

NIAGARA FALLS CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 19, 2014

COUNCIL CHAMBERS COUNCIL CHAMBERS 5:03-6:00 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LITIGATION FROM 6:00-6:14 PM

ROLL CALL - COUNCIL MEMBERS

ANDERSON X CHOOLOKIAN X GRANDINETTI X TOUMA X WALKER X

Approval of Minutes from the Council Meetings of January 21 and
February 3, 2014

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

PRESENTATIONS

Old Stone Chimney: Interpretation - Paul Gromosiak

Niagara Falls City Charter Overview - Tom O'Donnell

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

NONE

REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS

LEGISLATIVE MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS 6:20 PM

ROLL CALL - COUNCIL MEMBERS

ANDERSON X CHOOLOKIAN X GRANDINETTI X TOUMA X WALKER X

PRAYER - TOUMA

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC SPEAKERS (SEE NOTE ON LAST PAGE)

1. AGENDA ITEMS

Richard Soluri	Agenda Item #15
Tony Farina	Agenda Item #15
Jim Haid	Agenda Item #5
Ken Hamilton	Agenda Items #5, 16, 17

2. FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY

Paul Gromosiak	Lectures at NACC about Portage history; there are good people & good things in this Community
Rev. Kevin Dobbs	Issues in North end relating to Community Development Dept.
Amy Witryol	Covanta Project
Ken Hamilton	Streets renaming; Lewiston Road Project leftovers; ball diamonds & football field in North End; Covanta Project

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

FROM THE CITY CLERK

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| 1. Approval of Claims for the Month of January 2014 | R & F |
| 2. Approval of Clerk's Report for the Month of January 2014 | R & F |

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL ACTION

FROM THE MAYOR

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| 3. Approval of Award of Demolition Contract to Regional Environmental Demolitions, Inc. | VOTE |
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	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

4. Approval of funding for Hyde Park Playground Equipment Replacement

VOTE

		TO TABLE			
		yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson		X			
Council Member Choolokian		X			
Council Member Grandinetti			X		
Council Member Touma		X			
Council Chairman Walker		X			
Total:		4	1		

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5. Approval of Isaiah 61 Pre-demolition Salvage Agreement

VOTE

		yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson		X			
Council Member Choolokian		X			
Council Member Grandinetti		X			
Council Member Touma		X			
Council Chairman Walker		X			
Total:		5	0		

6. Approval of Sale of 452 Memorial Pkwy.

VOTE

		yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson		X			
Council Member Choolokian		X			
Council Member Grandinetti		X			
Council Member Touma		X			
Council Chairman Walker		X			
Total:		5	0		

7. Approval of Consultant Services Agreement for Phase IV Hyde Park Ice Facilities Renovation of Existing Locker Rooms, DiDonato Associates

VOTE

		yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson		X			
Council Member Choolokian		X			
Council Member Grandinetti		X			
Council Member Touma		X			
Council Chairman Walker		X			
Total:		5	0		

8. Approval of funding for equipment for Firing Range Training for NFPD VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

9. Approval of funding for Thermal Imaging Cameras for NFFD VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

10. Approval of funding for Computer Equipment/upgrades for NFPD VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

11. Approval of Appropriation of additional dollars to Gross PHC to address Systemic Problem involving frozen water lines in the 500 block of 72nd St. & the 400 block of 77th St. VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

Council Member Touma said that if it is determined the issue is the fault of the Water Board then the City should be reimbursed by the Water Board

12. Approval of Change Order #4 in the contract with Accadia Site Contracting, Inc. for Lewiston Road Reconstruction II

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

13. Approval of Appointment/Reappointment to Library Board

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

FROM THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

14. Approval to pay Medical Expenses of Kimberly Stanek in the amount of \$35.52

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

15. Approval of settlement in the matter of One Niagara LLC vs. Board of Assessment Review, et al.

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti		X		
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker		X		
Total:	3	2		

Council Member Choolokian said he will accept the recommendation of the Corporation Counsel & the City Assessor to approve the settlement.

Council Member Grandinetti said that a dangerous precedent is being set & the City should let the Courts tell us what to do.

Council Member Touma said the choice is to continue a long standing dispute or settle on a compromise & a compromise will provide a continuing revenue stream for the City.

RESOLUTIONS

16. Relative to addressing issues with City Charter

BY: Chairman Charles Walker

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
2014- Council Member Anderson	X			
16 Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

17. Relative to Home Rule request, reduction of speed limit in downtown Niagara Falls

BY: All Council Members

VOTE

	TO TABLE		yea	nay
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Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

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