

Subject:

Council Testimony and Fiscal Impact Statement

Re: American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 3085

To:

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Chief Administrative Officer

Through:

Wanda Hutchinson

Human Resources Applinistrator

From:

John Peterson

Deputy Human Resources Administrator

Date:

May 2, 2018

The Administration supports and urges the passage of the Council Bill 36-2018 which relates to the approval of a two-year agreement and the adoption of conflicting provisions contained in the negotiated collective bargaining agreement with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees(AFSCME), Howard County Local 3085 for fiscal years 2019 and 2020.

The bill is submitted to the County Council pursuant to Section 1.111(e) of the Howard County Code for the Council to approve agreed-upon provisions in the collective bargaining agreement that conflict with the personnel provisions of the County Code and the Employee Manual.

The Bill's Exhibit 1 is the negotiated agreement in its entirety. Exhibit 2 to the bill contains all provisions determined to be in conflict with the Pay Plan and Employee Manual. The purpose is to give the Council a comprehensive assessment of the differences between the collective bargaining agreement negotiated with these employees and the County's personnel provisions.

The negotiated agreement with Local 3085 provides that it will have a term from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020. The agreement includes a 2% Across the Board increase effective December 24, 2018 and a 2% Across the Board increase effective December 23, 2019. The agreement provides for a premium for all members who maintain a CDL regardless of their job requirements and a special premium for certain CDL operators who maintain a special endorsement. The agreement provides premiums to mechanics who obtain certifications to work on emergency vehicles and extends the tool reimbursement to mechanics with the Department of Recreation and Parks.

The agreement also calls for a Council 67 Chief Shop Steward who will serve

Locals 3888, 3085 and 1810. The Chief Shop Steward will have full union release beginning in Fiscal Year 2020.

The FY 2019 increase will have an approximate fiscal impact of \$201,178 and the FY 2020 increase will have an approximate fiscal impact of \$569,655.

cc: Jennifer Sager