

# MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Between

The City of Saint Paul

And

**AFSCME Council 5 (Locals 1842, 2508, 3757), CCEA, FIRE FIGHTERS Local 21,  
FIRE SUPERVISOR ASSOCIATION, MACHINISTS, MANUAL & MAINTENANCE  
SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION, OPERATING ENGINEERS Local 70,  
POLICE FEDERATION, PEA, SPSO, & TRI-COUNCIL (Locals 49, 120, 363)  
FOR 2026-2027**

This MOA is entered into by the City of Saint Paul and the above listed Unions for the purpose of establishing Health Insurance contribution rates and VEBA contribution rates for 2026 and 2027. The parties agree to accept the Medica Health Insurance bid which includes a rate 8.0% increase for 2026, and a 9.5% rate cap for 2027. Based on this agreement, the parties agree to the following:

- 1) The City agrees to continue to pay the administrative costs for FSA and the HRA and the premium for the preventive dental portion of the dental options. The employee will continue to pay the buy-up premiums for any elective dental insurance coverage. Note: the cost of the preventive dental was removed from the calculation in 2019 since the City is now responsible for the full cost of preventive dental.
- 2) The rates listed in Appendix A shall be incorporated into each individual union's 2026 collective bargaining agreement.
- 3) This language does not alter or change the City's commitment to make pro-rata contributions for part-time employees as stated in applicable contracts.
- 4) The parties agree to accept the wellness program components approved by the LMCHI.
- 5) The parties agree to accept a partnership with Kavira Health, which will provide a 1.5% reduction in 2026 Medica Health Insurance bid. This partnership reduced the 9.5% increase to 8%.

**FOR THE CITY:**

Jason Schmidt  
Jason Schmidt (Sep 4, 2025 13:02:40 CDT)

Sep 4, 2025

Jason Schmidt,  
Labor Relations Manager

Date

**UNION:**

**NAME:**

AFSCME Clerical, Local 2508

Jen Martin  
Jen Martin (Aug 6, 2025 07:57:11 CDT)

AFSCME Technical, Local 1842

Isaac Mielke  
Isaac Mielke (Sep 4, 2025 12:32:13 CDT)

AFSCME Legal, Local 3757

Anthony Edwards  
Anthony Edwards (Aug 5, 2025 08:50:51 CDT)

AFSCME Field Representative

Dane Ryan  
Dane Ryan (Sep 4, 2025 12:41:11 CDT)

Classified Confidential Employees Assn (CCEA)

Michelle LaBow

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Fire Fighters, Local 21



Fire Supervisory Association



Machinists, District Lodge No. 77

  
Ingrid Vazquez (Aug 6, 2025 13:08:29 CDT)

Manual & Maintenance Supervisors Assn



Operating Engineers, Local 70

  
Travis Aslakson (Aug 7, 2025 10:05:34 CDT)

Saint Paul Police Federation

  
Mark Ross (Aug 18, 2025 12:55:36 CDT)

Professional Employees Association (PEA)



Saint Paul Supervisor's Organization (SPSO)

  
Glen Kadrluk (Aug 19, 2025 08:07:30 CDT)

Tri-Council LIUNA Laborers Local 363



Tri-Council General Drivers Local 120

  
Chris Riley (Sep 4, 2025 11:56:22 CDT)

Tri-Council Operating Engineers Local 49

  
Jonathan Turner (Sep 4, 2025 11:58:40 CDT)

## **APPENDIX A**

(2026-2027 Premiums)

Effective **January 2026**, for each eligible employee covered by this Agreement who is employed full-time and who selects City-provided employee health insurance coverage, the Employer agrees to contribute the following amounts per month:

### **Choice Passport Plan:**

2025 contributions plus eighty-two and one-half percent (82.5%) of the premium increase for 2026, after any plan design changes; employees shall be responsible for the 2025 employee contribution, plus seventeen and one-half percent (17.5%) of the premium increase for 2026, after any plan design changes.

Based on the proposed Medica RFP quotes, this results in the following Employer contributions:

- Single: \$833.04, plus \$225 per quarter to be deposited in a VEBA account (plus an additional \$225 per quarter in a VEBA for completion of 2025 Wellness Program).  
Employee share: \$51.10/month.
- Family: \$2,002.34 plus \$135 per quarter to be deposited in a VEBA account (plus an additional \$225 per quarter in a VEBA for completion of 2025 Wellness Program).  
Employee share: \$306.12/month.

### **Elect Plan/Vantage Plus ACO Plan:**

The lesser of the Employer's contribution for the Choice Passport Plan for 2026; or the actual cost of the Elect Plan/Vantage Plus ACO Plan premium. Employees shall be responsible for the difference between the monthly premium and the Employer's monthly contribution.

Based on the proposed Medica RFP quotes for the Choice Passport Plan, this results in the following Employer contributions:

- Single: \$796.30, plus \$225 per quarter to be deposited in a VEBA account (plus an additional \$225 per quarter in a VEBA for completion of 2025 Wellness Program).  
Employee share: \$0.00/month.
- Family: \$2,002.34 plus \$135 per quarter to be deposited in a VEBA account (plus an additional \$225 per quarter in a VEBA for completion of 2025 Wellness Program).  
Employee share: \$77.42/month.

### **Park Nicollet ACO Plan:**

The lesser of the Employer's contribution for the Choice Passport Plan for 2026; or the actual cost of the Park Nicollet ACO Plan premium. Employees shall be responsible for the difference between the monthly premium and the Employer's monthly contribution.

Based on the proposed Medica RFP quotes for the Choice Passport Plan, this results in the following Employer contributions:

- Single: \$791.46, plus \$225 per quarter to be deposited in a VEBA account (plus an additional \$225 per quarter in a VEBA for completion of 2025 Wellness Program).  
Employee share: \$0.00/month.
- Family: \$2,002.34, plus \$135 per quarter to be deposited in a VEBA account (plus an additional \$225 per quarter in a VEBA for completion of 2025 Wellness Program).  
Employee share: \$64.82/month.

### **Passport Copay Plan:**

- Single: \$398.88 (Employee share: \$731.28/month)  
Family: \$748.22 (Employee share: \$2,216.32/month)

If the actual premiums for 2026 differ from the estimate upon which these contributions are based, the employer and employee contributions will be adjusted to reflect the negotiated cost sharing percentages as applied to the actual premiums for all plan options other than the Passport Copay Plan.

Effective **January 2027**, for each eligible employee covered by this Agreement who is employed full-time and who selects City-provided employee health insurance coverage, the Employer agrees to contribute the following amounts per month:

**Choice Passport Plan:**

2026 contributions plus eighty-two and one-half percent (82.5%) of the premium increase for 2027, after any plan design changes; employees shall be responsible for the 2026 employee contribution, plus seventeen and one-half percent (17.5%) of the premium increase for 2027, after any plan design changes.

Based on a 9.5% premium increase, this results in the following Employer contributions:

- Single: \$902.30, plus \$225 per quarter to be deposited in a VEBA account (plus an additional \$225 per quarter in a VEBA for completion of 2026 Wellness Program).  
Employee share: \$65.78/month.
- Family: \$2,183.22, plus \$135 per quarter to be deposited in a VEBA account (plus an additional \$225 per quarter in a VEBA for completion of 2026 Wellness Program).  
Employee share: \$344.48/month.

**Elect Plan/Vantage Plus ACO:**

The lesser of the Employer's contribution for the Choice Passport Plan for 2027; or the actual cost of the Elect Plan/Vantage Plus ACO Plan premium. Employees shall be responsible for the difference between the monthly premium and the Employer's monthly contribution.

Based on a 9.5% premium increase for the Choice Passport Plan, this results in the following Employer contributions:

- Single: \$871.94, plus \$225 per quarter to be deposited in a VEBA account (plus an additional \$225 per quarter in a VEBA for completion of 2026 Wellness Program).  
Employee share: \$0.00/month.
- Family: \$2,183.22, plus \$135 per quarter to be deposited in a VEBA account (plus an additional \$225 per quarter in a VEBA for completion of 2026 Wellness Program).  
Employee share: \$94.10/month.

**Park Nicollet ACO Plan:**

The lesser of the Employer's contribution for the Choice Passport Plan for 2027; or the actual cost of the Park Nicollet ACO Plan premium. Employees shall be responsible for the difference between the monthly premium and the Employer's monthly contribution.

Based on a 9.5% premium increase for the Choice Passport Plan, this results in the following Employer contributions:

- Single: \$866.64, plus \$225 per quarter to be deposited in a VEBA account (plus an additional \$225 per quarter in a VEBA for completion of 2026 Wellness Program).  
Employee share: \$0.00/month.
- Family: \$2,183.22 plus \$135 per quarter to be deposited in a VEBA account (plus an additional \$225 per quarter in a VEBA for completion of 2026 Wellness Program).  
Employee share: \$80.32/month.

**Passport Copay Plan:**

- Single: \$398.88 (Employee share: \$838.64/month)  
Family: \$748.22 (Employee share: \$2,497.94/month)

If the actual premiums for 2027 differ from the estimate upon which these contributions are based, the employer and employee contributions will be adjusted to reflect the negotiated cost sharing percentages as applied to the actual premiums for all plan options other than the Passport Copay Plan.



# City of Saint Paul

## Signature Copy

Resolution: RES 25-1276

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**File Number: RES 25-1276**

Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the establishment of the 2026 - 2027 health insurance contribution rates and VEBA contribution rates.

Whereas, the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2021 - 2022 health insurance contribution rates and VEBA contribution rates for 2021 - 2022 was adopted by Saint Paul City Council in Resolution 20-1105 on September 9, 2020; the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2023 - 2025 health insurance contribution rates and VEBA contributions rates for 2023 - 2025 was adopted by Saint Paul City Council in Resolution 22-1439 on October 19, 2022; and

Whereas, the parties listed below entered into a Memorandum of Agreement establishing health insurance contribution rates and VEBA contribution rates for 2026 - 2027; now therefore be it

Resolved, pursuant to City of Saint Paul Charter Section 6.03.3 (5), that the Saint Paul City Council hereby approves and ratifies the attached Memorandum of Agreement for the establishment of the 2026 - 2027 health insurance contribution rates and the VEBA contribution rates between the City of Saint Paul and AFSCME-Clerical, Local 2508; AFSCME-Legal, Local 3757; AFSCME-Technical, Local 1842; Classified Confidential Employees Association; Fire Fighters/Fire Supervisory Association, Local 21; Machinists District Lodge 77; Manual and Maintenance Supervisors Association, Operating Engineers, Local 70; Professional Employees Association; Saint Paul Police Federation; Saint Paul Supervisors Organization; and Tri-Council: General Drivers, Local 120, LIUNA Laborers, Local 363 and Operating Engineers, Local 49.

At a meeting of the City Council on 10/1/2025, this Resolution was Passed.

**Yea:** 7 Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson, and Councilmember Coleman

**Nay:** 0

**Vote Attested by**

**Council Secretary** Shari Moore

**Date** 10/1/2025

**Approved by the Mayor**

Melvin Carter III

**Date** 10/7/2025