

Agenda Item #1

As a result of a personnel change, a vacancy exists in an Account Clerk position in the Billing & Collections division of the City Controller's office. The City Controller has recommended that the Account Clerk position be abolished and that a new Cashier position be created. The City Controller has advised that the duties contained in the Cashier job description are more appropriate for the duties required for the vacant position in that division. There will be no change in the rate of pay. The Civil Service Commission has approved this change.

Will the Council so approve?

Agenda Item #2

Attached is a proposed Agreement with the County of Niagara for the current In Rem which sets forth the terms for the distribution of proceeds from the sale of properties acquired in the In Rem.

Will the Council so approve and authorize the Mayor to execute same?

Agenda Item #3

At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on October 20, 2011 the Commission recommended **APPROVAL** of the following item:

INSTALL A 5' HANDICAPPED ACCESS SPACE IN FRONT OF 2250 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE

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

Submitted By: Anna Alberico, 2250 Independence Avenue

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

Agenda Item #4

At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on October 20, 2011 the Commission recommended **APPROVAL** of the following item:

**INSTALL A 5' HANDICAPPED ACCESS SPACE
IN FRONT OF 2251 FOREST AVENUE**

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

Submitted By: Anne Pino, 2251 Forest Avenue

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

Agenda Item #5

At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on October 20, 2011, the Commission:

DENIED:

Request submitted by Timothy McSweeney, 2250 LaSalle Avenue to **CHANGE THE EXISTING RESTRICTIONS OF ONE-SIDED OVERNIGHT PARKING WITH “NO PARKING WEDNESDAY 7AM – 1PM” ON THE SOUTH SIDE, AND “NO STANDING ANYTIME” ON THE NORTH SIDE, SO THAT PARKING IS ALLOWED ON THE STREET ON WEDNESDAYS AT THE 2200 BLOCK OF LASALLE AVENUE.** This request is in opposition to the City’s Ordinances and the current overnight parking system currently in place in the City. This roadway is only 24’ wide and cannot accommodate cars parking on both sides of the street at any time. In addition, removal of the “NO PARKING WEDNESDAY 7 AM – 1 PM” restriction would enable vehicles 24 hours/7 days a week on the south side and prevent the City crews from providing plowing, sweeping, etc. to this side of the street. Therefore the Commission denied this request.

Agenda Item #6

At the Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on October 20, 2011 the Commission recommended **APPROVAL** of the following item:

**INSTALL A 25' LOADING ZONE (8A.M.- 6P.M.) IN FRONT OF 2508
NIAGARA STREET**

Request was made to facilitate a place for clientele to have in and out service and delivery vehicles to load/unload in front of 2508 Niagara Street.

Submitted By: Catherine Rotella, Owner, Piccirillo's Florist, 2508 Niagara Street

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

Agenda Item #7

At a Traffic Advisory Commission meeting held on October 20, 2011 the Commission recommended **APPROVAL** of the following item:

INSTALL “NO STANDING HERE TO CORNER” RESTRICTION TO APPROXIMATELY 35’ NORTH OF THE STOP SIGN AT 29TH STREET, WEST SIDE, JUST NORTH OF MICHIGAN AVENUE (ALONGSIDE OF 2820 MICHIGAN AVENUE)

Request was made to keep the front sidewalk open for pickup/drop off of parishioners at Dominion Life Christian Center, 2820 Michigan Avenue.

Submitted By: Jeff Nowak, Church Maintenance, Dominion Life Christian Center,
2820 Michigan Avenue

It is requested that City Council approve this recommendation.

Agenda Item #8

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF QUAY STREET FROM RAINBOW BOULEVARD TO THE ALLEY

BY: Council Chairman Samuel Fruscione

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Niagara Falls desires to abandon a portion of Quay Street between Rainbow Boulevard and the alley running east-west between Rainbow Boulevard and Buffalo Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board of the City of Niagara Falls approved the abandonment of the aforementioned street part; and

WHEREAS, the City Council did by resolution give notice of its intention to abandon the aforementioned street part and direct the City Clerk to publish notice of such intention and that a public hearing would be held by the City Council at its meeting to be held in the Council Chambers on October 17, 2011 at 7 p.m. daylight savings time and advise that persons interested would be heard thereon at set time and place; and

WHEREAS, the hearing was duly held on October 17, 2011 at 7 p.m. daylight savings time in regards to said abandonment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the portion of Quay Street south of Rainbow Boulevard and north of the alley running east west between Rainbow Boulevard and Buffalo Avenue is hereby abandoned, the said abandoned street portion subject however to reservation of right of and for the City of Niagara Falls, the Niagara Falls Water Board and any utility companies, their successors and assigns, to use, maintain, repair, replace and continue, and to maintain their services and operation in said abandoned street. The said street portion is bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at the point of intersection of the South Line of Rainbow Boulevard with the East Line of Quay Street, thence westerly along the South Line of Rainbow Boulevard a distance of 50 feet to the point of intersection with the West Line of Quay Street, thence southerly along the West Line of Quay Street 176.86 feet to the point of intersection with the North Line of the alley running east-west between Rainbow Boulevard and Buffalo Avenue thence easterly along the North line of said alley extended east a distance of 50 feet to the intersection of the North alley line with the East line of Quay Street thence northerly along the East line of Quay Street to the point and place of beginning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that construction of any kind over the abandoned street portion is prohibited without the written permission of the City Engineer and on the express understanding that if any fence or other structure must be removed for access under the above easement, that it will be the owner's responsibility to reinstall it.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be filed in the office of the Clerk at the County of Niagara and that the Mayor may sign Deeds or other documents desirable to effectuate this abandonment.

Agenda Item #9

RELATIVE TO EXTENDING THE MORATORIUM
UPON CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR
PAWN BROKERS/SECOND-HAND DEALERS

BY: Council Chairman Samuel Fruscione

WHEREAS, at its November 1, 2010 meeting this Council imposed a 90-day Moratorium on the consideration of applications for pawn broker and second-hand dealer licenses; and

WHEREAS, this Moratorium was extended at the January 24, 2011 Council meeting and subsequently extended; and

WHEREAS, this Moratorium expires on October 31, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the review and amendment of the Ordinances is not yet completed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Niagara Falls, New York that: the Moratorium on the consideration of applications for pawn brokers and second-hand dealer licenses be extended to January 31, 2012.