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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: September 17, 2013

TITLE: MOTION – A motion authorizing the addition of one (1) new class

(Teletype Operator) to the Teamsters Local 769 Collective Bargaining

Agreement.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion to add one (1) new class to the Teamsters Local 769 Collective Bargaining Agreement.

NEW CLASS – TEAMSTERS LOCAL 769

Class 653, Teletype Operator, A035, (\$39,944.00 - \$47,028.80 annually).

Employees in this classification will perform activities associated with operating the Police Department communications system. These activities include researching and responding to requests from mobile/field law enforcement personnel and providing general office support required to enter, retrieve and transmit information regarding outstanding warrants, vehicle registrations, drivers' licenses, criminal histories, and other like information.

Background

In anticipation of the proposed consolidation of call taking and emergency dispatching within Broward County ("the County"), there exists a need for municipal police agencies to assume the responsibility of maintaining teletype functions. These include entries, deletions, updates and validations into crime information databases, as required by Florida Department of Law Enforcement ("FDLE"), as well as assisting mobile/field police units with requests for information in the performance of their daily duties.

These teletype functions will need to be performed by the City, independent of the County's dispatch operator, once the County takes over the emergency dispatching services.

As the exact date of the emergency dispatch transition to the County is not yet known, the Human Resources Department is recommending the creation of the Teletype

Operator classification now so that the classification will exist when the time comes to staff positions and provide these services.

Resource Impact

There could be a recurring fiscal impact to the City in the annual amount of approximately \$300,000, although the cost for Fiscal Year 2014 depends on when the City assumes these responsibilities. The exact date is still being coordinated with the County. This agenda item only creates the classification.

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