

NIAGARA FALLS CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA FOR APRIL 18, 2016

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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5:04-6:05 P.M.

ROLL CALL - COUNCIL MEMBERS

GRANDINETTI X SCOTT X TOMPKINS X WALKER X TOUMA X

Approval of Minutes from the Council Meeting of April 4, 2016.

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Scott	X			
Council Member Tompkins	X			
Council Member Walker	X			
Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:	5	0		

PRESENTATIONS:

1. 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Beautify Niagara City-wide Cleanup - May 7<sup>th</sup>  
Thomas Lowe, ReNU Niagara, Director & Lana Perlaman, NBC Vice Chair
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2. City Council's Casino Spending Plan  
Council Chair & Council Members
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ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE:

NONE

REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS

LEGISLATIVE MEETING

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

6:25 PM

ROLL CALL - COUNCIL MEMBERS

GRANDINETTI X SCOTT X TOMPKINS X WALKER X TOUMA X

PRAYER - TOMPKINS

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

1. AGENDA ITEMS

Dan Davis	Agenda Item #14
Lewis Buttery	Agenda Item #14
Vince Anello	Agenda Item #15

2. FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY

Ron Anderluh	Comfort Station needed at Gill Creek Park; use of Casino funds; road conditions on 24 <sup>th</sup> St.; use of Hamister Hotel site for parking; Council Neighbor to Neighbor meetings are a good idea
Gerald Skrlin	Free speech issues; missing funds
Jennifer Garey	TNVR program
Mike Parsnick	Limits on use of Casino Funds
Roy McDowell	No waiver for City Engineer residency; Mayor should attend Council Meetings; use of digital signs to get information to citizens; DPW should do bulk pickup; NIMAC funding; City should get its fair share of Casino Funds; potholes on 17 <sup>th</sup> St.
Norma Higgs	City wide cleanup
Jamie Caldwell	Need greater attendance at Council Meetings; Spending of Casino Funds; cleanup City; fix roads; Hamister Hotel deadline
Vince Anello	Reduce cost of operating the City; bid out Health Care Plan; use Hamister Hotel site for parking
Diane Tattersall	Commended CD Homeownership Auction; commended Council Member Walker for making Code Enforcement a priority

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

FROM THE CITY CLERK

1. City Clerk's Claims for the Month of March 2016 R & F
2. City Clerk's Report for the Month of March 2016 R & F

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL ACTION

FROM THE MAYOR

3. Approval of Letter of Award for 2016 sidewalk replacements at various locations to Yarussi Construction Inc.

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Scott	X			
Council Member Tompkins	X			
Council Member Walker	X			
Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:	5	0		

4. Approval of Letter of Award for 2016 Drainage Structure Replacement And Repair Project (various locations) to Mark Cerrone Inc.

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Scott	X			
Council Member Tompkins	X			
Council Member Walker	X			
Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:	5	0		

Chairman Touma said some of this funding is coming from Casino Funds and in the future consider having the Water Board contribute to these types of costs.

5. Approval of Consultant Services Agreement for NYSDOT local Preventative Maintenance Bridge Program to CHA Consulting Inc.

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Scott	X			
Council Member Tompkins	X			
Council Member Walker	X			
Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:	5	0		

Chairman Touma said 100% of the construction costs are reimbursable to the City.

6. Approval of funding for Niagara Military Affairs Council

THIS ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.

THERE WAS NO ACTION TAKEN ON THIS ITEM

7. Approval of funding for Buffalo Avenue Phase II, repaving project,  
Pin #5757.16

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Scott	X			
Council Member Tompkins	X			
Council Member Walker	X			
Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:	5	0		

Chairman Touma said this Project is long overdue for the Buffalo Ave. Businesses located there, and the Project will be completed this year.

8. Approval of expenses incurred in repair, demolition or board of structures within the City by Dept. of Code Enforcement

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Scott	X			
Council Member Tompkins	X			
Council Member Walker	X			
Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:	5	0		

Chairman Touma said he would like the Council to be kept updated on reimbursements for these expenses.

9. Approval of Highland Business Park Service Contract

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Scott	X			
Council Member Tompkins	X			
Council Member Walker	X			
Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:	5	0		

10. Approval of Carpet & Furniture Replacement for Economic Development & Purchasing Office

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Scott	X			
Council Member Tompkins	X			
Council Member Walker	X			
Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:	5	0		

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

FROM THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

11. Approval to settle and pay claim of Raymond A. Bracero in the amount of \$275.00

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Scott	X			
Council Member Tompkins	X			
Council Member Walker	X			
Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:	5	0		

12. Approval to settle and pay claim of DaQuan Edmondson in the amount of \$1,175.50

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Scott	X			
Council Member Tompkins	X			
Council Member Walker	X			
Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:	5	0		

RESOLUTIONS

13. Relative to calling on the Water Board to comply with recommendations contained in an audit conducted by the State of New York Office of the State Controller  
BY: All Council Members

VOTE

		yea	nay	yea	nay
2016- 36	Council Member Grandinetti	X			
	Council Member Scott	X			
	Council Member Tompkins	X			
	Council Member Walker	X			
	Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:		5	0		

14. Relative to developing a Management Plan for the Cultural District  
BY: Council Members Scott, Tompkins, Walker & Chairman Touma

VOTE

		yea	nay	yea	nay
2016- 37	Council Member Grandinetti	X			
	Council Member Scott	X			
	Council Member Tompkins	X			
	Council Member Walker	X			
	Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:		5	0		

15. Relative to waiver of Parking Fees for High School Graduation & Graduation rehearsal  
BY: Council Members Grandinetti, Tompkins, Walker & Chairman Touma

VOTE

		yea	nay	yea	nay
2016- 38	Council Member Grandinetti	X			
	Council Member Scott	X			
	Council Member Tompkins	X			
	Council Member Walker	X			
	Council Chairman Touma	abstain			
Total:		4	0		

Chairman Touma said there is no cost to the School District for this use of the Conference Center and waiving the Parking Fees would also be a service to the taxpayers.

16. Resolution relative to funding for NY RT.384, Buffalo Avenue Project  
 BY: ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS

VOTE

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		ADD TO AGENDA		AMEND		APPROVE	
		yea	nay	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member	Grandinetti	X		X		X	
Council Member	Scott	X		X		X	
Council Member	Tompkins	X		X		X	
Council Member	Walker	X		X		X	
Council Chairman	Touma	X		X		X	
Total:		5	0	5	0	5	0

Amendment is to change RT. 387 to RT. 384

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

7:15 PM