

**AGREEMENT**

**BETWEEN**

**THE COUNTY OF CLARK**

**AND**

**THE CLARK COUNTY  
PARK POLICE ASSOCIATION  
COPS – NEVADA DIVISION  
COMMUNICATION WORKERS OF AMERICA  
LOCAL 9111**

**JULY 1, 2008**

**To**

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**ARTICLE 1**  
**Agreement**

This Agreement is made and entered into this JULY 1, 2008, by and between the Clark County Park Police Association, COPS - Nevada Division – Communication Workers of America Local 9111, hereinafter referred to as the “Association” and the County of Clark, a government entity of the State of Nevada, hereinafter referred to as the “County.”

**ARTICLE 2**  
**Intent**

It is the purpose of this Agreement to promote and provide a responsible labor relations policy between the County and the employees covered herein; to secure an orderly and equitable disposition of grievances which may arise under the Agreement; and to set forth the full and entire understanding of the parties reached as a result of good faith negotiations regarding the wages, hours, and other specified conditions of employment of the employees covered hereby. It is intended by the provisions of this Agreement that there be no abrogation of the duties, obligations or responsibilities of the County expressly provided for by federal law, State statutes, and/or local ordinances, except as expressly limited herein.

**ARTICLE 3**  
**Recognition**

1. The County hereby recognizes the Association as the sole and exclusive collective bargaining representative of those County employees with Peace Officer status as assigned to the classifications listed below. These employees are eligible to be represented by the Association except as limited by Section 2 of this Article. Both parties recognize that the Association retains its right to appeal under the provisions of NRS 288.170.

Bargaining Unit

Park Police Officer I (Working Title: Park Police Officer)  
Park Police Officer II (Working Title: Park Police Sergeant)

2. County employees who are excluded from the bargaining unit are as follows:
  - a. Those employees certified to another bargaining unit under the provisions of NRS Chapter 288.
  - b. Confidential employees.
  - c. Employees exempted in accordance with NRS 245.216.
  - d. Probationary employees.

- e. Temporary employees.
  - f. Part-time hourly employees.
  - g. Volunteers.
3. Subject to the provisions of NRS Chapter 288, the County reserves the right to withdraw recognition of the Association in the event the Association:
- a. Fails to present a copy of each change in its constitution or bylaws, if any, or to give notice of any change in the roster of its Executive Board members, if any;
  - b. Disavows its pledge not to strike against the local government employer under any circumstances;
  - c. Ceases to be supported by a majority of the local government employees in the bargaining unit for which it is recognized;
  - d. Fails to negotiate in good faith with the local government employer.

Such action shall only be taken if the County first receives the written permission of the Local Government Employee-Management Relations Board.

**ARTICLE 4  
Discrimination Clause**

The County, the Association, and any other party bound by this Agreement shall each apply the provisions of this Agreement equally to all employees in the Association without discrimination as to race, color, religion, sex, age, sexual orientation, physical or visual handicap, national origin or because of political or personal reasons or affiliations.

**ARTICLE 5  
Anti-Strike Clause**

- 1. The association agrees that there shall be no strikes under any circumstances. Employees shall continue to furnish efficient service within all areas of assigned responsibility, pursuant to NRS 288.
- 2. For the purpose of this agreement the meaning of the word “strike” shall include but not be limited to any concerted stoppage of work; slowdown; interruption of operations by employees; absence from work upon any pretext or excuse, such as illness, which is not founded in fact; or interruption of the operations of the county by the association and/or its members.

**ARTICLE 6**  
**Management Rights**

1. The County is entitled, without negotiation, to the sole right and authority to operate and direct the affairs of the County in all its various aspects. Those rights include but are not limited to the following:
  - a. To hire, direct, promote, assign, transfer, or take disciplinary action against any employee, but excluding the right to harass an employee through reassignment or transfer as a form of discipline. Transfers and reassignments for the improvement of personnel staffing and utilization shall not be deemed a form of discipline;
  - b. To reduce in force or lay off any employee because of lack of work or lack of funds. In exercising this right, the local government employer shall comply with all other applicable provisions of the NRS, if any;
  - c. To determine:
    - (1) Appropriate staffing levels, position classifications, and work performance standards, except for safety considerations;
    - (2) The content of the workday, including without limitation workload factors, except for safety considerations;
    - (3) The quality and quantity of services to be offered to the public;
    - (4) The means and methods of offering those services; and
    - (5) The supplier of goods and services, except for safety considerations;
      - (l) This provision does not preclude, and is not intended to restrict, limit, or otherwise interfere with, Clark County's competitive or non-competitive purchasing policies, regulations, or procedures governing the acquisition of goods and services.
  - d. To maintain the efficiency of its governmental operations;
  - e. To determine the methods, means and personnel by which its operations are to be conducted;
  - f. To assign overtime; and
  - g. To take whatever actions may be necessary to carry out its responsibilities in situations of emergency.
2. All rights and responsibilities of the County not specifically modified by the

Agreement shall remain the functions of the County.

## **ARTICLE 7 Employee Rights**

1. The County and the Association agree that employees eligible for membership in the Association shall have and shall be protected in the exercise of their right freely and without fear of penalty and reprisal, to form, join, and participate in authorized and appropriate Association functions. The freedom of such employees to assist the Association shall be recognized as extending to participation in the management of the Association in the capacity of an Association officer, including, following consultation with the appropriate management representatives, presentation of its views to the officials of the County. The County shall not interfere, restrain, or discriminate against any employee exercising his/her rights under this Section.
2. The County and the Association agree that Park Police Officers are "Peace Officers" and are covered by NRS, Chapter 289.
3. The County shall provide a bulletin board, access to department mailboxes and/or county e-mail system for use by the Association to enable employees in the bargaining unit to see notices posted thereon, and in individual employee mailboxes when reporting to or leaving the central workstation.
4. All notices, which appear on the Association's bulletin board, shall be posted by an Association officer and shall relate to items of interest to the members. Association notices relating to the following matters may be posted without the necessity of receiving the County management representative's prior approval:
  - a. Association recreational and social affairs;
  - b. Notice of Association meetings;
  - c. Association officers and committee appointments;
  - d. Notice of Association elections;
  - e. Results of Association elections;
  - f. Association committee reports; and
  - g. Publications, rulings or policies of the Association, and its affiliated union and/or memberships, COPS - Nevada Division - Communication Workers of America, Local 9111, or relevant AFL-CIO organizations.
5. All other notices of any kind not covered by (a) through (g) above must receive the prior approval of the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager. It is also understood that no material may

be posted on bulletin boards at any time which contain the following:

- a. Personal attacks upon any other member or any other employee;
- b. Scandalous, scurrilous or derogatory attacks upon the administration;
- c. Attacks on any other employee organization, regardless of whether the organization has local membership; and
- d. Attacks on and/or favorable comments regarding a candidate for a partisan political officer within County government.

## **ARTICLE 8 Association Rights**

1. Association officers will be designated by the Association.
  - a. The Association shall notify the County, in writing, of the names of the officers within 30 calendar days of the effective date of any such designation.
2. The County recognizes that it may be necessary for the President of the Association, or a designated Association officer when the President is not available, to perform certain Association duties during the period he/she is in work status. The Association President or Association officer may, after submitting a leave request form and receiving approval for release from duty from his/her supervisor, perform Association duties during working hours. A copy of all approved leave request forms for the release of duty to perform Association duties shall be sent immediately to Clark County Human Resources. Such approval will not be unreasonably withheld. The County, therefore, agrees to permit the President of the Association and/or his/her designee a reasonable amount of time necessary (not to exceed 240 hours annually) to perform such duties during work time without loss of pay.
3. The County agrees that in the event of the renegotiation of this Agreement and the continued qualification of the Association as the exclusive representative of the employees covered by this Agreement, the County shall permit a reasonable amount of leave with pay from duty for a maximum of four (4) members of the Association Negotiating Committee for attendance at negotiation sessions held with the County, unless otherwise stipulated by the parties in the ground rules.
4. Association business or attendance at negotiation meetings during working hours will not be counted as time worked for the purpose of computing overtime.

**ARTICLE 9**  
**Employee Deductions**

1. The County shall deduct from the wages of those employees who are members of the Association and pay over to the proper officers of the Association any monies which the Association advises may be due it from such members, provided that the employee who is a member of the Association has individually and voluntarily authorized such deductions to be made. The form of authorization shall be approved by the County and the Association.
2. The County agrees not to honor any check-off authorizations or dues deduction authorizations executed by any employee in the bargaining unit in favor of any other labor organization or organization representing employees for purposes of negotiation of wages, hours, and working conditions, and other fringe benefits for its members unless otherwise authorized by the Local Government Employee-Management Relations Board.
3. The Association agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the County harmless against any and all claims or suits that may arise out of or by reason of action taken by the County in reliance upon any authorization cards submitted by the Association to the County. The Association agrees to refund to the County any amounts paid to it in error on account of the payroll deduction provision upon presentation of proper evidence of error or mistake.
4. Dues deduction authorization may be revoked at any time.
5. The Association will certify to Clark County Human Resources, in writing, the current rate of membership dues. The county will be notified of any change in the rate of membership dues 30 days prior to the effective date of such change.
  - a. If the County is notified of a 75% or more increase in Association dues, it may require that each member re-sign dues authorization cards, reflecting the amount of increase.
6. The County will not be required to honor for any month's deduction any authorizations that are delivered to it later than seven (7) days prior to the second payday of the month.

**ARTICLE 10**  
**Labor/Management and Safety Meeting**

1. Three (3) members of the Association, a representative from Clark County Human Resources, and the Director of Parks and Recreation or his/her designee shall meet monthly or less frequently when mutually agreed to exchange general information of interest to the parties and make suggestions on subjects of interest to Association members.
2. During this meeting with the Director of Parks and Recreation or his/her

designee, the Association and the County may discuss and make recommendations on the maintenance of proper safety standards, the responsibility of employees concerning safety practices, and give input in the development of overall accident prevention programs and elements.

Safety concerns discussed during this meeting and not resolved may be forwarded to the County Manager for review by submitting a written request to the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager as representative of the County Manager.

3. The County will continue to undertake all reasonable efforts to provide for employee health and safety in accordance with all laws applicable to its operations concerning the safety of employees covered by this Agreement. All such employees shall comply with all safety rules and regulations established by the County.
4. If both parties disagree, then the matter will be referred to the Clark County Safety Officer for his/her binding opinion.
5. Provisions of this article are not subject to the grievance procedure.

## **ARTICLE 11**

### **Grievance, Appeal and Arbitration Procedure**

1. **PURPOSE:** It is the intent of this Article to provide a means for the reasonable settlement of certain disputes between an employee and the County.

All employees and supervisory personnel should, however, make every possible effort to settle differences without making use of the procedure contained in the following Sections. An employee, or a representative of Clark County Human Resources, may request that informal meetings be held to discuss issues.

2. For the purpose of this Agreement, a grievance shall be defined to mean a filed dispute between an employee and the Association and the County over the interpretation and/or application of the express terms of this Agreement, an employee's suspension, demotion, or involuntary termination from County Service. It will not include matters for which the N.E.R.C. has jurisdiction.
3. Labor Relations Hearing Officers used in Sections 1 and 2 of this Article shall be appointed by the parties with final approval by the Board of County Commissioners in the manner provided in the Clark County Code Section 2.68, except that the fees of the Labor Relations Hearing Officer shall be borne equally by the Association and the County.
4. Labor Relations Hearing Officer proceedings held pursuant to Section 1 and Section 2 of this Article will consider the incident and the discipline in terms of severity of the action, evidence of progressive discipline and appropriateness of the disciplinary action. Progressive discipline is defined as to include, oral

warning, one (1) or more written reprimand(s) and thereafter more severe disciplinary action. The Association recognizes the need for more severe initial disciplinary action in the event of major violation of established rules, regulations or policies of the County or operating departments. The decision to uphold the disciplinary action will be based on the reasonableness of the discipline imposed by the supervisor in response to the actions taken or not taken by the employee.

5. Formal rules of evidence will generally be followed in Labor Relations Hearing Officer proceedings.
6. No prejudicial, discriminatory or retaliatory action may be taken, at any time, by the Association or the County against any person for his/her participation in or statements made in the investigation or settlement of a grievance.
7. All termination appeals of employees covered by this Agreement shall be handled solely in accordance with the procedure set forth in this Article.
8. Disputes specifically excluded in other Articles of this Agreement from the grievance appeal and arbitration procedure set forth herein shall not be construed as in the purview of this Article 11.
9. If mutually agreed, either party may request, in writing, a waiver of the time limitations set forth in this Article. A grievance shall be considered abandoned if not filed and processed by the employee, or Association on behalf of the employee, where indicated in accordance with the time limitations. Failure on the part of the County to respond to a grievance in accordance with the time limits set for in this Agreement shall result in the grievance advancing to the next step of the procedure. The failure on the part of management to process a grievance will be given serious weight in the resolution or retroactivity of the award. A waiver of timeliness requested by the employee or the Association will be taken into consideration in the determination of any retroactive award.
10. No employee who has satisfactorily completed probation may be demoted, suspended or terminated without just cause. Just cause may include, but not be limited to: inefficiency, incompetence, insubordination, moral misconduct, mental or physical disability as shown by competent medical evidence, habitual or excessive tardiness or absenteeism, abuse of sick leave or authorized leaves, withholding services as a result of a strike, violation of established departmental work rules or procedures and loss of State required Peace Officer Certification.
11. Upon written request of the employee to the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager, the employee shall have all written reprimands removed from his/her personnel file that were issued more than 18 months prior to the request, provided that no ensuing discipline occurred.
12. Upon written request of the employee to the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager, the employee shall have the right to review items in his/her personnel file that are not deemed as a privileged document, and provide rebuttal comments to be attached to original

documents where the employee believes appropriate. Such rebuttal comments must be restricted to the document in question.

13. Upon written request or authorization by an employee involved in a disciplinary hearing, the employee's attorney or bargaining unit representative may obtain data that is necessary from the personnel file of the employee subject to the discipline in preparation of the grievance hearing.

### Section 1 - Suspensions

An eligible employee who is to be suspended shall be given the suspension at an informal meeting at which an Association official may be present. An employee shall be given at least 48 hours notice of the meeting.

#### Step 1

A grievance of a suspension must be reduced to writing and submitted by the employee to the aggrieved employee's department head with a copy to the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager, within ten (10) working days of the employee's knowledge of the action on which the complaint is based. The aggrieved employee's department head shall answer the grievance within ten (10) working days after the grievance is submitted.

#### Step 2

If the department head's decision is not accepted by the aggrieved employee, he/she may, within five (5) working days after receipt of the department head's reply, file a request in writing to the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager for a grievance review before the Labor Relations Hearing Officer appointed as provided for in Paragraph 3 of this Article.

Within 15 working days from the filing of such review request, the Labor Relations hearing Officer shall conduct an informal grievance proceeding adhering to the mutually developed procedures governing the process. Within five (5) working days from the conclusion of the hearing, the hearing officer shall file a written decision that the action be upheld, modified or reversed with Clark County Human Resources, the Association and the employee. The decision of the hearing officer shall be final.

### Section 2 - Demotions and Involuntary Terminations

An eligible employee who is recommended for demotion or termination from County service shall be given a written statement setting forth the charges upon which the proposed demotion or termination is based. The statement shall include an identification of the specific charges against the employee and an explanation of the evidence. Upon written request, the employee shall be provided with the opportunity of an informal hearing to respond to the charges prior to being demoted or terminated. The employee shall be suspended pending the pre-termination hearing without pay.

## Pre-Hearing

### Step 1

The employee who has been recommended for demotion or termination shall have five (5) working days, not including the day of receipt of notice recommending demotion or termination, to request a hearing in writing of the department head, with a copy to the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager. The hearing officer shall be the department head, or the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager, or their respective designee.

If desired by the employee, up to four (4) representatives of the employee's choice may attend the hearing. The employee shall notify the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager, in writing, of the names and addresses of his/her representatives.

### Step 2

The employee who has made a timely request of a hearing in writing shall be given at least three (3) days notice prior to the hearing which must be held within ten (10) working days of the employee's request. The notice shall include the time and location of the hearing. Failure on the part of the employee to request in writing or to appear at the scheduled hearing will serve as a waiver of the procedure. The hearing will not follow formal rules of evidence and will be conducted in an informal manner. Upon request of either the employee or the County, the hearing will be taped with both parties receiving copies. The hearing shall be conducted by the hearing officer. The management representative shall read the discipline notice to the employee. The employee, or his/her representative, may then respond to all specified charges.

### Step 3

The hearing officer will render a decision in writing and forward to the employee, the Association or the employee's representative, and the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager, if not the hearing officer, a copy of the decision within two (2) working days of the close of the hearing. The decision shall include a statement as to the reasons the demotion or termination was or was not imposed.

## Post-Hearing

### Step 1

An eligible employee who is demoted or terminated, shall have up to three (3) working days from receipt of the pre-hearing officer's action to appeal the decision. The employee shall make the request in writing to the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager. The Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager shall notify the Labor Relations Hearing Officer appointed as provided for in Paragraph 3 of this Article.

## Step 2

Within 15 working days from the filing of such request, the Labor Relations Hearing Officer shall conduct the hearing. Within five (5) working days from the conclusion of the hearing, the hearing officer shall file a written decision with Clark County Human Resources, the employee and the Association.

The Labor Relations Hearing Officer may deny the appeal, or modify or reverse the decision. If the employee is reinstated as a result of this appeal, the employee may be granted back pay and allowances as determined by the Labor Relations Hearing Officer. The decision of the Hearing Officer shall be final.

## Section 3 - Interpretation and Application of the Express Terms of the Agreement

### Step 1

An employee, or the Association on behalf of an employee, who believes that he/she has a grievance relating to the interpretation and application of the express terms of the Agreement shall reduce the grievance to writing and submit it to the employee's department head within ten (10) working days of the employee's knowledge of the contract violation. The grievance shall state the violation and cite the Article and Section. The department head will respond to the employee and Association within 15 working days from receipt of the grievance.

### Step 2

If the grievance is not settled in Step 1, the aggrieved employee, or the Association on behalf of an employee, may, within five (5) working days of the receipt of the department head's decision, file the grievance with the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager as representative of the County Manager. The County Manager shall have ten (10) working days to respond in writing to the grievance giving his decision.

### Step 3

1. If the County Manager's decision is unacceptable, the employee, or the Association on behalf of an employee, may make a written request for arbitration within five (5) working days of receipt of the decision. In such event, the parties shall jointly request the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS) or, if unacceptable to either of the parties, the American Arbitration Association (AAA), to furnish a panel of five (5) arbitrators from which the arbitrator shall be selected. Both parties shall make every effort to mutually set forth the issue(s) to be arbitrated in advance of the arbitration hearing date. The selection shall be accomplished by the Association first, and the County next, each striking one (1) name from the list in turn until only one (1) name remains.
2. The arbitrator's decision shall be final and binding on all parties to this Agreement as long as the arbitrator does not exceed his/her authority set forth in

paragraph 4 below, and as long as the arbitrator performs his/her functions in accordance with the case law regarding labor arbitration, the provisions of the U.S. Uniform Arbitration Act, and where applicable, the NRS.

3. The expenses of arbitration shall be borne equally by the Association and the County. Expenses incurred by either party in the preparation or presentation of its case are to be borne solely by the party incurring such expense.
4. Only one (1) grievance may be decided by the arbitrator at any hearing; however, the parties may mutually agree to waive this requirement. The arbitrator shall not have the authority to modify, amend, alter, ignore, add to or subtract from any of the provisions of this Agreement. The arbitrator is without power to issue an award inconsistent with the governing statutes and/or ordinances of the jurisdiction. The arbitrator, in the absence of expressed written agreement of the parties to this Agreement, shall have no authority to rule on any dispute between the parties which is not within the definition of a grievance set forth in this Article. The arbitrator shall consider and decide only the particular issues presented by the Association and the County, and the decision and award shall be based solely on his/her interpretation of the application of the express terms of this Agreement. Any and all settlements or awards issued by the arbitrator shall be limited in retroactivity to the date of alleged violation or date of the filing of the grievance as decided by the arbitrator. Subject to the provisions of Paragraph 9 of this Article, the arbitrator shall not have the authority to excuse a failure by the employee, the Association or the County to comply with the time limitations set forth above unless mutually agreed by both parties.

## **ARTICLE 12**

### **Personnel Layoff, Recall and Appeal Procedure**

Layoff is defined as any involuntary separation wherein management eliminates a position without prejudice to the incumbent. The determination of the number of positions, classifications and departments to be affected by a layoff is a management right and not grievable. Outlying area work sites may be treated separately from the rest of the department for the purpose of layoffs if the outlying worksite is at least 50 miles from Las Vegas (including but not limited to Laughlin, Searchlight, Moapa, and Indian Springs). The County and the Association agree that layoff and recall of personnel and appeals of these actions, as it pertains to employees covered under this Agreement, shall be as prescribed below.

#### **Section 1 - Layoff**

1. Temporary and probationary County-funded employees in the department or outlying area worksite shall be eliminated first.
2. Additional layoffs shall be based on the following criteria in the following order:
  - a. The seniority of the employees in the affected classification within the department, or outlying area worksite.

- b. The relative ability and qualifications of the employees as determined by the department head within the affected classifications of his/her department or outlying area worksite.
  - c. In the event that seniority is equal, relative ability and qualifications shall prevail.
3. Seniority will be based on continuous service with the County, 1) in the affected classification, or 2) classification in the same series at a higher salary grade in the event an employee has been reduced in grade in accordance with this Article. Creditable service for seniority must be in a permanent or permanent-intermittent position with the County.
  4. The Director of Parks and Recreation may exempt 15% of the total number of positions authorized in the current budget within his/her department and retain them regardless of seniority. No more than one-third (1/3) of the employees in a classification may be exempt from layoff.

In the event that the 15% or one-third (1/3) does not equal an exact number of employees, the fraction shall be rounded off to the next higher whole number.

Any exemption that is necessary because of any affirmative action program or laws pertaining to equal employment opportunity shall not be deemed a part of the above 15% or one-third (1/3) but shall be in addition thereto.

The Director of Parks and Recreation electing to exempt employees from layoff in accordance with Article 12, Section 1, paragraph 4, shall provide the Layoff Review Committee and the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager with a complete list of exemptions five (5) days prior to the notification of those employees to be laid off.

The Director of Parks and Recreation shall update the list of exemptions whenever the County Manager's Office determines layoffs are required within a department, but shall not be updated more than one (1) time each fiscal year.

5. As a result of the application of this layoff procedure, the County may cause the reassignment, transfer, reduction in grade, or any combination thereof, or the layoff of an employee.
6. All permanent status personnel who are affected by layoff shall have the right to elect a reduction in grade to a lower classification, 1) within the same classification series and in the same bargaining unit, or 2) in a classification in the same department and in the same bargaining unit that the employee has completed a probationary/qualifying period, provided that the classification still exists, the department has a vacant position, and the department head feels that the employee meets the minimum qualifications and abilities (i.e., license, physical fitness, job skills, etc.) of the position. A vacant position need not exist if an employee exercises his/her bump rights within the same classification series

in the bargaining unit.

7. No employee will have the right to bump to a position in another department, outside the bargaining unit or outside the outlying area worksite, if it is the sole location of layoffs, or to bump a position of a higher salary grade than he/she currently fills. A permanent employee to be laid off may bump a temporary or probationary employee of the same classification in the department and in the bargaining unit if the employee voluntarily agrees to commute or relocate at no expense to the County.
8. An employee reduced in grade may have his/her salary reduced and in no event shall exceed the maximum for the class, but shall not have his/her anniversary date adjusted.
9. The assignment of an employee to a position within a classification will be at the discretion of the department head.
10. Separation due to layoff shall require the giving of at least two (2) weeks notice to the employee, or payment in lieu of notice, of an equivalent amount of the employee's base salary by the County.
11. No permanent employee initially hired into and serving in a grant-funded position may initiate a bump into a County-funded position unless he/she is displaced by someone who has bumped him/her. Employees electing to bump into grant-funded positions have no property right to the position or County service if the funding ceases.

## Section 2 - Recall

1. Any permanent status employee reduced in grade or laid off under this Article shall, based on seniority, have his/her name placed on an appropriate County recall list/lists for a period of two (2) years. Previous employees shall be notified by certified mail, return receipt requested, at their last known address and shall within ten (10) calendar days of receipt respond affirmatively by certified mail or in person that they are accepting the offer of recall. Failure to respond in a timely manner will mean that the person has refused the offer of recall and the person will be removed from the recall list/lists. An employee must be available for work within two (2) weeks of acceptance of the offer.
2. When positions become available in a class in the department and in the bargaining unit, personnel who have been laid off or reduced in grade in that class from that department shall be recalled in inverse order of layoff. The order of recall shall be:
  - a. Employees who are reduced in grade based on the same criteria in Section 1(b).
  - b. Former (laid off) employees who held a position in the same class based on the same criteria in Section 1(b).

- c. Former employees who held a position in the same series.

In the event that a classification has only had a change in title, employees on the old recall list/lists shall be placed on the new respective list/lists.

3. Upon recall after layoff, the time that the person was on layoff shall be counted as a break in service.

### Section 3 - Appeal

1. The County and the Association shall each appoint two (2) permanent status employees to serve on the standing Layoff Review Committee. These representatives shall select a permanent status County employee as the fifth member who shall serve as the Chairperson. A majority vote of the Committee will be necessary to uphold an appeal. The Committee shall develop a procedure for the layoff review process prior to conducting any review.
2. Any appeal of the application of the procedure must be signed by the employee and Association and submitted to the Director of Parks and Recreation within five (5) working days of the receipt of notice of layoff or the alleged violation of the recall procedures. A copy of the appeal must be sent to the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager. The Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager will schedule an informal meeting before the Layoff Review Committee within five (5) working days. This Committee will hear all appeals affecting layoff and recalls to determine whether the procedure was appropriately followed. The decision of the Layoff Review Committee will be final and will not be reviewed by an arbitrator.

## **ARTICLE 13 Basic Workweek**

1. The official workweek is comprised of seven (7) workdays which begins on each Saturday at 12:01 a.m. and shall end at midnight of the following Friday. The official workday shall begin at 12:01 a.m. and shall end at midnight. An employee who occupies a full-time permanent position shall work 40 hours, including meal and rest breaks, in each workweek.
2. Employees shall work eight (8) hours per shift for five (5) shifts within the official workweek, and shall receive two (2) consecutive "24-hour periods off". The department head has the discretion to authorize ten (10) hours per shift/forty (40) hours per week. Any change to the work shift will be accompanied by written notice, of no less than fifteen (15) calendar days, to the union president and the affected bargaining unit member. Employees authorized to work ten (10) hours per shift [in accordance with Paragraph 6 of this Article] shall work four (4) shifts within the official workweek, and shall receive three (3) "24-hour periods off" of which two (2) 24-hour periods must be consecutive. At the written request of the

employee and approval of the department head, the employee's shifts may be scheduled so that the "24-hour periods off" are not consecutive.

3. A meal break is a break of not longer than 45 minutes taken near the middle of an employee's shift or when workload permits, but not within two (2) hours of the employee's starting time or one (1) hour of the employee's quitting time. Employees may be interrupted or required to immediately return to duty during their meal breaks.
4. Employees shall be granted one (1) 15-minute work break during the course of their shifts when workload permits before the meal break. Such work break shall not be scheduled by the supervisor or taken by the employee within one (1) hour of the employee's starting time or meal break.
5. Subject to the provisions of NRS 288.150 (4), nothing herein shall be construed to limit the authority of the County to make temporary assignments to different or additional locations, shifts or work duties for the purpose of meeting emergencies.
6. Within 30 calendar days of request, the department head will meet with the requesting employees to determine the practical and feasible aspects of a schedule change from five (5) 8-hour shifts per workweek to some other established work schedule. The majority of the bargaining unit employees must desire such a change before a request may be submitted to the department head.
  - a. Where it is determined by the department and the employees that the conditions and circumstances allow for an adjustment in work schedule, the affected department head shall have the authority, subject to the approval of the County Manager to effect such change, including the discretion to institute a "trial" period for the purpose of evaluating the change.

#### **ARTICLE 14 Compensation**

1. Effective July 1, 2008, the salary plan in effect as of June 30, 2008 covering bargaining unit members will be increased by three percent (3%). Appendix A reflects these changes.
2. Effective July 1, 2009, the salary plan in effect as of June 30, 2009 covering bargaining unit members will be increased by three percent (3%). Appendix B reflects these changes.

**ARTICLE 15**  
**Initial Appointment, Rehire, Promotion, Demotion,**  
**Transfer and Reassignment**

1. Initial appointment to positions shall be made at the entrance rate for the class except as approved by the County Manager or designee.
  - a. Upon initial appointment to the County position, an employee shall serve a probationary period. The probationary period will be a minimum of 520 hours worked but no longer than 2080 hours worked as determined by the department head.
2. The total number of employees of a department and the total number of employees of each classification within any department shall be determined by the budgetary process. The initial classification of positions shall be as contained in the current County classification list along with any subsequent amendments thereto.
3. When a former employee is rehired after a break in service of no more than one (1) year from the date of separation, to a position in the same class held at the time of separation, he/she may be paid at, or below, the salary he/she held at the time of separation.
4. When an employee is promoted, he/she, at a minimum, shall be entitled to the lowest salary in the higher grade that provides an increase over the salary last received. Any exception may be approved by the County Manager or designee upon written justification.
  - a. A promoted employee shall serve a qualifying period. The qualifying period will normally be 1,040 hours worked but may not be less than 520 hours worked nor longer than 2,080 hours worked as determined by the department head. At the conclusion of the qualifying period, the employee shall be given a performance evaluation. Based on the evaluation, the employee will either be accepted or rejected for the position. If rejected, the employee will be placed in his/her previous position. The job will be held open for the duration of the promoted employee's qualifying period, or filled at the department heads discretion.
5. When an employee is demoted, his/her salary will not exceed the top of the new salary schedule unless the demotion was a result of a reclassification. Demotions, except for reclassification, initiate a new anniversary date. Employees failing a qualifying period and demoted shall have their salary reduced to that of the salary held prior to being placed on the qualifying period.
6. When an employee transfers or is reassigned to a position outside of this bargaining unit, the governing document covering the new position shall determine compensation and benefits and the employee will no longer be eligible for membership in this bargaining unit.

7. For the purposes of this Article, "hours worked" shall be defined as any paid straight-time hours.

## **ARTICLE 16 Posting of Vacancies**

1. The Association acknowledges that the County has the exclusive right to fill vacancies, make reassignments and classify positions in accordance with the Clark County Personnel Policies and Procedures as revised and adopted by the Clark County Board of Commissioners.
2. When a new position is created or an existing position becomes vacant, in a classification in the bargaining unit, the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager, after consulting with the appointing authority, shall determine in accordance with the Clark County Personnel Policies and Procedures how the vacancy is to be filled. If a permanent position vacancy is created within a classification represented by the bargaining unit, and there is no current eligibility list, the County will post a job announcement using the agreed upon standardized format of posting for at least seven (7) calendar days if a department recruitment or 14 calendar days if a County or open recruitment to accept applications, except when such vacancies are to be temporarily filled on an emergency basis.

For those positions that it is determined by the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager and the appointing authority to have an open examination, an announcement of the open examination may be posted concurrently with the promotional announcement.

3. The decision to fill permanent full-time vacancies on a temporary basis pending the completion of selection procedures will not be grievable. A vacancy filled by demotion, transfer, management reassignment, recall, rehire, or reemployment in a position that is equal to or less than the employee's previous positions does not require posting.
4. The Association will be furnished a copy of all job announcements for positions covered by the bargaining unit.

## **ARTICLE 17 Overtime, Court, Call Back, and Standby Pay**

1. An employee working a 5/40 week, as defined in Article 13 and required and authorized in writing to work overtime, shall be compensated at an overtime rate of time and one-half (1 ½) for hours worked in excess of eight (8) per shift or 40 in an official workweek.

An employee working a 4/40 week, as defined in Article 13 and required and

authorized in writing to work overtime, shall be compensated at an overtime rate of time and one-half (1 ½) for hours worked in excess of ten (10) per shift or 40 in an official workweek. An employee working some other established work schedule as provided in Article 13 and required and authorized in writing to work overtime shall be compensated at an overtime rate of time and one-half (1 ½) for hours worked in excess of 40 in an official workweek.

2. An employee that has completed his/her shift, departed from the worksite and has been off duty for a period of time, that is required to return to his/her worksite for duty with at least 12 hours notice shall be compensated at an overtime rate of time and one-half (1 ½) for hours worked outside of his/her scheduled shift.
3. If an employee is required to work on a holiday, compensation shall be made as stipulated in Article 22 of this Agreement.
4. An employee subpoenaed to appear as a witness in court during his/her scheduled "24 hour period off" for a criminal proceeding connected with official duties, and who is not a party in such criminal proceedings, shall be compensated at an overtime rate of time and one-half (1 ½) for all hours worked or shall be compensated for a minimum of two (2) hours at time and one-half (1 ½), whichever is greater. When a member is required to attend two (2) or more court sessions on the same day, with a starting time of two (2) or more hours between each court session on his regular day off or during non-regularly scheduled working hours, he/she shall receive a minimum compensation of four (4) hours at time and one-half (1 ½). If the employee is subpoenaed to appear as a witness in court at any other off-duty time for a criminal proceeding connected with official duties, and who is not a party in such criminal proceedings, shall be compensated at an overtime rate of time and one-half (1 ½) for hours worked outside of his/her scheduled shift. Officers required to appear in court, (in off duty status) to give testimony on behalf of Clark County in criminal cases, shall be authorized to retain the \$25.00 witness fee, (or equivalent should it increase) and mileage fees, and shall be paid one and one-half (1 ½) times their base rate of pay for all times spent in court for Clark County.
5. Overtime pay provided in this Article is at the rate of time and one-half (1 ½) and shall be made in compensatory time off or overtime cash payment at the discretion of the employee and approval of the department head if the employee is required and authorized in writing to work the overtime. Compensatory time off should be used in the following 90 days, but may be accumulated to a maximum of 480 hours. All requests to use compensatory time must be approved at least 24 hours in advance of the time off in accordance with department policy, except in cases of emergency as determined by the department head or designee.

An emergency shall not include absences for which sick leave is to be used as defined in Article 24, Section 1, unless all sick leave has been exhausted. An employee's compensatory time balance must be less than 60 hours before the employee will be permitted to use vacation leave. Any compensatory time accumulated above 480 hours shall automatically be paid to the employee in

cash.

- a. Employees may not be compensated for overtime without the approval and written authorization of their supervisor. All overtime must be either authorized in writing by the employee's supervisor before the overtime is worked or authorized in writing by the supervisor after the time is worked indicating that the time worked was appropriate and necessary based on official incident logs and reports submitted by the employee. The authorization must indicate whether payment is to be made in cash or in compensatory time.
  - b. Officers required to attend mandatory departmental training while in off duty status, shall be compensated at the rate of time and one-half (1 ½) pursuant to the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) regulations 29 C.F.R. § 785.27 and 29 C.F.R. § 785.28.
  - c. An officer may make a request to the department head to attend job related law enforcement training. An officer shall receive compensatory time off or overtime, at the discretion of the employee, plus approval of the department head, for all hours worked over his/her regularly scheduled shift while attending any job related law enforcement training. This shall not include waiting and/or travel time. The request must be accompanied by a letter of recommendation to attend such training by their direct supervisor. The department head's decision is final.
  - d. In the event an employee moves to a County position outside of this bargaining unit, all accumulated compensatory time will be paid to the employee in a lump sum payment within 30 calendar days of leaving the bargaining unit.
6. Call Back Pay - When required, the department head or designee may call back to duty one (1) or more employees. Call Back Pay is defined as compensation earned for returning to his/her worksite for duty after the employee has completed his/her shift, departed from the worksite with less than 12 hours notice. When an employee is called back, the employee shall receive overtime pay for all hours worked on Call Back or shall be compensated for a minimum of three (3) hours at time and one-half (1 ½) (4 ½ hours pay), whichever is greater. Call Back Pay shall only be paid for hours worked outside an employee's shift. Time worked as a result of repeated call backs before an employee's next scheduled work shift shall be compensated through overtime pay only at time and one-half (1 ½) for all hours worked beginning with the second call back.
  7. Standby Time - Due to staff limitations, it may be necessary for a department head to schedule employees to be on standby, to handle overtime work which may arise during other than normal working hours. Standby is defined as time in which an employee is required in writing by the department head or designee to remain at his/her residence or required to carry an electronic pager and be within 30 minutes response capability so that he/she may immediately respond to any calls received.

An employee will be compensated for standby time at the rate of one-fourth (1/4) hour pay at his/her regular hourly rate for each one (1) hour period of standby time. Employees on standby called to perform work will be compensated for actual hours worked in accordance with Section 1 of this Article and shall not be subject to the provisions of Section 5.

8. Overtime and standby pay will be added to the payroll for the period during which work is performed and will not be paid for overtime or standby work of less than 15 minutes per day.
9. Overtime and standby pay shall not be paid more than once for the same hours worked.
10. For purposes of this Article, accumulated standby time will not qualify for premium or overtime pay.

## **ARTICLE 18**

### **Shift Differential**

1. Shift differential is defined as the premium authorized to be paid to an employee above his/her regular straight-time hourly rate of pay for working a regularly scheduled shift other than a day shift. A regularly scheduled shift is a shift created by the department for employees in this bargaining unit that is the same schedule for at least a month. A day shift is defined as any regularly scheduled work shift that begins no earlier than 5:00 a.m., or ends no later than 7:00 p.m. Only regularly scheduled shifts that begin or end outside the 5:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. time period shall be eligible for shift differential pay. The amount of shift differential shall be computed as four percent (4%) of base salary for the shift worked. Shift differential shall not be paid for hours on paid leaves or on buy out at the time of separation from the County.
2. If an employee scheduled to work a regularly scheduled day shift works two (2) complete regularly scheduled shifts in a row (day and swing shifts), he/she shall receive shift differential for the second shift.
3. If an employee scheduled to work a regularly scheduled day shift works overtime hours consecutively following his/her scheduled shift but does not complete a second shift, he/she shall not receive shift differential pay for the hours worked beyond his/her scheduled shift.
4. If an employee scheduled to work a regularly scheduled swing shift works overtime hours consecutively following his/her scheduled shift into a regularly scheduled graveyard shift, he/she shall receive shift differential pay for the hours worked beyond his/her scheduled shift.
5. If an employee scheduled to work a regularly scheduled graveyard shift works overtime hours consecutively following his/her scheduled shift into a regularly

scheduled day shift, he/she shall not receive shift differential pay of the hours worked beyond his/her scheduled shift.

6. Irregular or emergency hours worked which do not constitute an entire regularly scheduled shift eligible for shift differential shall not be compensated with shift differential.
7. Shift differential shall not be paid for standby hours.

## **ARTICLE 19 Acting Pay**

1. Each time a permanent status employee is directed in writing and temporarily accepts the duties and responsibilities of a classification of a higher salary than the employee's for a period in excess of five (5) consecutive shifts worked if the employee is working a standard eight (8) hour per day, five (5) days per work week schedule, or four (4) consecutive shifts worked if the employee is working an approved flexible ten (10) hour per day, four (4) days per work week schedule, the acting employee shall be paid at a rate of four percent (4%) above his/her regular hourly rate or the minimum rate of the classification in which the employee is working, whichever is greater for the entire period he/she performs such duties. Acting pay is not paid when the employee acting in a higher capacity is off on a holiday, or is in leave status. Acting pay for periods up to 30 calendar days requires the written approval of the department head prior to the effective date of the assignment and may not exceed 30 calendar days without the approval of the County Manager or appropriate Assistant County Manager. No acting pay will be given without the appropriate written approval.
2. If an employee is directed in writing by his/her supervisor to perform the duties and responsibilities of the "Officer in Charge" for an entire shift in the absence of a Park Police Officer II / Park Police Sergeant, he/she shall be paid \$20 per shift.

## **ARTICLE 20 Specialty Pays**

1. Employees covered by this Agreement who are assigned to and perform the duties of Bike Patrol, Field Training Officer (FTO), Police Mountain Bike Instructor, All Terrain Vehicle (Quad or Enduro) Instructor, Defensive Tactics Instructor, or Firearms Instructor receive additional pay at the rate of four percent (4%) of their base salary in addition to their scheduled rate of pay. This additional compensation will only be paid for shifts worked by an employee when performing the specialized duties, as assigned by the Department Head or designee.

The department head will establish criteria to evaluate and select employees assigned to perform the duties of Bike Patrol, which shall be for a minimum of one (1) year. Specialized assignments are not promotional, and, therefore, no

property right exists.

2. The Park Police Officer whom is covered by this Agreement and is assigned to and performs the duties of Evidence Vault Custodian shall receive additional pay at the rate of four percent (4%) of his/her base salary in addition to his/her scheduled rate of pay.
3. Upon the recommendation of his/her department head and the approval of the County Manager, an employee will be eligible to receive Bilingual Pay provided the following conditions are met:
  - a. The employee's assigned duties require them to communicate in a second language a minimum of 15% of their time; and
  - b. As a prerequisite to receiving Bilingual Pay, the employee must successfully complete the County's Bilingual Oral Proficiency Examination. The need for a written proficiency examination will be determined by County Management on a case-by-case basis. Competency testing requires fluency in English and the required foreign language or languages.
4. The parties further recognize and agree that:
  - a. Award of bilingual pay to an employee will not occur simply because the employee is bilingual and occasionally uses bilingual skills in the course of their work;
  - b. Positions in which the use of a second language is a requirement are not eligible for bilingual pay;
  - c. Bilingual testing will be scheduled by the County;
  - d. Bilingual premium pay shall be \$75.00 per pay period in a stipend form for each employee determined to be eligible pursuant to Section 3 herein. When an employee begins or ends eligibility for bilingual pay in the middle of a pay period, the stipend will be prorated. The stipend will not be included in the base pay and is not in the calculation of PERS or longevity; and
  - e. Approved bilingual pay will be subject to annual re-authorization according to the conditions specified in Section 3 herein, with the exception of bilingual proficiency examination which shall not be required under the re-authorization process.
5. Bilingual pay will cease when the employee is transferred, promoted, or demoted to a position which does not meet the requirements of Section 3 (a) and (b) herein, as determined by the employee's Department Head.
  - a. Nothing in this agreement shall prevent the County from using interpreter

services where deemed appropriate. The County will not create classifications solely to circumvent bilingual pay, but maintains the right to create classifications that include a requirement for a second language as operational needs or statute dictate.

## **ARTICLE 21 Merit Salary Adjustment**

1. An employee shall be eligible for consideration for a salary step adjustment upon:
  - a. Successful completion of a probationary period for probationary employees, or successful completion of a qualifying period for promoted, permanent or permanent-intermittent employees; and
  - b. Each anniversary date that occurs on or after July 1, 2002 of his/her employment in such class annually thereafter until the top of the salary range is reached in that class. The anniversary date is normally considered to be that date an employee commences work in that classification to which he/she has been most recently appointed.
2. The procedures used to evaluate an employee shall be uniformly and consistently applied in accordance with the guidelines established by Clark County Human Resources. There shall be an equal number of management and labor representatives appointed to an Advisory Team (with no more than six (6) members total) to establish meritorious job standards for the classifications covered by this Agreement. Labor representatives shall be appointed by the Association and management representatives shall be appointed by the department head. In the event a merit increase is not granted, the employee will be informed in writing of the specific reason(s) for denial and may, within two (2) working days of such notification, request a review before his/her supervisor and the department head or his/her designee to discuss the reason for the denial. The review may be attended by the employee, an Association officer, the supervisor, the department head or his/her designee, and, upon request of the employee or the supervisor, a representative of Clark County Human Resources as designated by the County Manager. The decision of the department head or his/her designee will be final.
3. In determining eligibility for a salary step adjustment, employees shall receive a performance evaluation. Employees who meet a "meritorious level of performance and competence" shall receive a one step salary adjustment. Employees failing to meet a "meritorious level of performance and competence" shall not receive a salary step adjustment. Any employee scheduled to receive a performance evaluation pursuant to the terms of this Article in order to determine his/her qualifications for a salary step adjustment, shall receive said evaluation within 45 calendar days of the scheduled review date. If the above-mentioned evaluation is not received within the required 45-day period the employee shall receive a one step salary adjustment.

4. The following shall not be considered as breaks in creditable service necessary to qualify for a salary step adjustment:
  - a. Authorized military leave, provided that the person is reinstated within 90 calendar days following other than dishonorable or bad conduct discharge from military service;
  - b. Authorized educational leave;
  - c. Time during which employee is receiving compensation from the County for an injury or disease arising out of and in the course of his/her employment;
  - d. Authorized leaves of absence without pay of 21 consecutive calendar days or less within any calendar year;
  - e. Authorized leaves of absence with pay; and
  - f. Periods of qualifying service which immediately precede a layoff or authorized leave of absence.
5. When a salary step adjustment is delayed solely through administrative delay or clerical error, or is miscalculated, the proper adjustment shall be made effective retroactive to the date it was due.
6. An employee's salary step adjustment will be effective the first day of the pay period during which the review date occurs.

**ARTICLE 22**  
**Holidays**

1. For the purposes of this Article, "holiday pay" shall be defined as a premium paid to eligible employees for time not worked for the following holidays:
  - January 1 (New Years Day)\*
  - Third Monday in January (Martin Luther King, Jr's Birthday)
  - Third Monday in February (President's Day)
  - Last Monday in May (Memorial Day)
  - July 4 (Independence Day)\*
  - First Monday in September (Labor Day)
  - Last Friday in October (Nevada Day)
  - November 11 (Veterans Day)\*
  - Fourth Thursday in November (Thanksgiving Day)
  - Friday following the fourth Thursday in November (Family Day)
  - December 25 (Christmas Day)\*
  - Employee's Birthday
  - Any day the County is required by state law to close for a legal holiday.

The pay for each holiday shall be equal to the employee's regularly scheduled work shift at the employee's regular straight-time hourly rate. For employees scheduled to work Monday through Friday, holidays shall be observed on the days specified in this Section except when a holiday marked with an asterisk falls on a Saturday or a Sunday.

A marked holiday falling on a Saturday will be observed the day before on Friday, and when it falls on a Sunday it will be observed the day after on Monday. For employees working a schedule other than Monday through Friday, holidays shall be observed on the days specified in this Section.

2. The Birthday Holiday is earned on the employee's birthday. The Birthday Holiday shall be taken off on an employee's birthday or during the year following his/her birthday. Employees are not entitled to accumulate Birthday Holidays from year to year.
3. If an employee is not required to work during the workday he/she is to observe a holiday, the employee shall be paid for the holiday as prescribed in Section 1 of this Article. If an employee is required to work on the day he/she is to observe a holiday, the employee shall receive payment at the rate of time and one-half (1 ½) for all hours worked between the hours of 12:01 a.m. and 12:00 midnight, in addition to holiday pay for each holiday worked. Holiday pay hours shall be equal to the employee's regularly scheduled work shift at the employee's regular straight-time hourly rate of pay.

Except as provided below, an employee is eligible for holiday pay if he/she is in pay status for the entire shift prior to and the next shift following the day he/she is to observe a holiday. If an employee calls in sick on a day he/she is to observe a holiday, he/she will not be eligible for holiday pay. If an employee leaves work for a sick leave reason, the employee shall be charged sick leave for the remainder of his/her shift and holiday pay shall be prorated based on the length of time actually worked.

4. Overtime payment provided in this Article at the rate of time and one-half (1 ½) shall be made in compensatory time off or cash payment upon the request of the employee and approval of the department head. It is understood that a department head's approval will not be unreasonably withheld recognizing, however, the financial constraints of cash payment.

## **ARTICLE 23**

### **Vacation**

1. Accrual of Vacation Leave:
  - a. Eligible employees hired or rehired and working on a full-time permanent basis shall earn vacation leave based on months of creditable County service as defined in Article 26 of this Agreement at the following rates for

each pay period:

<u>MONTH'S SERVICE</u>	<u>HOURS PER PAY PERIOD ACCRUED</u>
0-24	3.08
25-96	4.62
97-180	5.54
181 and over	6.15

- b. Vacation leave may not be accumulated to exceed 240 hours at the beginning of any calendar year.
2. **Vacation Eligibility:** An employee is not entitled to take accumulated vacation leave or payment therefore until he/she has successfully completed his/her probationary period.
  3. **Vacation Leave Use:** The purpose of vacation benefits is to allow each employee time away from his/her job for rest, recreation, and the pursuit of non-employment objectives. The time when vacation leave shall be taken will be determined by the department head after considering department operational needs and the seniority and wishes of the employees. All vacation requests, submitted in writing, shall be responded to in writing no later than 21 days after the written request, to allow the employees to take advantage of reservation systems and discounts, or to make other arrangements as early as possible (i.e. early airline reservation discounts, popular destination reservations). An exception will be in a case of emergency. An emergency shall not include absences for which sick leave is to be used as defined in Article 24, Section 1, unless all sick leave has been exhausted.
  4. **Payment for Vacation Leave:** Except as provided in Article 23, Section 2, upon separation from service for any cause, an employee shall be paid a lump sum payment for any unused or accumulated vacation earned through the last day worked. If this is earlier than the last day of the pay period, the vacation shall be prorated. Payment for unused vacation leave will be at the employee's base hourly rate on the last day worked prior to separation.
  5. **Death of an Employee:** Upon the death of a person in the employ of the County, a lump sum payment for vacation time accrued to his/her credit will be made to the employee's beneficiaries or estate.
  6. Vacation leave shall not accrue to employees classified as temporary or part-time hourly.
  7. Sell-back vacation leave shall be subject to the conditions outlined in section 7 herein. Any employee with ten (10) years or more of creditable service is eligible in December of each year to submit a written request to the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager to be paid for twenty (20) hours of vacation leave, provided the employee has used at least eighty (80) hours of vacation leave during that calendar year and carries a

minimum accumulated balance of 220 hours. Payment will be paid in January of the succeeding year and taxed at the current supplemental tax rate.

## **ARTICLE 24 Sick Leave**

### Section 1 - Use of Sick Leave

1. Paid sick leave may be used by employees who:
  - a. Are incapacitated to perform job duties because of illness or injury;
  - b. Are prevented by public health requirements from being at work;
  - c. Need to absent themselves from work for bereavement and to attend the funeral of a member of the employee's immediate family. Immediate family shall be defined as the employee's spouse, mother, father, brother, sister, child, foster child, stepchild, grandchild, grandparent, or any in-law of the employee's bearing any of the previously specified relationships;
  - d. Are required to absent themselves from work upon incapacitating illness or injury in the immediate family to personally care for that family member;
  - e. Need to be absent from work when receiving medical or dental treatment or examination for themselves or immediate family as defined in paragraph (c) above;
  - f. Need to be absent when incapacitated to perform job duties because of pregnancy or childbirth; or
  - g. Need to be absent to care for newborn children.
2. Upon approval of the department head or designee, sick leave may be granted for other reasons when the department head or designee believes the use of sick leave will have a beneficial effect on an employee's morale and welfare.
3. No County employee shall be entitled to sick leave while absent from duty because of disability arising from an injury purposely self-inflicted, or caused by willful or grossly negligent misconduct.
4. Employees shall be subject to the following requirements for the use and payment of sick leave:
  - a. Employees who become ill prior to the start of the workday shall call in as required by their departmental work rules at the beginning of their shift.
  - b. Employees shall fill out and sign a sick leave form immediately upon their return to work or stating the need to schedule sick leave for purposes of a

medical or dental appointment.

- c. Sick leave forms shall be turned in to the employee's department head or other designated authority for approval.
- d. Any employee who reports absent at the start of a shift because of illness or injury who recovers sufficiently during the course of the shift to report to work is required to do so. In such a situation, the employee involved shall only be charged for actual sick leave used to the nearest one-fourth (1/4) of an hour. At all times during a sick leave use period, employees shall be at their place of residence, a medical facility, or a doctor's office or shall notify their department head or designee of their whereabouts.
- e. An employee may request the use of annual leave, compensatory time or leave without pay be granted in lieu of sick leave. Vacation leave shall be approved in accordance with department policy and the approval provisions of Article 23. The use of compensatory time shall be approved in accordance with department policy and the approval provisions of Article 17. Leave without pay shall be approved in accordance with department policy and the approval provisions of Article 25. The practice of advancing sick leave shall not be permitted.
- f. A certificate of illness from a state licensed health care provider in an appropriate discipline may be required by the department head or designee when there is one (1) absence in excess of three (3) consecutive scheduled work days or whenever there is reason to believe that sick leave benefits are being abused. Additional documentation may be required depending on the seriousness of the medical or dental problem.
- g. If an employee's fitness for duty is questioned by the department head or designee, the employee may be required to submit a certificate of fitness.
- h. Any medical or dental reports or examinations that the County requires of the employee beyond those cited in Section 1, paragraph 1(f) and 1(g) or normally provided to the employee by the employee's usual medical or dental provider shall be paid for by the County.

## Section 2 - Sick Leave Accrual and Payment

- 1. Eligible permanent employees with less than ten (10) years of creditable County service as defined in Article 26 of this Agreement working on a full-time basis shall earn sick leave at the rate of 3.7 hours for each pay period. Employees who have been employed by the County for ten (10) creditable years of service or longer as defined in Article 26 will receive an additional .92-hour of sick leave per pay period. Eligible permanent employees working half-time or more (at least 40 hours per pay period) shall earn such leave on a prorated basis. There will be no limit on sick leave accumulation.
- 2. Employees shall be paid their current straight-time hourly rate for each hour of

sick leave used.

3. Paid sick leave shall be counted as time worked for the purpose of computing overtime.
4. If a permanent employee separates from the service of the County after three (3) consecutive years of employment, the employee shall receive payment for one-half (1/2) of his/her sick leave accumulation. An employee's sick leave payoff upon separation shall increase above 50% at the rate of one and one-half percent (1 ½%) for each additional year of consecutive service above ten (10) through 20 years of service. An employee's sick leave payoff upon separation shall increase above 65% at the rate of three and one-half percent (3 ½%) for each additional year of consecutive service above 20 up to a maximum of 100% at 30 years of service. Payment for unused sick leave will be at the employee's base hourly rate on the last day worked prior to separation.

### Section 3 - Catastrophic Leave Program:

Eligibility for family catastrophic sick leave;

1. An employee must have successfully completed six (6) months of employment with the County and his or her probationary period.
2. An employee's immediate family shall include the employee's spouse, child, or parent and must meet the following definition of catastrophic illness/injury. "Catastrophic illness/injury is an illness or injury that requires inpatient or outpatient care at a medical facility or that renders an employee's family member bed ridden at home." Bedridden is defined as limiting an individual's ambulatory status to home allowing attention to in-home personal care needs, attend physician's appointments, and receive necessary medical treatment related to their catastrophic illness." A medical certification from the attending state licensed health care provider stating the necessity of the employee's presence to care for the family member is required as part of all requests for family catastrophic sick leave.
3. Requests for family catastrophic leave from immediate family members employed by the County shall be combined for the purpose of granting leave hours under subsection (4) herein.
4. Clark County Human Resources will review the requests and verify the employee's eligibility for catastrophic sick leave. If determined eligible, Clark County Risk Management shall grant the employee an appropriate amount of catastrophic sick leave from the leave bank, provided the balance of the leave bank is sufficient.

The eligible employee may take up to 320 hours of "employee catastrophic leave" or 80 hours of "family catastrophic leave." Family catastrophic leave shall be used within 20 working days of the date approved. If the employee needs additional hours to get through the elimination period for long term disability, then, and only then, under such

extraordinary circumstances the employee may take up to another 160 hours of “employee catastrophic sick leave.” Catastrophic leave benefits will not be available to any employee currently receiving disability income benefits from the county’s long term insurance carrier.

## **ARTICLE 25 Miscellaneous Leaves**

1. Court Leave: Employees required by legal process or required by the County to appear in any court or before the Grand Jury as a juror or witness in a criminal or civil case during his/her work shift shall receive full compensation as though he/she were actually on the job during such time. He/she shall claim any jury, witness, or other fee to which he/she may be entitled by reason of such appearance and pay such fees, except mileage, to the County Treasurer within three (3) working days of receipt, to be deposited in the applicable fund of the County. An employee working other than a day shift appearing in court for the stated reasons, except for the circumstances defined in Article 17, Paragraph 4, shall retain any and all remuneration as may be authorized for such appearances. Notation will be made on the time and attendance report for the shifts of court leave granted to the employee while absent from his/her regular scheduled duties. If the employee is not selected for jury duty or is released from testimony, he/she shall return to duty if released during scheduled work shift hours. In those cases where an employee elects to retain jury duty or witness fees such time shall not be counted as time worked for the purpose of determining overtime, and the employee will not be considered on court leave for the time absent from work. No civil case shall be covered by this Section in which the employee has an interest.
2. Military Leave: Any permanent employee who is a member of the organized U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Nevada National Guard, Air National Guard or Marine Reserves, shall receive their regular pay from the County during military duty as prescribed by NRS 281.145.
3. Leave Without Pay: Upon written application to the department head, a permanent status employee may, in the County’s sole discretion, be granted a leave of absence without pay for a period not to exceed 90 calendar days, without prejudice to his/her status, but no vacation or sick leave credits shall accrue during any such leave period. Without approval of the department head and the Clark County Human Resources representative as designated by the County Manager, leave without pay may not be granted until all accumulated vacation leave is used. Disciplinary leave without pay may be imposed when vacation leave is still available. Any additional leave must be recommended by the department head and approved by the County Manager.
4. Parental Leave: Upon written application to the department head, an employee shall be granted a leave of absence of up to three (3) months for the purpose of caring for newborn children up to six (6) months old or legally adopting a child(ren). No vacation or sick leave credits shall accrue during the duration of

any period of leave without pay. Employees are not required to use up compensatory time, vacation leave and sick leave benefits before taking parental leave without pay. Any unpaid leave shall be taken as one continuous leave period. Employees, at their discretion, may use none, any, or all of their sick leave, vacation leave, and/or compensatory time in the three (3) month parental leave period. Leave beyond this three (3) month period is at the discretion of the department head, and if approved, the employee may use compensatory time, vacation leave, sick leave, or leave without pay under the provisions of Articles 17, 23, 24, and 25 of this Agreement.

5. Blood Donor Leave: Employees will be granted the necessary time off up to four (4) hours during their work shift for the purpose of donating blood when participating in a County authorized and/or sponsored blood donation drive. In no event shall an employee be eligible for overtime as a result of donating blood.
6. Education Leave: Upon written application to the department head, an employee may, in the County's sole discretion, be granted educational leave without pay for a period not to exceed 90 calendar days, without prejudice to his/her status, but no vacation or sick leave credits shall accrue during any such leave period.
7. Application and Examination Leave: An employee shall be permitted reasonable time off with pay during his/her shift to submit an application and/or take an examination for County promotional or transfer opportunity. In no case shall an employee become eligible for overtime as a result of competing for a promotional or transfer opportunity. To use this leave, an employee shall notify his/her supervisor immediately upon receiving a letter from Clark County Human Resources of the date and time that he/she is scheduled to attend an interview or examination.

## **ARTICLE 26**

### **Benefit Eligibility**

Eligibility for increased entitlements to sick leave, vacation and longevity for employees on the County payroll as of the date this Agreement is effected, shall be determined by the total amount of service commencing with appointment to a County permanent budgeted position. For all employees hired or rehired after the date this Agreement is effected, eligibility for increased entitlements to sick leave, vacation and longevity shall be determined by the length of continuous permanent County service.

## **ARTICLE 27**

### **Service Connected Disability**

All eligible members shall be covered by a workers compensation program of the County's choice that conforms with the provisions of the Nevada Industrial Insurance Act (NRS Chapter 616) and the Nevada Occupational Diseases Act (NRS Chapter 617) and that provides for payment of industrial accident benefits and compensation for partial and total disability arising from industrial injuries and occupational diseases.

1. In the event an employee is absent from work due to a service-connected disability, approved pursuant to NRS Chapter 616 or 617, he/she may receive, in addition to the compensation as provided by NRS Chapter 616 or 617, a supplemental amount from the County which would cause the total amount received by the employee from the service-connected disability and the County to equal his/her salary at the time of his/her disability. The supplemental compensation will start from the first day of absence or illness, but shall not exceed 340 work hours for the same workers compensation claim. During this period, the employee shall not forfeit any accrued sick leave. Successful completion of the probationary period is required in order to qualify for the supplemental compensation from the County.
2. It is the intent of the County to pay the on-the-job injured employee (as outlined in this Section) the difference between full biweekly salary and that provided pursuant to NRS Chapter 616 or 617 as salary continuance. Therefore, the employee shall return to the County all temporary total disability payments received which were made under NRS Chapter 616 or 617 covering the period enumerated in Section 1 of this Article. No supplemental benefit shall be paid until after the employee's lost-time benefit check has been deposited with the County Treasurer.
3. If an employee entitled to disability compensation has not completed his/her probationary period, or if an employee who has received supplemental compensation for the maximum 340 work hours, is unable to return to work, he/she may elect to utilize accrued sick leave, during which period the employee shall receive compensation from the County as provided in NRS 281.390. If the employee is receiving no compensation for time missed from work through the worker's compensation program, the employee must use leave benefits to fully account for any absence.
4. When accrued sick leave has expired, if the employee is still unable to work and the employee is receiving compensation for time missed from work through the worker's compensation program, he/she will be permitted to use his/her accrued vacation leave as sick leave. Subsequent to the expiration of both the employee's sick and vacation leave, provided that the employee has so elected to use his/her vacation leave as sick leave, the employee's compensation will be limited to that provided by NRS Chapter 616 or 617 and the employee will be placed in a leave without pay status.
5. If, as a result of a licensed physician's evaluation and prognosis, it appears that the employee will not return to his/her regular County job within a 12-month period, the County may require a medical separation.

**ARTICLE 28**  
**Retirement Contribution**

1. The County will pay the employee's portion of the retirement contribution under

the employer-pay contribution plan in the manner provided for by NRS 286. Any increase in the percentage rate of the retirement contribution above the rate set forth in NRS 286 on May 19, 1975, shall be borne equally by the County and the employee and shall be paid in the manner provided by NRS 286.

Any decrease in the percentage rate of the retirement contribution will result in a corresponding increase to each employee's base pay equal to one-half (½) of the decrease. Any such increase in pay will be effective the first day of the pay-period during which the decrease in the percentage rate of the retirement contribution becomes effective.

2. The term "retirement contribution" does not include any payment for the purchase of previous credit service on behalf of any employee.

### **ARTICLE 29 Group Insurance**

1. To be eligible for group insurance, an employee must occupy a permanent budgeted position and work at least 20 hours per workweek and meet the necessary qualifying periods associated with the insurance program. The County will then be responsible for the prorated share of the premium based on hours worked as a percentage of 40 hours per workweek. Any employee who is on an authorized leave without pay status over 30 consecutive calendar days will be responsible as of the 31<sup>st</sup> day for reimbursing the County for the employee's group and life insurance premium, the total dependent coverage insurance premiums and the total long-term disability insurance premium from that day forward. If the leave without pay status does not coincide with the premium payments, then any such premiums shall be prorated.
2. Employees who elect to have group insurance shall pay the following percentage of the total health and dental insurance premium per month.

Employee Only	5.5%
Employee & Spouse	10.0%
Employee & Children	7.0%
Employee & Family	10.5%

3. The County shall pay 100% of the premium cost of a group life insurance policy providing, to each employee, an amount of coverage of no less than \$15,000 or no more than \$20,000.

### **ARTICLE 30 Longevity**

1. Creditable Service for Longevity Computation: Periods of creditable permanent full-time employment as defined in Article 26 of this Agreement with the County of Clark shall be considered for the purpose of computing longevity eligibility.

Any period in which an employee, while employed by the County of Clark, is called into the active military service of the United States Armed Forces involuntarily will be considered as creditable service for computation of longevity pay. Upon completion of five (5) full years of creditable service, eligible employees on the County payroll as of October 6, 1992, shall be entitled to longevity pay in addition to their base salary. All employees hired or rehired after October 6, 1992 shall be entitled to longevity pay in addition to their base salary upon completion of seven (7) full years of creditable service as defined in Article 26 of this Agreement. New hires will not be eligible for longevity pay after the date this agreement is ratified by the Union and approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

2. Longevity shall be paid annually, in a lump sum amount, during the first pay period following the employee's anniversary hire date, as adjusted for below conditions where applicable. Longevity payments shall be prorated from the anniversary hire date, as adjusted, for employees separated for any reason. Longevity rates for eligible employees shall be paid at the rate of .57 of 1% of base salary per year for each year of creditable service. Overtime pay or compensatory time shall not be considered in the calculation of longevity pay.
3. Non-Creditable Service for Longevity Computation:
  - a. Any period that an employee is on any leave of absence without pay over a period of 21 consecutive calendar days in a calendar year will be deducted from the creditable service for longevity pay.
  - b. Period or periods of service in the active military service of the United States Armed Forces in which the employee enlisted voluntarily for active service other than period of wartime or national emergency.
  - c. Suspension periods as a result of disciplinary action. Computation: Periods of creditable permanent full-time employment as defined in Article 26 of this Agreement with the County of Clark shall be considered for the purpose of computing longevity eligibility.

Any period in which an employee, while employed by the County of Clark, is called into the active military service of the United States Armed Forces involuntarily will be considered as creditable service for computation of longevity pay.

### **ARTICLE 31 Private Automobiles**

In those rare instances when an employee is required by the department head to use his/her private automobile in the performance of County business, he/she shall be reimbursed at the rate as established by NRS for each mile actually traveled in the performance of such County business.

**ARTICLE 32**  
**Uniforms and Equipment**

1. The County reserves the right to determine the employees who are required to wear uniforms and to designate the uniform to be worn. The County will provide two (2) complete uniforms (two (2) pairs of pants, one (1) short sleeve shirt, and one (1) long sleeve shirt) to eligible employees each July. Uniforms must be returned to the County upon an employee's separation from the County.
2. Effective July 1, 2008, each eligible permanent status employee shall receive an annual Uniform and Footwear Maintenance Allowance of \$1,480.00.
  - a. Effective July 1, 2009, each eligible permanent status officer shall receive an annual Uniform and Footwear Maintenance Allowance of \$1,600.00.
3. The County shall provide a cap, light-weight jacket with a liner, bullet proof vest, leather or nylon holster, leather or nylon belt set including necessary belt accessories, nine millimeter weapon, and four (4) complete uniforms as specified in this Article at the time of hire to employees in classifications covered by this Agreement. These items, excluding uniforms, will be replaced on an as needed basis as determined by the County.

All employees are required to maintain, wear, and use these items in accordance with State, County and departmental rules. Upon separation, all items, other than those worn out through normal use, must be returned or paid for by the employee to the County.

4. For Bike Patrol Officers, the County will provide two (2) sets of the summer bike uniforms and one (1) set of the winter uniform. The summer uniform shall consist of a short sleeve pull over type jersey properly marked and a pair of bike patrol riding shorts. The winter uniform shall consist of a long sleeve pull over jersey properly marked and a pair of bike patrol riding pants. In addition to the uniform, riding shoes, riding jacket, gloves and eye protection shall be provided. The uniform portion for bike officers will be replaced each July 1<sup>st</sup> for eligible employees.

For off road (wetlands) duty, the County shall provide authorized helmets (individual issue) and eye protection the date the contract is approved by the Board of County Commissioners. Helmets and eye protection will be replaced only if damaged.

5. The County shall determine and provide the necessary safety and emergency equipment, including vehicles. The Association may recommend and provide information to the department head regarding such equipment.

**ARTICLE 33**  
**Long Term Disability Insurance**

1. The County will provide long term disability insurance to employees who occupy a permanent budgeted position and work at least 20 hours per week. Employees must meet the qualifying requirements associated with the plan.
2. The County will pay a maximum premium of \$15.71 per month for the first three (3) years of this agreement for each eligible employee toward the LTD plan. Thereafter, if the rate changes, Clark County will pay up to a maximum of five percent (5%) above the adjusted premium rate. The initial benefits of the plan will be determined based on the maximum premium. This contribution in no way guarantees a specific level of benefits, nor once a plan is adopted, for those benefit levels to continue if the premium exceeds \$15.71 per month per employee.

**ARTICLE 34**  
**Conflicting Agreements**

1. This Agreement supersedes all personnel rules heretofore in effect by the County relating to those subjects addressed by the provisions of this Agreement to the extent such rules are in conflict with the terms of this Agreement. This Agreement does not preclude the County from formulating new or additional rules and guidelines, which are consistent with the terms of this Agreement or the provisions of the NRS, subject to the procedures of this Article 34.
2. It is the County's intention that this CCPPA Agreement is to be interpreted and applied uniformly to all employees in the bargaining units under similar circumstances. This in no way precludes the individual departments from promulgating their own rules and procedures providing that such rules and/or procedures are not inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement and the Clark County Personnel Policies and Procedures. Department rules and policies will be reviewed and approved by Clark County Human Resources for consistency with the Clark County Personnel Policies and Procedures and this Agreement before implementation. The department will provide each employee with a copy of department rules and policies. A copy of all approved department rules and policies will be kept on file in Clark County Human Resources.

**ARTICLE 35**  
**General Savings Clause**

1. If any provision of this document or any application of the document to any person or persons covered herein be found contrary to federal law or the NRS, then this provision or application shall be deemed invalid except to the extent permitted by law, but all other provisions thereof shall continue in full force and effect.

If there is any change in federal law or the NRS that would invalidate or supplement any provision of this Agreement, excluding changes in NRS, Chapter 288, the parties will meet to negotiate any change in the Agreement relative to the affected provisions only.

2. In the event NRS, Chapter 288 is amended, the County and Association officers will meet within 30 days of such passage to informally discuss the ramifications, if any, on the current negotiated Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 36**

### **Clark County's Substance Abuse Policy**

#### **POLICY ON DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE WORKPLACE**

It is the policy of Clark County and the Clark County Park Police Association, CCPA, to foster and provide a drug and alcohol free workplace for all employees. A drug and alcohol free workplace protects the safety of the public as well as the County's valuable workforce.

While the County will be supportive of those who seek help voluntarily, the County will be equally firm in identifying and disciplining those who continue to be substance abusers and do not seek help.

1. Guiding Principles:

There are four (4) guiding principles underlying the adoption of this policy. They are:

- a. Education - The County and Association believe that education and training of all employees in the effects and treatment of substance abuse will contribute to a safer and more efficient workplace for everyone.
- b. Deterrence - The County and Association are committed to eliminating the effects of substance abuse in the workplace. All employees are prohibited from using, possessing, buying or selling drugs or alcohol in the workplace, and are prohibited from reporting to work or being subject to work (specifically on standby or on break) with prohibited drugs active in their systems or while under the influence of alcohol.
- c. Enforcement - The substance abuse policy will be strictly enforced. Violations of the policy or procedures will be cause for discipline, up to and including termination of employment.
- d. Treatment - The County and Association are committed to helping employees with admitted substance abuse problems overcome those problems, and encourage voluntary rehabilitation options.

2. Policy Purposes:

The purposes of the substance abuse policy are:

- a. To implement a fair and balanced approach to eliminating substance abuse and its effects on the job;
- b. To protect the public and employees; and
- c. To provide a strong incentive for voluntary rehabilitation.

3. Rules:

The County and Association have formulated clear rules and penalties to ensure compliance with the substance abuse policy. The primary rules are:

ALCOHOL

- a. The consumption of an alcoholic beverage by an employee on duty will result in immediate termination with no Last Chance Agreement. The possession of an open alcoholic beverage by an employee on duty shall be cause for disciplinary action up to and including termination. The only exception to disciplinary action for the possession of an open alcoholic beverage while on duty is when the handling of an open alcoholic beverage is incidental to the employee's assigned duties.
- b. An employee will also be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination and may be placed on a Last Chance Agreement when the consumption of alcoholic beverages is at a time proximate to his or her work time, has an adverse effect on his or her work performance, causes impairment while on duty or on standby, or creates a risk of harm to self, others, or County or private property.
- c. The use of alcohol off County premises and while not on duty may be cause for discipline where such conduct can be shown to have a direct and material adverse effect on the County's interests, including public image.
- d. In an employee that is required to drive as part of his/her assigned duties has his/her driver's license suspended or revoked, temporarily or permanently, due to a substance related offense, the employee must notify his/her supervisor of these circumstances when next reporting to duty. Failure to do so shall be cause for disciplinary action up to and including termination.
- e. The felony conviction of an employee as a result of alcohol while off County premises and not on duty shall be cause for disciplinary action up to and including termination.

## DRUGS

- a. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of an illegal drug or controlled substance by an employee in the workplace or during work hours is prohibited. Employees in violation of this policy will be terminated with no Last Chance Agreement.
- b. The use of any drug which negatively affects performance or the ability of an employee to work in a safe manner may be cause for discipline where the employee knew or should have known that the drug would adversely diminish his/her capabilities to perform the job. For the purpose of this policy, the term "drug" shall include but not be limited to sedatives (i.e. valium, downers), stimulants (i.e. speed, uppers), hallucinogens (i.e. LSD), cocaine, crack, cannabinoids (i.e. marijuana), opiates, phencyclidine (PCP), and volatile solvents (inhalants).
- c. Whenever an employee is prescribed a drug by a licensed health care provider or uses an over-the-counter medication which may negatively affect his/her performance or ability to perform in a safe manner, the employee shall notify his/her supervisor. An employee who fails to notify his/her supervisor may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination and may be placed on a Last Chance Agreement when the use of drugs by that employee contributes to an accident or incident that results in property damage or injury to a person. Supervisors shall ensure that employees are not placed in capacities that may jeopardize the safety of others.
- d. The possession or use of illegal drugs while off County premises and while not on duty may be cause for discipline, up to and including termination, where such conduct can be shown to have a direct and material adverse effect on the County's interests, including public image.
- e. If an employee that is required to drive as part of his/her assigned duties has his/her driver's license suspended or revoked, temporarily or permanently, due to a substance related offense, the employee must notify his/her supervisor of these circumstances when next reporting to duty. Failure to do so shall be cause for disciplinary action up to and including termination.
- f. The felony conviction for the possession or being under the influence of illegal drugs while off County premises and while not on duty shall be cause for disciplinary action up to and including termination.
- g. The conviction of an employee for the sale or possession with intent to sell illegal drugs is cause for immediate termination with no Last Chance Agreement.
- h. Employees must notify their immediate supervisor of any personal criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later

than five (5) days after such conviction. Failure to notify the immediate supervisor shall result in disciplinary action.

## **DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING**

The County may require an individual to submit to a drug and alcohol test under the following circumstances:

1. Pre-Employment:

Clark County Human Resources will identify specific job classifications that require an applicant selected as a new hire to take and pass a drug and alcohol screening. A positive result from the drug and/or alcohol screening may result in the applicant not being hired where the applicant's use of drugs and/or alcohol could affect requisite job standards, duties and responsibilities. If a legal drug screen is positive, the applicant must provide, within 24 hours of request, bona fide verification of a valid current prescription for the drug identified in the drug screen and it must be in the applicant's name. If the prescription is not in the applicant's name or the applicant does not provide acceptable verification, or if the drug is one that is likely to impair the applicant's ability to perform the job duties, the applicant will not be hired.

2. Reasonable Cause:

An employee will be required to undergo immediate drug and alcohol testing in accordance with the following procedures if there is reasonable cause that the employee is under the influence of a drug and/or alcohol. Reasonable cause that an employee is under the influence of a drug and/or alcohol will be based on specific facts and/or reasonable inferences derived from those facts. Examples of circumstances, although not inclusive, which constitute a basis for determining reasonable cause are specified on the "Observation/Incident Report" included in Appendix D of this policy.

3. Post-Accident:

An employee involved in an accident while on duty may be required to undergo a drug and alcohol test when there is:

- a. Property damage that exceeds \$500, and/or
- b. Personal injury

4. Testing Procedures for Reasonable Cause and Post-Accident:

- a. Any supervisor evaluating an employee for reasonable cause shall complete the Clark County "Observation/Incident Report". The Observation/Incident Report shall be sent to the appropriate department head and the Employee Relations Division of Clark County Human Resources. Supervisors and managers will not be permitted to use this

policy as a vehicle to harass employees. Supervisors and managers shall be subject to the disciplinary process up to and including termination if they engage in harassing behavior towards employees.

- b. If the employee is an eligible member of a bargaining unit, the supervisor is to advise him/her of his/her right to have an Association representative present prior to testing. Allow 30 minutes for an Association representative to appear. If mitigating circumstances warrant, the supervisor may wait up to a maximum of one (1) hour for an Association representative.
- c. The employee shall be relieved of duty and transported to a drug testing specimen collection site for a drug and alcohol screening. Once the test sample is collected, arrangements will be made to have the employee transported home. The sample will be tested and confirmed and chain of custody maintained by a Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) certified laboratory facility.

An employee who is incapacitated to the point that he/she cannot provide a sample at the time of the incident, shall later provide the necessary authorization for releasing hospital or medical reports that would indicate whether or not the employee was under the influence of a drug and/or alcohol.

- d. Advise the employee that he/she will remain on paid status until the test sample is collected. After the sample is collected, the employee will be placed on leave in the following order as leave benefits are exhausted (sick leave, compensatory time, vacation leave, leave without pay) until the County receives the test results. If the test is negative, the County will make the employee whole.
- e. The results will be delivered by mail or carrier to the Employee Relations Division of Clark County Human Resources, who will then immediately notify and make a copy of the report available to the employee. The employee's department head or designee will be notified whether the test results are positive or negative. A drug test will be considered positive if the confirmation cutoff levels established by SAMHSA are exceeded. An alcohol test will be considered positive if the blood alcohol content is .08% or greater.
- f. Refusal to submit to a drug and alcohol test or to provide the necessary authorization for releasing hospital or medical reports that would indicate whether or not the employee was under the influence of a drug and/or alcohol shall be considered just cause for termination with no Last Chance Agreement.

#### **DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES FOR A POSITIVE DRUG AND ALCOHOL TEST:**

1. A positive drug and/or alcohol test requested as a result of reasonable suspicion,

or an accident which causes injury to a person or property damage will be cause for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 3 below.

2. A test resulting in a positive outcome for a legal drug will result in the following actions:
  - a. The employee may be disciplined for the performance or behavior that established reasonable cause to test the employee.
  - b. The employee will provide, within 24 hours or request, a bona fide verification of a valid, current prescription for the drug identified. The prescription must be in the employee's name. If the employee does not provide acceptable verification of a valid prescription, or if the prescription is not in the employee's name, or if the employee has not previously notified his/her supervisor, the employee will be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Section 3 below.
  - c. Before the employee may return to work, the employee must provide the department head with a certificate of fitness from the prescribing physician. The certificate of fitness must be a signed statement indicating whether or not an employee is medically able to perform regularly assigned job duties without restriction or limitation. If the employee is restricted from performing regularly assigned duties, the certificate must also identify the employee's restrictions.
  
3. A test resulting in a positive screen for alcohol and/or an illegal substance or the unlawful use of a legal drug or controlled substance will result in the following action.
  - a. First Offense: Unless previously specified as an infraction resulting in immediate termination, the employee will receive a suspension without pay for a period of time based on the severity of the infraction and shall be required to sign and successfully complete the conditions of a Last Chance Agreement which includes rehabilitation and aftercare.
  - b. Before the employee may return to work the employee must provide the department head with a return-to-duty form signed by a state licensed rehabilitation and treatment program provider releasing the employee to return to work. This must occur within 60 days of the drug or alcohol test date. Failure to provide a return-to-duty form within 60 days will result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.
  - c. Second Offense: The employee will be suspended without pay pending termination.

**LAST CHANCE AGREEMENT:**

Refusal to sign a Last Chance Agreement shall be considered just cause for termination. The Last Chance Agreement shall be the final step before termination in

the disciplinary process. The treatment and aftercare portion of the Last Chance Agreement will be monitored for compliance by the Employee Assistance Program. The Last Chance Agreement shall require at least the following:

1. The employee to contact the employee assistance program within five (5) working days of the employee notification of a positive drug or alcohol test.
2. Compliance with and satisfactory completion of treatment by a Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Certified rehabilitation program or provider. The Employee Assistance Program will assess and determine the appropriate level of treatment, offering recommendations regarding provider options. The program/provider may be selected by the employee.
3. Enrollment and continued attendance in an aftercare program, as necessary.
4. Return-to-duty form signed by a state licensed rehabilitation and treatment program provider releasing the employee to return to work.
5. A minimum of four (4) random tests over a period of one (1) year from the date of returning to duty. An employee's department head or immediate supervisor, as approved by the department head, may require testing at any time the employee is on duty.

#### **CONFIDENTIALITY:**

With the exception of the laboratory testing facility, the Employee Relations and Employee Assistance Divisions of Clark County Human Resources, the tested individual, and the Risk Management Division for workers' compensation incidents, the medical record shall not be released to anyone without express written authorization of the tested individual unless ordered by means or proper legal procedure and appropriate legal authority, such as court ordered subpoena, or in connection with a disciplinary proceeding.

To ensure the confidentiality of employees' medical records, laboratory reports, test results, and Observation/Incident Reports shall not appear in an employee's personnel file. Information of this nature will be contained in a separate confidential medical record that will be securely kept under the control of Clark County Human Resources.

#### **TRAINING:**

Training is an essential element in assuring the effectiveness of the drug and alcohol free workplace program. Supervisors and employees must be kept informed of not only the policy and procedures of this drug and alcohol program but of the programs available to them, which promote wellness and safety. Supervisor training will be made available; individual consultation by the Employee Assistance staff will be available upon request.

1. Supervisor Training:

Topics include:

- a. Developing working knowledge of drug and alcohol policy and drug testing procedures.
- b. Developing working knowledge of impact of substance abuse in the workplace.
- c. Developing working knowledge on identification of possible impaired employees through symptom recognition and job performance standards.
- d. Developing skill in application of procedures to effectively approach and appropriately handle questionable behavior with employees.
- e. Becoming knowledgeable in available resources and procedures for referral such as the Employee Assistance Program.
- f. Learning effective participation in monitoring a Last Chance Agreement.
- g. Learning the critical issues regarding confidentiality and employee rights.

2. Employee Awareness Training:

Topics include:

- a. The drug and alcohol policy and drug testing procedures.
- b. Impact of drugs and alcohol in workplace.
- c. Available resources for assistance including the Employee Assistance Program.
- d. Effects, signs and symptoms of alcohol and the drugs tested for.
- e. The Last Chance Agreement.
- f. Confidentiality and its application in the drug and alcohol policy.

**OTHER LAWS, STATUTES OR REGULATIONS**

Clark County is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to those employees whose drug and/or alcohol problem classifies them as handicapped under Federal and State Law.

The provisions of any applicable law, statute, regulation or ordinance (i.e. The Omnibus Transportation and Employee Testing Act of 1991 and the Federal Highway Administration and Department of Transportation Rules of February, 1994) shall control

in the event of any conflict with the provisions of this policy.

## **DEFINITIONS**

**DRUG AND ALCOHOL TEST:** For the purposes of this policy, Drug and Alcohol test means a test for the detection of at least the following: alcohol, amphetamines, barbiturates, cocaine, propoxyphene, benzodiazepines, marijuana, methadone, methaqualone, opiates, and phencyclidine (PCP).

**ILLEGAL DRUGS:** Any drug (a) which is not legally obtainable; or (b) which is legally obtainable but has not been legally obtained. The term includes prescribed drugs not legally obtained and prescribed drugs not being used for prescribed purposes.

**LEGAL DRUGS:** Prescribed drugs and over-the-counter drugs, which have been legally obtained and are being used for the purpose for which they were prescribed or manufactured.

**ON DUTY:** Assigned work hours excluding paid and unpaid leaves.

**SAMHSA:** Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration.

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE:** The misuse or illicit use of alcohol and/or drugs including controlled substances.

## **ARTICLE 37 Seniority**

1. The County and the Association agree that a seniority list for each classification, showing the service date and date of last promotion to present classification, shall be established annually and posted on the department bulletin board. If no one protests seniority shown on their behalf within thirty (30) days of such posting, the seniority list shall stand as conclusive evidence of each person's seniority until the establishment of the next annual seniority list, posted in the first week of July.
2. Seniority shall not be broken by annual leave, sick leave, parental leave, military leave, or any leave(s) without pay (lwop) with less than twenty one (21) day duration.
3. County seniority shall be identified by the service date and defined as the length of continuous service with the county of Clark, less any periods of lwop in excess of twenty one (21) days, plus all disciplinary suspensions.
4. Classification seniority shall be determined by an employee's cumulative length of service in a position classification within a department. Where two (2) or more employees entered the classification on the same day, county seniority shall prevail. If county seniority is equal, preference will be given based on the last four (4) digits of the employee's social security number with the smaller number

being first.

5. Beginning June 1 and December 1, bargaining unit members will bid on shift assignments, vacation schedules, and regular days off (RDO), based on classification seniority, for a six month period to be effective on July 1 and January 1, respectively. Employees may trade regular days off and vacation time off with one another once they secure adequate coverage. No overtime may accrue as a result of these trades. The affected employees must notify the unit commander of all proposed changes. All trades are at the discretion of the department head or his/her designee.
6. If a department requires overtime it shall create a voluntary overtime list, based on classification. Mandatory overtime shall be enacted after the voluntary overtime list is utilized. The procedures for the implementation and development of voluntary overtime shall be developed under the provisions set forward in Article 10, Labor/Management and Safety Committee. Management shall be reasonable and fair in determining excused reasons for employees unable to work mandatory overtime. Employees shall not be disciplined for excused reasons for not working mandatory overtime. Employees may refuse mandatory overtime provided it is of an emergent nature as determined by the department head or designee.
7. The established voluntary seniority list will be utilized to assign all overtime shifts and/or details, and will continually rotate from the officer previously assigned an overtime shift and/or detail.

### **ARTICLE 38 Safety and Manpower**

1. The County and the association agree that all work shall be performed in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws.
2. The County shall discuss, through the labor-management meetings, all new or proposed changes to policies and practices that affect the safety of the employees at least fifteen (15) calendar days prior to the proposed implementation of the policy.

### **ARTICLE 39 Term of Agreement**

1. This Agreement shall be effective July 1, 2008, and shall remain in effect until June 30, 2010, and shall continue from year-to-year thereafter unless the County and the Association agree to change, amend, modify or terminate this Agreement pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 288 of the Nevada Revised Statutes.
2. Consistent with Article 34 herein, this Article does not preclude informal discussion between the parties of any matter, which is not subject to negotiation

or contract. Any such informal discussion is exempt from all requirements of notice or time schedule

**ARTICLE 40**  
**Rights of Officers**

Clark County and the Clark County Park Police Association agree that this contract incorporates, by reference, all federal, state and local laws including, but not limited to, NRS 288 and 289; and rights under Garrity.

**ARTICLE 41**  
**Entire Agreement**

It is intended that this Agreement set forth the full and entire understanding of the parties regarding the matters set forth herein. This Agreement superseded and cancels all prior practices and agreements, whether written or oral, unless expressly provided for within. This does not apply to written policies the County has presently in effect and not in conflict with the collective bargaining agreement.

# APPENDIX A

Effective Date: July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2009

	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7	Step 8	Step 9	Step 10	Step 11	Step 12
<b><u>Park Police Officer I</u></b>												
<b>Schedule 91</b>												
Annual	46,030.40	47,881.60	49,774.40	51,792.00	53,851.20	55,993.60	58,240.00	60,590.40	62,982.40	65,520.00	68,120.00	70,844.80
Biweekly	1,770.40	1,841.60	1,914.40	1,992.00	2,071.20	2,153.60	2,240.00	2,330.40	2,422.40	2,520.00	2,620.00	2,724.80
Hourly	22.13	23.02	23.93	24.90	25.89	26.92	28.00	29.13	30.28	31.50	32.75	34.06

## **Park Police Officer II**

### **Schedule 93**

Annual	52,457.60	54,579.20	56,784.00	59,030.40	61,380.80	63,814.40	66,393.60	69,076.80	71,822.40	74,692.80	77,667.20	80,787.20
Biweekly	2,017.60	2,099.20	2,184.00	2,270.40	2,360.80	2,454.40	2,553.60	2,656.80	2,762.40	2,872.80	2,987.20	3,107.20
Hourly	25.22	26.24	27.30	28.38	29.51	30.68	31.92	33.21	34.53	35.91	37.34	38.84

## **Park Police Officer III**

### **Schedule 95**

Annual	60,361.60	62,753.60	65,249.60	67,870.40	70,595.20	73,424.00	76,356.80	79,414.40	82,596.80	85,883.20	89,294.40	92,872.00
Biweekly	2,321.60	2,413.60	2,509.60	2,610.40	2,715.20	2,824.00	2,936.80	3,054.40	3,176.80	3,303.20	3,434.40	3,572.00
Hourly	29.02	30.17	31.37	32.63	33.94	35.30	36.71	38.18	39.71	41.29	42.93	44.65

**\*\*WHILE THE PARK POLICE III TITLE IS NO LONGER PART OF THE BARGAINING UNIT, THE EMPLOYEE/S HOLDING THIS TITLE IS/ARE ENTITLED TO ALL RIGHTS, PRIVILEGES, AND BENEFITS OF THIS AGREEMENT EXCEPT FOR DISCIPLINE, DISCHARGE, GRIEVANCE, AND/OR ARBITRATION RIGHTS.**

## APPENDIX B

Effective Date: July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010

	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7	Step 8	Step 9	Step 10	Step 11	Step 12
<b><u>Park Police Officer I</u></b>												
<b>Schedule 91</b>												
Annual	47,403.20	49,316.80	51,272.00	53,352.00	55,473.60	57,678.40	59,987.20	62,400.00	64,875.20	67,496.00	70,158.40	72,966.40
Biweekly	1,823.20	1,896.80	1,972.00	2,052.00	2,133.60	2,218.40	2,307.20	2,400.00	2,495.20	2,596.00	2,698.40	2,806.40
Hourly	22.79	23.71	24.65	25.65	26.67	27.73	28.84	30.00	31.19	32.45	33.73	35.08

<b><u>Park Police Officer II</u></b>												
<b>Schedule 93</b>												
Annual	54,038.40	56,222.40	58,489.60	60,798.40	63,232.00	65,728.00	68,390.40	71,156.80	73,985.60	76,939.20	79,996.80	83,220.80
Biweekly	2,078.40	2,162.40	2,249.60	2,338.40	2,432.00	2,528.00	2,630.40	2,736.80	2,845.60	2,959.20	3,076.80	3,200.80
Hourly	25.98	27.03	28.12	29.23	30.40	31.60	32.88	34.21	35.57	36.99	38.46	40.01

<b><u>Park Police Officer III</u></b>												
<b>Schedule 95</b>												
Annual	62,171.20	64,646.40	67,204.80	69,908.80	72,716.80	75,628.80	78,644.80	81,806.40	85,072.00	88,462.40	91,977.60	95,659.20
Biweekly	2,391.20	2,486.40	2,584.80	2,688.80	2,796.80	2,908.80	3,024.80	3,146.40	3,272.00	3,402.40	3,537.60	3,679.20
Hourly	29.89	31.08	32.31	33.61	34.96	36.36	37.81	39.33	40.90	42.53	44.22	45.99

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## **APPENDIX C DEFINITIONS**

Unless the contract otherwise requires, the words and terms used in this agreement shall have the meanings ascribed to them below. Any words or terms not ascribed below shall be interpreted in their context as such appears in this agreement and, if no context is apparent, shall be given their plain and ordinary meaning.

1. Actual Service - The number of days actually worked on the job. Sick leave with pay, vacation with pay, injury or illness incurred in the county service during the period the employee is receiving compensation from the county and absence on temporary military duty or association leave shall be considered time worked for the purposes of determining actual service.
2. Administrative Employee - Any employee whose primary duties consist of work directly related to formulating and administering management policies and programs, who regularly exercises discretion and independent judgment. In addition, it includes the county manager, his/her deputy and immediate assistants, attorneys, all classifications assigned to the management compensation plan and others who are primarily responsible for formulating and administering management policy and programs. Administrative employees are not covered by this agreement.
3. Appointing Authority - An official having authority to legally make appointments to positions in the county service.
4. Arbitrator - An impartial third party chosen in accordance with the provisions of the agreement for the purpose of deciding appropriate grievances submitted in accordance with such agreement.
5. Base Salary - That rate of pay provided to an employee as compensation reflected in the salary appendix in exchange for services provided exclusive of any cash or non-cash benefits.
6. Break in Service - Those periods during which an employee is not in pay status and ineligible to accrue annual leave, sick leave, longevity and other benefits unless otherwise delineated in the agreement.
7. Certificate of Fitness - A signed statement from a state licensed health care provider indicating whether an employee is medically able to perform regularly assigned job duties without restriction or limitation.
8. Certificate of Illness - A statement signed by a state licensed health care provider describing the type and extent of disability causing absence from job duties. Such statement shall, if possible, also include the provider's opinion as to when as if an employee is able to return to assigned job duties.
9. Compensatory Time - That paid time off due an employee in lieu of overtime pay.

10. Confidential Employee - An employee occupying a position which by the nature of its duties has access to decisions of management affecting employee relations and has been designated confidential by the county manager. In addition, it includes any employee occupying a position in the county manager's office or the personnel department. Confidential employees are not covered by this agreement.
11. Continuous Service - That service commencing with appointment to a permanent budgeted position and continuing until separation from the county service minus any breaks in service.
12. Demotion - The movement of an employee from one classification to another classification with a lower salary range. Involuntary demotions as a result of discipline are grievable.
13. Department Head - Appointed official directly responsible to the county manager for the overall administration of the department of parks and recreation.
14. Division Head - A subordinate to the department head who has administrative responsibility for a major functional unit within the department.
15. Emergency - A situation where the needs of the department require a position to be filled immediately due to operational needs and the delay would cause substantial problems in completing the mission of the department.
16. Employee Emergency - As used in Articles 17 and 23 of this agreement, the term "emergency" shall mean a situation or event beyond the immediate control of an employee that causes a temporary delay or limited absence from work of normally less than a full day.
17. Grant Employee - An employee occupying a position funded by grant monies. Such employees accrue fringe benefits in the manner set forth in this agreement. However, the term of employment is subject to the continuance of grant funds and such employees shall be terminated without rights of appeal when such funds are no longer available.
18. Initial Appointment - First position held by an individual in the competitive service of the county.
19. Job Vacancy - A budgeted position in the competitive service to which an appointment has not been made.
20. Labor Relations Hearing Officer - An impartial individual chosen jointly by the association and county with final approval by the Clark County Board of Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of the agreement for the purpose of conducting hearings of employee appeals submitted in accordance with such agreement.

21. Local Government Employee Management Relations Act - Chapter 288 of the Nevada Revised Statutes along with any amendments thereto and judicial interpretations thereof.
22. Local Government Employee - Any person employed by Clark County.
23. Local Government Employer - Clark County.
24. Meritorious - That level of performance which has been established by the department head or his/her designee to be worthy of special recognition in the form of a salary adjustment for eligible employees.
25. Negotiations - The process of collective bargaining between the county and the association in determining the relationship between both parties, conditions of employment, and compliance with such conditions.
26. Officer in Charge - The officer responsible for shift operations that determines work section assignments and is conferred with for emergency scene decisions.
27. Overtime Pay - Money due an employee for the hours an employee is required by his/her supervisor to work overtime.
28. Part-Time Hourly Employee - One who is hired to fill a part-time hourly position and normally works twenty (20) hours or less per week. Such employees are paid only for the actual hours worked and are not eligible for any other benefits of employment. Part-time hourly employees are not covered by this agreement.
29. Part-Time Hourly Position - A position in the non-competitive service having an irregularly scheduled work week (normally twenty (20) hours or less per week).
30. Permanent Employee - One who has successfully completed his/her initial probationary period in a permanent position.
31. Permanent-Intermittent Employee - One who has successfully completed his/her initial probationary period in a permanent-intermittent position and works a regularly scheduled work week of more than twenty (20) hours but less than forty (40) hours. Such employee accrue all fringe benefits as set forth in the agreement on a prorated basis.
32. Permanent-Intermittent Position - A permanent position in the competitive service which requires more than twenty (20) hours but less than full-time employment.
33. Permanent Position - A budgeted position in the competitive service with a normally scheduled work week of forty (40) hours or more.
34. Privileged Documents - Those documents that pertain to security checks, reference material from past employers or schools, and subjective evaluations elicited during the selection process.

35. Probationary Employee - One who is hired to fill a budgeted position but has not completed the probationary period. Probationary employees are not covered by this agreement.
36. Probationary Period - That period of time after initial appointment during which the employee has not attained permanent status in that classification.
37. Promotion - The movement of an employee from one classification to another classification with a higher salary range.
38. Qualifying Period - An initial period served in a position by a permanent employee as a result of a promotion or, if a qualifying period is a condition of the personnel action, a transfer, reassignment or demotion.
39. Reassignment - Any non-disciplinary movement of an employee from one position to another within the same department for which he/she is qualified as established in the job description.
40. Recall - The procedure under the provisions of Article 12 of this agreement for the return of employees who have been laid off.
41. Rehire - The appointment of a former permanent or permanent-intermittent employee who separated from county service in good standing.
42. Reinstatement - The restoring of a permanent or permanent-intermittent employee to his/her previous position under the provisions of Article 11 of this agreement.
43. Service Connected Disability - Physical or mental incapacity resulting from an injury by accident or an occupational disease arising out of and in the course of employment which prevents an employee from engaging in assigned job duties and for which he/she is eligible for workers' compensation benefits in accordance with NRS 616 or 617.
44. Shift - An established schedule of hours that employees are regularly assigned to work.
45. Strike - A concerted:
  - a. stoppage of work, slowdown or interruption of operation by local government employees;
  - b. absence from work by local government employees upon any pretext or excuse, such as illness, which is not founded in fact; or
  - c. interruption of the operations of the county by the association.
46. Supervisor - An employee occupying a position which is responsible for directing the work of other employees.

47. Suspension - A temporary break in service with or without pay resulting from a disciplinary action or pending such action.
48. Temporary Employee - One who is hired to fill a budgeted or a non-budgeted position not to exceed six (6) months but which will normally not exceed four (4) months. If a temporary employee applies for and is hired to fill a budgeted permanent or permanent-intermittent position, his/her probationary period shall be retroactive to the date of employment in the temporary position if in the same class. However, benefits eligibility and accrual shall begin on the date of initial appointment into the permanent or permanent-intermittent position. Temporary employees are not covered by this agreement.
49. Temporary Position - A budgeted or non-budgeted position in the non-competitive service approved for a limited period of time, normally less than four (4) months but not to exceed six (6) months.
50. Transfer - The movement of an employee from a position in one county department to a position in another county department having the same salary range.
51. Volunteer - A person in a non-budgeted position who performs assigned duties without compensation. Volunteers are not covered by this agreement.
52. Workday - The official workday shall begin at 12:01 a.m. and end at midnight each day of the week.
53. Working Day - A day county offices are normally open for business, which is Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. excluding holidays. Articles 11, 12, 17, 21 and 25 are the only articles of this agreement that contain the term "working day". In computing any period of time prescribed or allowed by articles 11, 12, 17, 21 and 25, the day of the act, event, or default from which the designated period of time begins to run shall not be included.

**APPENDIX D**  
**Clark County's Substance Abuse Program**  
**Observation/Incident Report**

Reasonable Cause \_\_\_\_\_ Post-Accident \_\_\_\_\_ (check one)

Date of Report \_\_\_\_\_ Time of Day \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Observed Employee \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Observation \_\_\_\_\_

Observer _____	_____
Name	Signature
_____	_____
Position	1st 2nd Other
	(Supervisor)

**Reasonable Cause Testing:**

Reasonable cause for testing is a belief that an employee is under the influence of a drug and/or alcohol based on specific facts and/or reasonable inferences derived from those facts. An observing supervisor shall describe and document the following:

- Specific observations concerning the appearance, behavior, speech or performance of the employee; and/or
- Violation of safety rule or other unsafe work incident which, after investigation, leads the supervisor(s) to believe that drug and/or alcohol use may be a contributing factor; and/or
- Other physical, circumstantial or immediate indicators of drug and/or alcohol use.

**Post-Accident Testing:**

An employee involved in an accident while on duty may be required to undergo a drug and alcohol test when there is property damage that exceeds \$500, and/or personal injury. An observing supervisor shall describe and document the following:

- Description of accident
- Resulting personal injury; and/or
- Resulting property damage.

**REASONABLE CAUSE INDICATORS OR ACCIDENT SUMMARY:**

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Associated with reasonable cause indicators and/or accidents are a variety of "warning signs" which usually appear on the job. **Check the symptom or symptoms you have observed in the employee.**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Drowsiness                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Watery, glassy, red eyes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Constricted/dilated pupils                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Hallucinations           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Euphoria (elevated mood)                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Relaxed inhibitions      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extreme mood changes                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Disoriented behavior     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Poor time/distance perception                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Slurred speech           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exaggerated sense of ability                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Excessively talkative    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Poor hand/eye coordination                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Wanders aimlessly        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excessive irritability                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Depression               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rapid or slow breathing                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Rapid speech             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stares off into space                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Staggering walk          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drunken behavior with or without odor of alcohol | <input type="checkbox"/> Violent behavior         |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____              |

ACTIONS TAKEN:

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COMMENTS BY EMPLOYEE:

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TESTING PROCEDURES CHECKLIST:

- Complete and send Observation/Incident Report (Section 4 (a))
- Advise employee of right to request second supervisor (Section 4 (b))
- Advise employee of right to Union representation (Section 4 (c))
- Advise employee of leave procedures (Section 4 (e))
- Advise employee of refusal to test policy (Section 4 (g))
- Transport employee to collection site and make arrangements for transporting the employee home (Section 4 (d))

cc: Department Head  
Employee Relations Division of Clark County Human Resources



