

ALES CONTRACT UPDATE

September 13, 2007

The Agency Law Enforcement Unit met for contract negotiations on September 12th & 13th 2007 at Council 82 Headquarters. We have agreed to most of the contract language articles except for Article 8, Article 13, Article 15, Article 22, and Article 24. All other contract articles, side letters and appendix have been agreed to and signed off. The negotiation team has now included the Sergeants representative from Park Police, Manny Vilar and the Environmental Conservation Captains representative, Woody Erickson from the Security Supervisors Unit that has been moved into the ALES Unit. We have further sessions arranged for October 15, 16, 17, and October 25 & 26. The progress has been encouraging at this point to settle the contract language and then move the process of the financial issues to a settlement or arbitration.

We have a hearing date of November 20th for the improper practice of failure to negotiate as the State has still taken the position that they are not going to talk about money issue for 2005 to 2007 until the language is done. However the hearing date for the I.P. has moved the discussion of language along. The team is working towards a complete contract as soon as possible.

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