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1	AGREEMENT BETWEEN
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3	AND
4	PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL EMPLOYEES, LOCAL 17
5	REPRESENTING SUPERVISORS
6	These Articles constitute an agreement between King County (the County) and the
7	Professional and Technical Employees, Local 17, (the Union). This Agreement shall be subject to
8	approval by Ordinance by the Metropolitan King County Council (the Council).
9	ARTICLE 1: PURPOSE AND LABOR-MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
10	1.1 Purpose - The intent and purpose of this Agreement is to promote the continued
11	improvement of the relationship between the County and its employees and to set forth the wages,
12	hours and working conditions of such employees.
13	1.2 Labor Management Committee (LMC) - The County and the Union agree to establish a
14	joint committee consisting of up to four representatives for each party. Each party has the authority to
15	unilaterally select and determine the number of representatives not to exceed four. The purpose of the
16	committee is to discuss matters of concern of either party. Meetings will be held as needed and may
17	be called by either party. Meetings will be conducted during County business hours. The party
18	requesting the LMC will be responsible for coordinating the meeting. When possible, agenda items
19	for the meeting will be presented to the parties prior to the meeting date. Ground rules will be
20	developed by the first LMC. All parties understand that the LMC is not a substitute for bargaining
21	and has no authority to amend the contract.
22	1.3 Definitions - All words under this Agreement shall have their ordinary and usual meaning
23	except those words that have been defined under KCC 3.12, as amended, or which are specifically
24	defined in this Agreement.
25	ARTICLE 2: UNION RECOGNITION AND MEMBERSHIP
26	2.1 Recognition - The County recognizes the Union as the exclusive bargaining
27	representative of all employees in the Roads Services, Fleet, Airport, Solid Waste, Parks and
28	Facilities Management divisions and the Office of Emergency Management whose job
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1 classifications are listed in the attached Addendum "A."

2 **2.2** Membership - It shall be a condition of employment that all employees covered by this 3 Agreement who are members of the Union in good standing on the effective date of this Agreement 4 shall remain members in good standing or pay an agency fee to the Union in lieu of membership, and 5 those who are not members of the Union on the effective date of this Agreement, shall become and 6 remain members in good standing or pay an agency fee to the Union in lieu of membership. It shall 7 also be a condition of employment that all employees covered by this Agreement and hired or 8 assigned into the bargaining unit on or after its effective date shall, by the 30th day following the 9 beginning of such employment, become and remain members in good standing or pay an agency fee 10 to the Union in lieu of membership.

11 **A.** An employee who can substantiate, in accordance with existing law, bona fide 12 religious tenets or beliefs that prohibit the payment of dues or initiation fees to union organizations 13 shall pay an amount of money equivalent to regular union dues and initiation fee to a non-religious 14 charitable organization mutually agreed upon by the employee affected and the Union to which such 15 employee would otherwise pay the dues and initiation fee. If the employee and the Union do not 16 reach agreement on such matter, the Public Employment Relations Commission (PERC) shall 17 designate the charitable organization. The employee shall furnish written proof that such payment has been made. 18

B. Failure by an employee to abide by the above provisions shall constitute cause for
discharge of such employee; provided, that when an employee fails to fulfill the above obligation, the
Union shall provide the employee and the County with 30 days written notification of the Union's
intent to initiate discharge action, and during this period the employee may make restitution in the
amount which is overdue.

24 2.3 Dues Deduction - Upon receipt of written authorization individually signed by a
25 bargaining unit employee, the County shall have deducted from the pay of such employee the amount
26 of dues as certified by the secretary of the Union and shall transmit the same to its treasurer.

27 2.4 Indemnification - The Union will indemnify and hold the County harmless against any
28 claims made and against any suit instituted against the County on account of any check-off of dues

for the Union. The Union agrees to refund to the County any amounts paid to it in error on account of
 the check-off provision upon presentation of proper evidence thereof.

3 2.5 Employee List - The County will transmit to the Union, upon request, a current listing of
4 all employees in the bargaining units. Such list shall indicate the name of the employee, position, job
5 classification, department and/or unit.

6 ARTICLE 3: RIGHTS OF MANAGEMENT

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7 3.1 Rights of Management - The management of the County and the direction of the work 8 force is vested exclusively with the County. Except as may be limited by the express written terms of 9 this Agreement, all matters, including but not limited to, the right to hire, appoint, promote, demote, discipline and discharge regular employees for cause, discipline and discharge temporary employees; 10 11 improve efficiency; train, assign and direct the work force; develop work rules, policies and 12 procedures; evaluate employees; develop and modify classification specifications, allocate positions to those classifications; determine work schedules; assign overtime; determine location of facilities 13 and assign employees to those locations; contract out work; and determine methods, processes and 14 15 means for providing services shall remain the exclusive right of the County for the duration of this 16 Agreement.

3.2 Payroll System - The parties agree the County has the right to implement a common biweekly payroll system that will standardize pay practices and Fair Labor Standards Act's (FLSA) workweeks. The parties agree that applicable provisions of this Agreement may be re-opened at any time by the County for the purpose of negotiating these standardized pay practices, to the extent required by law.

ARTICLE 4: HOLIDAYS

4.1 Holidays - Regular, probationary, provisional and term-limited temporary employees shall be granted the following holidays with no loss of pay:

HOLIDAYS		
New Year's Day	January 1st	
Martin Luther King, Jr., Day	Third Monday in January	
Presidents' Day	Third Monday in February	
Memorial Day	Last Monday in May	
Independence Day	July 4th	
Labor Day	First Monday in September	
Veteran's Day	November 11th	
Thanksgiving Day	Fourth Thursday in November	
Day after Thanksgiving		
Christmas Day	December 25th	
Two (2) Personal Holidays		

18 and any special or limited holidays as declared by the President of the United States or the Governor19 of the State of Washington, and as approved by the Council.

4.2 Day of Observance - Whenever a holiday falls upon a Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed as the holiday, and any holiday falling on a Saturday shall be observed on the preceding Friday.

4.3 Personal Holidays - Personal holidays shall be administered through the vacation plan.
One day shall be added to the vacation leave bank in the pay-period that includes the first of October
and one day will be added in the pay-period that includes the first day of November each year.

4.4 Eligibility and Compensation Rules.

A. Eligibility for Holiday Pay. An employee must be in a pay status the employee's
scheduled work day before and after a holiday in order to receive holiday pay. An employee leaving

County employment the day prior to the holiday shall not receive holiday pay. However, an employee
 who has successfully completed at least five years of County service and who retires, as defined under
 Section 6.6, at the end of the month in which the last regularly scheduled working day is observed as
 a holiday, shall be eligible for holiday pay if the employee is in pay status the day before the day
 observed as a holiday.

6 B. Calculation of Holiday Pay - Hourly. Holiday pay shall be based on the number
7 of hours in the employee's regular work week, up to a maximum of eight hours for full-time
8 employees with a 40 hour week.

1) Alternate/Flextime Work Schedules. Hourly employees on alternative 9 work schedules (i.e., working a 4/10 or 9/80 work schedule) may be required to adjust their schedules 10 11 during a holiday week so as to be eligible for holiday pay plus all non-holiday work hours for that work week (i.e., 5/8 work schedule). This requirement will, depending on business needs, be 12 determined at the time that the alternative work schedule is established for the calendar year. If the 13 employee is not required to adjust his or her schedule to work a five day workweek during a holiday 14 week, the employee will be eligible for an alternative holiday to be taken within the same pay period 15 the holiday occurs, or at another approved date during the calendar year. Hourly employees on 16 17 alternative work schedules who take holiday time off in excess of eight hours, for a 40 hour workweek, and who do not adjust their work schedules to work a five day workweek shall make up 18 19 the difference using accrued vacation time, compensatory time, or leave without pay.

C. Calculation of Holiday Pay - Salaried Employees. Salaried employees are paid
 holiday pay for their standard workweek, including employees working an alternative schedule.

D. Prorated Holiday Leave. Part-time employees shall receive holiday pay prorated
to reflect his/her normally scheduled workweek.

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ARTICLE 5: VACATIONS

5.1 Accrual - Regular, probationary, provisional and term-limited temporary employees shall be eligible for vacation leave benefits as described in this Article except in those instances expressly provided:

Full Years of Service		Equivalent/Pro- Rated Annual Leave in Days
Upon hire through end of Year	: 5	12
Upon beginning of Year	6	15
Upon beginning of Year	9	16
Upon beginning of Year	11	20
Upon beginning of Year	17	21
Upon beginning of Year	18	22
Upon beginning of Year	19	23
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Upon beginning of Year	21	25
Upon beginning of Year	22	26
Upon beginning of Year	23	27
Upon beginning of Year	24	28
Upon beginning of Year	25	29
Upon beginning of Year and beyond	26	30

24 employees shall receive vacation leave prorated to reflect his/her normally scheduled workweek.

5.3 Maximum Accrual - Employees working a 40 hour workweek may accrue up to 60 days
(480 hours) vacation. Employees working less than a 40 hour workweek will accrue a maximum
amount of annual vacation leave prorated to reflect their regular scheduled workweek. Employees
shall use vacation leave beyond the maximum accrual amount on or before the last day of the pay

period that includes December 31 of each year. Failure to use vacation leave beyond the maximum
 accrual amount will result in forfeiture of the vacation leave beyond the maximum amount unless the
 division director has approved a carryover of such vacation leave because of cyclical workloads, work
 assignments or other reasons as may be in the best interests of the County.

5 5.4 Payoff - Employees shall not be eligible to take or be paid for vacation leave until they have successfully completed their first six months of County service, except for a qualifying event 6 7 under the Washington Care Act. If an employee leaves County employment prior to successfully completing their first six months of County service, they shall forfeit and not be paid for accrued 8 vacation leave. Except as modified by a VEBA agreement, employees shall be paid for accrued 9 vacation leave to their date of separation up to the maximum accrual amount if they have successfully 10 completed their first six months of County service. Payment shall be the accrued vacation leave 11 12 multiplied by the employee's regular base rate of pay in effect upon the date of leaving County 13 employment less mandatory withholdings.

5.5 Separation by Death - In cases of separation from County employment by death of an
employee with accrued vacation leave and who has successfully completed his/her first six months of
County service, payment of unused vacation leave up to the maximum accrual amount shall be made
to the employee's estate, or, in applicable cases, as provided for by state law, RCW Title 11.

5.6 Scheduling - The manager/designee shall be responsible for establishing a vacation schedule in such a manner as to achieve the most efficient functioning of the division.

5.7 Use of Vacation - Employees shall not use or be paid for vacation leave until it has accrued and such use or payment is consistent with the provisions of this Article.

5.8 No employee shall work for compensation for the County in any capacity during the time
that the employee is on vacation leave.

5.9 Reemployment - If a regular employee resigns from County employment or is laid off
and subsequently returns to County employment within two years from such resignation or lay off, as
applicable, the employee's prior County service shall be counted in determining the vacation leave
accrual rate under Section 5.1.

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ARTICLE 6: SICK LEAVE

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6.1 Sick Leave - Regular, probationary, provisional and term-limited temporary employees will
accrue sick leave benefits at the rate of 0.04616 hours for each hour in regular pay status up to a
maximum of eight hours per month. The employee is not entitled to sick leave if not previously earned.

6.2 Vacation as an extension of Sick Leave - During the first six months of service in a leave eligible position, employees may, at the manager/designee's discretion, use any accrued days of vacation leave as an extension of sick leave. If an employee does not work a full six months in a leave eligible position, any vacation leave used for sick leave must be reimbursed to the County upon termination. This section does not apply to an employee who uses accrued vacation leave for a qualifying event under the Washington Family Care Act.

6.3 Unlimited Accrual - There will be no limit to the hours of sick leave benefits accrued by an employee.

6.4 Administration of Sick Leave - The manager/designee is responsible for the proper administration of sick leave.

6.5 Restoration following Separation - Separation from employment except by reason of
retirement, layoff or for non-disciplinary medical reasons, will cancel all sick leave accrued to the leave
eligible employee as of the date of separation. Should a regular employee resign in good standing, be
laid off or separated for non-disciplinary medical reasons and return to County employment within two
years, his/her accrued sick leave will be restored.

6.6 Pay upon Separation - Except as modified by a VEBA agreement, an employee who has 20 successfully completed at least five years of County service and who retires as a result of length of 21 22 service or who separates by reason of death will be paid, or his/her estate as provided for by RCW Title 11, as applicable, an amount equal to thirty-five percent of his/her unused, accumulated sick leave 23 24 multiplied by the employee's base rate of pay in effect upon the date of leaving County employment, 25 less mandatory withholdings. Retirement as a result of length of service means an employee is 26 eligible, applies for and begins drawing a pension from Public Employees Retirement System or the 27 city of Seattle Retirement Plan immediately upon terminating County employment.

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6.7 Leave Without Pay for Health Reasons - An employee must use all of his/her sick

leave before taking unpaid leave for his/her own health reasons. If the injury is compensable under
 the County's workers compensation program, then the employee has the option to augment or not
 augment time loss payments with the use of accrued sick leave.

6.8 Leave Without Pay for Family Reason - For a leave for family reasons, the employee
will choose at the start of the leave whether the particular leave would be paid or unpaid; but, when
an employee chooses to take paid leave for family reasons he/she may set aside a reserve of up to 80
hours of accrued sick leave.

8 6.9 Use of Vacation Leave as Sick Leave - An employee who has exhausted all of his/her
9 sick leave may use accrued vacation leave before going on leave of absence without pay, if approved
10 by his/her manager/designee.

6.10 Use of Sick Leave - Accrued sick leave will be used for the following reasons:

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A. The employee's bona fide illness or incapacitating injury; provided, that:

B. An employee who suffers an occupational illness or is injured on the job may not
simultaneously collect sick leave and worker's compensation payments in a total amount greater than
the net regular pay of the employee; though an employee who chooses not to augment his/her
worker's compensation time loss pay through the use of sick leave will be deemed on unpaid leave
status;

18 C. An employee who chooses to augment workers compensation payments with the
19 use of accrued sick leave will notify the workers compensation office in writing at the beginning of
20 the leave;

D. An employee may not collect sick leave and worker's compensation time loss
payments for physical incapacity due to any injury or occupational illness which is directly traceable
to employment other than with the County.

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E. Exposure to contagious diseases and resulting quarantine.

F. A female employee's temporary disability caused by or contributed to by pregnancy
and childbirth.

27 G. The employee's medical, ocular or dental appointments, provided that the
 28 employee's manager/designee has approved the scheduling of sick leave for such appointments.
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1	H. To care for other family members, if:
2	1. The employee has been employed by the County for 12 months or more and
3	has worked a minimum of 1040 hours in the preceding 12 months,
4	2. The family member is the employee's spouse or domestic partner, the
5	employee's child, a child of the employee's spouse or domestic partner, the parent of the employee,
6	employee's spouse or domestic partner or an individual who stands or stood in loco parentis to the
7	employee, the employee's spouse or domestic partner; and,
8	3. The reason for the leave is one of the following:
9	a) The birth of a son or daughter and care of the newborn child, or
10	placement with the employee of a son or daughter for adoption or foster care, if the leave is taken
11	within 12 months of the birth, adoption or placement;
12	b) The care of the employee's child or child of the employee's spouse
13	or domestic partner whose illness or health condition requires treatment or supervision by the
14	employee; or
15	c) Care of a family member who suffers from a serious health
16	condition.
17	6.11 Unpaid Leave - An employee who has been employed by the County for 12 months or
18	more and has worked a minimum of 1040 hours in the preceding 12 months, may take a total of up to
19	18 work weeks unpaid leave for his or her own serious health condition, and for family reasons as
20	provided in Section 6.10.H combined, within a 12 month period. The leave may be continuous,
21	which is consecutive days or weeks, or intermittent, which is taken in whole or partial days as needed.
22	Intermittent leave is subject to the following conditions:
23	A. Birth or Adoption - When a leave is taken after the birth or placement of a child
24	for adoption or foster care, an employee may take leave intermittently or on a reduced leave schedule
25	only if authorized by the employee's manager/designee.
26	B. Reduced Schedules - An employee make take leave intermittently or on a reduced
27	schedule when medically necessary due to a serious health condition of the employee or family
28	member of the employee; and
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2 reduced leave schedule, under Section 6.11.B above, that is foreseeable based on planned medical 3 treatment, the manager/designee may require the employee to transfer temporarily to an available alternative position for which the employee is qualified and that has equivalent pay and benefits and 4 that better accommodates recurring periods of leave than the regular position of the employee. 5 6.12 Concurrent Time - Use of donated leave will run concurrently with the eighteen 6 7 workweek family medical leave entitlement. 6.13 Insurance Premiums - The County will continue its contribution toward health care 8 9 during any unpaid leave taken under Section 6.11. 6.14 Return to Work from Unpaid Leave - An employee who returns from unpaid family 10 or medical leave within the time provided in this Article is entitled, subject to layoff provisions, to: 11 A. The same position he/she held when the leave commenced; or 12 B. A position with equivalent status, benefits, pay and other terms and conditions of 13 14 employment; and 15 C. The same seniority accrued before the date on which the leave commenced. 6.15 Failure to Return to Work - Failure to return to work by the expiration date of the 16 leave of absence may be cause for removal and result in termination of the employee from County 17 service. 18 6.16 Provider Certification - The manager/designee and employee is responsible for the 19 20 proper administration of the sick leave benefit. Verification from a licensed health care provider may be reasonably required to substantiate the health condition of the employee or family member for 21 leave requests. 22 6.17 Definition of Child - For purposes of this Article, a child means a biological, adopted or 23 foster child, a step child, a legal ward or a child of an employee standing in loco parentis to the child, 24 25 who is: under 18 years of age; or is 18 years of age or older and incapable of self care because of 26 mental or physical disability. 6.18 Federal and State Law. To the extent that a federal or Washington State law provides 27 more extensive benefits for use of paid leave for family care, the Union and County agree that 28 Professional and Technical Employees, Local 17 - Supervisors - Departments: Executive Services (Facilities Management Division), Natural Resources and Parks, Transportation January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014 065C0113 Page 11

C. Temporary Transfer - If an employee requests intermittent leave or leave on a

1 || federal and/or state law shall prevail.

2 ARTICLE 7: PAID LEAVES

7.1 Donation of Leaves

A. Vacation leave hours

5 1) Approval Required - An employee eligible for paid leave may donate a
portion of his/her accrued vacation leave to another employee eligible for leave benefits. Such
donation will occur upon written request to and approval of the donating and receiving employee's
department director(s), except that requests for vacation donation made for the purposes of
supplementing the sick leave benefits of the receiving employee will not be denied unless approval
would result in a departmental hardship for the receiving department.

Limitations - The number of hours donated will not exceed the donor's
 accrued vacation credit as of the date of the request. No donation of vacation hours will be permitted
 where it would cause the employee receiving the transfer to exceed his/her maximum vacation
 accrual.

3) Return of Unused Donations - Donated vacation leave hours must be used
within 90 calendar days following the date of donation. Donated hours not used within 90 days or
due to the death of the receiving employee will revert to the donor. Donated vacation leave hours will
be excluded from vacation leave payoff provisions contained in this Article. For purposes of this
Article, the first hours used by an employee will be accrued vacation leave hours.

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B. Sick leave hours.

Written Notice Required - An employee eligible for paid leave may
 donate a portion of his/her accrued sick leave to another employee eligible for leave benefits upon
 written notice to the donating and receiving employee's department director(s).

24 2) Minimum Leave Balance Required (Donor) - No donation will be
25 permitted unless the donating employee's sick leave accrual balance immediately subsequent to the
26 donation is 100 hours or more. No employee may donate more than 25 hours of his/her accrued sick
27 leave in a calendar year.

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3) Return of Unused Donations - Donated sick leave hours must be used

within 90 calendar days. Donated hours not used within 90 days or due to the death of the receiving 1 employee will revert to the donor. Donated sick leave hours will be excluded from the sick leave 2 payoff provisions contained in this Agreement, and sick leave restoration provisions contained in this 3 Agreement. For purposes of this Section, the first hours used by an employee will be accrued sick 4 5 leave hours.

C. No Solicitation - All donations of vacation and sick leave made under this Article 6 7 are strictly voluntary. An employee is prohibited from soliciting, offering or receiving monetary or 8 any other compensation or benefits in exchange for donating vacation or sick leave hours.

D. Conversion Rate - All vacation and sick leave hours donated will be converted to a dollar value based on the donor's straight time hourly rate at the time of donation. Such dollar value will then be divided by the receiving employee's hourly rate to determine the actual number of hours received. Unused donated vacation and sick leave will be reconverted based on the donor's 13 straight time hourly rate at the time of reconversion.

7.2 Leave - Organ Donors - The manager/designee will allow an employee eligible for paid leave who is voluntarily participating as a donor in life-giving or life-saving procedures such as, but not limited to, bone marrow transplants, kidney transplants, or blood transfusions up to five days paid leave provided;

A. Notification - The employee gives the manager/designee reasonable advance notice of the need to take time off from work for the donation of bone marrow, a kidney, or other organs or tissue where there is a reasonable expectation that the employee's failure to donate may result in serious illness, injury, pain or the eventual death of the identified recipient.

B. Provider Certification - The employee provides written proof from an accredited 22 medical institution, organization or individual as to the need for the employee to donate bone marrow, 23 a kidney, or other organs or tissue or to participate in any other medical procedure where the 24 participation of the donor is unique or critical to a successful outcome. 25

26 C. Time off Subject to Agreement - Time off from work for the purpose set out above in excess of five working days will be subject to the terms of this Agreement. 27

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7.3 Bereavement Leave

A. An employee eligible for paid leave will be entitled to five working days of
 bereavement leave, per occurrence, due to death of a member of his/her immediate family.

B. In the application of any of the foregoing provisions, when a holiday
or regular day off falls within the prescribed period of absence, it will not be charged against the
employee's bereavement leave credit.

6 C. Family Defined - Immediate family means, as used in this Article: spouse,
7 domestic partner, grandparent, parent, child, sibling, child-in-law, parent-in-law, grandchild of the
8 employee, employee's spouse or employee's domestic partner.

7.4 School Volunteers - An employee eligible for paid leave will be allowed the use of up to three days of sick leave each year to allow the employee to perform volunteer services at the school attended by the employee's child provided; an employee requesting to use sick leave for this purpose will submit such request in writing specifying the name of the school and the nature of the volunteer services to be performed.

7.5 Jury Duty - An employee eligible for paid leave who is ordered on a jury will be entitled to his/her regular County pay; provided, that fees for such jury duty are deposited, exclusive of mileage, with the Finance and Business Operations Division of the Department of Executive Services. The employee will report back to their manager/designee when dismissed from jury service.

7.6 Leave Examinations - An employee eligible for paid leave will be entitled to necessary time off with pay for the purpose of participating in County qualifying or promotional examinations.
 This will include time required to complete any required interviews.

7.7 Military Leave - A leave of absence for active military duty or active military training duty
will be granted to eligible employees in accordance with applicable provisions of state and/or federal
law; provided, that a request for such leave shall be submitted to the manager/designee in writing by the
employee and accompanied by a validated copy of military orders ordering such active duty or active
training duty.

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ARTICLE 8: MEDICAL, DENTAL & LIFE INSURANCE

8.1 The County presently participates in group medical, dental, vision, disability and life insurance programs. The County agrees to maintain the level of benefits as currently provided by these plans and pay premiums as currently practiced, during the life of this Agreement unless 4 modified by the Joint Labor Management Insurance Committee (JLMIC).

8.2 The County agrees to continue the JLMIC comprised of representatives from the County 6 and labor unions. The function of the JLMIC shall be to review, study and make recommendations 7 relative to the benefits plans. 8

8.3 The Union and County agree to incorporate changes to employee benefits which the County may implement as a result of the agreement of the JLMIC referenced in Section 8.2 above.

ARTICLE 9: WAGE RATES AND PROBATION

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9.1 COLA - Cost-of-living adjustments will be in accordance with Appendix B.

9.2 Probation - New employees shall be on probation for their first six months of service. At the County's discretion, employees may have their probation period extended for up to six additional 14 months. An employee will not have to serve a probation if the employee moves into a position that is substantially similar to the employee's current position, or the employee has previously served a 16 probation in the same kind of position. For example, an employee who previously completed probation as a drainage supervisor would not have to serve a second probation as a drainage 18 19 supervisor.

9.3 Step Increases - At the successful conclusion of the probation period employees who 20 were hired at Step 1 shall be placed at Step 2 of the salary schedule and employees who were hired at 21 Step 2 or higher may be advanced to the next step, at the discretion of the County. Employees in the 22 23 Parks Division shall receive step increases for each year of service completed thereafter (e.g., an employee shall move to Step 4 one year after moving to Step 3). Effective January 1, 2014, non-24 probation step increases and merit pay, except for employees in the Parks Division, will be as 25 provided under KCC 3.15.020 and the applicable procedures under the Performance Appraisal and 26 27 Merit Pay System.

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9.4 Overtime - For the purposes of this Agreement, hourly employees are eligible for

overtime. Overtime shall be defined as all hours worked in excess of 40 hours actually worked in the 1 workweek (sick leave, vacation, holidays and other paid leave are not hours worked). When a 2 bargaining unit member works overtime, compensation for such shall be at one and one-half times the 3 4 employee's regular hourly rate as defined by the FLSA. To the extent practicable, no overtime shall be worked unless the employee has received prior approval from his/her supervisor to work the 5 necessary overtime hours. At the discretion of manager/designee, overtime may be paid as 6 7 compensatory time at the rate of time and one-half for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours actually worked in the workweek (sick leave, vacation, holidays and other paid leaves are not hours worked), 8 9 if requested by the employee and approved by the manager/designee.

9.5 After Hours Support - After hours support is off duty time during which an hourly 10 employee is required to be ready and able to report to work, either in person or through technological 11 12 means, in a timely manner.

13 9.6 Standby - Standby is off duty time during which an hourly employee is required to restrict her/his activities and be available to report to work. Employees assigned to standby status in writing shall be compensated at the rate of ten percent per hour for all hours spent on standby. If called to work the employee shall cease being paid standby and be paid call-out in accordance with Section 9.7 or Section 9.8, whichever is applicable.

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9.7 Physical Call-Out - A minimum of two hours at the overtime rate shall be allowed for 18 each call-out where the hourly employee is called and returns to a designated work site after 19 completing his/her regular shift and leaving the work site. Where such overtime exceeds two hours, 20 the actual hour worked shall be allowed at overtime rates. This shall include travel time from the 21 employee's residence to the designated work site or place of assignment. Saturday, Sunday and 22 23 holidays are not subject to call-out pay when the employee is scheduled for overtime work.

9.8 Technological Call-Out (TCO) - A TCO is where an hourly employee is called to return 24 to duty and performs those duties via telephone, facsimile, computer or similar electronic device that 25 does not require returning to a designated work site. If the time required responding to the TCO 26 27 exceeds nine minutes, then a minimum of 30 minutes pay at the overtime rate shall be given. If the time exceeds 30 minutes (or aggregate time of multiple TCOs exceeds 30 minutes), then a minimum 28

of one hour of pay at the overtime rate shall be given. Any TCO or aggregate TCOs exceeding one
 hour shall be compensated for at the overtime rate for all actual time worked.

ARTICLE 10: HOURS OF WORK & MEAL REIMBURSEMENT

10.1 Schedules - The establishment of work schedules, including alternative work schedules, is vested solely within the purview of the County and may be changed from time to time. The County will provide employees written notice of such change in the employee's regular work schedule at least 14 days prior to the change taking affect, except when the change in schedule is compelled by business necessity.

10.2 FLSA - FLSA- exempt bargaining unit employees are exempt from overtime payments
 and shall be covered under the King County Executive Leave Pay and Leave Practices for Executive
 Administration and Professional Employees policy (Executive Policy PER 8-1-2) and modifications
 thereto, and are expected to work the hours necessary to satisfactorily perform their jobs.

A. Executive Leave - Regular FLSA-exempt employees will receive at least five days
of Executive Leave during the budgeted leave award calendar year; provided, the employee is in an
eligible FLSA-exempt position on January 1.

16 10.3 Per Diem - In the event of a bona fide emergency which is declared by the King County
17 Executive, an employee will receive the daily meal per diem for any day in which that employee is
18 required because of the emergency to remain at work in excess of 12 consecutive hours or is required
19 to work in excess of eight hours on a day the employee was not scheduled to work. Expense receipts
20 are not required for reimbursement.

10.4 Alternative Workweek and Telecommuting Schedules

22 An alternate and/or flex workweek may be implemented during the term of this Agreement 23 upon approval by the manager/designee. Specific conditions for an alternate and/or flex workweek 24 shall be subject to written agreement between the manager/designee and the employee prior to 25 implementation. The conditions must include, but are not limited to, the date the alternate and/or flex 26 workweek begins and when and under what circumstances the agreement will terminate or be 27 renewed. Holidays and overtime will be compensated in accordance with the terms of this 28 Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, "flex" is defined as having different workday start/quit Professional and Technical Employees, Local 17 - Supervisors - Departments: Executive Services (Facilities Management Division). Natural Resources and Parks. Transportation January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014 065C0113

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times, and "alternate" is defined as the number of hours and/or days scheduled for work during a
 workweek.

ARTICLE 11: VEHICLES

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11.1 Personal Vehicle - An employee who has been authorized to use his/her own transportation on County business shall be reimbursed at the rate set by the Council by ordinance.

11.2 County Vehicle - At the County's discretion, an employee may be assigned the use of a County vehicle when the employee is assigned to respond to emergency situations which require immediate response to protect life or property. The assignment must be in writing and approved by the division director/designee. The County will give Roads Services Division employees at least 30 days notice prior to taking away an assigned vehicle, except when compelled by business necessity.

11.3 Parking - An employee assigned a vehicle may be permitted to park such vehicle at his/her residence overnight provided the vehicle will not be parked overnight at a residence outside the County unless authorized in writing by the division director/designee.

ARTICLE 12: CONFLICT RESOLUTION

15 12.1 The Union and the County recognize the importance of settling issues in a fair and
16 responsible manner at the lowest possible level of supervision and to use conflict resolution methods
17 whenever possible.

18 12.2 Grievance Definition - An issue raised by an employee regarding the interpretation
and/or application of the express written terms of this Agreement. A grievance, to be timely, must be
presented in writing to the employee's section manager/designee within 15 workdays of the
occurrence or the employee's knowledge of the event. The grievance must contain a description of
the event, when the event took place and/or when the employee had knowledge of the event, the
Articles allegedly violated, and the remedy sought. The Union may file a grievance on behalf of an
individual(s) under the above described terms and conditions.

12.3 Grievance Steps

A. <u>Section Manager</u> - The section manager/designee shall have 15 workdays from
the receipt of the grievance to address the issue with the employee. The section manager/designee
shall respond to the grievance in writing within 15 workdays following the meeting with the

employee. If the grievance is not resolved, it may be referred in writing within ten workdays
 following the date of the section manager/designee's written response to the division director. If the
 grievance is not pursued to the division director within the ten workdays, it shall be presumed
 resolved.

B. Division Director - The division director/designee will have 15 workdays from
receipt of the grievance to address the issue with the employee. The division director/designee shall
respond to the grievance in writing within 15 workdays following the meeting with the employee. If
the grievance is not resolved, it may be referred in writing within ten workdays following the date of
the division director/designee's written response to the Director of the Office of Labor
Relations/Labor Negotiator. If the grievance is not pursued to the Director of Labor Relations/Labor
Negotiator within ten workdays, it will be presumed resolved.

12 C. Director of Labor Relations/Labor Negotiator - The Director of Labor
13 Relations/Labor Negotiator will have 30 workdays from receipt of the grievance to address the issue
14 with the employee. The Director of Labor Relations/Labor Negotiator shall respond to the grievance
15 in writing within 15 workdays following the meeting with the employee. If the grievance is not
16 resolved, it may be referred in writing within ten workdays following the date of the Director of
17 Labor Relations/Labor Negotiator's written response to mediation/arbitration. If the grievance is not
18 pursued to mediation/arbitration within ten workdays, it will be presumed resolved.

19 **D.** Mediation/Arbitration - Mediation shall be the last step for grievances that are 20 not timely. The Director of Labor Relations/Labor Negotiator and the Union shall select a third 21 disinterested party to serve as the mediator/arbitrator. In the event they are unable to agree, then the 22 mediator/arbitrator shall be selected from a list of at least seven names furnished by the Federal 23 Mediation and Conciliation Service or American Arbitration Association, whichever source is 24 mutually acceptable. The mediator/arbitrator shall be selected from the list by each party alternately 25 striking a name from the list until one name remains. The Union shall have the first strike from the 26 list and the parties will rotate the first strike for each grievance. The mediation process will proceed 27 with the parties making a good faith attempt to reconcile their differences. A mediated grievance, if 28 timely, will move to the arbitration phase only after the mediator and one of the two parties to the

dispute declare impasse. A formal arbitration hearing on timely grievances can be held at the request
 of either party without going through the mediation process. The mediator cannot serve as the
 arbitrator.

4 1) The arbitrator shall have no power to change, alter, detract from, or add to
5 the provisions of this Agreement, but shall have the power only to apply and interpret the provisions
6 of this written Agreement in reaching a decision on the issue.

7 2) No matter may be arbitrated which the County, by law, has no authority
8 over or has no authority to change.

9 3) There shall be no strikes, cessation of work or lockout during mediation or10 arbitration.

4) Each party to a mediation/arbitration proceeding shall bear the full costs of
its representatives, including its legal representatives, and witnesses regardless of the outcome of
mediation or arbitration. The mediator's/arbitrator's fees and expenses and any court reporter's fee
and expenses agreed to by the Union and the County shall be borne equally by both parties.

15 12.4 Exclusive Procedure - Selection of this conflict resolution procedure for the resolution
16 of a grievance shall preclude the use of any other procedure in resolving the matter at issue.

12.5 Time Limits - Time limits may be extended by written consent of the parties.

12.6 Unfair Labor Practice (ULP) - The parties agree that thirty days prior to filing an Unfair Labor Practice complaint with the Public Employment Relations Commission (PERC), the complaining party will notify the other party, in writing, meet, and make a good faith attempt to resolve the issue unless the deadline for filing with PERC would otherwise pass.

12.7 Temporaries - Probationary, provisional, short-term and term-limited temporary
employees are employed at will and can not use the procedures of this Article to grieve or otherwise
appeal a job separation action of any kind.

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ARTICLE 13: REDUCTION IN FORCE

13.1 Order of layoff - In the event of a reduction in force due to lack of work, lack of funds
or considerations of efficiency, layoffs of regular employees shall be by position. The positions to be
laid-off shall be at the sole discretion of management.

13.2 Vacant Positions - In lieu of laying off a regular employee, the Director of the Human Resources Division (HRD) may reassign such employee to a comparable, vacant position, when the 3 Director of HRD determines such reassignment to be in the best interest of the County.

A. An employee subject to layoff can be placed in a vacant bargaining unit position in the same classification, if qualified. If placed, the employee cannot bump.

B. An employee subject to layoff may be offered a vacant bargaining unit position in a lower paid classification, if qualified. If the employee accepts the position, he/she cannot bump.

C. The County will attempt to place an employee subject to layoff who is not placed 8 as provided above or who cannot bump as provided under Section 13.3 below into a vacant position 9 for which he/she qualifies in accordance with the County's Workforce Management Program, or 10 11 modifications thereto.

13.3 Bumping

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A. An employee subject to layoff who is not placed in a vacant position as provided in 13 Section 13.2 may bump the least senior employee in the same classification within his/her division, if 14 qualified; provided, the employee who elects to bump has more classification seniority than the 16 employee who is being bumped.

17 **B.** An employee subject to layoff who cannot bump as provided in Section 13.3.A may bump the least senior employee in a lower paid classification in his/her division, if qualified; 18 19 provided, the employee who elects to bump has more bargaining unit seniority than the employee 20 who is being bumped.

C. An employee subject to layoff who cannot bump within the division as provided in 21 Sections 13.3.A or 13.3.B may bump a less senior employee in the position the employee last 22 23 regularly held; provided, the employee is qualified and has more bargaining unit seniority than the 24 employee who is being bumped.

13.4 Recall

A. An employee who is laid off, placed in a vacancy in accordance with Section 13.2 26 27 B or C, bumps in accordance with Section 13.3 B or C, or is recalled in accordance with Section 13.4 B, will be recalled to a vacant position in his/her classification, if qualified. 28

B. An employee who is laid off will be recalled to a vacant position in a lower 1 2 classification, if qualified.

C. Recall will first be by classification seniority for filling a position in his/her 3 4 classification, or bargaining unit seniority for filling a position in a lower classification.

D. Notice of Recall - An employee will have ten days from the date the notice of recall is sent by certified mail in which to notify the County of whether he/she will accept the position. The County will consider the employee's failure to notify the County within ten days as a refusal; however, if the County determines that there are warranting circumstances, it may accept a late notice from an employee. Notices will be in writing. It is the employee's responsibility to keep the County informed of his/her current address.

E. Recall will last for two years from the date of layoff, placement or bumping as 11 12 defined under Section 13.4.A.

13.5 Reinstatement - An employee recalled within two years from the time of layoff will have any forfeited sick leave accruals and vacation leave accrual rate restored and adjusted for the period of layoff.

13.6 Seniority

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A. For regular employees hired before February 22, 2008, bargaining unit seniority is defined as all continuous regular service in all classifications covered by this Agreement or would have been covered by this Agreement. A classification would have been covered by this Agreement if the employee's service in the classification started prior to the existence of this bargaining unit and 20 the title of the classification, listed under Addendum A, changed through a reclassification project, but not the work. For regular positions hired after February 22, 2008, bargaining unit seniority is defined as continuous regular service in all classifications covered by this Agreement. 23

B. For regular employees hired before February 22, 2008, classification seniority for 24 employees defined as all continuous regular service in a classification covered by this Agreement or 25 26 would have been covered by this Agreement. A classification would have been covered by this 27 Agreement if the employee's service started prior to the existence of this bargaining unit, and the title of the classification, listed under Addendum A, changed through a reclassification project, but not 28

1 the work. For regular positions hired after February 22, 2008, seniority is defined as continuous 2 regular service in a classification covered by this Agreement.

3 C. Retention of Seniority - A regular employee who leaves a position covered under 4 this Agreement and is rehired within the same division within two years does not accrue or forfeit seniority during the period of absence. But an employee who is rehired in a different division forfeits 5 6 his/her classification and bargaining unit seniority accrued.

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13.7 Qualification - Qualification will be determined by the County.

ARTICLE 14: PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION

9 14.1 Introduction - To encourage and support professional development and to provide for 10 the employment of qualified personnel in appropriate classifications, the County will provide compensation for professional licenses and certifications in accordance with this Article. Such compensation shall only be paid to those employees who as of the date the Agreement was ratified 12 13 have a current, valid professional certification in a discipline directly applicable to their employment.

14.2 Certifications - All employees employed on February 13, 1998 who had a current, valid certification as listed in Section 14.2.A in a discipline directly applicable to their employment, shall be paid a premium of \$50 per month. In the event the employee's certificate becomes invalid, for whatever reason, he/she shall no longer be eligible for the additional compensation.

A. Within the terms of this Agreement, certification is limited to certified incinerator and landfill operators, sign and marking technicians, signal technicians, bridge inspectors and heavy duty mechanic as deemed appropriate by the County.

14.3 Employees who are not eligible for the above compensation under Section 14.2 will be reimbursed for training, examination and fee costs that are required to obtain or maintain one of the above listed certifications which directly apply to their position.

ARTICLE 15: WORK OUTSIDE OF CLASSIFICATION

15.1 It is understood by the parties that an employee may be assigned in writing to perform 25 26 the preponderance of the duties of a higher classification by the division director/designee, in 27 accordance with County code and related procedures.

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15.2 An employee assigned in writing by his/her division director/designee to a higher

classification will be paid at the first step of the range assigned to the higher classification or at a step
 that most closely approximates five percent above the employee's salary prior to the assignment,
 whichever is higher.

15.3 The County may assign an employee to perform the work of a higher classification for
up to a full workweek without additional compensation. If the employee is assigned to perform the
work of the higher classification for a full workweek or more the employee will be paid for all time
performing the work of the higher classification in accordance with Section 15.2.

8 15.4 If the bargaining unit employee is required to work out-of-class for more than 60 days,
9 the Union may request a meeting for the sole purpose of clarifying why the employee is still working
10 out-of-class.

11 ARTICLE 16: UNION REPRESENTATION AND EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

16.1 Union Representation

A. Authorized representatives of the Union may, after notifying the County official in charge, visit the work location of employees covered by this Agreement at any reasonable time for the purpose of investigating grievances.

16 B. The Business Manager and/or representative shall have the right to appoint a
17 steward at any location where members are employed under the terms of this Agreement. The Union
18 shall furnished the Labor Negotiator with the names of stewards so appointed upon request.

19 C. Written policies, rules, or directives affecting the terms and conditions of this
20 Agreement shall be provided to the Union upon request.

16.2 Employee Rights

A. The off-duty activity of an employee shall not be subject to disciplinary action unless said activity is job related or occurs on County property.

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B. If at any level the County determines to bring disciplinary action against an employee for any reason, the employee shall be apprised of his/her rights of appeal and representation as provided for in the Conflict Resolution procedures under Article 12 of this Agreement.

27 ARTICLE 17: MISCELLANEOUS

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17.1 Drug Free Workplace - The Union agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state

and County regulations and ordinances with regard to the drug free workplace. 1

17.2 Training - The County recognizes the mutual benefit to be attained by affording training 2 opportunities to employees and shall provide information and access to training opportunities for its 3 4 employees, within budgeted appropriations. The training opportunities shall be guided by, but not limited to, the overall objectives of encouraging and motivating employees to improve their personal 5 6 capabilities in performance of specific tasks.

17.3 Equal Employment Opportunity - The County nor the Union shall not unlawfully discriminate in employment on the basis of race, color, religious affiliation, national origin, age, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression or disability.

17.4 Bulletin Boards - The County agrees to permit the Union to post on County bulletin boards announcement of meetings, election of officers, and any other Union material, providing there is sufficient space, beyond what is required by the County for "normal" operations.

13 **17.5** Subcontracting - The County agrees not to contract out work typically performed by currently employed members of the bargaining unit if the contracting of such work eliminates or 14 15 reduces the normal workload of the bargaining unit. If, in accordance with state law or in order to secure funding for a specific, time-limited project, the County is required to contract all or part of the 16 work to be performed due to state law or limitations imposed by the funding agreement, said contracting will not be considered a violation of this Article. The County agrees to provide the Union, 18 upon request, with documentation to support any contracting of work under the terms of this Article. 19

20 17.6 Notice of Change in Work Location – The County will give a two week notice if it intends to change an employee's regular work location; provided, the new work location is in a 21 different geographic area. The County buildings in the Seattle downtown area are considered to be 22 23 the same geographic area.

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ARTICLE 18: GENERAL PROVISIONS

18.1 Savings Clause - Should any part hereof or any provision herein contained be rendered 25 26 or declared invalid by reason of any existing or subsequently enacted state or federal legislation or by 27 any decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidation of such part or portions of this Agreement shall not invalidate the remaining portions thereof; provided, however, upon such 28

invalidation, the parties agree to meet and negotiate such parts or provisions affected. The remaining
 parts or provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

3 18.2 The County and the Union and the employees covered by this Agreement are governed
4 by applicable County code and ordinances, and said code and ordinances are paramount except where
5 they conflict with a provision of this Agreement.

6 18.3 Work Stoppages and Employer Protection - The County and the Union agree that the 7 public interest requires efficient and uninterrupted performance of all county services and to this end 8 pledge their best efforts to avoid or eliminate any conduct contrary to this objective. Specifically, the 9 Union shall not cause or condone any work stoppage, including any strike, slowdown, or refusal to 10 perform any customarily assigned duties, sick leave absence which is not bona fide or other interference with county functions by employees under this Agreement, and should same occur, the 11 12 Union agrees to take appropriate steps to end such interference. Any concerted action by any employees in the Union shall be deemed a work stoppage if any of the above activities have occurred. 13 14 Any employee participation in such work stoppage or in other ways committing an act prohibited in 15 this Article shall be considered absent without authorized leave and shall be considered to have 16 resigned.

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1	ARTICLE 19: DURATION
2	19.1 This Agreement shall become effective upon full and final ratification and approval by
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4	shall be prospective following ratification unless a different date is specified for a specific provision.
5	The Agreement covers the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014.
6	19.2 Contract negotiations for the succeeding contract may be initiated by either party
7	providing to the other written notice of its intention to do so prior to June 1, 2014.
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