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The City Council
Niagara Falls, New York

RE: Refuse Tote Verification Audit

Council Members:

Prior to the implementation of the sanitation user fee, it will be necessary to obtain an accurate accounting of all refuse totes citywide. Accordingly, a verification audit of all refuse totes utilized at each commercial/residential property is required.

It is hereby proposed that Cascade Engineering (“Cascade”) undertake this project and perform the required auditing services. Cascade will have multiple crews deployed throughout the City scanning refuse totes left curbside or in alley ways as part of the regular trash collection schedule (Cascade’s crews will not enter a resident’s property to scan a tote). It is anticipated that Cascade will complete the necessary work in a one to two week time frame.

Cascade will carry out this project at a cost of \$1.90 per refuse tote scanned; based upon the number of totes that have been issued to residents, it is estimated that Cascade’s fee will be no more than \$45,115.50. Funding for this project is available from budget code A.8160.0000.0449.003.

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

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. RESTAINO
Mayor

Funding is in place

Daniel Morello
City Controller

Kennedy _____ Spanbauer _____ Tompkins _____ Touma _____ Voccio _____

