## CPPW BARGAINING TIMELINE

**OUR PATH TO A STRONG, FIRST CONTRACT!** 

PREPARE FOR BARGAINING

CPPW surveyed members to establish contract priorities. Both sides built bargaining teams and met to determine ground rules. We fought for open bargaining and won – you can attend any session!

DIRECT BARGAINING

Parties meet to review proposals with a legal obligation to bargain for at least 150 days in attempt to reach an agreement. We've passed the 150 days.

WE ARE HERE

**MEDIATION** 

If the parties do not reach agreement after 150 days, either party can initiate the mediation process. Mediation lasts a minimum of 15 days.

**IMPASSE** 

If an agreement isn't reached during mediation, either party can declare an impasse. Within 7 days of impasse, both parties must submit their final contract offers to the mediator.

COOLING OFF PERIOD

A 30-day cooling off period follows the publication of the final offers. During this time, the parties may continue to resolve disputes.

CPPW CAN **STRIKE** 

If no agreement is reached to this point, the City can implement its final proposal without union approval. And, CPPW can strike to demand a better contract than the City's final offer.

- Tentative Agreement can be reached at any time. Then, City Council and CPPW card-signed members will vote to ratify or reject the contract.
- A **Strike Authorization Vote** can happen at any time. CPPW card-signed members vote to authorize a strike. This puts the City on notice that we are ready and willing to walk! And, this gives the Bargaining Team and the Executive Team the right to call a strike if needed within the legal timelines.