

# **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT**

between

**CITY OF BOZEMAN**

and

**MONTANA FEDERATION OF PUBLIC  
EMPLOYEES**

**FY 2023 - FY 2025**

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## AGREEMENT

This Agreement, made and entered into this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2022 between the City of Bozeman, Montana (City), a municipal corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Employer", and the Montana Federation of Public Employees (MFPE), hereinafter referred to as "Federation".

It is the intent and purpose of this Agreement to assure sound and mutually beneficial working relationships between the Employer and its employees, to provide an orderly and peaceful means of resolving grievances, to prevent interruption of work and interference with the efficient operation of the City, and to set forth herein a basic and complete agreement between the parties concerning terms and conditions of employment, which are not otherwise mandated by statute. It is understood that the Employer is engaged in furnishing an essential public service, which vitally affects health, safety, comfort, and general well-being of the public; and both parties hereto recognize the need for continuous and reliable service to the public.

All references to Montana Code Annotated (MCA) can be found at <https://leg.mt.gov/bills/mca/index.html> as of 2021.

### ARTICLE 1 - RECOGNITION

- A. The Employer recognizes the Federation as the sole and exclusive representative of all employees within the bargaining unit as defined and certified by the Board of Personnel Appeals.
- B. The bargaining unit includes all employees of the City who work 20 hours per week or more on a continual basis, excluding supervisors, management officials, confidential employees, professional engineers, and engineers in training, and excluding those employees whose positions are included in bargaining units represented by other labor organizations. The bargaining unit excludes seasonal, temporary, short term, as defined by MCA 2-18-101, and grant funded employees.

Grant Funded: Employees in positions funded by grants, who are not expect to be employed more than 12 months.

### ARTICLE 2 - DEFINITIONS

Whenever the following words or phrases appear in this agreement, they shall have the meaning assigned to them by this Article. When consistent with the context, words used in the present tense shall include the future, the singular shall include the plural, and the plural shall include the singular.

**Exempt Employee:** An employee in a position designated as executive, administrative professional, computer specialist, and others not subject to the overtime pay provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) and its regulations.

**Non-Exempt Employee:** An employee subject to the overtime provisions of the FLSA and its regulations.

**Regular Employee:** An employee assigned to a regular position. These employees have successfully completed the initial employment period. Except for layoffs and/or reductions in force, regular employees may only be terminated for just cause. Regular employees may appeal dismissal, suspension, or other punitive disciplinary actions through the grievance procedure.

**Seniority:** The length of continuous service as a regular employee since the original date of hire within the Federation and within their division with the City. Seniority under this Agreement applies only to layoffs, recalls, and in hiring decisions when qualifications and capabilities are equal.

### **ARTICLE 3 - FEDERATION RIGHTS**

- A. The Employer will compensate not more than six (6) members of the Federation's choosing as representatives for time spent during joint contract negotiations and labor-management meetings. The Federation shall immediately notify the Employer in writing of each such appointment and any changes.
- B. The internal business of the Federation shall be conducted by employees during their non-duty hours. However, a selected and designated Federation officer or appointee shall be allowed paid time to act as an employee representative in a disciplinary meeting when requested by an employee. The Employer will not compensate the aforementioned individuals for time spent investigating or preparing for such activities; and these activities will be conducted outside their normal work schedule.
- C. With prior approval and so as not to disrupt work in progress, the Federation's staff will be allowed to visit work areas of the employees during work hours and confer on employment relation matters.
- D. The Federation may utilize space on bulletin boards currently used for employee notices.
- E. Accredited Federation representatives shall, with the written approval of the employee, have the right to inspect an employee's personnel file, with the exception of medical information unless the issue involves such matter.
- F. The Federation may be allowed to use the Employer's facilities for Federation meetings, contingent upon availability and management approval.

### **ARTICLE 4 - FEDERATION SECURITY**

- A. Membership in the Federation is administered by Federation representatives and all questions should be directed to the Federation. The Employer will provide contact information for the Federation to employees.
- B. Upon receipt of a written authorization from an employee covered by this Agreement, the Employer shall deduct from the employee's pay, the amount owed to the Federation by such employee for dues. The Employer will remit to the Federation such sums within 30 calendar days. Changes in the Federation membership dues will be certified to the Employer in writing over the signature of the authorized officer or officers of the Federation and shall be done at least 30 calendar days in advance of such change.
- C. The Employer, within 30 days of the signing of this Agreement, shall present the Federation with a list of the names and addresses of all current employees covered by this Agreement and shall provide an updated list upon reasonable request of the Federation. Employer shall notify the Federation via email of new employees covered under this Agreement.
- D. The Federation will indemnify, defend, and hold the Employer harmless against any claim made and against any suit instituted against the Employer, including attorney fees and costs of defense thereof, on account of any provision of this Article.

### **ARTICLE 5 - MANAGEMENT RIGHTS**

*(In compliance with Section 39-31-303, M.C.A.)*

The Federation shall recognize the prerogatives of the Employer to manage, direct, and control its business in all particulars, in such areas as, but not limited to:

1. Direct employees;
2. Hire, promote, transfer, assign, and retain employees;

3. Relieve employees from duties because of lack of work or funds or under conditions where continuation of such work would be inefficient and non-productive;
4. Maintain the efficiency of government operations;
5. Determine the methods, means, job classifications, and personnel by which the Employer's operations are to be conducted;
6. Take whatever actions may be necessary to carry out the missions of the Employer in situations of emergency; and,
7. Establish the methods and processes by which work is performed.

The Employer retains such rights unless such rights are specifically relinquished in this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 6 - NONDISCRIMINATION**

The Employer and the Federation affirm their joint opposition to any discriminatory practices in connection with employment, promotion or training, remembering that the public interest requires the full utilization of the employees' skills and abilities without regard to any prohibited category. Claims of discrimination shall be processed through the procedure provided by the applicable statute.

The parties agree that they will not discriminate against any Federation member or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, creed, sex, age, marital status, national origin, political ideas, or on the basis of perceived or actual disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression, or Federation affiliation. This relates to all aspects of employment and to the use of all facilities and participation in all Employer-sponsored activities. This does not preclude discrimination based on bona fide occupational qualifications or other recognized exceptions under the law.

## **ARTICLE 7 - DRUG & ALCOHOL TESTING**

Employees may not be under the influence of, or impaired by, drugs or alcohol while on duty. Employees thought to be under the influence will be subject to reasonable suspicion testing. Violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination, and may have legal consequences.

### **A. Reasonable Suspicion**

Supervisor and management officials shall receive training on reasonable suspicion. If a supervisor or manager reasonably suspects that an employee is under the influence of drugs or alcohol, they will ask another supervisor to confirm a suspicion. Then, the employee will be subject to drug and/or alcohol testing.

### **B. Post-Accident**

Employees who are involved in workplace accidents resulting in any physical injury or equipment damage of \$1,500 or more, shall be subject to post-accident drug and alcohol testing.

## **ARTICLE 8 - PAY & HOURS**

### **A. Position Pay Ranges**

Pay ranges for all Federation positions are attached as Appendix A.

### **B. Pay Adjustments**

All pay ranges shall be adjusted according to the schedule below (reflected in Appendix A):

July 1, 2023                      2.0%

July 1, 2024

2.0%

**C. Pay Plan:**

1. Full time employees will be paid on a monthly basis. Wages paid under this contract will be carried out to two (2) decimal places.
2. New, promoted, and transferred employees will be placed at a step somewhere between step A and step D of the range for the position. Management retains the ability to place new employees at a salary rate higher than the minimum, based on education, training, experience, related skills, and market competitiveness.
3. Employees who are demoted to a position within the bargaining unit as a result of disciplinary action shall be placed at the minimum of the pay range of the new position. Employees who request and receive a voluntarily demotion to a position within the bargaining unit shall be placed at a salary rate somewhere between entry and mid-point depending the employee's current rate of pay, education, training, experience, related skills, and market competitiveness.
4. If management makes changes to an employee's position that results in a significant change in required knowledge, skills, and abilities, the parties shall meet and confer about the compensation.
5. Should any new Federation positions be established, the City's Human Resources Director, or designee, will use the Human Resources Department's pay band request process to recommend a salary range for the new position. The Federation will be consulted with the results of this process.
6. When an employee is officially assigned to temporarily perform all of the primary duties assigned to a higher paid position for a period of at least five (5) consecutive days, the employee will receive a stipend of five percent (5.0%) of their regular rate of pay for all such hours. However, when such an assignment lasts longer than 20 workdays, the employee will for all such temporarily assigned hours thereafter be paid at the minimum rate for the higher paid position, as long as the minimum rate of the higher paid position is at least five percent (5.0%) higher than the employee's current pay rate.
7. The City's Pay for Performance Program shall be administered as follows:
  - i. A performance evaluation system shall be utilized by the Employer in the evaluation of employees covered by this Agreement. The evaluation form used will be provided by the Human Resources Department. The Evaluation system used will be consistent with that described in the City's policy.
  - ii. When performance evaluations are prepared, the evaluation shall be provided to the employee. The immediate supervisor shall discuss the evaluation with the employee and note by signature, retained in the personnel file, that the evaluation has been discussed with the employee. If the employee desires to submit a brief written statement in explanation or mitigation of any remark on the performance appraisal form, the statement shall be attached to the evaluation and included in the employee's personnel file.
  - iii. Employees shall be eligible to advance to the next step in their pay band (step A through step F) only upon receipt of an overall performance rating of "meets expectations" or higher on their annual performance evaluation. For purposes of this section, if a supervisor fails to complete the evaluation in a timely manner, it will be treated as an overall rating of "meets expectations".

- iv. Employees who receive an overall performance rating of less than "meets expectations" may appeal their evaluations. A request to appeal the evaluation shall be sent, in writing, to the MFPE Business Representative with a copy to the City's Human Resources Director within five (5) working days of receipt of the evaluation.

**D. Hours and Schedules**

1. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as a guarantee or limitation of the number of hours to be worked per day, days per week, or for any other period of time.
2. A regular workday shall normally consist of eight (8) hours of continuous work, including two (2) duty-free rest breaks. The employee shall be granted a duty free meal break (sometime around mid-day or mid-shift), the length and scheduling of which will be determined through mutual agreement with the employee and their immediate supervisor. The meal break shall be normally without pay unless established otherwise by the Employer.
3. A regular workweek shall normally consist of five (5) regular work days, Monday through Friday, totaling 40 hours. The regular workweek is not the workweek designation required by the FLSA.
4. A designated workweek shall normally consist of 40 hours composed of any five (5) consecutive work days, immediately followed by two (2) days off.
5. The Employer may establish an alternate work schedule wherein 40 hours may be worked as straight time in other than five (5) days or eight (8) continuous hour days. Alternate schedules shall be established in writing and must be approved in advance by the Human Resources Director, or designee.
6. Excluding emergencies, employees placed on a regular or alternative work schedule shall not have their work schedules changed unless given 14 calendar days' notice of the change.
7. Employees who are scheduled to work 30 hours or more per week and who are called out for work and report outside their regular shift shall be paid for a minimum of two (2) hours at a rate of time and one half their regular rate of pay, except for holidays, as enumerated in Article 11. Each hour after two (2) hours shall be paid at time and one half their regular rate of pay, providing the employee has exceeded 40 hours of regular time. It is understood that this provision does not apply to overtime work, which is essentially a continuation of the workday, scheduled weekend overtime, scheduled staff meetings, or scheduled training sessions.

**ARTICLE 9 – LONGEVITY**

Employees with more than one (1) year of continuous service in a position covered under this Agreement shall be entitled to receive longevity pay in accordance with the schedule below. Longevity payments will be paid to each employee as part of the regular payroll. Employees will receive additional longevity increments at the beginning of the pay period in which their anniversary date occurs. No payments will be made for less than one (1) year of service.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Annual Amount</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Annual Amount</b>
<b>1</b>	\$104	<b>11</b>	\$1,144
<b>2</b>	\$208	<b>12</b>	\$1,248
<b>3</b>	\$312	<b>13</b>	\$1,352
<b>4</b>	\$416	<b>14</b>	\$1,456
<b>5</b>	\$520	<b>15</b>	\$1,560
<b>6</b>	\$624	<b>16</b>	\$1,664



<b>7</b>	\$728	<b>17</b>	\$1,768
<b>8</b>	\$832	<b>18</b>	\$1,872
<b>9</b>	\$936	<b>19</b>	\$1,976
<b>10</b>	\$1,040	<b>20 +</b>	\$2,080

Part-time employees, and those full-time employees who have worked part-time positions in the past, will receive longevity pay based on total years of service calculated as: 2,080 hours worked = one (1) year of service. Part-time employees will not begin to receive longevity pay until they have worked more than 2,080 hours. Overtime hours worked are not counted towards longevity.

## **ARTICLE 10 - HEALTH/DENTAL/VISION INSURANCE**

### **A. Employer Health Insurance Contributions**

Effective July 1, 2022 (June 2022 payroll deduction), the Employer will contribute the following amounts for full time employees toward an employee's health, dental, vision, prescription insurance and other cafeteria plan options.

<b>Coverage</b>	<b>Employer Share</b>
Employee-Only	\$781.00
Employee & Spouse	\$1,093.00
Employee & Children	\$943.00
Employee & Family	\$1,538.00

The Employer will contribute the following percentages of the individual premium levels for part-time employees:

<b>Regularly Scheduled Hours</b>	<b>Employer Contribution</b>
20 hours through 29 hours	50%
30 hours through 39 hours	75%

Individual premium levels are the same premium levels retirees pay for insurance coverage for each of the following categories: Employee Only, Employee & Partner, Employee & Children, and Employee & Family.

The Employer may require employees to pay additional contributions to cover dependents, spouses, and/or domestic partners. Costs of these additional coverages will be paid by the employee through payroll deduction.

During open enrollment each year, employees may select their insurance coverage by choosing from among the plans offered by the Employer.

Subsequent years' contributions will be determined through the health insurance committee, subject to City Commission approval.

### **B. Program to Augment Retirement Benefit**

Recognizing the previous intent of employees and the Employer, as reflected in Article 8 Section 2 of the FY2008-FY2011 collective bargaining agreement, to allow employees to participate in an I.R.C. § 125 plan whereby employees can contribute toward the purchase of health/dental/vision/prescription insurance on a pre-tax basis, and seeking to clarify the employees options under such plan, Article H8 Section 2 of the collective bargaining agreement is hereby retroactively amended to July 1, 1996 as follows:

Effective July 1, 1996, the Employer contribution toward employee's health/dental/vision/prescription insurance

will be added to the employee's gross pay. This portion of the employee's gross pay is hereinafter referred to as the "Contribution". As part of this collective bargaining agreement, employees are required to participate in the Employer health/dental/vision/prescription insurance plan on either a pre-tax or post-tax basis. If an employee elects to participate on a pre-tax basis, the employee shall authorize a payroll deduction from the employee's gross pay equal to the contribution toward employee's health/dental/vision/prescription insurance. This deduction from the employee's gross pay will be paid into a fund maintained to provide health/dental/vision/prescription insurance benefits for employees.

If an employee elects to participate on a post-tax basis, the contribution shall be taxable income to the employee and the employee shall authorize the payment of the contribution value, after its deemed receipt, toward the employee's health/dental/vision/prescription insurance.

Including the Employer contribution toward employee's health/dental/vision/prescription insurance in the employee's gross pay serves the purpose of augmenting the employee's eventual retirement benefit. It is hereby acknowledged that both employee and employer retirement contributions will be required on this additional gross income causing a decrease to the net income of the employee. It is also the intent of the employees and the Employer that the contribution be excluded from the determination of the employee's regular rate of compensation as that phrase is defined under 29 U.S.C. § 207(e) (4). In the event that any subsequent law, court, arbitrator, or other lawful authority determines that the inclusion of the Employer's health/dental/vision/prescription insurance contribution in the employee's gross pay should be included in overtime compensation calculations, then the parties agree that there will be a corresponding adjustment to the affected hourly rate of pay to carry out the intent of this provision. The intent of such adjustment will be to result in the least net financial effect on both the employee and the Employer.

Effective July 1, 2010, regardless of the amount the Employer contributes toward an employee's health insurance as stated in Section 1 above, the contribution to an employee's gross pay for purposes of calculating income for retirement purposes will be \$480.00 per month.

Any employee with a hire date after June 30, 2011, will not be eligible to participate in the Program to Augment Retirement Benefit.

### **C. Supplemental Retirement Program**

1. Employees are allowed to convert a portion of their sick leave balance to one of the City's qualified deferred compensation plans. Sick leave hours converted to a deferred compensation plan will be converted at 75 percent of the employee's hourly rate at the time the hours are converted. This will occur during the month of September of each year and cover hours as of June 30 of that year. Employees will not be able to take the hours in the form of cash for current uses. Employees' remaining sick leave balances will continue to be paid at 25 percent of the employee's hourly rate at retirement or termination. Sick leave hours eligible to convert to a deferred compensation plan are subject to the following restrictions:
  - i. Employees may not move sick leave hours if they do not have a minimum of two (2) years' sick leave accrual (192 hours) on the books nor will they be able to move any sick leave hours which cause their sick leave balance to fall below 192 hours.
  - ii. The amount of sick leave eligible to convert to a supplemental retirement account will be determined on an annual basis as of June 30 of each year.
  - iii. The amount of sick leave eligible to move to a supplemental retirement account equals: Sick leave accrual for the fiscal year (normally 96 hours) minus sick leave hours used during the fiscal year, minus 48 hours, equals the number of hours eligible to move

to a supplemental retirement account (may not be less than 0).

Example: A full-time employee uses one day (8 hours) of sick leave during the year. That employee would be eligible to move 40 hours from their sick leave balance to a supplemental retirement account at the end of the fiscal year. 96 (sick leave accrual) - eight (sick leave used), - 48 (required to go toward sick leave accrual) = 40 hours. This example assumes that the employee has a sufficient sick leave balance so that the movement of 40 hours out of sick leave will not cause the balance to fall below 192 hours. The employee will only be able to move as many hours as will result in their sick leave balance to be 192 hours.

- iv. The annual election to convert sick leave hours into deferred compensation under this program is irrevocable. Once sick leave hours are converted, they cannot be "purchased back" for use as leave at a future point in time.

**ARTICLE 11 - HOLIDAYS**

A. For pay purposes, the following shall be recognized holidays for employees:

New Year's Day	January 1
Martin Luther King Day	Third Monday in January
Lincoln's/Washington's Birthdays	Third Monday in February
Memorial Day	Last Monday in May
Juneteenth	June 19
Independence Day	July 4
Labor Day	First Monday in September
Indigenous Peoples' Day	Second Monday in October
Veterans Day	November 11
Thanksgiving Day	Fourth Thursday in November
Wellness Day	Day after Thanksgiving
General Election Day/Personal Day	Alternate years only
Christmas	December 25

The Library Board of Trustees may establish alternate days for holidays, but in no case shall employees receive fewer holidays without appropriate compensation.

- B. The holidays listed in Section A shall be granted at the regular rate of pay to all eligible employees except as provided for in Section C. To be eligible for holiday pay, an employee must be in paid status on the last scheduled working day immediately before the holiday or on the first regularly scheduled working day immediately after the holiday.
- C. When a non-exempt employee is required by the Employer to work on a holiday listed above, they will be paid at the rate of two (2) times their regular rate of pay, or at the employee's option, one (1) times their regular rate of pay and an alternative day off, to be taken at a time agreeable to the employee and Employer, within the same pay period. Non-exempt employees shall be given the opportunity to select their option on the commencement of their employment and shall be bound by their choice for at least a one (1) year period, unless otherwise agreed to by the Employer. Full-time exempt employees and employees who request and are authorized to work on a holiday shall receive their regular rate of pay and an alternative day off, to be taken at a time agreeable to the employee and the Employer, within the same pay period.
- D. Any eligible full-time employee who is scheduled for a day off on a holiday, shall be entitled to receive a day off with pay either on the day preceding the holiday or on another day following the holiday, or as

scheduled by the employee and their supervisor within the same pay period, whichever allows a day off in addition to the employee's regularly scheduled days off.

- E. Eligible non-exempt part-time employees shall receive benefits granted in this section on a pro-rata basis based on the number of hours the employee is scheduled to work during the month. If a part-time employee suffers a reduction in total hours as a result of a proration in holiday hours, then that employee can make up those lost hours at a different time, within the workweek, subject to scheduling of work time by the immediate supervisor.
- F. Personal Day: Employer agrees to provide employees a personal day in non-general election years. That day must be used by June 30, or the day will be forfeited. Employees must be employed by December 31 of the fiscal year to be eligible for the personal day. Employees must receive their supervisor's approval to use the day at least two (2) weeks in advance. The personal day will be prorated for part-time employees, in the same manner as holiday pay.

## **ARTICLE 12 – LEAVES**

Employer will comply with federal and state leave laws, as described in the City's Employee Handbook.

### **A. Jury and Witness Duty**

Employees summoned to serve as jurors or witnesses shall be granted leave per Section 2-18-619, M.C.A.

### **B. Sick Leave**

Employees shall be granted sick leave per Section 2-18-618, M.C.A., and according to the following:

1. Notification of absence because of illness shall be given as soon as possible to either the immediate supervisor or to the individual designated to receive such notification.
2. In the event that an employee on vacation leave becomes ill, the employee shall be afforded the right to change their vacation leave status to sick leave status and utilize available sick leave credits upon furnishing management acceptable medical certification.
3. The Employer may not require a doctor's certification to substantiate sick leave usage from an employee in the bargaining unit unless the employee has been away from work in excess of five (5) days on sick leave or unless the Employer has good reason to suspect sick leave abuse. A proven abuse of sick leave may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination and a waiver of the sick leave cash-out per MCA.
4. Accrued and available sick leave will be allowed for necessary attendance to the illness of a member of the employee's immediate family.

### **C. Vacation Leave**

It is understood that employees may take vacation leave, with prior approval from their supervisor, at their individual discretion as long as the execution of this right does not cause an undue burden on the Employer's operation.

1. Each regular full-time employee shall earn vacation leave credits from the first day of employment. For calculating vacation leave credits, 2,080 hours (52 weeks x 40 hours) shall equal one (1) year. Vacation leave credits earned shall be credited at the end of each pay period. However, employees

are not entitled to any vacation leave with pay until they have been continuously employed for a period of six (6) calendar months. Regular part-time employees are entitled to prorated vacation benefits if they have worked the qualifying period. An employee may not accrue vacation leave credits while in a leave without pay status exceeding 15 working days.

2. Vacation leave may be accumulated to a total not to exceed two (2) times the current maximum number of days earned annually as of December 31 of any calendar year. Vacation time accrued in excess of the allowable accumulation is not forfeited if it is taken by March 31 of the succeeding calendar year. It is the responsibility of the Employer to provide reasonable opportunity for an employee to use rather than forfeit accumulated leave. If an employee makes a reasonable written request by January 15<sup>th</sup> to use excess vacation leave before the leave must be forfeited, and the Employer denies this request, the excess vacation leave is not forfeited. Instead, the Employer must ensure that the employee may use the excess vacation leave before the end of the calendar year in which the leave would have been forfeited.
3. Vacation leave credits shall be earned at a yearly rate calculated in accordance with the following schedule, which applies to the total years of employment with any Montana city, county, or state government, regardless if there is a break in service.

<b>Years Employed</b>	<b>Days Accrued per Year</b>
1 day through 10 years	15
10 years through 15 years	18
15 years through 20 years	21
20 years+	24

**D. Leave Without Pay**

1. A leave without pay must be requested by the employee in advance, in accordance with the Employee Handbook. The employee shall use the standard leave request form. The approval or denial from Employer shall be based on the needs of the City, the reason for the request, and the employee’s work performance. The Employer may require the employee to utilize unused annual leave or compensatory time prior to authorizing leave without pay.
2. Employees on leave without pay will be responsible for not only their portion of any and all insurance premiums, but also the employer’s contribution.

**E. Military Leave**

Military leave shall be granted per Section 10-1-1009, M.C.A. and in accordance with federal law.

**F. Workers' Compensation Leave**

A regular employee injured on the job and eligible for workers' compensation benefits shall retain all rights provided by 39-71-317, MCA, and other applicable state and federal laws.

**G. Bereavement Leave**

Bereavement leave shall be granted per the City’s Employee Handbook.

**ARTICLE 13 - INFORMAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION & GRIEVANCES**

Having a desire to create and maintain harmonious labor relations, the parties agree that they will promptly attempt

to adjust all disputes involving the interpretation, application, or alleged violation of a specific provision of this Agreement. Any of the following procedures or steps may be modified upon mutual agreement by both parties.

### **A. Informal Dispute Procedure**

Any dispute involving the interpretation, application, or alleged violation of a specific provision of this Agreement shall be discussed with the employee's immediate supervisor within five (5) working days of the dispute or five (5) working days from when the employee should have reasonably known of the dispute. The immediate supervisor shall have five (5) working days to respond. All disputes must be discussed with the immediate supervisor prior to the filing of a grievance, and no grievance may be filed until the immediate supervisor has been given opportunity to attempt resolution under this part.

### **B. Grievance Procedure**

#### 1. Rules of Grievance Processing

- i. No issue shall be subject to the Grievance Procedure or Arbitration Procedure, unless the grievance alleges the breach of an express provision of this Agreement. The grievance shall be filed, answered and proceed through the steps using the form supplied in Appendix B.
- ii. Time limits of any stage of the grievance procedure may be extended by written mutual agreement of the parties at that step.
- iii. A grievance not filed or advanced by the grievant within the time limits provided shall be deemed permanently withdrawn as having been settled on the basis of the decision most recently received. Failure on the part of the Employer's representative to answer within the time limits set forth in any step will entitle the employee to advance the grievance to the next step.
- iv. An appointed authority may replace any titled position in the grievance procedure, provided that such appointee has full authority to act in the capacity of the person being replaced.
- v. When the grievance is presented in writing, there shall be set forth both of the following:
  1. A complete statement of the grievance and facts upon which it is based, and;
  2. The grievance must state the specific section of the contract alleged to be violated and the remedy sought by the employee.
- vi. Employees desiring to use alternative grievance procedures may not pursue the same complaint under the provisions of this contractual procedure. Similarly, an employee pursuing a grievance under the provision of this contract may not pursue the same grievance under another procedure.
- vii. The parties may, at any point in this process, mutually agree to terms that would resolve the grievance.

#### 2. Grievance Steps

Step 1. If the dispute is not resolved informally, and in order to proceed, a grievance must be presented in writing to both the Federation and the appropriate Management official using Appendix B – Grievance Report Form, within ten (10) working days from the receipt of the immediate supervisor's response to the informal dispute. The Management official at this step shall have ten (10) working days from the receipt of the grievance to respond in writing to the Federation and the grievant.

Step 2. If the grievance is not resolved by Management's response in Step 1, the grievant may forward the grievance to the City Manager within ten (10) working days of receipt of Management's response. The City Manager shall render a decision and respond to the Federation and the grievant within ten (10) working days.

Step 3. If the grievance cannot be resolved at Step 2, the Federation shall, within ten working days of receipt of the Step 2 response, notify the City Manager of its decision to take the grievance to final and binding arbitration.

### **C. Rules for Arbitration**

1. Within ten (10) working days of receipt of the Federation's notice of its intent to arbitrate a grievance, the Federation shall call upon the Montana Board of Personnel Appeals for a list of seven (7) potential arbitrators.
2. Within ten (10) working days of receiving the list the parties shall confer to strike names to the list in alternate order.
3. Each party shall be entitled to strike names from the list in alternate order, and the name so remaining shall be the arbitrator. The arbitrator shall render a decision, which shall be final and binding.
4. Each party shall share equally the cost of the arbitrator. In the event one (1) of the parties wants transcripts from the proceedings of the arbitration, the party requesting the transcripts shall pay all costs. If each party requests a transcript, they shall equally share the costs.
5. The arbitrator may not add to, subtract from or modify the terms of this Agreement.
6. In the event the arbitrator charges a fee(s) for canceling an arbitration hearing, the party requesting the cancellation is responsible for payment.

### **ARTICLE 14 - OVERTIME & COMPENSATORY TIME**

- A. Nonexempt employees shall be paid at a rate of one and one-half (1 ½) times their regular rate of pay for all authorized time they work over 40 hours per week. By agreement between the parties, a non-exempt employee may choose to accrue compensatory time in lieu of overtime pay under the following rules:
  1. Compensatory time for employees will accrue at the rate of one and one-half (1 ½) hours for each hour of overtime worked.
  2. The maximum compensatory time balance for any employee shall be 180 hours, which represents not more than 120 hours of actual overtime worked.
  3. An employee must have the appropriate supervisor's prior approval to accrue or use compensatory time.
  4. Upon termination, unused accumulated compensatory time will be paid to the employee at their final regular rate of pay.
- B. The Employer will make a good faith effort to equalize the offer of scheduled overtime and compensatory time among the employees in the same work unit and classification where training and ability are sufficient to do the work.

- C. If job-related travel time is scheduled for other than the employee's normal workweek, such travel time shall be compensated in accordance with the FLSA.
- D. It is understood that employees may take compensatory time, with prior management approval, at their individual discretion as long as the execution of this right does not unduly disrupt the Employer's operation.
- E. Employees may convert one (1) or two (2) days of compensatory time each year to deferred compensation. Hours will be converted in September each year, consistent with the sick leave program. The program will commence in FY95 (hours as of June 30,1994) which will be converted in September of 1994. The same for subsequent years.
- F. The City may cash out accumulated compensatory time from time to time with the agreement of the subject employee.

### **ARTICLE 15 - JOB SECURITY**

- A. A twelve (12) month initial employment period shall be utilized for the most effective adjustment of a new employee and for the elimination of an employee in their initial employment period whose performance does not, in the judgment of the employee's supervisor, meet the required standard of performance. If the Employer determines at any time during the initial employment period that the services of the employee in their initial employment period are unsatisfactory, the employee may be separated upon written notice from the Employer. The initial employment period may be extended in writing for a period of up to six (6) months if, in the opinion of the Employer, extenuating circumstances dictate.
- B. The Employer may discharge any non-probationary employee only for just cause. The Employer shall furnish an employee subject to discharge or suspension with a written statement of the grounds and specific reason(s) for such actions. A regular employee may appeal their dismissal, suspension, or other punitive disciplinary action through the grievance procedure.
- C. Upon promotion or transfer to an MFPE position, the employee will be subject to a six (6) month probationary period. The probationary period for promotions may be extended in writing for a period of up to six (6) months if, in the opinion of the Employer, extenuating circumstances dictate.

### **ARTICLE 16 – SENIORITY & LAYOFF**

#### **A. Seniority**

Seniority means the length of continuous service as a regular MFPE employee since the most recent date of hire with the City of Bozeman. Seniority shall cease to accrue during a period of layoff or leave without pay that exceeds 30 working days or after a permanent transfer out of the bargaining unit. Previously credited service, however, will not be lost; and an employee who is recalled or transfers back into the bargaining unit will retain all prior seniority. Seniority shall be revoked upon termination, retirement, or discharge for cause.

Qualifications and capabilities shall be the controlling factors in filling new or vacant permanent positions. When qualifications and capabilities are substantially equal, seniority will be used to make the final decision.

#### **B. Layoff**

1. Layoff caused by reduction in force shall be in order of seniority by job class within a division of the City. Letters of caution, consultation, warning, admonishment and reprimand may also be considered.
2. No regular employee will be laid off as a result of a reorganization unless their position is eliminated



and no other position within the budget unit for which they qualify is available, or their position has been restructured to render the current employee not qualified or capable of performing the new duties and responsibilities.

3. Layoff Pool: Regular employees who have been notified of a layoff may submit an application to Human Resources, which will be placed in a layoff pool for recall purposes. Eligible employees must apply to the layoff pool within 30 days from the date of written notification of layoff, or their rights to the layoff pool shall be waived. Applications for the layoff pool will be active for 15 months. Employees in the layoff pool may apply for any bargaining unit position for which they qualify. Hiring authorities must first consider qualified and capable employees in the layoff pool for open positions in the bargaining unit.
4. No regular employee shall be laid off while temporary or initial employment period employees with the same qualifications and capabilities are retained in the division.
5. The Employer shall give regular employees subject to layoff a minimum of 15 working days advance notice and shall deliver a copy of the notice to the Federation.
6. Essential employees are exempt from seniority rules. The City shall not be required to layoff an individual who has certain unusual working knowledge or is otherwise deemed to be an essential employee. Under this article, an essential employee is someone who holds specialized knowledge and skills, and whose services are essential for a successful operation of the City.

#### **ARTICLE 17– VACANCIES & PROMOTIONS**

The following procedures will be observed in the posting and filling of vacant or newly created permanent positions. The purpose of this system is to inform employees of vacancies and newly created positions and to afford employees, who are interested and who feel they qualify an equal opportunity to apply for the vacant or newly created position. It is understood that newly hired employees and employees on a leave of absence for any reason may not have the same period of notice as other employees concerning position vacancies.

- A. When a vacant or newly created permanent position is to be filled, the notice will be posted in a specific place designated for job opening notices, and shall state where interested employees are to submit an application, the cutoff date of application submittal, and the minimum qualifications required for the position.
- B. The Employer will ensure that all such applications are considered in the selection process. In the event similar qualifications exist, current employees will be selected over non-employees. Members in the bargaining unit who are unsuccessful applicants shall be notified upon completion of the selection process.
- C. All positions in the bargaining unit shall be posted, per the provisions of this Article, for at least five (5) working days.

#### **ARTICLE 18 – RATINGS & WARNINGS**

- A. Any employee may request from Human Resources, at any time, and shall receive a copy of, their current class specification.
- B. No information reflecting critically upon an employee shall be placed in the personnel file of the employee that does not bear either the signature or initials of the employee indicating they have been shown the material, or a statement by a supervisor that the employee has been shown the material and refused to sign it. A copy of any such material shall be furnished to the employee upon request.

- C. An employee desiring that any material except annual performance evaluations, which they feel is incorrect and should be removed from their personnel file, shall have the right to appeal it through the grievance procedure.
- D. Informal discipline is defined as anything less than a written reprimand. This includes documented oral warnings and performance improvement plans. Informal discipline shall be considered temporary contents of an employee’s personnel file and may be removed no earlier than two (2) years after they have been placed in the file, unless such items can be used in support of possible disciplinary action arising from more recent employee action or behavior patterns or are applicable to pending legal or quasi-legal proceedings. In order to be considered for removal, the employee must make a request in writing to the Human Resources Department. Material placed in the personnel file of an employee without conformity with the provisions of this Section will not be used by the Employer in any subsequent disciplinary proceeding involving the employee.

**ARTICLE 19 - CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Employer agrees to implement a continuing education program for interested employees that will allow each employee to take one class per year in a field related to their current position and approved by their supervisor. The program will either pay tuition for the class, or allow the class to be taken during working hours without a reduction in the employee's pay. The program is subject to the following additional conditions:

- 1. The training requires approval in advance by the department head of the employee's respective department;
- 2. Granting of either time off or reimbursement for the course will be at the department head's discretion; and,
- 3. The employee must receive at least an average grade in order to be reimbursed for the class.

**ARTICLE 20 - LABOR MANAGEMENT PROCESS**

Labor Management Committee (LMC) shall be formed and consist of equal participation from Federation members and management. The committee should meet as often as necessary. The purpose of the Labor Management process is to create a venue to foster healthy communication between labor and management. Suggested LMC topics include, but not limited to:

- Review and recommend solutions to work related issues
- Discuss methods to improve communications
- Reduce potential conflicts
- Discuss safety concerns

It is understood that although Human Resources and Federation staff may serve as an advisory to the committee, they are not voting members and shall not be counted as such. The meetings of the LMC shall not be construed or intended to take the place of formal bargaining sessions.

**ARTICLE 21 - OTHER**

- A. Swim Passes: Employer agrees to allow employees to purchase swimming passes at a discount. The passes will be honored at the Swim Center and at Bogert Pool (Bogert: nights and weekends only). The cost of the passes will be:

Employee .....	\$10.00
Employee and family .....	\$35.00

Effective September 1, 2003, Swim Center passes are valid from September 1st through August 30th.

- B. Financial and Legislative Contingencies: Should the Employer not receive anticipated appropriations or revenues, those portions of this Agreement which are contingent upon availability of financial resources may be opened for renegotiation by the Employer.
- C. If a joint insurance committee is established, the Federation will be allowed to appoint at least one (1) member to said Committee.
- D. All Federation members will be provided copies of the Employee Handbook upon hire; and they will be required to sign, attesting to their receipt of the Handbook. Federation members will be notified of any changes in the Handbook. An updated copy of the Employee Handbook will be maintained in each department.

#### **ARTICLE 22 – SEVERABILITY**

In the event that any provision of this Agreement shall be declared invalid at any time or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or through government regulations or decree, such decision shall not invalidate the entire Agreement, it being the expressed intention of the parties hereto that all other provisions not declared invalid or unenforceable shall remain in full force and effect.

#### **ARTICLE 23 - ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

- A. The Employer shall not be bound by any requirement which is not specifically stated in this Agreement. Specifically, but not exclusively, the Employer is not bound by any past practices of the Employer, unless such past practices are specifically stated in this Agreement. The Federation and the Employer agree that this Agreement is intended to cover all matters affecting wages, hours, and other terms and all conditions of employment and similar or related subjects, and that during the term of this Agreement, neither the Employer nor the Federation will be required to negotiate on any further matters affecting these or any other subjects not specifically set forth in this Agreement.
- B. The parties recognize the right, obligation, and duty of personnel to promulgate rules, regulations, directives and orders from time to time as deemed necessary insofar as such rules, regulations, directives and orders that affect the members of the bargaining units covered by this Agreement are not inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement and are not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Montana and federal laws.

#### **ARTICLE 24 - TERM OF AGREEMENT**

This Agreement shall be effective as of July 1, 2022 or upon the final ratification by the parties, whichever is later, and shall remain in full force and effect through June 30, 2025. If one of the parties desires to modify this Agreement, it shall give the other written notice of its intent to do so no sooner than 120 days and no less than 90 days prior to the expiration date to renegotiate this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 25 - NO STRIKE/NO LOCKOUT**

- A. Neither the Federation nor its agents, members, or representatives will cause, sanction, or take part in any strike, slow down, sympathy strike, or any other interference with the Employer's business.
- B. During the term of this Agreement, there shall be no lockouts by the Employer.

In Witness Whereof, the parties hereto have set their hands the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2022.

FOR: CITY OF BOZEMAN

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*Jeff Mihelich*  
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Jeff Mihelich, City Manager

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*Mike Maas*  
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Mike Maas, City Clerk

FOR: MONTANA FEDERATION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

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## APPENDIX A – POSITION PAY RANGES

FY23							
Position	Pay Band	Step A	Step B	Step C	Step D	Step E	Step F
ACCOUNT SPECIALIST I	1	\$ 21.00	\$ 21.63	\$ 22.28	\$ 22.95	\$ 23.64	\$ 24.34
ACCOUNT SPECIALIST II	4	\$ 22.61	\$ 23.29	\$ 23.99	\$ 24.71	\$ 25.45	\$ 26.22
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLERK	6	\$ 23.76	\$ 24.47	\$ 25.21	\$ 25.96	\$ 26.74	\$ 27.54
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I	1	\$ 21.00	\$ 21.63	\$ 22.28	\$ 22.95	\$ 23.64	\$ 24.34
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	6	\$ 23.76	\$ 24.47	\$ 25.21	\$ 25.96	\$ 26.74	\$ 27.54
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	14	\$ 28.95	\$ 29.82	\$ 30.71	\$ 31.63	\$ 32.58	\$ 33.56
ASSET/GIS SYSTEMS ADMIN	24	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71	\$ 42.96
ASSISTANT CONTROLLER	24	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71	\$ 42.96
ASSISTANT TREASURER	8	\$ 24.96	\$ 25.71	\$ 26.48	\$ 27.28	\$ 28.10	\$ 28.94
BUILDING INSPECTOR I	20	\$ 33.57	\$ 34.58	\$ 35.62	\$ 36.68	\$ 37.79	\$ 38.92
BUILDING INSPECTOR II	24	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71	\$ 42.96
BUILDING INSPECTOR III	28	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.70	\$ 46.04	\$ 47.42
BUILDING INSPECTOR IV	32	\$ 45.15	\$ 46.50	\$ 47.90	\$ 49.34	\$ 50.82	\$ 52.34
CASE MANAGER	16	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23	\$ 35.26
CODE COMPLIANCE OFFICER	14	\$ 28.95	\$ 29.82	\$ 30.71	\$ 31.63	\$ 32.58	\$ 33.56
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TECHNICIAN I	1	\$ 21.00	\$ 21.63	\$ 22.28	\$ 22.95	\$ 23.64	\$ 24.34
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TECHNICIAN II	8	\$ 24.96	\$ 25.71	\$ 26.48	\$ 27.28	\$ 28.10	\$ 28.94
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TECHNICIAN III	14	\$ 28.95	\$ 29.82	\$ 30.71	\$ 31.63	\$ 32.58	\$ 33.56
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR	24	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71	\$ 42.96
COMMUNITY HOUSING COORDINATOR	24	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71	\$ 42.96
CONTRACTS COORDINATOR	20	\$ 33.57	\$ 34.58	\$ 35.62	\$ 36.68	\$ 37.79	\$ 38.92
COURT CLERK	14	\$ 28.95	\$ 29.82	\$ 30.71	\$ 31.63	\$ 32.58	\$ 33.56
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COORDINATOR	20	\$ 33.57	\$ 34.58	\$ 35.62	\$ 36.68	\$ 37.79	\$ 38.92
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PLANNER - exempt	32	\$ 45.15	\$ 46.50	\$ 47.90	\$ 49.34	\$ 50.82	\$ 52.34
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST	20	\$ 33.57	\$ 34.58	\$ 35.62	\$ 36.68	\$ 37.79	\$ 38.92
ENGINEERING INSPECTOR	16	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23	\$ 35.26
ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN	16	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23	\$ 35.26
EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN	14	\$ 28.95	\$ 29.82	\$ 30.71	\$ 31.63	\$ 32.58	\$ 33.56
FACILITIES PROJECT COORDINATOR	26	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 43.82	\$ 45.13
GIS ANALYST	24	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71	\$ 42.96
GIS SPECIALIST I	20	\$ 33.57	\$ 34.58	\$ 35.62	\$ 36.68	\$ 37.79	\$ 38.92
GIS TECHNICIAN	14	\$ 28.95	\$ 29.82	\$ 30.71	\$ 31.63	\$ 32.58	\$ 33.56
IT SUPPORT TECHNICIAN (HELP DESK)	20	\$ 33.57	\$ 34.58	\$ 35.62	\$ 36.68	\$ 37.79	\$ 38.92
LEAD ACCOUNT SPECIALIST	9	\$ 25.59	\$ 26.35	\$ 27.14	\$ 27.96	\$ 28.80	\$ 29.66
LIBRARIAN I	20	\$ 33.57	\$ 34.58	\$ 35.62	\$ 36.68	\$ 37.79	\$ 38.92
LIBRARY AIDE II	1	\$ 21.00	\$ 21.63	\$ 22.28	\$ 22.95	\$ 23.64	\$ 24.34
LIBRARY ASSISTANT	8	\$ 24.96	\$ 25.71	\$ 26.48	\$ 27.28	\$ 28.10	\$ 28.94
LIFEGUARD INSTRUCTOR III	4	\$ 22.61	\$ 23.29	\$ 23.99	\$ 24.71	\$ 25.45	\$ 26.22
PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	8	\$ 24.96	\$ 25.71	\$ 26.48	\$ 27.28	\$ 28.10	\$ 28.94
PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER II	10	\$ 26.23	\$ 27.01	\$ 27.82	\$ 28.66	\$ 29.52	\$ 30.40
PARKS PLANNER	24	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71	\$ 42.96
PLANNER I	18	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92	\$ 35.96	\$ 37.04
PLANNER II	24	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71	\$ 42.96
POLICE CRASH INVESTIGATOR I	8	\$ 24.96	\$ 25.71	\$ 26.48	\$ 27.28	\$ 28.10	\$ 28.94
POLICE CRASH INVESTIGATOR II	14	\$ 28.95	\$ 29.82	\$ 30.71	\$ 31.63	\$ 32.58	\$ 33.56
POLICE INFORMATION COORDINATOR	14	\$ 28.95	\$ 29.82	\$ 30.71	\$ 31.63	\$ 32.58	\$ 33.56
POLICE INFORMATION SPECIALIST	8	\$ 24.96	\$ 25.71	\$ 26.48	\$ 27.28	\$ 28.10	\$ 28.94
SCADA TECHNICIAN	22	\$ 35.27	\$ 36.33	\$ 37.42	\$ 38.54	\$ 39.70	\$ 40.89
SENIOR PLANS EXAMINER	32	\$ 45.15	\$ 46.50	\$ 47.90	\$ 49.34	\$ 50.82	\$ 52.34
SPECIAL SERVICES OFFICER	16	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23	\$ 35.26
STORMWATER PROGRAM PROJECT COORDINATOR	26	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 43.82	\$ 45.13
STORMWATER PROGRAM SPECIALIST	22	\$ 35.27	\$ 36.33	\$ 37.42	\$ 38.54	\$ 39.70	\$ 40.89
STORMWATER PROGRAM TECHNICIAN	14	\$ 28.95	\$ 29.82	\$ 30.71	\$ 31.63	\$ 32.58	\$ 33.56
SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM ANALYST	24	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71	\$ 42.96
SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM SPECIALIST	22	\$ 35.27	\$ 36.33	\$ 37.42	\$ 38.54	\$ 39.70	\$ 40.89
TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR	28	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.70	\$ 46.04	\$ 47.42
WATER CONSERVATION TECHNICIAN	14	\$ 28.95	\$ 29.82	\$ 30.71	\$ 31.63	\$ 32.58	\$ 33.56
WEB DEV./APP SUPPORT SPECIALIST	24	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71	\$ 42.96

FY24							
Position	Pay Band	Step A	Step B	Step C	Step D	Step E	Step F
ACCOUNT SPECIALIST I	1	\$ 21.42	\$ 22.06	\$ 22.72	\$ 23.41	\$ 24.11	\$ 24.83
ACCOUNT SPECIALIST II	4	\$ 23.07	\$ 23.76	\$ 24.47	\$ 25.21	\$ 25.96	\$ 26.74
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLERK	6	\$ 24.23	\$ 24.96	\$ 25.71	\$ 26.48	\$ 27.28	\$ 28.09
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I	1	\$ 21.42	\$ 22.06	\$ 22.72	\$ 23.41	\$ 24.11	\$ 24.83
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	6	\$ 24.23	\$ 24.96	\$ 25.71	\$ 26.48	\$ 27.28	\$ 28.09
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	14	\$ 29.53	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23
ASSET/GIS SYSTEMS ADMIN	24	\$ 37.80	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 43.82
ASSISTANT CONTROLLER	24	\$ 37.80	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 43.82
ASSISTANT TREASURER	8	\$ 25.46	\$ 26.23	\$ 27.01	\$ 27.82	\$ 28.66	\$ 29.52
BUILDING INSPECTOR I	20	\$ 34.24	\$ 35.27	\$ 36.33	\$ 37.42	\$ 38.54	\$ 39.70
BUILDING INSPECTOR II	24	\$ 37.80	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 43.82
BUILDING INSPECTOR III	28	\$ 41.72	\$ 42.97	\$ 44.26	\$ 45.59	\$ 46.96	\$ 48.37
BUILDING INSPECTOR IV	32	\$ 46.05	\$ 47.43	\$ 48.86	\$ 50.32	\$ 51.83	\$ 53.39
CASE MANAGER	16	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92	\$ 35.96
CODE COMPLIANCE OFFICER	14	\$ 29.53	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TECHNICIAN I	1	\$ 21.42	\$ 22.06	\$ 22.72	\$ 23.41	\$ 24.11	\$ 24.83
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TECHNICIAN II	8	\$ 25.46	\$ 26.23	\$ 27.01	\$ 27.82	\$ 28.66	\$ 29.52
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TECHNICIAN III	14	\$ 29.53	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR	24	\$ 37.80	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 43.82
COMMUNITY HOUSING COORDINATOR	24	\$ 37.80	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 43.82
CONTRACTS COORDINATOR	20	\$ 34.24	\$ 35.27	\$ 36.33	\$ 37.42	\$ 38.54	\$ 39.70
COURT CLERK	14	\$ 29.53	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COORDINATOR	20	\$ 34.24	\$ 35.27	\$ 36.33	\$ 37.42	\$ 38.54	\$ 39.70
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PLANNER - <i>exempt</i>	32	\$ 46.05	\$ 47.43	\$ 48.86	\$ 50.32	\$ 51.83	\$ 53.39
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST	20	\$ 34.24	\$ 35.27	\$ 36.33	\$ 37.42	\$ 38.54	\$ 39.70
ENGINEERING INSPECTOR	16	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92	\$ 35.96
ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN	16	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92	\$ 35.96
EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN	14	\$ 29.53	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23
FACILITIES PROJECT COORDINATOR	26	\$ 39.71	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.70	\$ 46.04
GIS ANALYST	24	\$ 37.80	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 43.82
GIS SPECIALIST I	20	\$ 34.24	\$ 35.27	\$ 36.33	\$ 37.42	\$ 38.54	\$ 39.70
GIS TECHNICIAN	14	\$ 29.53	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23
IT SUPPORT TECHNICIAN (HELP DESK)	20	\$ 34.24	\$ 35.27	\$ 36.33	\$ 37.42	\$ 38.54	\$ 39.70
LEAD ACCOUNT SPECIALIST	9	\$ 26.10	\$ 26.88	\$ 27.69	\$ 28.52	\$ 29.37	\$ 30.25
LIBRARIAN I	20	\$ 34.24	\$ 35.27	\$ 36.33	\$ 37.42	\$ 38.54	\$ 39.70
LIBRARY AIDE II	1	\$ 21.42	\$ 22.06	\$ 22.72	\$ 23.41	\$ 24.11	\$ 24.83
LIBRARY ASSISTANT	8	\$ 25.46	\$ 26.23	\$ 27.01	\$ 27.82	\$ 28.66	\$ 29.52
LIFEGUARD INSTRUCTOR III	4	\$ 23.07	\$ 23.76	\$ 24.47	\$ 25.21	\$ 25.96	\$ 26.74
PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	8	\$ 25.46	\$ 26.23	\$ 27.01	\$ 27.82	\$ 28.66	\$ 29.52
PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER II	10	\$ 26.75	\$ 27.55	\$ 28.38	\$ 29.23	\$ 30.11	\$ 31.01
PARKS PLANNER	24	\$ 37.80	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 43.82
PLANNER I	18	\$ 32.59	\$ 33.57	\$ 34.58	\$ 35.62	\$ 36.68	\$ 37.78
PLANNER II	24	\$ 37.80	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 43.82
POLICE CRASH INVESTIGATOR I	8	\$ 25.46	\$ 26.23	\$ 27.01	\$ 27.82	\$ 28.66	\$ 29.52
POLICE CRASH INVESTIGATOR II	14	\$ 29.53	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23
POLICE INFORMATION COORDINATOR	14	\$ 29.53	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23
POLICE INFORMATION SPECIALIST	8	\$ 25.46	\$ 26.23	\$ 27.01	\$ 27.82	\$ 28.66	\$ 29.52
SCADA TECHNICIAN	22	\$ 35.98	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71
SENIOR PLANS EXAMINER	32	\$ 46.05	\$ 47.43	\$ 48.86	\$ 50.32	\$ 51.83	\$ 53.39
SPECIAL SERVICES OFFICER	16	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92	\$ 35.96
STORMWATER PROGRAM PROJECT COORDINATOR	26	\$ 39.71	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.70	\$ 46.04
STORMWATER PROGRAM SPECIALIST	22	\$ 35.98	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71
STORMWATER PROGRAM TECHNICIAN	14	\$ 29.53	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23
SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM ANALYST	24	\$ 37.80	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 43.82
SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM SPECIALIST	22	\$ 35.98	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49	\$ 41.71
TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR	28	\$ 41.72	\$ 42.97	\$ 44.26	\$ 45.59	\$ 46.96	\$ 48.37
WATER CONSERVATION TECHNICIAN	14	\$ 29.53	\$ 30.41	\$ 31.33	\$ 32.27	\$ 33.23	\$ 34.23
WEB DEV./APP SUPPORT SPECIALIST	24	\$ 37.80	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54	\$ 43.82

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Position	Pay Band	Step A	Step B	Step C	Step D	Step E	Step F
ACCOUNT SPECIALIST I	1	\$ 21.85	\$ 22.50	\$ 23.18	\$ 23.87	\$ 24.59	\$ 25.33
ACCOUNT SPECIALIST II	4	\$ 23.53	\$ 24.23	\$ 24.96	\$ 25.71	\$ 26.48	\$ 27.28
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLERK	6	\$ 24.72	\$ 25.46	\$ 26.22	\$ 27.01	\$ 27.82	\$ 28.66
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I	1	\$ 21.85	\$ 22.50	\$ 23.18	\$ 23.87	\$ 24.59	\$ 25.33
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	6	\$ 24.72	\$ 25.46	\$ 26.22	\$ 27.01	\$ 27.82	\$ 28.66
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	14	\$ 30.12	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92
ASSET/GIS SYSTEMS ADMIN	24	\$ 38.55	\$ 39.71	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.69
ASSISTANT CONTROLLER	24	\$ 38.55	\$ 39.71	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.69
ASSISTANT TREASURER	8	\$ 25.97	\$ 26.75	\$ 27.55	\$ 28.38	\$ 29.23	\$ 30.11
BUILDING INSPECTOR I	20	\$ 35.96	\$ 35.98	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49
BUILDING INSPECTOR II	24	\$ 38.55	\$ 39.71	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.69
BUILDING INSPECTOR III	28	\$ 42.56	\$ 43.83	\$ 45.15	\$ 46.50	\$ 47.90	\$ 49.33
BUILDING INSPECTOR IV	32	\$ 46.97	\$ 48.38	\$ 49.83	\$ 51.33	\$ 52.87	\$ 54.46
CASE MANAGER	16	\$ 31.64	\$ 32.59	\$ 33.57	\$ 34.58	\$ 35.61	\$ 36.68
CODE COMPLIANCE OFFICER	14	\$ 30.12	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TECHNICIAN I	1	\$ 21.85	\$ 22.50	\$ 23.18	\$ 23.87	\$ 24.59	\$ 25.33
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TECHNICIAN II	8	\$ 25.97	\$ 26.75	\$ 27.55	\$ 28.38	\$ 29.23	\$ 30.11
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TECHNICIAN III	14	\$ 30.12	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR	24	\$ 38.55	\$ 39.71	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.69
COMMUNITY HOUSING COORDINATOR	24	\$ 38.55	\$ 39.71	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.69
CONTRACTS COORDINATOR	20	\$ 35.96	\$ 35.98	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49
COURT CLERK	14	\$ 30.12	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COORDINATOR	20	\$ 35.96	\$ 35.98	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PLANNER - <i>exempt</i>	32	\$ 46.97	\$ 48.38	\$ 49.83	\$ 51.33	\$ 52.87	\$ 54.46
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST	20	\$ 35.96	\$ 35.98	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49
ENGINEERING INSPECTOR	16	\$ 31.64	\$ 32.59	\$ 33.57	\$ 34.58	\$ 35.61	\$ 36.68
ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN	16	\$ 31.64	\$ 32.59	\$ 33.57	\$ 34.58	\$ 35.61	\$ 36.68
EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN	14	\$ 30.12	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92
FACILITIES PROJECT COORDINATOR	26	\$ 40.51	\$ 41.72	\$ 42.97	\$ 44.26	\$ 45.59	\$ 46.96
GIS ANALYST	24	\$ 38.55	\$ 39.71	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.69
GIS SPECIALIST I	20	\$ 35.96	\$ 35.98	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49
GIS TECHNICIAN	14	\$ 30.12	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92
IT SUPPORT TECHNICIAN (HELP DESK)	20	\$ 35.96	\$ 35.98	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49
LEAD ACCOUNT SPECIALIST	9	\$ 26.62	\$ 27.42	\$ 28.24	\$ 29.09	\$ 29.96	\$ 30.86
LIBRARIAN I	20	\$ 35.96	\$ 35.98	\$ 37.06	\$ 38.17	\$ 39.31	\$ 40.49
LIBRARY AIDE II	1	\$ 21.85	\$ 22.50	\$ 23.18	\$ 23.87	\$ 24.59	\$ 25.33
LIBRARY ASSISTANT	8	\$ 25.97	\$ 26.75	\$ 27.55	\$ 28.38	\$ 29.23	\$ 30.11
LIFEGUARD INSTRUCTOR III	4	\$ 23.53	\$ 24.23	\$ 24.96	\$ 25.71	\$ 26.48	\$ 27.28
PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	8	\$ 25.97	\$ 26.75	\$ 27.55	\$ 28.38	\$ 29.23	\$ 30.11
PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER II	10	\$ 27.29	\$ 28.10	\$ 28.95	\$ 29.82	\$ 30.71	\$ 31.63
PARKS PLANNER	24	\$ 38.55	\$ 39.71	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.69
PLANNER I	18	\$ 33.24	\$ 34.24	\$ 35.27	\$ 36.33	\$ 37.42	\$ 38.54
PLANNER II	24	\$ 38.55	\$ 39.71	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.69
POLICE CRASH INVESTIGATOR I	8	\$ 25.97	\$ 26.75	\$ 27.55	\$ 28.38	\$ 29.23	\$ 30.11
POLICE CRASH INVESTIGATOR II	14	\$ 30.12	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92
POLICE INFORMATION COORDINATOR	14	\$ 30.12	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92
POLICE INFORMATION SPECIALIST	8	\$ 25.97	\$ 26.75	\$ 27.55	\$ 28.38	\$ 29.23	\$ 30.11
SCADA TECHNICIAN	22	\$ 36.70	\$ 37.80	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54
SENIOR PLANS EXAMINER	32	\$ 46.97	\$ 48.38	\$ 49.83	\$ 51.33	\$ 52.87	\$ 54.46
SPECIAL SERVICES OFFICER	16	\$ 31.64	\$ 32.59	\$ 33.57	\$ 34.58	\$ 35.61	\$ 36.68
STORMWATER PROGRAM PROJECT COORDINATOR	26	\$ 40.51	\$ 41.72	\$ 42.97	\$ 44.26	\$ 45.59	\$ 46.96
STORMWATER PROGRAM SPECIALIST	22	\$ 36.70	\$ 37.80	\$ 38.93	\$ 40.10	\$ 41.30	\$ 42.54
STORMWATER PROGRAM TECHNICIAN	14	\$ 30.12	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92
SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM ANALYST	24	\$ 38.55	\$ 39.71	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.69
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WATER CONSERVATION TECHNICIAN	14	\$ 30.12	\$ 31.02	\$ 31.95	\$ 32.91	\$ 33.90	\$ 34.92
WEB DEV./APP SUPPORT SPECIALIST	24	\$ 38.55	\$ 39.71	\$ 40.90	\$ 42.13	\$ 43.39	\$ 44.69

**APPENDIX B - GRIEVANCE REPORT FORM**

<b>GRIEVANCE REPORT FORM</b>	
<b>CITY OF BOZEMAN</b>	<b>Page 1 of 2</b>
Grievant: _____	Date of Grievance: _____
<b>STATEMENT OF GRIEVANCE:</b>	
A. _____ _____	
Contract Provision Violated: _____	
B. _____ _____	
Contract Provision Violated: _____	
C. _____ _____	
Contract Provision Violated: _____	
Use additional sheets if necessary	
<b>ACTION OR RELIEF REQUESTED: {A, B &amp; C correspond to same above}</b>	
A. _____	
B. _____	
C. _____	
Grievant's Signature: _____ Date given to Appropriate Management Official: _____	
Date informally discussed with Immediate Supervisor: _____	
<b>APPROPRIATE MANAGEMENT OFFICIAL'S RESPONSE:</b>	
A. _____	
B. _____	
C. _____	
Appropriate Management Official's Signature: _____ Date given to Grievant: _____	
<b>GRIEVANT'S RESPONSE:</b>	
A. _____	
B. _____	



C. \_\_\_\_\_

Grievant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date given to City Manager: \_\_\_\_\_

Grievant:

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**CITY MANAGER'S RESPONSE:**

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

C. \_\_\_\_\_

City Manager's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date given to Grievant: \_\_\_\_\_

**GRIEVANT'S RESPONSE:**

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

C. \_\_\_\_\_

Grievant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date given to City Manager: \_\_\_\_\_

This grievance is being submitted to arbitration.

Federation President's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date given to City Manager: \_\_\_\_\_

## **ADDENDUM A - CLASS SPEC REVIEW**

The Employer has agreed to the following process to facilitate employee and management review of Federation class specs. The purpose of this review is to educate employees on the definition of class specs and to ensure class specs are accurate and relevant to the current roles and responsibilities of the represented positions.

Upon review, any changes made may be subject to the provisions of Article 8, paragraph L of this contract.

The employer commits to:

1. Work with the Federation to schedule a joint meeting to describe the review process
2. Individually email each employee the current version of their class spec.
3. Hold at least two (2) employee education sessions regarding what a class spec is and how the City uses a class spec. The City will also discuss the process outlined in Addendum E related to the agreed upon review.
4. Every supervisor would develop a system to gather feedback from Federation members regarding the accuracy of their class spec. Supervisors would then confer with HR on suggested changes to the class spec.
5. The HR Department will issue revised class specs and also identify class specs where no changes are required. This information would be sent to the employee, supervisor and Federation.

The Federation commits to;

1. Work with the City to schedule a joint meeting to describe the review process
2. Strongly encourage their members to attend one of the education meetings.
3. Actively participate in the review process and meet agreed upon deadlines.
4. Within 30 days of receipt of a final class spec, the Federation shall notify the City of any comment or concern they have with the decisions made by the City. The City retains the right to make final decisions regarding the content of class specs.

In any case this process will be completed within one year of ratification of the FY 2020-2022 MFPE collective bargaining agreement.