# CITY OF COMMERCE ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES

#### BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

## 1.0 PURPOSE

To establish guidelines for the use of Bereavement leave due to death in the employee's immediate family.

#### 2.0 POLICY

- 2.1 A regular full-time or regular part-time employee who has a member of his immediate family taken by death will receive up to three (3) days (24 hours) off annually with pay as bereavement leave to arrange and/or attend funeral activities.
- 2.2 If additional time is necessary, it will be taken as vacation or unpaid leave, if vacation has been exhausted, with authorization by the Department Head.
- 2.3 Time for attendance at funeral of others may be granted without pay or made up within the same work week.
- 2.4 The employee must notify his/her Department Head (Absence Report form) upon making determination to take time off for bereavement leave.
- 2.5 Employees who fail to return to work on the date specified to the Department Head without receiving an extension are subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination.

## 3.0 DEFINITION

3.1 Immediate family. Immediate family is defined as: spouse, children, step-children, brother, sister, parents, grandparents, grandchildren, mother/father-in-law, brother/sister-in-law, daughter/son-in-law, aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Other relatives living in the same household will be considered immediate family.

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