

AMENDED

RESOLUTION No. 2016-

**RELATIVE TO AMOUNTS TO BE CHARGED FOR DUPLICATE TAX BILLS
AND DUPLICATE WATER AND SEWER BILLS**

BY: Council Member Kristen Grandinetti

WHEREAS, the City's Billing and Collection Office causes City, County and School tax bills to be sent to each taxpayer in the City, and the Niagara Falls Water Board ("NFWB") causes water and sewer bills to be sent to each taxpayer in the City; and

WHEREAS, taxpayers regularly come to the Billing and Collection Office to pay tax bills and water and sewer bills, but some are not in possession of the actual bill that the Billing and Collection Office or the NFWB sent to them to pay; and

WHEREAS, when taxpayers come to the Billing and Collection Office to pay a tax bill or water and sewer bill and are not in possession of the actual bill, it is necessary for personnel in the Billing and Collection Office to make duplicate tax bills and duplicate water and sewer bills, as the case may be, so those taxpayers can pay their tax bills and water and sewer bills; and

WHEREAS, it requires staff time and paper in order for staff in the Billing and Collection Office to generate duplicate bills, which has proven to be a time-consuming and costly task.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Niagara Falls, New York that effective July 1, 2016, the City Council does hereby impose a charge of \$2.00 for each duplicate tax bill and/or duplicate water and sewer bill that must be generated by the Billing and Collection Office staff in order to process those tax and water and sewer bill payments, with the exception of a single duplicate copy of a tax bill and/or a water and sewer bill requested by and provided to an owner occupant of a particular property which shall be provided to that owner occupant free of charge.

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