



Office of the City Manager

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

September 10, 2012

Jim Unland, President
San Jose Police Officers' Association
1151 N. Fourth Street
San Jose, CA 95112

RE: 2013 Health Plan Rates

Dear Jim:

Please find the 2013 Health Plan Semi-Monthly Rates, effective January 1, 2013, enclosed. These rates were distributed at the August 29, 2012, Benefits Review Forum and reflect the most current premium rates for active employees, including the low cost Kaiser 1500 deductible plan.

As you know, the City made several proposals to make the Kaiser 1500 deductible plan available to POA active employees, but we were unable to come to an agreement. Instead, active employees in the POA have access to the Blue Shield Plans and the Kaiser \$25 co-pay plan with the premium shared between the City and active employees on an 85/15 ratio.

The enclosed rate sheet shows that active employees who select the Kaiser 1500 deductible plan may not be required to make any contributions for the premium due to the lower cost of the plan. As we were not able to reach an agreement regarding healthcare options, the Kaiser 1500 deductible plan will not be available to active members of the POA. As you know, all the healthcare plans available to active employees are also made available to retirees, and in accordance with the City's Municipal Code, the retirement plan pays for the lowest priced plan available to any active employee.

The City continues to be willing to make the Kaiser 1500 plan available to active employees in the POA with the modification to the 85/15 cost sharing such that the cost sharing will be based on the Kaiser \$25 co-pay plan. Please let me know no later than September 14, 2012 if the POA is interested in pursuing that option. If we do not hear from you, we will be proceeding without offering the Kaiser 1500 deductible plan to active employees represented by the POA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex Gurza".

Alex Gurza
Deputy City Manager

Enclosure

2013 Health Plan Semi-Monthly Rates

Effective from 1/1/2013 (PP 1) through 12/31/2013 (PP 25)