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New Police Superior Officers Contract Results in Cost Savings

At the Orange City Council Meeting on February 4th, the Council unanimously approved a renegotiated contract with the Superior Officers Association (S.O.A.) that will result in a cost savings for taxpayers. The initial collective bargaining agreement with the S.O.A. included an increase of 4% on January 1st of each year. The contract renegotiated by Mayor Hawkins contains an increase of 2% on January 1st of this year and a 1% increase on July 1st of each contract year.

Statement by Mayor Eldridge Hawkins, Jr.

“I want to thank the superior officers of the Orange Police Department for their flexibility in understanding the plight of our city in the midst of a serious recession. I also want to thank the City Council for their diligence in protecting taxpayers. We are living with the worst economy since the great depression, and it makes me proud that our municipal employees and city council are working together with the administration to reduce spending and minimize damage to our vital services.”