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The City Council
Niagara Falls, New York

RE: Agreement with State Parks and a not-for-profit entity for the creation and operation of a dog park in Deveaux Woods State Park

Council Members:

The Director of Community Development has been in discussions with representatives from State Parks and the Niagara Falls Dog Park, Inc. ("NFDP"), a not-for-profit corporation, concerning the establishment of a dog park open to the public in Deveaux Woods State Park and the operation of that dog park. The dog park will be constructed on real estate owned by State Parks in Deveaux Woods State Park and will be open to the public. The City will contribute the required fencing and various other dog park amenities to this project. During its meeting on April 17, 2017, the City Council voted to approve the purchase of items necessary for the dog park in the amount of \$17,042.25. These were dollars provided by CDBG grant funds. The day to day operation of the park will be overseen by NFDP while State Parks will take care of mowing the grass as well as minor repairs to the latches or gates on the fence.

Attached hereto is a copy of the draft agreement which details the responsibilities of the various parties.

Will the Council so approve and authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement provided the same is in form and content satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel?

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL A. DYSTER
Mayor

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