## Letter of Understanding

Between:

The City of Edmonton ("the City")

AND

## Amalgamated Transit Union DATS ("the Union")

## RE: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

The Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action recommend a national holiday to observe a day for Truth and Reconciliation. The federal government has declared September 30th that day, and it is only a statutory holiday for federal employees. On March 14, 2023, City Council declared September 30th a civic holiday under the *Municipal Governance Act* for the City of Edmonton.

The City of Edmonton and its Unions and employees desire to honour and acknowledge September 30th as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

The undersigned parties agree to AMEND articles 8.01.01.01 and 8.01.01.02 as follows:

8.01.01.01 The following days shall be recognized as statutory holidays for the purpose of this Agreement, and all permanent, and probationary employees shall be entitled to the holidays specified, provided they meet the terms and conditions set out in 8.01.03.

- New Year's Day
- Family Day
- Good Friday
- Easter Monday
- Victoria Day
- Canada Day (July 1, or July 2 when July 1 is a Sunday)
- Civic Holiday
- Labour Day
- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- Thanksgiving Day
- Remembrance Day
- Christmas Day
- Boxing Day (December 26), and
- any other holiday which the City allows employees as a whole.

8.01.01.02 Temporary employees who have completed 30 calendar days of continuous service immediately prior to the statutory holiday or have completed 30 working days with the City in the preceding 12 months shall be entitled to receive such statutory holidays as are set forth in section 1(1)(g) of the Employment Standards Code (S.A. 1996 c.E-10.3), or as follows (whichever is more favourable):

- New Year's Day
- Family Day,
- Good Friday
- Victoria Day
- Canada Day (July 1, or July 2 when July 1 is a Sunday)
- Labour Day
- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- Thanksgiving Day
- Remembrance Day and
- Christmas Day.

All temporary employees shall be eligible for the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation regardless of their days of continuous service or length of service in the preceding 12 months.

The parties agree that this LOU shall be effective immediately and be moved into the body of the Collective Agreement during the next round of negotiations.

 12th
 June

 SIGNED this\_\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023

**Original Signed** 

City of Edmonton Ruth Strong, Senior Negotiator

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ATU DATS Steve Bradshaw, President