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## City Workers Ratify Pay-Raise Settlement

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CHICAGO - City workers represented by Council 31 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees have ratified a new four-year agreement that provides pay increases totaling 12.75 percent, the union announced Friday.

Ninety-four percent of ballots cast were in favor of the settlement.

Final terms of the pact, which will run retroactively from July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2007, were hammered out last week after more than two years of negotiations.

The agreement also must win City Council approval, which is expected.

The union represents about 5,000 office workers and other employees in libraries, health clinics and other areas, including the Police and Fire Departments, where they hold civilian positions.

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