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City and AFSCME Unions Settle Contracts and Agree to Residency

ROCKFORD, Ill. – Tonight, the City Council approved contracts for the remaining two groups represented by AFSCME. The City previously approved a contract with AFSCME-C (HeadStart). Under the contracts, all new AFSCME employees must reside within the City of Rockford.

The City recently adopted an ordinance requiring all new non-union employees to live within the City effective June 1, 2018. Previously, City employees were required to live anywhere within Winnebago County or within 15 miles of the Public Safety Building.

“The City Council and I believe it’s important for employees to live in the community they serve,” says Mayor Tom McNamara. “With the passage of the ordinance and these three new contracts, approximately 50 percent of all job classifications are now required to live within the City of Rockford. “

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