

Reply to Common Council File No.000986

From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File 000986 contains a resolution to ratify and confirm the final labor agreement between the City and the Association of Law Enforcement Allied Services Personnel, Local #218, I.U.P.A., AFL-CIO (Police Support Services Personnel). The agreement covers wages, hours and conditions of employment for the period of January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2002. ALEASP (Police Support Services Personnel) represents 343 city employees.

This agreement provides annual salary increases of 2.5% for 2001 and 3.0% for 2002. **The estimated cost of these increases is \$261,936 in 2001 and \$584,120 in 2002 (includes salary increases, overtime and rollups).** The cumulative cost over the two-year life of the contract is \$846,056. Funds for these costs are provided in the Wages Supplement Fund for 2001 and the 2002 Budget.

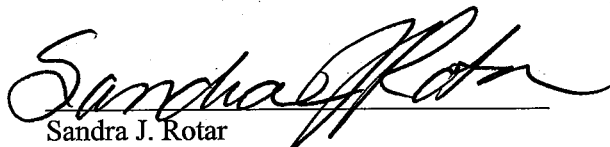
**Pension, Life Insurance and FICA costs related to the salary increases are estimated at \$113,452 over the life of the contract.** Although the cost increase related to pension benefits is attributed to the year in which salary costs and benefits are changed, the actual cost depends on the actuarial assumptions and pension fund earnings.

Other contract changes include: An increase in the contribution of employees enrolled in the Basic Plan to \$50 per month for single enrollment and \$100 per month for family enrollment (from \$40 and \$80) starting January 2002, an increase in the Major Medical lifetime maximum for employees enrolled in the Basic Plan from \$250,000 to \$500,000, an increase of five cents in the Shift, Weekend and Holiday Differential pay, an increase in safety shoe allowance from \$85 to \$115 annually, an increase in the maximum reimbursement for tuition and textbooks from \$900 to \$1,000 annually (2002), a revision of years needed for additional vacation and an increase of the Regular and Special Parking Allowance Benefits for PAB employees by \$5.00 per month. **The net effect of these changes is anticipated to be \$149,069 over the life of the contract.**

The contract also includes a Domestic Partnership provision for same-sex and opposite-sex partners. This provision allows health and dental insurance and funeral leave benefits for domestic partners of City employees who are registered as such by the City Clerk (as provided under Chapter 111 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances). **The fiscal impact of this change is estimated to be \$6,152 over the life of the contract.**

Any ordinance changes necessary for the implementation of this contract will be discussed in separate Common Council File(s).

**RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT THE RESOLUTION INCLUDED IN THIS FILE APPROVING A 2001-2002 LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT ALLIED SERVICES PERSONNEL, LOCAL #218 (POLICE SUPPORT SERVICES PERSONNEL).**

  
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