## ORDINANCE No. 186879

\*Ratify a Letter of Agreement between the City on behalf of the Portland Water Bureau and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Local 189 concerning Water Meter Technician Wages, Seniority and Commercial Driver's License Requirements (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

## Section 1. The Council finds:

- 1. The City and the District Council of Trade Unions (DCTU), of which the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 189 (AFSCME Local, 189) is a signatory Union, are parties to a collective bargaining agreement effective July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2017 (the 2013-2017 CBA).
- 2. AFSCME Local, 189 is the sole and exclusive bargaining agent on behalf of employees employed in the Water Meter Technician (WMT) and the Utility Worker (UW) classifications at the Portland Water Bureau (PWB).
- 3. On July 14, 2014, the City notified AFSCME Local, 189 of its intent to revise the Water Meter Technician (WMT) classification series to include a new WMT I classification, the reclassification of the previous WMT I classification to WMT II and the reclassification of the previous WMT II classification to WMT III.
- 4. On July 16, 2014, AFSCME Local, 189 filed a timely demand to bargain over the proposed changes to the WMT classification series.
- 5. On August 5, 2014, pursuant to the City's obligations under ORS 243.698 *et seq.*, representatives of the City entered into negotiations with AFSCME Local, 189 concerning the wages, seniority and Commercial Driver's License (CDL) requirements for the new WMT classification series.
- 6. On October 2, 2014, the City and AFSCME Local, 189 entered into a Letter of Agreement (LOA), Exhibit A attached, that establishes the wage rates, seniority and CDL requirements for the new WMT classification series.
- 7. The LOA provides that employees appointed to the Utility Worker (UW) II classification (Job No. 30000077) who are assigned to the Customer Service Group at the PWB and who work in the Meter Shop will be transferred to the new WMT I classification (Job No. 30002158). Employees appointed to the former WMT I classification will be transferred to the new WMT II classification (Job No. 30000142) and employees appointed to the former WMI II classification will be transferred to the new WMT III classification (Job No. 30000143).

- 8. Employees appointed to the new WMT I classification will have a job classification seniority date that is the same as their former UW II job classification seniority date.
- 9. If an employee who has been appointed to the new WMT I classification bumps back to a position within the UW II classification in any bureau, the employee must obtain a CDL within six months of returning to the UW II classification. If an employee fails to obtain a CDL within six months, the employee will be laid off in accordance with Article 14 Layoff/Recall of the 2013-2017 CBA.
- 10. The wage rates for the new WMT I classification will be the same as the current UW II classification.
- 11. The wage rates for the new WMT II classification will be as follows:

<b>Entry</b>	Six Months	One Year	Two Year
\$23.03	\$24.25	\$25.53	\$26.75

These wage rates were set to address a salary anomaly in which the new WMT I wage rates were originally higher than the WMT II wage rates.

## NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- a. The LOA between the City on behalf of the PWB and AFSCME Local, 189 attached hereto as Exhibit A is ratified by this Council.
- b. The PWB is authorized to pay for wage increases for the new WMT classification series for the current year out of its current service level budget.
- c. This ordinance is binding City policy.

Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists in order that this action occur without delay; therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Passed by the Council:

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LaVonne Griffin-Valade

Auditor of the City of Portland

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By

Mayor Charlie Hales

Prepared by: Anna Kanwit:PTW:ss Date Prepared: October 28, 2014

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Charlie Hales	CLERK USE: DATE FILED NOV 0 7 2014
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL  Mayor—Finance and Administration - Hales  Position 1/Utilities - Fritz  Position 2/Works - Fish  Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland  By:  Deputy
Position 4/Safety - Novick	ACTION TAKEN:
BUREAU APPROVAL  Bureau: Bureau of Human Resources OMF CAO: Fred Miller Bureau Head: Anna Kanwit	
Prepared by: AK:PTW:ss Date Prepared: October 28, 2014	
Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement Completed Amends Budget	
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes \( \sum \) No \( \sum \)	
City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances	
City Attorney Approval: Catherine Riffe, Chief Deputy City Attorney required for contract, code, easement, franchise, comp plan, charter  Council Meeting Date: November 12, 2014	Ebe .

AGENDA		
TIME CERTAIN  Start time:		
Total amount of time needed:  (for presentation, testimony and discussion)		
<u>CONSENT</u> ⊠		
REGULAR Total amount of time needed:  (for presentation, testimony and discussion)		

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz		
2. Fish	2. Fish		
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman		_
4. Novick	4. Novick	-	
Hales	Hales		