

# CIVIC SERVICE UNION 52

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TO: All CSU 52 City of Edmonton Members

FROM: Therese Doucet  
City of Edmonton Bargaining Unit Representative

**Re: Greeting to All Brothers and Sisters of City of Edmonton, Civic Service Union 52**

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It is my pleasure to introduce you to your Negotiations Committee which consists of the following members: Pierre Blanchette, James Rockey, Donna Stokowski and myself, Therese Doucet.

**Pierre Blanchette** has served on a number of CSU 52 Committees as well as the Union's Executive Board. He is serving his fourth consecutive term on the Negotiations Committee. Pierre works with the Planning and Development Department in the Assessment & Taxation Branch.

**James Rockey** has been an active Union member since the early 80's and has served on numerous CSU 52 Committees. He presently holds the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President position on the Executive Board. This is James' first time serving on the Negotiations Committee. James works with the Transportation Department, Transportation Planning Branch.

**Donna Stokowski** has been a member of CSU 52 for several years. Donna serves as a Shop Steward and has worked on a number of committees including the Strike Committee in 2005, which mobilized the membership and led to an agreeable resolution with the Employer. Donna is employed with the Corporate Services Department and works in the Office of the City Clerk.

To reintroduce myself, my name is **Therese Doucet**. This is my second term as your City of Edmonton Bargaining Unit Representative representing the members both on the Negotiations Committee and the Executive Board. This is my third term on the Negotiations Committee. I am employed with the Community Services Department as a Social Worker, working with domestic violence.

As you know, our current Collective Agreement is expiring as of December 18, 2010, and is due for negotiations. The Committee has met and is preparing for the upcoming contract negotiations. We are presently working on the questions for the survey as we need your

feedback in regards to your priorities for our next round of contract negotiations. We have also met with Tamara Chivers, CSU 52's Legal Counsel/Chief Negotiator, to discuss research and background information required to make our points during Negotiations.

Anyone who does not have a membership card, either because it has been lost or perhaps you have never requested it before, please contact the Union office at (780) 448-8900 and the office will mail you a membership card free of charge. This card is indispensable to having your voice heard in the final decision of adopting or declining the next Collective Agreement. I also urge you to complete our survey, which will be distributed online this Fall. Without your input, it will be difficult to adequately represent your interests.

I thank you for your interest and encourage you to attend our Union's General Meeting held at the Norwood Legion (11150 - 82 Street) the first Tuesday of every month, excluding July and August.

Together our Team is committed to this membership and will work relentlessly to achieve a fair and equitable Collective Agreement.

In Solidarity,

Therese Doucet  
City of Edmonton Bargaining Unit Representative  
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