

NIAGARA FALLS CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA FOR DECEMBER 22, 2014

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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5:02-5:18 P.M.

ROLL CALL - COUNCIL MEMBERS

ANDERSON X CHOOLOKIAN X GRANDINETTI X TOUMA X WALKER X

Approval of Minutes from the Council Meeting of December 8, 2014

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

PRESENTATIONS:

NONE

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE:

NONE

REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS

LEGISLATIVE MEETING

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

6:00 PM

ROLL CALL - COUNCIL MEMBERS

ANDERSON X CHOOLOKIAN X GRANDINETTI X TOUMA X WALKER X

PRAYER - TOUMA

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

1. AGENDA ITEMS

Nicholas D'Agostino	Agenda Items #3, #4, #5, #10, #13
Ron Anderluh	Agenda Items #3, #4, #12

2. FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY

John Ambrose Cooper	Working together for the good of the City
Nicholas D'Agostino	Safety concerns on Niagara St. by Gill Creek Park; Skate Park
Ron Anderluh	More transparency needed in Budget process; Council Committees; use of Casino funds;

Parking revenues	
Joe LaGamba	Thanks for Tom Vitello Resolution; thanks to Council for jobs restored in Budget with the exception of one that was not restored; Thanks for Controllers remarks regarding Steelworkers Union members & Budget issues
Gerald Skrlin	Political cartoons; corruption in Government; Conditions of property on Buffalo Ave.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

FROM THE CITY CLERK

1. City Clerk's Report for the Month of November 2014

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ITEMS FOR COUNCIL ACTION

FROM THE MAYOR

2. Approval of Change Orders to Center City (CHDO) Agreements to renovate 956 Niagara Ave. and 1133 Ontario Ave.

VOTE

	AMEND		APPROVE	
	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X		X	
Council Member Choolokian	X		X	
Council Member Grandinetti	X		X	
Council Member Touma	X		X	
Council Chairman Walker	X		X	
Total:	5	0	5	0

Amendment is to change dollar amount of Change Order

3. Approval of funding of purchase of body cameras for NFPD

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
	Council Member Anderson	X		
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

Council Member Touma said he is elated to vote for this which will hold both the Police Dept. & citizens accountable. Chairman Walker congratulated Police Superintendent DalParto for his progressive thinking in managing his Department.

4. Approval of funding agreement for Grant Writing Services

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

Council Member Anderson said that the salary paid to the Grant Writer is well worth it for the amount of Grants that the City receives.

5. Approval to award contract for recycling and disposal of Electronic Waste to Electronic Recyclers International

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

6. Approval of funding for purchase of Cold Patch for DPW

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

7. Approval to award 2015/2016 Asbestos Services Contract to Environmental Education Association Inc.

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

FROM THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

8. Approval to settle and pay claim of Kevin Colucci in the amount of \$750.00

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

9. Approval to settle and pay claim of Tammy Sue Cannan in the amount of \$8,750.00

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
Council Member Choolokian	X			
Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

RESOLUTIONS

10. Relative to honoring the memory of Mr. Thomas R. Vitello, Sr.

BY: Council Member Glenn Choolokian

VOTE

	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X			
2014- Council Member Choolokian	X			
88 Council Member Grandinetti	X			
Council Member Touma	X			
Council Chairman Walker	X			
Total:	5	0		

11. Relative to Golf Course Fees

BY: Council Member Andrew Touma

VOTE

		yea	nay	yea	nay
	Council Member Anderson		X		
2014-	Council Member Choolokian		X		
89	Council Member Grandinetti	X			
	Council Member Touma	X			
	Council Chairman Walker	X			
	Total:	3	2		

Council Member Anderson said he is against increasing fees.

Council Member Choolokian said he is not in favor of raising fees at this time.

Council Member Touma said the increased revenue will go back into the Golf Course.

12. Relative to Amending Chapter 1107 of the Codified Ordinances entitled "Permits, Fees and Certificates"

BY: Council Member Andrew Touma

VOTE

		yea	nay	yea	nay
	Council Member Anderson		X		
2014-	Council Member Choolokian		X		
90	Council Member Grandinetti	X			
	Council Member Touma	X			
	Council Chairman Walker	X			
	Total:	3	2		

Council Member Touma noted that the City's fees are below the fees from other municipalities and thanked Dennis Virtuoso for his work on this fee schedule. Chairman Walker noted that this will be Mr. Virtuoso's last Public Meeting before his retirement.

13. Relative to expressing support for grant application to Major League Baseball Tomorrow Fund for improvements to Hyde Park Diamonds/Facilities

BY: Council Chairman Charles Walker and Council Member Choolokian

VOTE

		yea	nay	yea	nay
	Council Member Anderson	X			
2014-	Council Member Choolokian	X			
91	Council Member Grandinetti	X			
	Council Member Touma	X			
	Council Chairman Walker	X			
	Total:	5	0		

Council Member Choolokian said that this supports his project for a Sports Facility for the youth of the City and thanked Chairman Walker for initiating this Resolution.

Chairman Walker thanked Community Development Director Seth Piccirillo for his work on this Grant application.

14. Approval of payment to NF Water Board

VOTE

	REMOVE FROM TABLE		AMEND		APPROVE	
	yea	nay	yea	nay	yea	nay
Council Member Anderson	X		X		X	
Council Member Choolokian	X		X		X	
Council Member Grandinetti	X		X		X	
Council Member Touma	X		X		X	
Council Chairman Walker	X		X		X	
Total:	5	0	5	0	5	0

Council Member Touma said this would be good for the City and thanked Corporation Counsel Craig Johnson for his work on this Item.