

**City of Niagara Falls
New York**

TO: Niagara Falls City Council Members

FROM: Mayor Paul A. Dyster

DATE: September 25, 2019

***RE: Pilot Program Between the School District and Bus Patrol America LLC.
("Bus Patrol")***

The Superintendent of Schools in the City of Niagara Falls advises that he is going to present to the School District Board of Education a Pilot Program with Bus Patrol which will allow Bus Patrol to outfit two (2) school buses utilized by the District with cameras on school bus stop arms together with support equipment. This Pilot Program will be for a period of thirty (30) days commencing October 1, 2019 and will collect data so as to allow the School District and Bus Patrol the opportunity to evaluate the propensity of motor vehicles illegally passing a school bus stopped with its stop arm extended and lights flashing. This is intended to be a school bus safety program to reduce the incidents of possible injuries caused specifically to children by motor vehicles illegally passing a stopped school bus.

Depending upon the results of the Pilot Program, the City at some future time, may be asked to participate in an expanded program in a multi-party agreement with the School District.

This is informational only at this point in time but because the Pilot Program may be launched by the School District on or about October 1, 2019, I wanted Council Members and the public to be aware of this.

CHJ/lmr