60,692.858

2004 - January

Schedule "A"

2004 January Rates 35 Hour Workweek Grades and Levels

Job Grade	Minimum	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6
1	22,371.420	23,041.358	23,733.814	24,444.286	25,178.403	25,565.728
2	26,011.603	26,791.883	27,595.809	28,423.379	29,276.847	29,728.351
3	29,654.039	30,543.535	31,460.056	32,403.598	33,376.415	33,889.847
4	33,295.348	34,294.062	35,323.175	36,382.691	37,473.733	38,052,469
5	37,456.843	38,580.538	39,738.010	40,930.387	42,158.794	42,808.465
6	42,659.840	43,938.915	45,258.523	46,616.414	48,014.838	48,753.460
7	47,861.710	49,298.417	50,776.784	52,300.189	53,869.757	54,699.580
8	57,226.202	58,943.270	60,712.132	62,532.786	64,408.612	65,401.696

Schedule"B"

2004 January Rates 40 Hour Workweek Grades and Levels

Job Grade	Minimum	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6
1	25,565.728	26,333.623	27,122.912	27,935.845	28,774.675	29,218.298
2	29,728.351	30,620.100	31,538.869	32,484.666	33,459.736	33,974.292
3	33,889.847	34,906.576	35,952.581	37,031.236	38,143.671	38,731.415
4	38,052.469	39,193.052	40,369.666	41,580.058	42,827.606	43,488.536
5	42,808.465	44,093.169	45,415.030	46,777.424	48,180.353	48,924.604
6	48,753.460	50,217.189	51,723.705	53,275.258	54,872.976	55,718.562
7	54,699.580	56,340.083	58,031.253	59,771.966	61,565.598	62,513.644

2005 - January Schedule "A"

2005 January Rates 35 Hour Workweek Grades and Levels

Job Grade	Minimum	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6
1	23,042.562	23,732.599	24,445.829	25,177.615	25,933.755	26,332.700
2	26,791.951	27,595.640	28,423.684	29,276.081	30,155.152	30,620.202
3	30,543.660	31,459.841	32,403.857	33,375.706	34,377.708	34,906.542
4	34,294.208	35,322.884	36,382.871	37,474.171	38,597.945	39,194,043
5	38,580.548	39,737.954	40,930.150	42,158.299	43,423.558	44,092.719
6	43,939.635	45,257.082	46,616.279	48,014.907	49,455.284	50,216.064
7	49,297.562	50,777.369	52,300.087	53,869.195	55,485.850	56,340.568
8	58,942.988	60,711.568	62,533.496	64,408.769	66,340.870	67,363,747

 $\label{eq:Schedule} Schedule ``B"$ 2005 January Rates 40 Hour Workweek Grades and Levels

Job Grade	Minimum	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6
1	26,332.700	27,123.631	27,936.599	28,773.920	29,637.915	30,094.846
2	30,620.202	31,538.703	32,485.035	33,459.206	34,463.528	34,993.521
3	34,906.542	35,953.773	37,031.158	38,142.173	39,287.981	39,893.357
4	39,194.043	40,368.843	41,580.756	42,827.459	44,112.434	44,793.192
5	44,092.719	45,415.964	46,777.481	48,180.747	49,625.764	50,392.342
6	50,216.064	51,723.705	53,275.416	54,873.516	56,519.165	57,390.118
7	56,340.568	58,030.285	59,772.190	61,565.125	63,412.566	64,389,053

3.00 VACATIONS AND RECOGNIZED HOLIDAYS

3:01 Regular employees shall receive annual vacation with pay based on their individual service date, following the completion of the required years of service. Vacation for Full Time Regular employees will be accrued at the appropriate rate on a monthly basis.

The vacation schedule for all Regular employees covered by this Agreement shall be as follows:

Regular Full Time/Part-Time Employees

Years of Service (Individual Service Date)	Monthly Accrual Rate (Hrs) 35 hr Schedule	Monthly Accrual Rate (Hrs) 40 hr Schedule	# of Vacation Days	Regular/Part Time Rate
Hire - 2 years	5.833	6.667	10	4%
2 years	7.583	8.667	13	5%
3 years	8.750	10.000	15	6%
4 years	8.750	10.000	15	6%
5 years	9.333	10.667	16	6%
6 years	9.917	11.333	17	7%
7 years	10.500	12.000	18	7%
8 years	11.083	12.667	19	7%
9 years	11.667	13.333	20	8%
10 years	11.667	13.333	20	8%
11 years	12.250	14.000	21	8%
12 years	12.250	14.000	21	8%
13 years	12.833	14.667	22	8%
14 years	13.417	15.333	23	9%
15 years	14.000	16.000	24	9%
16 years	14.583	16.667	25	10%
17 years	14.583	16.667	25	10%
18 years	15.167	17.333	26	10%
19 years	15.167	17.333	26	10%
20 years	15.750	18.000	27	10%
21 years	15.750	18.000	27	10%
22 years	16.333	18.667	28	11%
23 years	16.917	19.333	29	11%
24 years-30 years	17.500	20.000	30	12%

3.02 Employees covered by this Agreement shall be entitled to receive all statutory public holidays and the following recognized holidays:

Recognized Holidays	Statutory Public Holidays
Easter Monday	New Years Day
RemembranceDay	Good Friday
Civic Holiday	Victoria Day
Floater (January I-March 30)	Canada Day
	Labour Day
	ThanksgivingDay
	Christmas Day
	Boxing Day

One (1) Floater Day to be taken by each employee between January 1st and March 30th each year as arranged with their Team Leader.

3.03 In the event that any of the recognized holidays except RemembranceDay, set out in Section 3.02 fall on a schedulednon-working day, a day offin lieu will be granted. If RemembranceDay falls on a non-working day, a floater holiday may be taken at any time up 10 lune 30th of the year following RemembranceDay, subject to a suitable date being arranged with the employee's Team Leader. One floaterday in lieu of Easter Monday, RemembranceDay, or Civic Holiday may be taken in the went an employee is required to work, subject to a suitable date being arranged with the employee's Team Leader.

4.00 SICK LEAVE AND RETIREMENT OR DEATH BENEFIT

- 4.01 (i) An employee shall be granted full salary during absence due to illness for a total period of eighteen (18) working days in any calendar year. These working days shall accumulate to Le employee's credit at a rate of 1-1/2 days per month of service lo a maximum of eighteen (18) days per year.
- (ii) Employees will be entitled to use 5 days of the accumulated 18 days per year sick leave to be used for personal and/or family dependant care provided that adequate sick leave days have been accumulated on an annual basis.
- (iii) Male employees shall be granted a one-(1) day paid leave of absence at the time of the birth or adoption of the employee's child.
- (iv) If an employee is ill during their scheduled and approved vacation only, then 50% of those days may be transferred to sick leave and vacation days reinstated subject to the following: Written request is received by their Director within (7 beven working days of their return to work. And:

The request is supported by a medical certificate (cost is employee's responsibility). And; Normal Statutory holidays, compressed days or any other day other than vacation, are not eligible.

- 4.02 In the event an employee is absent for a total period less than eighteen (18) working days in any calendar year, the employee shall be allowed a credit for the difference between eighteen (18) working days and the number ofworking days the employee was absent due to illness and such credit shall accumulate to an unlimited number of days, provided that there shall be no greater accumulation than eighteen (18) working days in any one year.
- 4.03 Upon termination of employment, retirement or death, following the completion of ten (10) years of continuous service with the Corporation, an employee shall be entitled to be paid fifty (50) percent of their accumulated sick leave credits to a maximum amount of fifty (50) percent of one year's normal earnings at the rate received immediately prior to termination of employment subject to the following conditions:
- (j) Upon becoming engaged by another Municipal Corporation or local board thereof or the Provincial Government or any agency thereof and without any intervening period of other employment, the employee may elect lo have the payment described above transferred to the hiring employer, subject to written acceptance by the hiring employer that sick leave credits equal lo that provided by the former employer will be placed to the employee's credit.
- (ii) In the event of death, the beneficiary as shown on the Group Insurance Record shall be paid the monies owing.
- (iii) The sick leave severance allowance as defined in this Article shall not apply to employees hued on or after June 1st, 1985.
- (iv) In the event of death, benefit coverage will be continued for the employee's spouse and dependents for twenty-four (24) months from the date of employee death.
- 4.04 The Corporation may grant a leave of absence for up to one (1) year without pay and without loss of seniority to employees for legitimate personal reasons such as education or skill development, personal or family care or military service. A request for such leave shall be made, in Writing, lo the employee's Team Leader as far in advance as possible and the granting of such leave must have the approval of both Le Team Leader and the Director of Human Resources.

Alternatively an employee may elect a paid sabbatical in duration of six (6) or twelve (12) months maximum and would only be eligible after three (3) years of continuous service with the Corporation. This sabbatical will be funded through a prepaid leave plan of payroll deductions. Details of the program are available through Human Resources

5.00 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

@lease refer 10 the Benefits bookletfor a complete listing of benefits)

5.01 The Corporation agrees to pay 100% of the premium cost of the Group Medical, Life Insurance and Long Term Disability Insurance. The Group Life Insurance will provide life insurance coverage equivalent to two (2) times the employee's normal salary with no maximum coverage to the nearest One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000).

Effective on ratification, the prescribed drug plan will provide coverage for all drugs legally requiring a prescription and only for those eligible expenses for medically necessary services required for the treatment of disease or bodily injury. Dispensing fee charges for these drugs will be capped at \$6.50, per prescription. Over-the-counter(OTC drugs) which do not require a prescription will not be eligible, with the exception of selected life-sustaining drugs.

The Corporation will provide Dependent Life Coverage for Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7500.00)per spouse and Four Thousand (\$4000.00) per child.

The Corporation will provide Vision Care coverage of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00\text{very twenty-four (24) months with no deductible. Effective on ratification, the Corporation will provide an eye examination by an Optometrist limited to one examination in a 24 month period for the employee and each insured dependent. This examination is in addition to the examination covered by the Provincial Health Insurance Plan.

The Corporation will provide hearing aid coverage at a maximum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) every three years subject to proof of application to the Ontario Assistive Devices program. Effective January 1, 2005 the Corporation will provide an audiology test to a maximum of Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) per lifetime, provided that it is not covered by any other group insurance plan and is carried out by a qualified audiologist who is a member of the College of Audiologist and Speech Pathologists.

The Corporation will provide fertility therapy/drugs to a maximum of \$2000/lifetime/family.

The Corporation will provide 50% of the cost of a naturopath to a maximum of \$150/year.

The Corporation will provide coverage under the current L.T.D. insurance contract of 70% of normal monthly earnings to a maximum monthly benefit of \$3,700.00 A,D. & D. Insurance will be increased to two (2) times annual salary with maximums as prescribed by the insurer.

5.02 The Corporation shall provide a Dental Plan with the benefits of such that the O.D.A. Schedule of fees will have a one-year lag and automatically be updated every January 1, to the fee guide one year behind the current guide. The Dental Plan shall be based on a 9-month recall.

The Corporation will provide an orthodontic maximum io Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) lifetime limit.

The Corporation will provide coverage for pits and fissures sealant for individuals under 19 years of age, and to provide coverage for crowns and bridges, caps and dentures on the basis of 50% reimbursement to a maximum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) per year. The premiums of this plan shall be 100% paid by the Corporation.

5.03 Each employee who has completed the qualifying period, shall either join the Group Dental and Medical, or sign a waiver relieving the Corporation of any future responsibility, payment wright io future participation. Life Insurance Coverage and Long Term Disability Insurance is mandatory. Employees may choose to enter into or out of the Group Medical and Dental Plans only on their respective employment anniversary dates subject to the insurer's reinstatement requirements.

5.05 The Corporation will provide benefits to retired employees prior to the employee's sixty fifth (65th) birthday as outlined in the provisions of Appendix "C" attached and as may be amended from time to time with the approval of the Staff Association.

6.00 INCREASES AND ADJUSTMENTS

- 6.01 No change shall be made in any classification of any job nor shall any person receive a transfer from a job in one classification to a job in another classification except with the approval of the Chief AdministrativeOfficer.
- **6.02** Pay for performance increases within the ranges **as** defined in Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" of this agreement shall be granted subject to a successful performance evaluation.
- 6.03 Employees who move to higher grade either through the Job Evaluation or Competition process will normally receive the minimum of that grade. If the employee's current salary is higher than the minimum of the new grade, then the employee's salary will be moved up to the nearest step above the employee's current salary within that new grade.
- 6.04 Employees engaged in a secondment or temporary transfer to a higher grade for a continuous period greater than one (1) month, shall be eligible to receive a lump sum payment or temporary salary increase of 5% over their current salary or the difference between their salary and 80% of the minimum of the new grade. Should a secondmentbe extended beyond 1 year, employees will move to the minimum of the new grade based on a successful performance evaluation. This payment shall exclude any overtime, which shall be calculated on the employee's base rate. Secondments to positions outside of Staff Association will not be eligible for overtime.
- 6.05 An Acting Pay premium of 5% on base daily salary will be granted to employees when appointed to the position of Organizational Leader/Team Leader for an accumulated period of three (3) weeks or more in any calendar year such payment to be made by December 31st.

7.00 PROBATIONARYPERIOD

- 7.01 The probationary period for new employees or those employees new to their position shall be for the first six months from the date of employment in that position or until their Team Leader/Director has confirmed completion of the employee's probationary period and appointment to permanent staff. Probationary periods will not extend beyond twelve (12) continuous months at which time a decision must be made to make the employee Regular or 10 terminate.
- 7.02 During the period referred to in section 7.01, the salary to be paid and the increases if any, will be set out in the "Terms of Hire".

8.00 HOURS OF WORK

8.01 All employees under Schedule "A" shall be required to work a thirty-five (35) hour week subject to an approved schedule. A one-hour unpaid lunch will be provided for in such schedule. All employees under Schedule "B" shall be required to work forty (40) hours per week subject to an approved schedule. It is understood that the Corporation has the right to set the schedule of work hours from time to time, at its discretion. Should the schedule of work hours be proposed to change. the employer will consult with the Staff Association President together with the affected employee(s) and establish a reasonable time frame for input and discussion of options. The schedule will only change in accordance with the provisions of the Employment Standards Act.

8.02 Employees are eligible to work a voluntary compressed work schedule or a flex time schedule... Such allowances to work a compressed work week or a flex time schedule shall be up to the discretion of the employees Team Leader/Director and shall be subject to the ability of the schedule to:

- · Create extended service availability
- · Provide ample coverage
- · Does not adversely impact the operations of the department

A compressed work week shall be as follows:

- For 35 hour a week Employees must work 8 hours/day for 9 days tenth day off
- For 40 hour a week Employees must work 9 hours/day for 9 days tenth day off

Compressed days must be consistent to one day in a two-week period. Days cannot be traded, exchanged or banked. Should the Team Leader require an individual to work on their compressed day, an alternate day may be arranged at a mutually convenient time. Conditions and terms of the Compressed Work Schedule can be obtained through Human Resources. AI no time shall an employee work both a compressed and flex time work arrangement at the same time.

9.00 OVERTIME

All documented overtime must have Team Leader/Director approval prior to working and all accumulated time in lieu must be arranged with the Team Leader/Director and taken prior to April 30" of the following year. The employee and the Team Leader/Director will make reasonable efforts to schedule the lieu time.

9.01 Any authorized additional hours worked and taken as time off in lieu during a seventy (70) or eighty (80) hour pay period through adjusting or flexing the work day will be taken asstraight time and not counted as bonused overtime earned. All extra hours worked during any pay period will be used in this manner.

9.02 All authorized extra hours worked and not taken in the manner above shall be added to the employee's overtime bank at the following rates:

Monday to Saturday Time and one half Saturday after 4:00 p. m. Double Time Sunday, Recognized or Statutory Holidays Double Time

- 9.03 This overtime provision shall not apply until an employee works more than one-halfhour overtime on any one day.
- 9.04 Employees accumulatingless than three (3) weeks (105 or 120 hours) of approved bonused hours will receive time-off as compensation for this overtime. Employees accumulating greater than three (3) weeks (105 or 120 hours) will receive paid overtime for any amount greater than three (3) weeks. At no time will paid overtime be granted without prior authorization of the Director of Human Resources
- 9.05 The payment for all paid overtime will be made at the end of each quarter (March 31st, June 30th, September 30th and December 31st) and will appear on the paycheque issued immediately after the above dales.
- 9.06 Where an employee is required lo work three (3) or more continuous hours, contiguous with the regular workday. the employeeshall be eligible for a meal allowance of ten dollars (\$10.00).

10.00 <u>CALL-IN</u>

10.01 In the event any employee is called in during off duty hours, the employee will be allowed a credit to their overtime of a minimum of three-(3) hours credit at the applicable rate.

11.00 STANDBY PAY

- 11.01 Employees required and designated by the Organizational Leader/Team Leader to be on call during off duty hours shall receive standby pay of:
 - . Effective on ratification: One Hundred and Seventy (\$170.00) per week,
 - Effective January 1,2004: One Hundred and Eighty (\$180.00) per week,
 - Effective January I, 2005: One Hundred and Ninety (\$190.00) per week.

In the event a full week is not worked the above amount will be prorated accordingly.

12.00 SHIFTPREMIUM

- 12.01 A shift premium of:
 - Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) per week (effective upon ratification),
 - Thirty-TwoDollars and Fitly Cents (532.50) per week (effective January 1, 2004).
 - Thirty-Five Dollars (\$35.00) per week (effective January 1, 2005),

will be paid to any employee assigned to a permanent regularly scheduled non-rotating shift which starts before 7:00 a.m. or finishes after 5:00 p.m. In the event the full shift is not worked, the above premium will be prorated to reflect the period actually worked. This shift premium will not apply where the overtime provision of this agreement does apply or lo hours defined under the informal flextime policy.

13.00 <u>CLOTHING ALLOWANCE</u>

13.01 The Corporation agrees that employees required to wear City Uniforms will be issued the uniforms at City expense (By - Law and Parking Enforcement Officers and Mechanics) Employees working in an environment that causes damage to their clothing may receive a clothing expense up to a maximum of \$325.00 per annum. The level of reimbursement will depend on actual

need. Purchases must be pre-approved by the Team Leader and must be supported by receipts or it will not be paid. Clothing must comply with the Business Unit standard.

14.00 TRADESPERSON TOOLS

14.01 Upon submission of receipts and with prior Team Leader approval, each tradesperson shall be reimbursed for replacement and/or breakage of personal tools to a maximum of Three Hundred (5300.00) in any one year.

15.00 HUMAN RESOURCES POLICIES

15.01 The Corporation agrees that the Staff Association Executive shall have the opportunity to review and comment on all proposed Corporate Human Resources policies and changes to existing policies relating to Staff Association members within a reasonable time frame and prior to implementation.

16.00 CONFLICTRESOLUTION PROCESS

The purpose of this article is to establish a procedure for the resolution of issues that may arise between employees and supervisors.

16.01 Procedure

- An employee, who has an issue regarding a decision of the corporation or their immediate supervisor, will contact their immediate supervisor and fully explain the issue.
- 2) If the employee is not satisfied with the immediate supervisor's response the employee will contact their Team Leader/Director and fully explain the issue. The Team Leader/Director will provide the employee with a written response to their concern within three (3) working days.
- 3) If the employee is not satisfied with the Team Leader/Directors response they will submit their issue in writing to that individual with copies to the Staff Association and Human Resources within three (3) working days. Upon receipt of the written complaint the Team Leader/Director will convene a meeting with the employee, the immediate supervisor and a Staff Association representative within the next five- (5) working days. Either party can also request the presence of a Human Resources representative at this meeting. The Team Leader/Director will provide the employee with a written decision within three (3) working days.
- 4) If the employee is not satisfied with the Team Leader/Directors decision they will submit a written request to the Staff Association President for the issue to go forward to the Conflict Resolution Committee. Upon consideration, the President may submit a written request to the Director of Human Resources to convene the Conflict Resolution Committee. This request must be signed by both the employee and the Staff Association Resident. Upon receipt of the written request the Director of Human Resources will convene a meeting of the Conflict Resolution Committee along with the employee, Team Leader and Director

within five (5) working days. The Director of Human Resources will provide the employee with a written decision within three (3) working days.

16.02 Conflict Resolution Committee

The Conflict Resolution Committee will be comprised of, the Director of Human Resources, (1) member of the Senior Management **Team** and two (2) members of the Staff Association.

17.00 WORKPLACE HARRASSMENT

The City of Waterloo and the Staff Association agreethat there will be no discrimination, interference, restriction, coercion, or harassment exercised or practiced by any of its employees or representatives with respect to any employee by reason of age, race, creed, colour, national <u>origin</u>, political affiliation, sex, sexual orientation, marital stafus or disability.

Harassment shall also be defined as a course of comment or conduct that is known or ought reasonably known to he unwelcome or any other behavior by any person in the workplace that is directed at an employee and

- a) is offensive or threatening to the employee (excluding job duties);
- b) endangering the employee's employment status or potential;
- c) undermines the performance of the employee's job;

Cases of harassment shall be considered **as** discrimination and be eligible to be processed **as** per City of Waterloo policy on workplace harassment. The Employer agrees that information and training regarding harassment is essential and will provide such training.

The procedure for resolution of harassment issues will be as per City of Waterloo policy on Workplace Harassment.

18.00 <u>DURATION OF AGREEMENT</u>

18.01 This agreement shall remain in force from the first day of January, 2003 to the last day of December, 2005, and thereafter shall be automatically renewed from year to year until notice of termination or of proposed revision of any provision hereof lo be given by either party, in writing, to the proper official of the other, (the Director of Human Resources of the Corporation and the President of the Association) not later than six (6) months prior to the expiring date: in the event that notice of such proposed revision he given in negotiations therein shall commence not later than thirty (30) days after the proposed revision of any provision hereof have been given by either party, all provisions hereof not so terminated or proposed lo be revised, lo continue in full force and effect.

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WATERLOO

SEAL

DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES

THE WATERLOO STAFF ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT

Diene Marton

SECRETARY

Appendix "A"

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WATERLOO

-and-

THE CITY OF WATERLOO STAFF ASSOCIATION

To confirm the Corporation's position concerning job security and Management Initiatives, the parties agree to the following:

- No permanent full time employee shall be terminated due to management training or efficiency initiatives.
- Should redundancies occur the Corporation will endeavor Io deal with these through attrition or voluntary early retirement or voluntary termination incentive programs.
- 3. The Corporation also reserves the right to transfer individuals to other work teams should initiatives identify efficiencies. These effected individuals will remain at their compensation level, however their future increases may be forfeit up to the point where their previous comparatio is reached within the new position's grade.
- It is understood that the Corporation does not guarantee employment to any staff for any item outside the boundaries of management efficiency or training initiatives such as;
- Provincial and/or Federal grant or expenditure reduction programs
- Council expenditure control or fiscal restrictions
- Regional review or any other external technological changes
- Reductions and/or position movement of staff association members shall be addressed with staff association executive prior to implementation.

Dated at Waterloo, Ontario this 14th day of August, 2003

For The Employer (

For The Association

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Appendix "B"

Benefits to Retirees

EffectiveJuly 1st, 1991 the Corporation will pay 100% of the premium cost of O.H.I.P., Extended Health Care and Dental coverage for an employee voluntarily electing retirement until the retired employee's 65th birthday.

- This program will be extended only to employees voluntarily electing retirement before the age of 65 and within ten (10) years of their normal retirement date. This is interpreted to mean that the employee is 55 years of age or older for an age 65 normal retirement date and is in receipt of a retirement pension from O.M.E.R.S.
- The retiring employees must have a minimum of ten (10) years continuous employment with the Corporationat the time of retirement to be eligible for this program.
- The above benefit coverage terminates in the event of the death of the retired employee where death precedes the employee's 65th birthday.
- It will he the retired employee's responsibility to ensure that the City Human Resources
 Department has a correct address at all times.
- 5. The benefits to he extended as follows:
 - a) Ontario Health Insurance Plan (O.H.I.P)
 - b) The Extended Health Care Plan and The Dental Plan in effect at time of retirement and as may be amended from time to time through negotiation and with the approval of the Staff Association.

Appendix "C"

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WATERLOO

-and-

THE CITY OF WATERLOO STAFF ASSOCIATION

To confirm the Corporation's position on forty (40) hour work schedule within the City of Waterloo Staff Association, the parties agree to the following:

- No changes to the current forty (40) hour work schedule will occur unless addressed with the Staff Association prior to implementation;
- The Corporation agrees to support Staff Association initiatives to renew the current forty (40) hour work week,
- When vacated, for purposes of efficiency and effectiveness and, if practical, positions currently deemed forty (40) hours may revert to a thirty-five (35) hour schedule;

Dated at Waterloo, Ontario this 14th day of August 2003

For The Employere

For The Association

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Appendix "D"

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WATERLOO

-and-

THE CITY OF WATERLOO STAFFASSOCIATION

To confirm the Corporation's position on job evaluation within the City of Waterloo Staff Association, the parties agree to the following:

- 1. There shall be a moratorium on further job evaluation and reclassification for 2003, 2004 and 2005.
- A review of the current compensation factors and compensation system will be undertaken by the Corporation. Representatives of the Staff Association will be included as part of any review team.
- If recommended, a revised compensation system and evaluation factors will be introduced on January 1, 2006, subject to Council approval.

Dated at Waterloo, Ontario this 14th day of August 2003.

For The Employer

For The Association

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