

BARGAINING UPDATE

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CUPE LOCAL 500/CITY OF WINNIPEG NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE

Bargaining between CUPE Local 500 and the City of Winnipeg got underway on February 6, 2017.

The opening session consisted of introductions of the two teams and opening statements. The two parties also exchanged bargaining proposals and spent some time reviewing each other's package. The Union's proposals were developed based on the membership priorities identified in the 2016 bargaining survey and changes that staff recommended.

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The two parties met again on February 8th. However, in order for the Union to give full consideration to the unprecedented proposal package presented, and other procedural issues, we have paused negotiations. Please note that the Union's main focus remains to negotiate a fair contract, and we are working towards scheduling dates to resume bargaining. We will be issuing updates in the coming days as more information becomes available.

Union's Proposal Package

Local 500 members who wish to view a copy of the Union's proposed changes to the agreement, may drop by the Local 500 office at 702 - 275 Broadway.

Rumours

The rumour mill will be hard at work during bargaining. Please don't believe anything you hear unless it comes from the Union. If you have questions or concerns, contact the Local 500 office directly at 204-942-1001. Ignore the rumours and get the facts.

Watch for more information

As always, we do not negotiate in the media and you will be the first to know how matters are progressing. Please check your bulletin board regularly for bargaining information updates.

If you have access to the internet, you can also check the Local 500's website at www.cupe500.mb.ca or sign up for email updates. This is one way we are able to get information out to you quickly.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Negotiating Committee for Local 500 is:

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