

City of Colorado Springs Fire Department

OVERTIME ANALYSIS – Council Presentation

April 10, 2017



Agenda

- 1. Questions Investigated
- 2. Process
- 3. Summary of Results
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Questions Investigated

- 1. What is the likely impact of removing vacation from "hours worked" from the overtime calculation for FD personnel?
- 2. What is the likely impact of switching FLSA cycles from 27 days to 18 days? What about to 9 days?



Process

Analyzed FD time and payroll data

Modeled scenarios

Drew from other cities' experience

Provided initial findings to City

Incorporated feedback



Summary of Results

- 1. What is the likely impact of removing vacation from "hours worked" from the overtime calculation for FD personnel?
 - An average annual reduction in pay to FD personnel in the aggregate of about \$237,000 over the last 5 years.
- 2. What is the likely impact of switching FLSA cycles from 27 days to 18 days? What about to 9 days?
 - The impact is minimal and future behavior cannot be perfectly predicted, but historical data indicates that reducing the length of the FLSA cycle will slightly reduce the amount of OT paid out to FD employees.



Financial Impact of Removing Vacation from "Hours Worked"

- Below is an example of how the financial impact of removing vacation was found. The table displays one employee during 2016.
 - If OT Hours ≤ Vacation Hours then OT Estimated Gross amount was saved. (Orange text)
 - If OT Hours > Vacation Hours then ½ of Vacation Estimated Gross was saved. (Blue text)

27 Day Cycle	Overtime Quantity	Overtime Est Gross	Vacation Quantity	Vacation Est Gross	Saved
FLSA04	72	\$926.53	48	\$1,235.38	\$617.69
FLSA06	73	\$932.97	24	\$617.69	\$308.84
FLSA07	60	\$772.11	24	\$617.69	\$308.84
FLSA08	49	\$624.12	72	\$1,853.07	\$624.12
Grand Total	253	\$3,255.74	168	\$4,323.82	\$1,859.50

Below displays Total Saved for all employees over the 5-year period.



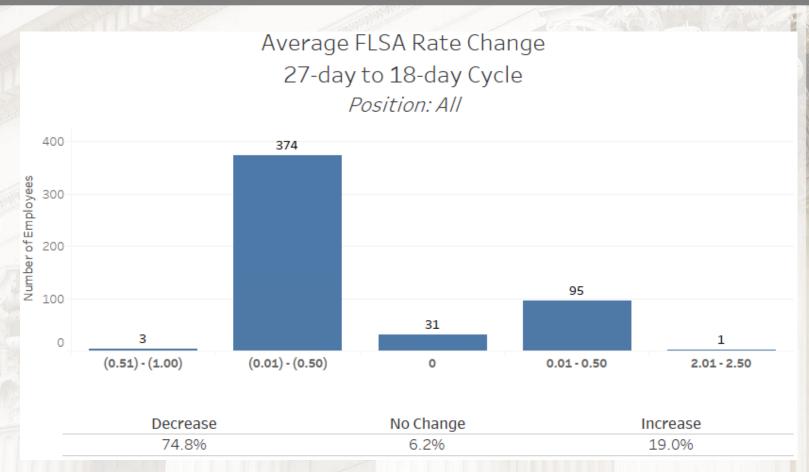
Impact of Switching Cycles: Fire Department Budget

Based on past behavior, reducing the FLSA cycle from 27-days to 18-days or 9-days would have, over five years, slightly reduced the amount of FLSA paid out, thus slightly reducing total overtime pay by about \$27,000.

27-day	18-day	9-day
\$584,296	\$577,756	\$557,280



Impact of Switching Cycles: Employees FLSA Rate





Impact of Switching Cycles: Modeling the Future

