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October 1, 2020

The City Council
Niagara Falls, New York

**Re: Consulting Services - LaSalle Business District Streetscape Project
(Joy Kuebler Landscape Architect, PC)**

Council Members:

In 2019, the City of Niagara Falls was awarded a \$500,000.00 grant from the New York State Dormitory Authority to make improvements to the streetscape on Buffalo Avenue in the LaSalle Business District. In furtherance of this endeavor, attached please find the proposal of Joy Kuebler Landscape Architect, PC for consultation services related to Phase I of the project.

The proposal states that Kuebler will provide design, analysis and engagement with the goal of energizing the district from the intersection of South Military Road to the intersection of 84th Street. The project will seek public engagement through interactive site tours and workshop activities, while following COVID-19 protocols for group gathering and social distancing. The project is intended to support the reimagining of the district through improvements to sidewalks, crosswalk intersections, street furniture, banners, interpretive signage, gateways and vegetation. It is anticipated that the project would be bid in the summer of 2021 with construction complete by 2022. The scope of work and fees will not exceed \$50,000.00, with funding available through the Dormitory Authority grant.

Will the Council so approve and authorize the Mayor to execute an engagement agreement satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel in both form and content?

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. RESTAINO
Mayor

Funding Approval:

Daniel Morello, City Controller
City Council Meeting, October 7, 2020

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