renegotiating the Salary and Duty Availability Pay increases which shall be paid to Officers. The Lodge shall have thirty (30) days from the date it receives notice that the contributions will increase to notify the Employer, in writing, by certified mail, of its intent to reopen this Agreement. The notice referred to shall be considered to have been given as of the date shown on the postmark. Written notice may be tendered in person, in which case the date of notice shall be the written date of receipt. In the event this Agreement is reopened pursuant to this provision, the Salary and Duty Availability Pay increases set forth in this Agreement will not be changed or reduced without the written consent of the Lodge. The Employer and the Lodge shall have ninety (90) days to renegotiate the Salary and Duty Availability Pay increases set forth in this Agreement. In the event the parties are unable to resolve these issues during the ninety (90)-day negotiation period, or within any mutually agreed to extension, the dispute shall be submitted to the impasse resolution procedure set forth in Section 28.3(B).

H. Effective January 1, 2024, Officers certified for LEMART, CIT, or Bike Officer shall receive an annual stipend of \$1,000. The CIT and Bike Certification stipends shall be paid on a quarterly basis (\$250/quarter). Payment of the stipend shall be made in the last pay period of the quarter following the quarter in which the stipend was earned.

3) **Bidding for Mass Transit**

Section 23.8 — Filling Recognized Vacancies

This Section shall apply only to the Public Transportation Section including the Public Transportation Canine Unit, Public Housing Sections North and South, the Special Activity Section, Traffic Section/Detail Unit, Traffic Enforcement Unit, Traffic Court/Records Unit, Traffic Safety & Training Unit, Major Accident Investigation Unit, Loop Traffic, District Law Enforcement, Airport Law Enforcement North and South, Mounted Unit, Marine Unit, Gun Registration Section, Records Inquiry Section, Field Inquiry Section, Evidence & Recovered Property Section, Police Document Services Section, Central Detention Section, Auto Pound Section (D-1 Officers), Electronics and Motor Maintenance Division (D-1 Officers), Office of Emergency Communications (excluding the Alternate Response Section), Area Criminal Investigations, Missing Persons Section, Juvenile Court Liaison Section, Youth Investigation Group Areas (excluding Youth Investigation Group Special Investigation Unit and Youth Investigation Group Administration), Auto Theft Section, Bomb and Arson Section (except bomb technicians), excluding the immediate staff of each exempt commanding officer not to exceed two (2) staff members.

A vacancy for purposes of this Section ("recognized vacancy") exists when an Officer is transferred, resigns, retires, dies, is discharged, when there are new units created, or when the Department increases the number of employees in a unit, except for details for not more than three (3) months and the Summer Lakefront Bike Detail. The Employer shall determine at any time before said vacancy is filled whether or not a recognized vacancy shall be filled. If and when the Employer determines to fill a recognized vacancy, this Section shall apply.

In order to avoid the inefficiency of chain-effect bidding, the vacancy created by the reassignment of a successful bidder shall be a recognized vacancy herein; however, subsequent vacancies created thereby shall be filled within the Department's discretion. Further, there is no recognized vacancy created as a result of emergencies, or when an Officer is removed for disciplinary reasons