

NIAGARA FALLS CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA FOR MAY 16, 2016

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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5:06-6:20 P.M.

ROLL CALL - COUNCIL MEMBERS

GRANDINETTI X SCOTT X TOMPKINS X WALKER X TOUMA X

Approval of Council Minutes from the Meeting of May 2, 2016

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		

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Downtown Landscaping
Johnny Destino, Purchasing Agent

2. 2016 Community Development Youth/Park Projects
Seth Piccirillo, Community Development Director

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE:

NONE

REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS

LEGISLATIVE MEETING

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

6:40 PM

ROLL CALL - COUNCIL MEMBERS

GRANDINETTI X SCOTT X TOMPKINS X WALKER X TOUMA X

PRAYER - TOUMA

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARING

Relative to the dedication of a new road running East from 1st Street North of Old Falls Street and running West from 3rd Street South of Niagara Street as public roadways as well as corresponding changes to the Official Map of the City.

SPEAKERS

NONE

16. Approval of dedication of public roadway areas and corresponding amendment of the City Official Map VOTE

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

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

1. AGENDA ITEMS

Ron Anderluh	Agenda Items #4, #6
Diane Tattersall	Agenda Items #6, #7, #10
Tim Huether	Agenda Items #12, #13
Robert Ventry	Agenda Items #3, #10
Jamie Caldwell	Agenda Item #10
Vince Anello	Agenda Items #3, #12, #13

2. FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY

Robert Ventry	City needs to spend more money on sidewalk & road repairs; City needs to advertise vacancies on various Boards
Merle Smouse	Stop illegal B & B's; conditions in Historical District; problems with paving equipment
Jamie Caldwell	Encourage citizens to vote at School Board Election; re-cycling/garbage issues & need more Bulk pickups; condition of area surrounding Train Station
Bill Carroll	Thanked Administration & all those helping with Memorial Day Parade
Vince Anello	Water Board issues; City should consider using Hamister Hotel site for parking

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

FROM THE CITY CLERK

1. City Clerk's Report for the month of April 2016

R & F

2. City Clerk's Claims for the month of April 2016

R & F

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL ACTION

FROM THE MAYOR

3. REMOVE FROM THE TABLE

Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the Police Captains and Lieutenants Association

VOTE

	REMOVE FROM TABLE		APPROVE	
	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Grandinetti	X		X	
Council Member Scott	X			X
Council Member Tompkins	X		X	
Council Member Walker	X			X
Council Chairman Touma	X		X	
Total:	5	0	3	2

Council Member Tompkins said he is not thrilled to approve this but if it goes to arbitration it will cost the taxpayers much more.

Council Member Walker said the City should have negotiated before it got to this point & this payout is not fair to the taxpayers.

Chairman Touma said the Consent Decree had a positive affect & that outweighs the expenditures involved.

4. Approval of certification of Base Percentages, Current Percentages and Current Base Proportions for Homestead & Non-Homestead Assessment Roll

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		

5. Approval of Consultant Services Agreement for replacement of Control and Power Systems for the Refrigeration Plant at Ice Rinks, DiDonato Associates

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 the funding is needed to start working on this now.

6. Approval of Letter of Award for construction of Skate Park to Pinto Construction Services, 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 the residents & youth of the City have been heard.

7. Approval of purchase of Hyde Park Playground equipment & purchase & installation of Safety Surfacing, Gametime Playground Equipment

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		

8. Approval to award Bid for Landscaping of Medians to Villani's Lawn & Landscape

VOTE

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

Amendment is to change Bid # from 2016-04 to 2016-18.

Chairman Touma said this work should have been done by now & he would have liked to have seen it done in March.

9. Approval to award Bid for Meals for Prisoners to PSNF d/b/a McDonald's

VOTE

	AMEND		APPROVE	
	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		

Council Member Grandinetti said she would rather see this Bid go to a local vendor & there have been issues with this Vendor.

Chairman Touma said the issues with this Vendor have been resolved & this was the low bidder.

10. Approval of funding for 2016 In-House Paving Program

VOTE

	AMEND		APPROVE	
	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 the City is spending less on this Program this year either due to less Casino money received.

11. Approval of N.F.C. Development Corp. Operating Budget

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

12. Relative to the reimbursement to the Town of Sommerset for expenses related to the Greater Niagara Orleans County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium Study

BY: Council Members Scott, Tompkins, Council Chairman Touma

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
2016- Council Member Grandinetti		X		
50 Council Member Scott	X			
Council Member Tompkins	X			
Council Member Walker	X			
Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:	4	1		

Council Members Tompkins, Walker & Chairman Touma said we need to look into what the savings will be.

13. Relative to participation in the Greater Niagara Orleans County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium Study

BY: Council Members Scott, Tompkins, Chairman Touma

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
2016- Council Member Grandinetti		X		
51 Council Member Scott	X			
Council Member Tompkins	X			
Council Member Walker	X			
Council Chairman Touma	X			
Total:	4	1		

14. Relative to recognition of First Deputy Corporation Counsel

Thomas M. O'Donnell

BY: All Council Members

VOTE

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

15. Relative to appointment to the Tourism Advisory Board

BY: All Council Members

VOTE

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

16. THIS ITEM WAS ADOPTED AT THE WORK SESSION

17. Approval of Letter of Award for playground installation at D'Amelio Park

VOTE

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

Chairman Touma said this is a new park for the children in the area.

18. Approval of sale of 3543 Ferry Ave. to Jack Chapek

VOTE

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

19. Resolution relative to welcoming the Rev. Dr. Silvester Beaman "HOME" at St. John AME Church

BY: All Council Members

VOTE

		ADD TO AGENDA		APPROVE	
		yea	nay	yea	nay
2016-	Council Member Grandinetti	X		X	
53	Council Member Scott	X		X	
	Council Member Tompkins	X		X	
	Council Member Walker	X		X	
	Council Chairman Touma	X		X	
Total:		5	0	5	0

20. Resolution relative to calling on the Governor's Office to stop the Seneca Nation of Indians from constructing its Energy Station

BY: All Council Members

VOTE

		ADD TO AGENDA		APPROVE	
		yea	nay	yea	nay
2016-	Council Member Grandinetti	X		X	
54	Council Member Scott	X		X	
	Council Member Tompkins	X		X	
	Council Member Walker	X		X	
	Council Chairman Touma	X		X	
Total:		5	0	5	0

Chairman Touma said this is not right or fair to the taxpaying residents & businesses.