

Monday – July 10, 2017 Council Meeting

**PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Adoption of The Niagara County NY Hazard Mitigation Plan

Thomas Colangelo, City of Niagara Falls Fire Dept., Fire Chief

Jonathan Schultz, Niagara County Director of Emergency Services & Fire Coordinator.

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**ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE:**

None

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# City of Niagara Falls, New York

P.O. Box 69, Niagara Falls, NY 14302-0069

**DATE:** July 3, 2017  
**TO:** Council Members  
**FROM:** Lisa A. Vitello, City Clerk

The following claims have been filed in the Office of the City Clerk during the month of June 2017. The claims were subsequently referred to the Office of the Corporation Counsel.

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## NOTICE OF CLAIM

Hunt, Carol L. 1514 Walnut Avenue	In reference to property issues.
Skubis, Joseph J. 280 Robert Drive Tonawanda, NY 14150	In reference to vehicle damage caused by a pothole.
Ligammare, James c/o Fanizzi & Barr, P.C.	In reference to personal injury.
Paone, Judith A. 425 72 <sup>nd</sup> Street	In reference to property issues.
Lewin, Neil 570 82 <sup>nd</sup> Street	In reference to vehicle damage caused by city plow truck.

## SUMMONS

Barksdale, Linda	Index No: E161779/2017
Austin, Jackylin 230 Porter Road	Index No.: E1616441/2017

*JUL 10 2017* Honeywell International, Inc. Civil Action No.: 1:16-CV00969



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**NOTICE REGARDING AVAILABILITY OF ELECTRONIC FILING**  
**SUPREME COURT CASES**

Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC

Index No: E161871/2017

**NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT OF ACTION SUBJECT TO MANDATORY ELECTRONIC**  
**FILING**

Toledo, Antonio  
484 19<sup>th</sup> Street

Index No.: E161851/2017

Yours truly,



Lisa A. Vitello

LAV/cs



**To:** Niagara Falls City Council  
**From:** Niagara Falls Community Development  
**Date:** July 3, 2017  
**Council Agenda Item:** Sale of 2017 Home Ownership Auction Houses

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The Niagara Falls Community Development Department (CD) hosted the 2017 Niagara Falls Community Development Home Ownership Auction on June 15, 2017. All five houses were successfully bid on, with corresponding purchase prices listed below. The Niagara Falls Planning Board unanimously recommended the sale of all five properties to the Niagara Falls City Council on June 28, 2017.

Auction	Address	Bid Price
Lot		
1	240 70th Street	\$ 5,700
2	410 S. 91st Street	\$ 7,100
3	515 25th Street	\$ 7,000
4	2238 Lasalle Avenue	\$ 14,400
5	3543 Ferry Avenue	\$ 18,600
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$52,800</b>

Average bid price: \$10,560 (\$2,190 increase from the 2016 average bid price).

The 2017 Home Ownership Auction follows the same key guidelines as the April 2016 Home Ownership Auction, as presented to the Niagara Falls City Council in 2016:

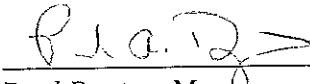
- Successful bidders must agree to own and live in the home as prime occupant for no less than five years and pay all applicable property taxes.
- Successful bidders must submit a renovation plan, designating work to be completed by the owner and/or contractors, as well as possess the financial ability to execute the renovation prior to completing the sale agreement with the City of Niagara Falls.
- If the above terms are not met after the purchase of the property, ownership will revert back to the City of Niagara Falls.
- Successful bidders were required to pay a bidder's fee and a bidder bond of \$500. The bidder bond is to only be returned upon the completion of the renovation. Successful bidders also paid 10 percent of the successful bid price to the auctioneer, Auctions International, financing the costs of the auction. The City of Niagara Falls' only auction costs were \$400 in advertising.

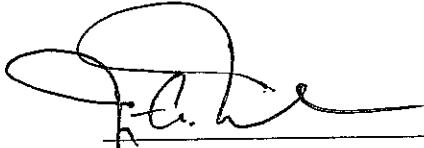
CD provided a copy of the auctioneer booklet and terms of sale to the Niagara Falls City Council with this agenda item memo. All Home Ownership Auction properties are required to receive sale recommendation from the Niagara Falls Planning Department and sale approval from the Niagara Falls City Council.

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CD Staff has already conducted the post auction meeting with all five successful bidders, all of whom paid the bidder bond and auctioneer fee. In order to process sale closings during the construction season, and prior to the August City Council recess, CD requests Niagara Falls City Council approval of these properties as a group.

Will the Council vote to approve the sale of these properties and allow the Mayor to execute related the contractual agreements?

  
Paul Dyster, Mayor

  
Nick Nelson, City Administrator

  
Seth Piccirillo, Director  
Niagara Falls Community Development

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**To:** Niagara Falls City Council  
**From:** Niagara Falls Community Development  
**Date:** July 3, 2017  
**Council Agenda Item:** Sale of 2017 RFP Properties (631 Chilton Avenue, 424 Memorial Parkway 445 Sixth Street)

City Council recess, CD requests Niagara Falls City Council approval of these properties as a group.

On April 9, 2017, the Niagara Falls Community Development Department (CD) advertised a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the purchase and renovation of the following vacant and tax foreclosed properties, with proposals due back to CD on May 26, 2017.

- 631 Chilton Avenue
- 424 Memorial Parkway
- 445 Fourth Street
- 519 Fourth Street
- 473 Fifth Street
- 445 Sixth Street
- 456 Sixth Street

The RFPs were advertised in the Niagara Gazette legal section for three consecutive weeks, on [www.nfcd.org](http://www.nfcd.org) and featured Niagara Gazette and Buffalo Rising news articles. CD received two proposals for 631 Chilton Avenue, two proposals for 424 Memorial Parkway and one proposal for 445 Sixth Street. Proposals were reviewed by CD based on the following guidelines, as stated in the RFPs for all of the properties:

- The highest and best use of building. Preference will be given to proposals that emphasize prime occupancy and/or on-site property management.
- Total investment and proposed property enhancement.
- The ability of the ownership/management team to accomplish the proposed project based upon past development history, financial strength and demonstrated expertise in operations similar to the proposed development.
- Date of completion of renovation. Earlier completion will be favored. Provide information to document the ability to perform in conformity with your timetable. Renovation should commence no later than October 1, 2017.
- Price to be paid to the City. Proposals that provide the highest total investment, including purchase price will be favored.

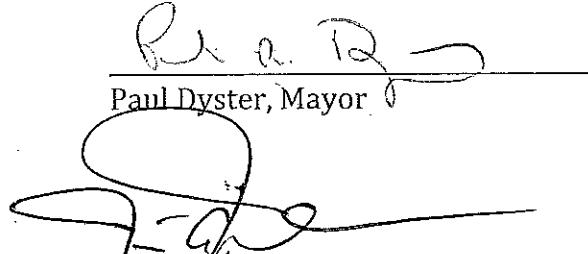
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Based on proposal review, and discussion at the June 28, 2017 Niagara Falls Planning Board meeting, CD requests that the Niagara Falls Planning Board recommend sale of the following properties to the selected proposals:

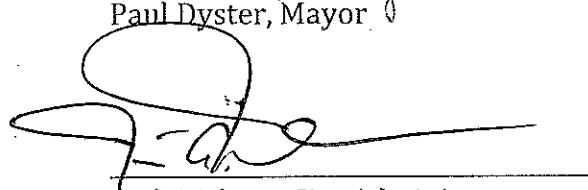
Address	Proposal	Bid Amount	Proposed Renovation Amount	Proposed Units
631 Chilton Avenue	Mile and a Half to Go, LLC	\$4,000	\$110,000	4
424 Memorial Parkway	Ryan P. Cali and Mathew B. Melcher	\$1,000	\$70,000	1 (Prime Occupant)
445 Sixth Street	Denise Mejia	\$2,000	\$50,000	1 (Prime Occupant)

The Niagara Falls Planning Board unanimously recommended the sale of 631 Chilton Avenue and 445 Sixth Street to the proposed bidders... There was in-depth conversation about the competing 424 Memorial Parkway proposals, and CD requested that the recommendation to tabled. After discussions with both bidders, CD is recommending Cali and Melcher based on the prioritization of home ownership versus property management.

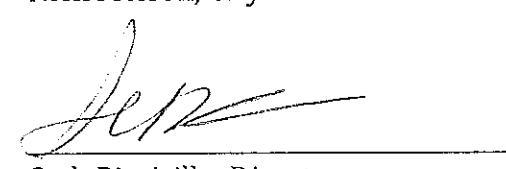
Will the Council vote to approve the sale of these properties and allow the Mayor to execute related the contractual agreements?



Paul Dyster, Mayor



Nick Melson, City Administrator



Seth Piccirillo, Director  
Niagara Falls Community Development

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**CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS  
NEW YORK**

June 26, 2017

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Mayor Paul A. Dyster

**SUBJECT:** Restroom Renovations at the Stone Comfort Building  
Hyde Park Ice Rink  
CHANGE ORDER #1 (Electric Contract)

A contract for the above referenced project was awarded to CIR Electrical Construction Corp., 400 Ingham Avenue, Buffalo, NY, on March 6, 2017 in an amount of \$74,600.00.

New York State building codes regulate fire protection required for the occupancy of this building to the extent that the existing Hyde Park Ice Rink system had to be updated to accommodate the new occupied spaces. The fire alarm system and minor scope changes bring the additional cost amount to \$12,340.00, increasing the contract total to \$86,940.00.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the undersigned that **Change Order #1** in the amount of \$12,340.00 be approved by City Council.

Sufficient funds presently exist through the NYS Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) Grant and Greenway Funds.

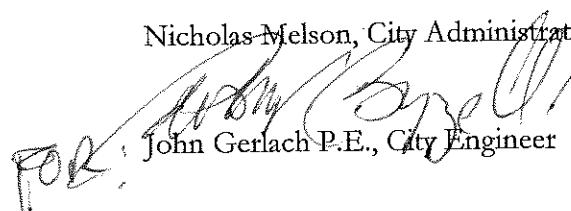
Will the Council vote to so approve?

Respectfully submitted,



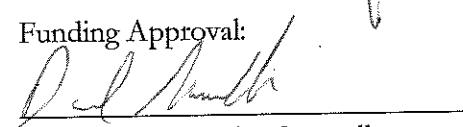
Mayor Paul A Dyster

Nicholas Nelson, City Administrator



John Gerlach P.E., City Engineer

Funding Approval:



Daniel Morello, City Controller

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**CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS  
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June 26, 2017

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Mayor Paul A. Dyster

**SUBJECT:** Restroom Renovations at the Stone Comfort Building  
Hyde Park Ice Rink  
CHANGE ORDER #1 (Mechanical Contract)

A contract for the above referenced project was awarded to DWC Mechanical Inc., 100 John Glenn Drive, Amherst, NY, on March 6, 2017 in an amount of \$26,200.00.

A clerical error left off the Alternate work for new Unit Heaters which would have been included in the original "letter of award". The contractor was willing to honor his original bid in the amount of \$13,100.00. These unit heaters replace 35 year old heaters that have become hazardous to operate (carbon monoxide fumes).

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the undersigned that Change Order #1 in the amount of \$13,100.00 be approved by City Council.

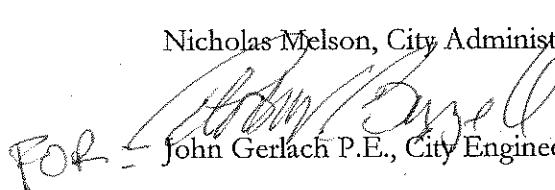
Sufficient funds presently exist through the NYS Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) Grant and Greenway Funds.

Will the council vote to so approve?

Respectfully submitted,

  
Mayor Paul A Dyster

Nicholas Melson, City Administrator

  
John Gerlach P.E., City Engineer

Funding Approval:

  
Daniel Morello, City Controller  
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P.O. Box 69, Niagara Falls, NY 14302-0069

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
Telephone: (716) 286-4310

July 5, 2017

The City Council  
Niagara Falls, New York

RE: *Contribution to Niagara Street Area Business & Professional Association  
17<sup>th</sup> Annual International Festival*

Council Members:

The Niagara Street Area Business and Professional Association will be holding its annual International Festival on July 19, 2017 at Gill Creek Park. The City is being asked to contribute the sum of \$2,500.00 toward the cost of this festival. Attached is a copy of a letter of request.

Funding is available through the Tourism fund balance.

Will the Council so approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a funding agreement satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel?

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL A. DYSTER  
Mayor

Funding is in place

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Daniel Morello  
City Controller

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*John*  
June 23, 2017

Mayor/ City Council  
745 Main Street  
Niagara Falls NY 14302

Dear Mayor/ City Council:

On behalf of the Niagara Street Business Association and its board of directors, I am requesting the N.F. City Council to provide the funding for our entertainment for the 17<sup>th</sup> annual International Festival to be held on July 19, 2017 at Gill Greek Park. The entertainment will consist of 2 bands to play at the gazebo on Wednesday July 19<sup>th</sup> as well as other family entertainment. The festival will again have a fire dept. smoke house, food venders and other entertainment. Our sole purpose is to celebrate ethnic nationalities of Niagara Falls with our festival. This year also we are partnering with Niagara University to add community information tents and weather permitting a classic car display.

Again, the total amount that we are requesting is \$2,500 to offset out expenses in running this community festival which benefits not only the Niagara Street area but the entire City of Niagara Falls.

Thank you for consideration.

Sincerely,  
*Ron*  
Ron Anderluh  
Revitalization Coordinator  
Niagara Street Business Association

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**CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS**  
**NEW YORK**  
**OFFICE OF THE CITY ASSESSOR**

DATE: July 10, 2017

TO: The City Council

FROM: James R. Bird  
City Assessor



SUBJ: INFORMATIONAL ITEM: *2017 General Assessment Roll*

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Listed below are the taxable totals of the General Assessment Roll for the City of Niagara Falls, New York, as now constituted and completed by the Board of Assessment Review for the year 2017 and was filed with the City Clerk on July 1, 2017.

Also, attached, please find the exemption summary for the 2017 roll.

**Total Taxable Assessed Value** **\$1,283,365,480**

Homestead \$875,117,853  
Non-Homestead 408,247,627

Total **\$1,283,365,480**

Attachment

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Exemption Code	Exemption Name	Exemption Count	Land Assessed Value	Total Assessed Value	County	City/Town	School	Village
12100	NYS	307	56,888,224	113,112,204	113,112,204	113,112,204	0	0
12350	NYS+P AUTH	8	6,063,700	190,372,500	190,372,500	190,372,500	0	0
13100	COUNTY LIM	11	762,500	5,632,200	5,632,200	5,632,200	0	0
13350	CITY	171	15,794,900	212,786,100	212,786,100	212,786,100	0	0
13380	CITY MKT	1	784,200	1,835,000	502,700	502,700	0	0
13510	CEMETERY-T	5	896,700	1,790,200	1,790,200	1,790,200	0	0
13800	C4 SCHOOL	28	1,866,800	73,939,432	73,939,432	73,939,432	0	0
14100	US	3	370,900	388,800	388,800	388,800	0	0
14110	US PROPERTY	2	265,700	2,483,000	2,483,000	2,483,000	0	0
14300	INDIAN RES	45	24,962,400	160,102,500	160,102,500	160,102,500	0	0
18020	MUNICI	87	6,868,460	137,114,152	137,114,152	137,114,152	0	0
18060	URA	7	831,900	869,200	869,200	869,200	0	0
18180	UDC	3	144,400	144,400	144,400	144,400	0	0
21600	RELIG RES	1	3,200	69,500	69,500	69,500	0	0
25110	RELIG CORP	216	3,991,050	32,890,500	32,890,500	32,890,500	0	0
25120	EDUC CORP	4	350,600	1,783,300	1,783,300	1,783,300	0	0
25130	NONPROFIT	32	1,020,500	5,839,400	5,839,400	5,839,400	0	0
25210	HOSPITAL P	4	96,000	28,259,200	28,259,200	28,259,200	0	0
25230	MENTL/MORA	15	342,800	2,811,000	2,811,000	2,811,000	0	0
25300	NONPROFIT	23	938,500	3,795,600	3,795,600	3,795,600	0	0
25600	HOSPITAL	3	42,400	2,838,000	2,838,000	2,838,000	0	0
26100	VETORG CTS	13	152,800	1,087,700	1,087,700	1,087,700	0	0
28100	STAFF HOUS	5	1,157,600	6,691,900	6,691,900	6,691,900	0	0
28110	AGED HOUS	6	51,900	3,352,900	3,352,900	3,352,900	0	0
28120	HOU DEV PR	39	276,800	6,844,500	6,844,500	6,844,500	0	0
28220	CDA	42	107,000	1,002,700	1,002,700	1,002,700	0	0
28520	NURSING H	1	383,300	3,894,400	3,894,400	3,894,400	0	0
33401	FORCLOSURE	230	1,234,000	3,846,600	3,846,600	3,846,600	0	0
38260	HOU DV PUB	30	1,382,000	21,221,100	21,221,100	21,221,100	0	0
41101	VETS-FF-CT	30	170,600	1,392,100	57,050	57,050	0	0
41111	VETS-PR-CT	154	795,900	10,416,200	3,640,300	3,640,300	0	0
41122	VET WAR C	928	4,889,294	60,363,400	8,790,015	0	0	0
41123	VET WAR T	928	4,889,294	60,363,400	0	7,989,039	0	0
41132	VET COM C	777	3,960,304	50,172,900	12,191,550	0	0	0
41133	VET COM T	776	3,956,004	50,097,900	0	11,064,705	0	0
41142	VET DIS C	221	1,260,100	14,429,500	4,410,500	0	0	0
41143	VET DIST	221	1,260,100	14,429,500	0	4,151,355	0	0

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Exemption Code		Exemption Name	Exemption Count	Land Assessed Value	Total Assessed Value	County	City/Town	School	Village
152	CW_10_VET/C		98	418,700	5,983,960	324,050	0	0	0
172	CW_DISBLD_VET/C		20	92,200	1,196,200	248,980	0	0	0
400	CLERGY		8	48,700	591,700	12,000	12,000	0	0
800	AGED C/T/S		149	560,804	7,177,100	3,453,680	3,454,317	3,586,863	0
801	AGED C/T		835	3,243,969	45,317,300	16,441,210	16,516,029	0	0
802	AGED C		2	6,100	125,600	62,800	0	0	0
804	AGED S		169	633,000	9,237,000	0	0	0	0
834	ENH STAR		3054	14,711,989	187,815,450	0	0	0	0
854	BAS STAR		6476	32,620,684	409,985,080	0	0	0	0
1903	DISABLED		3	15,300	238,400	0	23,745	0	0
1931	DISABILITY CT		126	433,930	6,024,900	2,780,040	2,783,440	0	0
421 f	Phys Imprvm CTS		97	696,600	7,706,300	789,943	789,943	0	0
4210	Multiple Units 421-j		1	3,000	92,000	0	4,500	0	0
4243	Res New Build 485-j		7	42,700	957,500	0	296,170	0	0
4323	RR CEILING		1	0	11,055,000	3,214,391	3,214,391	0	0
7200	Mix-use Properties outside NYC		5	53,100	1,256,300	678,500	678,500	0	0
7590	Mix-use Properties outside NYC		2	35,500	3,810,800	0	3,194,200	0	0
7596	Bus Im CTS		61	14,529,750	108,095,214	6,703,819	6,703,819	0	0
7610	Bus Im CT		1	1,384,800	10,397,400	1,351,890	1,351,890	0	0
7611	Bus Im C		1	23,300	3,733,700	37,425	0	0	0
7612	HOUSING DV		7	195,600	4,222,000	4,122,000	4,122,000	0	0
Total Exemptions Exclusive Of System Exemptions:		16,500	218,962,556	2,113,981,792	1,094,775,831	1,095,513,081	1,356,367,492	0	0
Total System Exemptions:		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals:		16,500	218,962,556	2,113,981,792	1,094,775,831	1,095,513,081	1,356,367,492	0	0



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**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission  
**DATE:** June 29, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** AGENDA ITEM:

At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on June 26, 2017 the Commission recommended APPROVAL of the following item:

## **INSTALL OVERNIGHT PARKING ON THE NORTH (RESIDENTIAL) SIDE OF RIVERSIDE DRIVE BETWEEN BUFFALO AVENUE AND HOLLY PLACE**

A Petition from the residents of this block was received with 100% of signatures.

Submitted By: Lynn Ligammarri, 606 Riverside Drive and Petition/Residents of Block

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen Urbaniak".  
Stephen Urbaniak, Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission

jlw  
cc: City Administrator  
Director of Public Works  
Traffic Planner

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# CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS

**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission  
**DATE:** June 29, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** AGENDA ITEM:

At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on June 26, 2017 the Commission recommended APPROVAL of the following item:

## **INSTALL ALTERNATE OVERNIGHT PARKING ON CENTRE AVENUE BETWEEN BLONEVA BOND STREET (9<sup>TH</sup> STREET) AND 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET**

A Petition from the residents of this block was received with 100% of signatures.

Submitted By: Kathleen Conolly, 901 Centre Avenue and Petition/Residents of Block

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

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*Stephen Urbaniak*  
Stephen Urbaniak, Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission

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cc: City Administrator  
Director of Public Works  
Traffic Planner

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# CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS

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**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission  
**DATE:** June 29, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** AGENDA ITEM:

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At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on June 26, 2017 the Commission recommended APPROVAL of the following item:

**INSTALL A "NO STANDING ANYTIME" RESTRICTION ON BOTH  
SIDES OF DRIVEWAY (15' SOUTH OF DRIVEWAY AND 20'  
NORTH OF DRIVEWAY) AT 316 24<sup>TH</sup> STREET**

This restriction will prevent cars from blocking and parking right up to his driveway which limit his access and sight distance when backing (especially with no margins on this section of 24<sup>th</sup> Street)

Submitted By: David Bieksza, 316 24<sup>th</sup> Street

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

*Stephen Urbaniak*  
Stephen Urbaniak, Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission

jlm  
cc: City Administrator  
Director of Public Works  
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**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission  
**DATE:** June 29, 2017  
**SUBJECT:** AGENDA ITEM:

At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on June 26, 2017 the Commission recommended APPROVAL of the following item:

## **INSTALL OVERNIGHT PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF 29<sup>TH</sup> STREET FROM SENECA AVENUE, NORTH TO THE ALLEY**

A Petition from the residents of this block was received with 100% of signatures.

Submitted By: Amanda Scarcelli, 2902 Seneca Avenue, Dana DeFazio, 2906 Seneca Avenue and Petition/Residents of Block

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

*Stephen Urbaniak*  
Stephen Urbaniak, Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission

jlm  
cc: City Administrator  
Director of Public Works  
Traffic Planner

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**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission

**DATE:** June 29, 2017

**SUBJECT:** AGENDA ITEM:

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At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on June 26, 2017 the Commission recommended APPROVAL of the following item:

## INSTALL A 5' HANDICAPPED ACCESS SPACE IN FRONT OF 2209 WELCH AVENUE

**[Physician verification of wheelchair dependency and/or severe restriction of movement, has been received]**

Submitted By: Sandra Charles, 2209 Welch Avenue, Apt. 1

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

*Stephen Urbaniak*  
Stephen Urbaniak, Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission

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cc: City Administrator  
Director of Public Works  
Traffic Planner

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At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on June 26, 2017 the Commission recommended APPROVAL of the following item:

## INSTALL A 5' HANDICAPPED ACCESS SPACE IN FRONT OF 2939 GRAND AVENUE

[Physician verification of wheelchair dependency and/or severe restriction of movement, has been received]

Submitted By: Edward Brierley, 2939 Grand Avenue, Upper

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

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Stephen Urbaniak, Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission

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cc: City Administrator  
Director of Public Works  
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## INSTALL A 5' HANDICAPPED ACCESS SPACE IN FRONT OF 610 23<sup>rd</sup> STREET

**[Physician verification of wheelchair dependency and/or severe restriction of movement, has been received]**

Submitted By: Lawrence Cirrito, 610 23<sup>rd</sup> Street

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

*Stephen Urbaniak*  
Stephen Urbaniak, Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission

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cc: City Administrator  
Director of Public Works  
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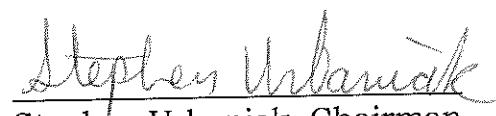
At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on June 26, 2017 the Commission recommended APPROVAL of the following item:

## INSTALL A 5' HANDICAPPED ACCESS SPACE IN FRONT OF 2956 MICHIGAN AVENUE

**[Physician verification of wheelchair dependency and/or severe restriction of movement, has been received]**

Submitted By: Sharon Desso, on behalf of her son, David, 2956 Michigan Avenue

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

  
Stephen Urbaniak, Chairman  
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cc: City Administrator  
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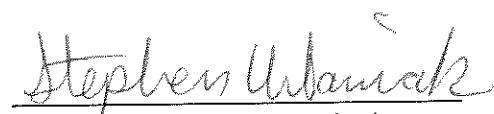
At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on June 26, 2017 the Commission recommended APPROVAL of the following item:

## INSTALL A 5' HANDICAPPED ACCESS SPACE IN FRONT OF 1864 NIAGARA AVENUE

[Physician verification of wheelchair dependency and/or severe restriction of movement, has been received]

Submitted By: Belinda Vanderberg, 1864 Niagara Avenue

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

  
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Stephen Urbaniak, Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission

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cc: City Administrator  
Director of Public Works  
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At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on June 26, 2017 the Commission recommended APPROVAL of the following item:

## INSTALL A 5' HANDICAPPED ACCESS SPACE IN FRONT OF 427 18<sup>th</sup> STREET

[Physician verification of wheelchair dependency and/or severe restriction of movement, has been received]

Submitted By: Robert Andrzejewski, 427 18th Street

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

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Stephen Urbaniak, Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission

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cc: City Administrator  
Director of Public Works  
Traffic Planner

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At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on June 26, 2017, the Commission:

**DENIED:**

- 1) Request submitted by Mark Laurrie, Superintendent of Schools & Rocco Merino, Principal, Niagara Street Elementary School, School District of the City of Niagara Falls, NY to **INSTALL A PEDESTRIAN ACTUATED TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF NIAGARA STREET AND 26th STREET.**

This area was studied using the Federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Device's (MUTCD) 9 warrants for the installation of a traffic signal. In particular, the most applicable warrants in this case: Pedestrian volume (warrant #4), School crossing (warrant #5) and Crash experience (warrant #7) all fell far short of the requirements. In addition, this crossing (and the other crossings at this school) are currently signed beyond MUTCD standards, and flashing "School Speed Limit 20 MPH" beacons exist in advance in both directions. Based on this location falling far short of the MUTCD criteria, and the safety measures already in place, the Commission denied this request. However, as part of regular maintenance, crosswalks will be re-striped with reflective pavement tape for additional visibility and the NFPD Traffic Division will continue to monitor this area for speeders once school is back in session.

*Stephen Urbaniak*  
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Stephen Urbaniak, Chairman  
Traffic Advisory Commission

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cc: City Administrator  
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RESOLUTION No. 2017-

**AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION, AND FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL-AID AND STATE "MARCHISELLI" PROGRAM-AID ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE FOR PIN 5761.44 ROUTE 384 OVER CAYUGA CREEK BRIDGE REPAIRS**

BY:

Council Chairman Charles Walker  
Council Member Kristen Grandinetti  
Council Member Ezra Scott  
Council Member Kenneth M. Tompkins  
Council Member Andrew Touma

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**WHEREAS**, a Project for the Route 384 over Cayuga Creek Bridge Repairs P.I.N. 5761.44 (the Project) is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs such program to be borne at the ratio of 80% Federal funds and 20% non-federal funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Niagara Falls desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the non-federal share of the costs of the Project's Construction/Construction Inspection phase of Route 384 over Cayuga Creek Bridge Repairs PIN 5761.44.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Niagara Falls, New York, duly convened does hereby

**RESOLVED**, that the City Council hereby approves the above-subject project; and it is hereby further

**RESOLVED**, that the City Council hereby authorizes the City of Niagara Falls to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of work for the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that the sum of \$42,000.00 is hereby appropriated from bond funds and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phase of the Project; and it is further

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**RESOLVED**, that in the event the full federal and non-federal share costs of the project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the City Council of Niagara Falls shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the New York State Department of Transportation thereof, and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that the Mayor of the City of Niagara Falls be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or Marchiselli Aid on behalf of the City of Niagara Falls with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality's first instance funding of project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible, and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project, and it is further

**RESOLVED**, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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RESOLUTION No. 2017-

***DRIVER'S LICENSE SCOFFLAW REFORM INITIATIVE***

BY:

Council Chairman Charles Walker  
Council Member Ezra P. Scott, Jr.  
Council Member Kenny Tompkins  
Council Member Andrew Touma

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**WHEREAS**, a valid driver's license can be an important tool for an unemployed or underemployed individual to have when applying for gainful employment in the workforce; and

**WHEREAS**, some employers even require an unemployed or underemployed individual seeking gainful employment to have a valid driver's license as a precondition for employment either because driving is a part of the job or as a way to screen applicants for gainful employment, particularly in the construction industry and health care industry; and

**WHEREAS**, State legislation has authorized driver's license suspensions for non-driving offenses, including failure to pay child support and failure to pay parking fines; and

**WHEREAS**, many unemployed and underemployed individuals are not successful in seeking gainful employment because their driver's license has been suspended for non-driving offenses and those individuals lack the financial resources to pay the dollars required in order to obtain a restoration of driving privileges; and

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**WHEREAS**, this City Council believes that its State Officials and Representatives should begin investigating and possibly create programs that would allow unemployed and underemployed individuals whose driving privileges have been suspended for non-driving offenses who lack the financial resources to pay the dollars required in order to obtain a restoration of driving privileges to in fact obtain a restoration of those driving privileges despite having no financial resources to do so; and

**WHEREAS**, this City Council believes that in order for unemployed or underemployed individuals to participate in any such program, there must be a documented demonstration of financial need as well as proof of low or no income.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, this City Council requests that State Officials and Representatives begin to investigate and possibly create programs which can be offered and made available to qualified individuals to participate in in order to obtain a restoration of driving privileges because their driving privileges have been suspended for non-driving offenses so as to facilitate the entry or re-entry, as the case may be, of those individuals into the workforce.

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RESOLUTION No. 2017-

**RELATIVE TO ADOPTION OF NIAGARA COUNTY NY HAZARD  
MITIGATION PLAN**

BY:

Council Chairman Charles Walker  
Council Member Kristen Grandinetti  
Council Member Ezra P. Scott, Jr.  
Council Member Kenny Tompkins  
Council Member Andrew Touma

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Niagara Falls, NY with the assistance from Witt O'Brien's, has gathered information and participated in the preparation of the Niagara County NY Hazard Mitigation Plan (the "Plan"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Niagara Falls, NY is a local unit of government that has afforded the citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input in the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan is available for review by the public in the office of the City Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Niagara Falls, NY City Council has reviewed the Plan and affirms that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Niagara Falls, NY adopts the Niagara County NY Hazard Mitigation Plan as this jurisdiction's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan.

**ADOPTED** this 10th day of July, 2017 at the meeting of the City Council.

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RELATIVE TO

**EXPANSION OF CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS'  
CANCER SCREENING POLICY**

**BY:**

Council Member Charles Walker  
Council Member Kristen Grandinetti  
Council Member Ezra P Scott, Jr.  
Council Chairman Andrew Touma

**Council Member Kenny Tompkins**

**WHEREAS**, according to the Niagara County Department of Health's 2014-17 "Community Health Assessment", Cancer is the second leading cause of death in Niagara County; and

**WHEREAS**, colorectal cancer (cancer of the colon and rectum) accounts for 13% of cancer cases and 10.8% of cancer deaths in Niagara County; and

**WHEREAS**, cervical cancer is the fourth most common cancer in Niagara County and has the fourth highest mortality rate among cancers in women worldwide, yet is the most preventable with routine screenings and follow-up; and

**WHEREAS**, in compliance with the New York State Civil Service Law, the City of Niagara Falls currently provides employees with excused leaves of up to a maximum of four (4) hours annually for breast cancer screening and a maximum of four (4) hours leave annually for prostate cancer screening; and

**WHEREAS**, the elevated rate of incidences of colorectal and cervical cancer in Niagara County demonstrates a need for expanded coverage; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that the City is aware that early detection through screening tests has proven to increase treatment options and save lives; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Niagara Falls hereby authorizes the expansion of the City's current cancer screening policy\* to include colorectal and cervical cancer screenings and providing an additional hour of leave to all of its employees for colonoscopies, believing that these measures will further reduce the onset of this disease and produce a healthier workforce.

*\*This expansion of excused leave does not alter any existing negotiated benefits and have the same rules as applied to the current leave.*

- *Screenings must be scheduled during the employee's regular work hours. Employees who undergo screenings outside their regular work schedules do so on their own time.*
- *Employees are required to provide satisfactory medical documentation that the absence was for purposes of colorectal or cervical cancer screening which may include a physical exams and procedures, blood work, and colonoscopy. Failure to provide appropriate documentation will result in a charge to accrued leave.*
- *Travel time is included in this 4/5 hour cap. Absence beyond the cap must be charged to leave credits.*
- *This leave is not cumulative, and expires at the close of business on the last day of each calendar year.*

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RESOLUTION No. 2017

RELATIVE TO

**RENTAL FEE WAIVER OF HYDE PARK OASIS FOR LASALLE  
EDUCATIONAL CLUB'S CELEBRATION PICNIC FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND  
COLLEGE PARTICIPANTS**

BY:

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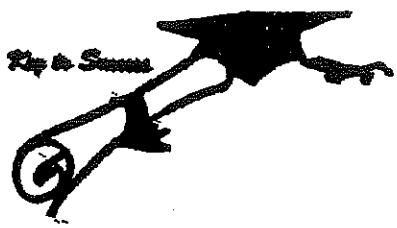
**WHEREAS**, the LaSalle Educational Club celebrated its 48th Annual Scholarship & Awards Program on June 9, 2017 followed by a celebration picnic at Hyde Park Oasis for all children on the program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Niagara Falls, New York that this City Council does hereby waive fees for the rental of Hyde Park Oasis for the LaSalle Educational Club's celebration picnic that took place on June 9, 2017.

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CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilman Walker and member of Niagara Falls City Council:

This letter is to thank you and city council members for your kindness in waving the fee for the use of the Oasis located in Hyde Park.

The LaSalle Educational Club celebrated on Friday, June 9, 48 years sponsoring college scholarships to deserving high school graduates. As part of the program, young students shared their talents from the role of mistress of ceremony to introducing the keynote speaker also performing the battle hymn of the republic.

The club gave a picnic for those children who were on program, so thank you councilmembers for stepping up and contributing to the celebration.

Sincerely  
LEXIE M. SANDERS/ PRESIDENT