City of Calistoga Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Spitler, City Manager

DATE: April 21, 2015

SUBJECT: To Consider a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to execute a

Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Calistoga and the

Calistoga Public Employees' Association (CPEA)

APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:

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Richard Spitler, City Manager

ISSUE: To consider a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Calistoga and Calistoga Public Employees' Association.

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RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution approving a one-year Memorandum of Understanding for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 between the City of Calistoga and the Calistoga Public Employees' Association and authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding.

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<u>DISCUSSION</u>: The City's negotiating team and Calistoga Public Employees' Association (CPEA) conducted three negotiating sessions before completing negotiations and signing a tentative agreement on March 12, 2015. This tentative agreement provides for a one-year Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The bargaining unit is made up of 17 employees. The proposed MOU contains the following changes from the prior agreement terms:

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1. <u>Article 13: Cost of Living Adjustment:</u> Effective January 1, 2015, the unit will receive a wage adjustment of 3%.

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2. <u>Article 38 Meals.</u> The City agrees to amend The City of Calistoga Personnel Rules and Regulations Manual (revised 1995) Section 9.05 A. to increase the meal

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allowance to coincide with the Meal Allowance of the United States Government Administration (GSA) rates for reimbursement for meal within Napa County. At present the meal allowance is limited to \$6 per meal.

3. Article 31 A Uniforms and Equipment is amended to read:

A. All full-time maintenance and plant personnel shall be issued, at CITY's expense, the following items per fiscal year:

4 shirts and nametags (**)

4 trousers (***)

1 safety helmet (hat)

2 pair safety boots or shoes with 1 additional pair for plant operators

1 seasonal jacket with removable liner

1 set rain gear (tops and

bottoms)

1 pair rain boots and/or hip boots

1 coverall

1 pair work gloves

** In place of 4 button-down shirts, 8 T-shirts (not to exceed \$175) may be purchased.

***To allow flexibility, instead of 4 trousers and one pair of coveralls, the employee may choose to have 5 trousers and no coveralls. Treatment plant operators may have two additional trousers.

The changes give some flexibility to receive the uniform and equipment appropriate to the job and to increase the number of safety boots from one to two a year.

4. <u>Classification and Compensation Study</u>: The parties agree to meet and confer within thirty (30) days of the City Council's acceptance of the final results of the Koff and Associates Classification and Compensation study of 2015. The purpose of this meet and confer is to discuss the findings of the study and shall not bind the City and/or guarantee the employee any specific outcome.

5. <u>Article 30: Term:</u> The term of this agreement shall be in effect from January 1, 2015 and shall remain in full force and effect from that date through December 31, 2015.

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6. All other items and conditions of employment not addressed in this staff report that are included in the parties' Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in effect from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014 shall continue to remain in effect and unchanged during the term of the MOU. These items have been included in the proposed MOU.

FISCAL IMPACT: The fiscal impact of the Memorandum of Understanding changes is as follows:

- 1. Employee Compensation:
 - a. Fiscal Year 2014/15 Anticipated Fiscal Impact: \$20,518
 - b. Fiscal Year 2015/16 Anticipated Fiscal Impact: \$20,518
- 2. Article 38 Meals:

- a. Fiscal Year 2014/15 is minimal; does not occur very often.
- b. Fiscal Year 2015/16 is minimal; does not occur very often.
- 3. Article 31 Uniforms and Equipment
 - a. Fiscal Year 2014/15 Anticipated Fiscal Impact \$1,300
 - b. Fiscal Year 2015/16 Anticipated Fiscal Impact \$1,300
- 4. Classification and Compensation Survey:
 - a. Staff will be bringing this item back to council for consideration and approval for any additional adjustments.

Employee compensation for FY 2014/15 will be expensed in FY 2014/15. The Fiscal Year 2015/16 additional anticipated expense is for the time period of July 2015 through December 2015 and will be included in the Fiscal Year 2015/16 Budget.

The fiscal impact for FY 2014/15 has appropriated \$13,679 in the FY 2014/15 budget which was adopted on June 17, 2014. The remaining \$8,139 (\$6,839 for salaries and benefits and \$1,300 for uniforms and equipment) will come from health insurance savings due to lower Kaiser premiums than anticipated and vacancies.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Draft Resolution
- 2. Draft Memorandum of Understanding with Calistoga Public Employees' Association

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KATHY FLAMSON, City Clerk