COUNCIL COMMUNICATION				
CITY OF DES MOINES OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER	Number:	20-044	Meeting:	February 10, 2020
	Agenda Item:	43B	Roll Call:	20-0270
	Submitted by:	James R. Wells, Human Resources Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of collective bargaining agreement with Municipal Employees Association (MEA) for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023.

SYNOPSIS:

The current agreement with MEA expires June 30, 2020. The City has reached a voluntary agreement for a successor agreement for a period of three (3) years.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: The financial impact of the agreement is consistent with the proposed budget.

<u>Funding Source</u>: Salary and benefit costs are paid from the various departmental budgets that employ MEA employees.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The MEA represents 300 full-time, part-time and seasonal employees. MEA jobs ranges from customer service representatives, building and neighborhood inspectors to Public Safety Dispatchers. Specific items in the agreement are:
 - A 3-year term.
 - Across-the-board wage adjustments of 2.25% each year.
 - Ability to start new employees above the first step in the range.
 - Work schedule flexibility.
 - o Overtime eligibility for Fair Labor Standards Act non-exempt employees only.
 - Weekly overtime versus daily overtime.
 - Change in vacation accrual schedule with a hard accrual cap.
 - Removal of certain items from the agreement to be administered through City policy, such as: employee training, access to employee files, and sick leave bank.
 - Addition of step relations to bereavement (funeral) leave to reflect current practice.
 - Reduced recall pay from two (2) to one (1) hour minimum. Eliminated recall pay for working remotely.
 - Increase pay for Police Information Technician one (1) pay grade.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: October 9, 2017

Roll Call Number: 17-1781

<u>Action</u>: Collective bargaining agreements for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020 with the following: <u>Council Communication No. 17-708</u>

- (A) <u>AFSCME</u>, Council 61 and its Affiliated Local 3673. Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.
- (B) <u>Municipal</u> Employees Association (MEA). Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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