

New - Council Meeting Attendance Requirements

Effective July 15, 2020, City Council meetings will resume being open to the public. Public entry to the building is through the Main Street entrance at top of stairs. ***Face coverings are required to be worn at all times while in the building.**

If handicap access is needed, please report to the rear door at the end of ramp and use phone for security to admit you. Please arrive by 5:30 to allow seating prior to **meeting start time of 6pm sharp.**

If you plan to be a speaker, please arrive by at least 5:30 to sign in and secure a seat.

Per The Governors directive, seating will be limited to 50% capacity. Attendance will be monitored and admittance will be denied if capacity is met. Seating is first come, first serve. No reservations will be taken.

Please be mindful of distancing requirements and use markings on benches as guides for this. Families may group together in a bench.

Please note: Council Chambers is not air conditioned and can become very warm, particularly if there is high attendance. Wearing of face coverings can amplify discomfort. Please consider this if you have any health concerns. Bringing a bottle of water and/or personal fan would be encouraged.

**NIAGARA FALLS CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA FOR JANUARY 6, 2021**

LEGISLATIVE MEETING **COUNCIL CHAMBERS** **6:00 P.M.**

ROLL CALL - COUNCIL MEMBERS

KENNEDY ___ **SPANBAUER** ___ **TOMPKINS** ___ **TOUMA** ___ **VOCCIO** ___

PRAYER - CHAIRMAN

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Approval of Minutes from the Council Meeting of December 9, 2020

VOTE

PUBLIC SPEAKERS (SEE NOTE ON LAST PAGE)

1. AGENDA ITEMS

2. FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY

PRESENTATIONS:

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE:

CONTROLLERS REPORT

REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS

LEGISLATIVE MEETING

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

FROM THE CITY CLERK

1. City Clerk's report for the month of November 2020 R & F
2. City Clerk Claims for the month of December 2020 R & F

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL ACTION

FROM THE MAYOR

3. Approval of the Contract of RFP#2020-19 Employee Benefits Broker and Consulting Services to Brown & Brown of New York, Inc. VOTE
4. Approval of the Contract of Bid #2020-21 Paving Control System to Admar Supply VOTE
5. Approval of contract for the purchase of Four (4) Police Cars from the Town of Niagara VOTE
6. Approval of the Contract between Unified Court System (UCS) and the City of Niagara Falls for Court Cleaning and Minor Repairs VOTE

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

FROM THE CITY CLERK

7. Mayor's Approval for Resolution 2020-59 R & F

RESOLUTIONS

8. Relative to authorizing the implementation and funding in the first instance 100% of the Federal-Aid and State "Marchiselli" Program-Aid eligible costs, of a transportation Federal-Aid Project and appropriating funds therefore
BY: Council Members Kennedy, Spanbauer, Tompkins, Touma VOTE
9. Relative to directing the City Assessor, pursuant to NYS Governor's Executive Order 202.83 continuing temporary suspension and modification of Laws relating to the Pandemic Disaster Emergency, specifically as it pertains to Senior and Disability exemptions, Section 467 and 459C of the Real Property Tax Law, to grant exemptions on the 2021 Assessment Roll to all property owners who received that exemption on the 2020 Assessment Roll, thereby dispensing with the need for renewal applications from such persons, and further dispensing with the requirement for Assessors to mail renewal applications to such persons
BY: Council Members Spanbauer, Tompkins, Touma, Chairman Voccio VOTE

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

NOTE :

If you would like to speak to the Council, please note the following rules:

- You must sign the appropriate sign-in sheet at least ten (10) minutes before the meeting begins.
- You may sign-in to speak regarding a specific agenda item and/or “for the good of the community.”
- Each speaker is given up to five (5) minutes maximum, although you may use less than that if you make your point in less time.
- If speaking about an agenda item, please refer to that agenda item at the very beginning of your five minutes.
- You may not transfer the balance of your time to another speaker.
- The Chairman may limit the number of speakers on a topic or agenda item or the overall speaking time if the same will unduly delay the commencement of the agenda.
- Speakers are addressing the City Council as a body. If you would like to address an individual Council Member or anyone else, please do that separately, not during these meetings.
- Please remain focused on the agenda item you signed up for, or for “the good of the community.”
- The Council will not respond to questions or statements during the meeting. This is an opportunity to share your ideas, not to engage in conversation.
- This portion of the meeting is not for personal grievances
- Please use the decorum expected speaking before a deliberative assembly in the United States of America.
- The Chairman will enforce these rules.

Excerpt from Resolution 2020-10, which was adopted by the Niagara Falls City Council on January 15, 2020.