

**THE HONORABLE BODY
Council Chambers
Municipal Building
North Tonawanda, New York 14120
Tuesday, December 20, 2011
6:30P.M.**

REGULAR SESSION CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT SCHWANDT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

**Present: President Schwandt
Alderman Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka**

Absent: None

**Also Present: Mayor Robert G. Ortt
City Attorney Shawn P. Nickerson**

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION DECEMBER 6, 2011

**MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Andres
That the minutes of the regular session held December 6, 2011 be approved as circulated and
filed in the Office of the City Clerk-Treasurer.
CARRIED.**

PROOF OF PUBLICATION PUBLISHED OCTOBER 29, 2011 & NOVEMBER 5, 2011

1) Legal Notice – Discontinuance of Alleyway between 9th and 10th Avenues – Mayor

PROOF OF PUBLICATION PUBLISHED NOVEMBER 18, 2011

1) Bid – One 2011 or Newer Articulated Wheel Loader – Public Works

**MOVED by Alderman Pasiak SECONDED by Alderman Donovan
That the Common Council hereby receives and files the aforementioned Proofs of
Publication.
CARRIED.**

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION - None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

I.1 Mayor

December 20, 2011

**North Tonawanda Common Council
City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, New York 14120**

Re: Local Law No.1 for the year 2011. Amending the City Charter, Division 2, Budget.

Dear Honorable Body:

12-20-2011

I thank you for your cooperation regarding this important project along our riverfront.

Faithfully yours,
Robert G. Ortt
Mayor

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka **SECONDED** by Alderman Pasiak
That the Common Council hereby awards the proposal for redevelopment at 1000 River Road to Specialty Restaurants Corporation (“SRC”) subject to review of the City Attorney.
Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

I.3 Mayor

December 15, 2011

City of North Tonawanda Common Council
City Hall
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Franchise Agreement for Redevelopment at 1000 River Road

Dear Honorable Body:

I respectfully request that your Honorable Body authorize me to enter into a Franchise Agreement with Specialty Restaurants Corporation, pending review and approval by the City Attorney’s office.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

Faithfully yours,
Robert G. Ortt
Mayor

MOVED by Alderman Donovan **SECONDED** by Alderman Pasiak
That the Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to enter into a Franchise Agreement with Specialty Restaurants Corporation, pending review and approval by the City Attorney’s office.
Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

II.1 Attorney

December 15, 2011

Honorable Mayor & Common Council
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Re: North Tonawanda Volunteer Firemen’s Benevolent Association

Dear Honorable Body:

The North Tonawanda Volunteer Firemen’s Benevolent Association is purchasing a building to use as an office to conduct their business. They also request that they be exempt from the payment of water charges, as are the volunteer fire companies. If you concur, please adopt the following amendment to §98-17 of the City Code:

5. §5.49(a). The employer will be allowed to use seasonal help for sanitation help for twelve (12) months of the calendar year provided that there will be no layoffs of any bargaining unit members over the length of the contract. The Employer's ability to retain seasonal help for sanitation will cease to exist if layoffs of any bargaining unit members occurs during the length of the contract. Such seasonal employees shall not be permitted to work any overtime or on any holidays unless all other bargaining unit members decline the overtime opportunity. The provisions of this paragraph shall terminate on December 31, 2015 unless negotiated into a successor agreement.

6. §6.32(b). Replace the first sentence with the following:

An employee requested to work out-of-title in a higher or lower classification in an overtime situation and who refuses said out-of-title assignment, will not be charged for refusing overtime. If the employee accepts the out-of-title work, those hours will be charged as overtime worked. (Add the remaining two sentences of the present language.)

7. §6.33. Add a new paragraph 4:

4). The sole exception to the foregoing is that overtime opportunities known in advance that occur on recognized holidays, per Article 8.11, will not be charged to an employee who refuses such opportunities.

8. §6.37. (Eliminate the second paragraph in the present agreement.)

9. §6.38(b). All compensatory time requires prior approval with at least four (4) hours prior notice and shall be in increments of no less than one-quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) hour. Employees shall be permitted to convert up to eighty (80) hour of accrued compensatory time to cash on the first pay period of the month provided they give five (5) days notice of said request to the Superintendent or his designee.

10. §6.41 When a vacancy occurs in an existing classification or a new position is created in an existing or new classification, the vacancy or new position shall be posted for at least three (3) working days before it is filled. The posting period herein shall be a minimum posting, unless the union spokesman otherwise consents to any lesser period of posting.

11. §6.42. Vacancies, new position, and out-of-title assignments shall be filled on the basis of seniority, skill, ability and experience to perform the duties of the classification. In the case of job classifications in the competitive class of the Civil Service, shall also be on the basis of the required examinations. When the foregoing qualifications of two or more employees are relatively equal, seniority will be considered when making the selection. In the event of a disagreement between the parties on such determinations, the matter shall be settled through the grievance procedure.

12. §7.11 & 7.21. The wages shall be increased as follows:

Beginning 1/1/2012 – 0%

Beginning 1/1/2013 – 0.5% and beginning 7/1/2013 – 0.5%

Beginning 1/1/2014 – 1% and beginning 7/2/2014 – 1%

Beginning 1/1/2015 – 1% and beginning 7/1/2015 – 1%

13. §7.21. The following will be the wage schedule on January 1, 2012 before applying wage increases:

Job

Group Min. Step 2 Step 3 Step 4 Step 5 Step 6 Step 7 Step 8

| | | | | | | | | |
|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| H-1 | 14.00 | 14.76 | 15.52 | 16.28 | 17.05 | 17.96 | 18.96 | 19.41 |
| H-2 | 14.48 | 15.24 | 16.00 | 16.76 | 17.52 | 18.56 | 19.62 | 19.96 |
| H-3 | 15.08 | 15.84 | 16.60 | 17.36 | 18.12 | 18.80 | 19.69 | 20.31 |
| H-4 | 15.61 | 16.37 | 17.13 | 17.89 | 18.65 | 19.59 | 20.55 | 21.23 |
| H-5 | 16.99 | 17.75 | 18.51 | 19.27 | 20.03 | 21.04 | 22.00 | 23.03 |
| H-6 | 17.49 | 18.25 | 19.00 | 19.77 | 20.53 | 21.54 | 22.70 | 23.70 |

Note: This schedule would apply to employees hired after 1/1/2012.

Step movements would occur every six (6) months, thereby taking forty-eight (48) months to reach top rate.

Employees hired before 1/1/2012 would remain at their regular step and progress according to the 2008-2011 wage scale.

14. §7.22. The respective "Job Groups" specified in paragraph 7.21 of this Agreement include only the classifications listed below opposite each such Job Group. In assignments of employees pursuant to Section 6.24(b) and Section 6.17 the requirements of

Section 6.42 shall be followed, provided that the relative order below shall be observed in such assignments should all other factors in Section 6.42 be equal among the employees.

Job Group

| | |
|-----|---|
| H-1 | Cleaner |
| H-2 | Sanitation Worker Laborer Laborer (A) |
| H-3 | Equipment Maintenance Helper Wastewater Maintenance Helper |
| H-4 | Building Maintenance Mechanic Motor Equipment Operator – Sanitation Motor Equipment Operator Watchperson |
| H-5 | Tire Repair Worker Tree Trimmer Helper Wastewater Maintenance Worker |
| H-6 | Heavy Equipment Operator Road Maintenance Mechanic Tree Trimmer A Heavy Equipment Mechanic Sewer Maintenance Supervisor |

*There will also be a \$0.40 per hour increase, effective 1/1/2012 to the rate of all salaried employees.

15. §7.25. Present or new employees in a classification listed below shall advance only to the indicated step of the Job Group for his classification:

| <u>Classification</u> | <u>Advance to Step</u> |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Laborer | Step 7 |
| Building Maintenance Mechanic | Step 7 |
| Tire Repair Worker | Step 7 |
| Tree Trimmer Helper | Step 7 |
| Wastewater Maintenance Worker | Step 7 |
| Heavy Equipment Operator | Step 7 |
| Road Maintenance Mechanic | Step 7 |

16. §9.35. After the vacation schedule has been posted, and employee's scheduled vacation period may be cancelled when the Superintendent of Public Works determines such a cancellation is required. Such cancellation can be made if the following conditions exist:

1. There are other bargaining unit members available who hold the same job classification, or employees who have worked up competently into the same job classification, which can perform the necessary work.

2. The cancellation takes into account the seniority of the employee whose vacation is cancelled, and less senior employees, in the same job classification, have had their vacation cancelled first.

3. A verifiable emergency condition exists requiring all employees in the same job classification, or employees who have worked up competently into the same job classification, to work due to the emergency.

In that event, the employee shall have the option of:

1. Selecting a new vacation pursuant to paragraph 9.34 of this Agreement, or
2. If such affected employee cannot reschedule his vacation within the yearly period, he may schedule and use his vacation credits within a ninety (90) day period as provided in Section 9.22.

17. §9.36. At least eight (8) employees will be allowed on vacation for any given week. In addition, at least two (2) employees can be off for a compensatory day, at least two (2) employees can be off for a single day vacation, and at least two (2) employees can be off for a personal day of on any given day. Approval of these days off will rest solely with the Public Works Superintendent.

18. §9.37. Employees will be allowed to use vacation in one-half (1/2) day increments on the eve of a scheduled contractual holiday. City agrees that these one-half (1/2) day vacation days may be used on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

19. §12.12(a). The Employer shall provide and pay for a level of medical insurance benefits equivalent to the Blue Cross/Blue Shield POS 201/201 Plus Plan with a \$0/\$20/\$40 three-tier prescription co-pay. The employer shall have the right to select an alternative insurer provided the alternate insurer provides equal to or better coverage. Said alternate insurer shall require Union approval for such change, and such approval will not be unreasonably withheld.

20. §12.15. This section would increase the dental fund from \$17,976.48 to \$18,500.00 per year.

21. §12.16 (b). Upon the retiree or his spouse reaching the Medicare eligibility age, the retiree or his spouse must enroll in the Senior Blue HMO 799 plan. The retiree or his spouse who has yet to reach the Medicare eligibility age shall continue to be covered under his prior plan until that party reaches the Medicare eligibility age, at which point said party must enroll in the Senior Blue HMO 799 plan. Said coverage under this section will be reduced by the following schedule until the retiree attains the age of seventy-five (75) years or age, or until the retired person secures other employment where the new employer assumes Senior Blue HMO 799 plan or equivalent coverage or where the retired member is covered by the spouse's insurance; however, in the event the spouse's insurance would expire or no longer be effective, then the Senior Blue HMO 799 coverage provided hereunder for a retired member can be reinstated by the retired member with the City paying their percentage of the premiums as set forth below.

(Omit paragraph (c) but include the table in that paragraph under this paragraph (b).)

21. §12.16 (e). (This is the catastrophic illness or injury provision for an occurrence within one year of retirement. We will work with the union on clarifying language.)

22. §12.17. The Employer shall provide coverage for a period of one (1) year for medical insurance coverage through Blue Cross/Blue Shield or the health maintenance organization, for the family (spouse and minor children) of any employee dying while in the employ of the City, for a period of one (1) year from the date of death of said employee.

23. §12.18. This section would increase optical insurance from \$8,509.00 to \$9,000.00 per year

24. §12.21. Insert the following after the first two paragraphs:
Effective January 1, 2013, longevity shall be paid to all employees on the basis of the following schedule:

| <u>Years of Service</u> | <u>Amount Paid</u> |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 7 years, but less than 10 years | \$350.00 |
| 10 years, but less than 15 years | \$500.00 |
| 15 years, but less than 20 years | \$650.00 |
| 20 years, but less than 25 years | \$800.00 |
| 25 years or more | \$950.00 |

III. Clerk-Treasurer

December 15, 2011

Honorable Common Council
 City Hall
 216 Payne Avenue
 North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Rezoning of 800 Niagara Falls Blvd.

Dear Honorable Body:

At the Common Council meeting Tuesday, November 1, 2011 the City Clerk-Treasurer was authorized to schedule a Public Hearing regarding a request to change the Zoning designation at St Jude the Apostle Parish, 800 Niagara Falls Blvd. from M1 to R1-2, which was referred to the Common Council by the North Tonawanda Planning Commission.

A Public Hearing regarding this matter was held on Tuesday, December 13, 2011. One individual spoke in favor of the request for variance, no one spoke in opposition to the request for variance. It would now be appropriate to take action on the rezoning.

Sincerely,
 Scott P. Kiedrowski
 City Clerk-Treasurer

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka **SECONDED** by Alderman Donovan
 That the Common Council hereby approves the rezoning of St. Jude the Apostle Parish, 800 Niagara Falls Blvd. from M1 to R1-2. A Public Hearing regarding this matter was held on Tuesday, December 13, 2011. One individual spoke in favor of the request for variance, no one spoke in opposition to the request for variance.
 Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt (5)
 Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

VII.1 Accountant

December 15, 2011

Honorable Robert G. Ortt, Mayor
 and Common Council
 City Hall
 North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

In accordance with Article V, Division 1, Section 5.002 and 5.003 of the City Charter, an Abstract Sheet, comprised of a Warrant of Claims, has been submitted by this office for your review and approval.

Accordingly, please authorize for payment the current Warrant of Claims for Common Council audit, dated December 20, 2011, and further authorize the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant.

Very truly yours,
 David R. Jakubaszek
 City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak

SECONDED by Alderman Andres

That the Common Council hereby authorizes for payment the current Abstract of Claims for Common Council Audit dated December 20, 2011 and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant:

| | | |
|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 01 | General Fund | \$260,505.86 |
| 02 | Water Fund | 13,865.68 |
| 04 | Sewer Fund | 34,763.25 |
| 06 | Capital Project Fund | <u>218,904.61</u> |
| | Final Total | <u>\$528,039.40</u> |

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

VII.2 Accountant

December 15, 2011

Honorable Robert G. Ortt, Mayor

and Common Council

City Hall

North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

To properly culminate the financial activities of the municipality for fiscal year 2011, I recommend that the Common Council authorize the City Accountant to make any necessary budgetary transfers, adjustments, subsidies or amendments for sanctioned expenditures, accrued liabilities, accounts payable and encumbrances, at December 31, 2011. It should be noted that Department Heads are still responsible and accountable for their financial actions.

Approval of this recommendation will insure that no appropriation accounts or operating funds are over-obligated at year-end, providing a favorable financial and management representation for the auditors, State Comptroller, investment analysts and bankers.

This action would be in compliance with the State of New York Uniform System of Accounts for Cities and Generally Accepted Accounting Principals (GAAP).

These actions will be reflected in the municipality's year-end appropriation ledgers, the audited 2011 Financial Statements and in our Annual Financial Update Document, which is sent to the New York State Comptrollers office.

And further, modify the upgrade for the General Repairman from Job Group XV to Job Group XVI, in compliance with the adopted 2012 Budget, effective January 1, 2012.

Very truly yours,

David R. Jakubaszek

City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Donovan

SECONDED by Alderman Andres

That the Common Council hereby authorizes the City Accountant to make any necessary budgetary transfers, adjustments, subsidy's or amendments for sanctioned expenditures, accrued liabilities, accounts payable and encumbrances, at December 31, 2011. And further, that the Common Council modifies the upgrade for the General Repairman from Job Group XV to Job Group XVI, in compliance with the adopted 2012 Budget, effective January 1, 2012.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

VII.3 Accountant

December 15, 2011

Honorable Robert G. Ortt, Mayor
and Common Council
City Hall
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

Please be advised that this office sent out a Request for Proposal (RFP) on November 16, 2011, to ten (10) qualified independent Certified Public Accountants for the professional service related to the annual audit for the City of North Tonawanda. The audit will include the Single Audit and preparation of the General Purpose Financial Statements that are sent to various government and financial agencies, to include the New York State Comptroller. The RFP used the criteria of experience, staffing and cost to evaluate the proposals:

| <u>C P A Firm</u> | <u>Total Cost Five Years</u> | <u>Rating Criteria</u> |
|------------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| Amato Fox & Company, PC | \$ 78,500.00 | 20 |
| Drescher & Malecki LLP | \$ 80,000.00 | 20 |
| Freed Maxick & Battaglia, PC | \$147,500.00 | 18 |
| Dopkins & Company, LLP | Called and declined to submit a proposal | |
| Ernst & Young, LLP | Letter declining to submit a proposal | |
| KPMG, LLP | Letter declining to submit a proposal | |
| Lumsden & McCormick, LLP | Declined to respond to RFP | |
| Thomas Batt, CPA | Declined to respond to RFP | |
| Morgan and Armenia, CPA | Declined to respond to RFP | |
| David J. Spara, CPA | Declined to respond to RFP | |

Based on my evaluation of the rating criteria and the five year cost, it is my recommendation that Amato Fox & Company, LLP, be awarded the five year engagement to audit the records of the City of North Tonawanda and prepare the Single Audit and General Purpose Financial Statements, in accordance with their proposals, at their low bid of \$78,500 over the five year period.

Very truly yours,
David R. Jakubaszek
City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak

SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka

That the Common Council hereby awards a five year agreement to Amato Fox & Company, LLP to audit the records of the City of North Tonawanda and prepare the Single Audit and General Purpose Financial Statements, in accordance with their proposals, at their low bid of \$78,500 over the five year period.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

VII.4 Accounting

December 15, 2011

Honorable Robert G. Ortt, Mayor
and Common Council
City Hall
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

Please be advised that Request for Proposals (RFP) were sent out, on September 21, 2011, to Third Party Administrators (TPA) for the cities self insured workers compensation plan. The RFP required bids be submitted for a three year period of engagement and on an annual contract fee basis, to insure pricing be transparent and inclusive. The four (4) bidders were as follows:

| <u>Firm</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Bid</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| First Niagara | Williamsville | 54,250.00 + |
| FCS Administrators | Buffalo | 85,200.00 |
| NCA Comp, Inc. | Buffalo | 124,170.00 |
| POMCO | Buffalo | 130,855.00 |

Our consultant, Self Funding Inc., has reviewed the proposals and determined that all four vendors are reputable and are located in the Western New York community. However, they have determined that First Niagara has not complied with the "annual contract fee basis" requirement contained in the Request for Proposal. I concur with their determination.

Accordingly, based on the recommendation of our consultant, please award the Workers Compensation Third Party Administrator Contract to the lowest responsible bidder, FCS, for a three year term, at a total cost of \$85,200, contingent on the approval of the City Attorney.

Very truly yours,
David R. Jakubaszek
City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak

SECONDED by Alderman Andres

That the Common Council hereby awards the Workers Compensation Third Party Administrator Contract to the lowest responsible bidder, FCS, for a three year term, at a total cost of \$85,200, contingent on the approval of the City Attorney.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

IX. Public Works

December 6, 2011

Honorable Mayor & Common Council
City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Bid Award

One 2011 or New Articulated Wheel Loader – Cab Model

Honorable Body:

On Friday, December 2, 2011 bids were received and publicly opened in the City Clerk's Office for a 2011 or Newer Articulated Wheel Loader – Cab Model for the Department of Public Works. My office has reviewed the bids submitted and tabulated them as follows:

| <u>BIDDER</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| George & Swede Sales | \$59,938.00 |
| Admar Supply Co. | \$52,759.95 |
| | \$55,711.50 w/air conditioned cab |

2. Committee member M. Gondek reported on truck routes in the City. Mr. Gondek, who drives truck for a living, was given a list of City truck routes at the September meeting. After driving and reviewing for a month Mr. Gondek sees no reason to change any routes. One recommendation from member Gondek is to be proactive and place signs stating “No Commercial Vehicles” on Wurlitzer Dr. from Nash to Fairmont. This will allow truck traffic on Wurlitzer from Fairmont to Erie and give delivery trucks a time to adjust prior to the opening of Walmart. Members of the Committee present are in full agreement with this recommendation.
3. The Committee received requests for “watch for children” signs from Kelly Labonte of 173 Jackson Ave. and a resident at the corner of 16th and Oliver. Both requests were discussed and the Committee recommends posing the signs on 16th and along Jackson.
4. Niagara County resident Steve Julius requests the addition of signs or “zebra stripes” to the shoulder of the road on Division in front of Monroe Muffler. Mr. Julius is concerned with vehicles using the shoulder to make a right turn onto Erie Ave. thus cutting inside vehicles making the turn from the lane. After a discussion the Committee recommends placing the “zebra stripes” on the shoulder in this area. The placement of these stripes is spring time job due to weather and equipment being put away.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph D. Sikora, Chairman

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka

SECONDED by Alderman Donovan

That the Common Council hereby directs the Department of Public Works to remove the “No Parking” signs located in front of 662 and 656 Barrally Street; to place “No Commercial Vehicles” signs on Wurlitzer Dr. from Nash to Fairmont; “watch for children” signs on 16th Avenue and along Jackson Street and the placement of “zebra stripes” on the shoulder of the road on Division in front of Monroe Muffler.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

XXV. Monthly Reports

.1 Senior Citizens

.3 Treasurer

.2 City Clerk

.4 Police

MOVED by Alderman Schwandt

SECONDED by Alderman Andres

That the Common Council hereby receives and files the aforementioned Monthly Reports.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHERS

A.

Alderman Andres

December 15, 2011

Honorable Common Council
City Hall
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Greenway Funding/Letter of Support/North Tonawanda History Museum

Dear Honorable Body:

I respectfully request that your Honorable Body support the application by the North Tonawanda History Museum for Niagara River Greenway funding for their Lumber City History Center project.

Sincerely,
Richard Andres
Alderman Ward 2

MOVED by Alderman Donovan **SECONDED** by Alderman Andres
That the Common Council hereby supports the application by the North Tonawanda History Museum for Niagara River Greenway funding for their Lumber City History Center project.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt (5)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

B.
Niagara Community Action Program, Inc.

December 5, 2011

Mr. Scott P. Kiedrowski
City of North Tonawanda
City Hall
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: 2012 Agreement between the City of North Tonawanda and Niagara Community Action Program, Inc.

Dear Mr. Kiedrowski:

Enclosed please find two original agreements in the amount of \$3,000 between the City of North Tonawanda and Niagara Community Action Program, Inc. for fiscal 2012 to provide assistance to town residents. Please sign, notarize, and return one original fully executed agreement for our files.

As always, we appreciate the opportunity to work with the City of North Tonawanda. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully,
Suzanne Shears
Executive Director

MOVED by Alderman Donovan **SECONDED** by Alderman Andres
That the Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign the agreement in the amount of \$3,000.00 between the City of North Tonawanda and Niagara Community Action Program, Inc. for fiscal 2012 to provide assistance to City of North Tonawanda residents.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt (5)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Ann Finkle, 896 Sun Valley Drive – Wanted to know if the weeds along Zimmerman Street could be cut back since all of the foliage is off now and the City can better see what needs to be trimmed so crossing deer can be seen more easily. State that she still feels that she has a right to attend both the Common Council Meetings and the School Board Meetings. Stated that she would like the Common Council to change their meeting frequency from 4 times to 2 times monthly.

