NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY ISSSUED pursuant to the General City Law and Chapter 1302 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Niagara Falls, NY.

A public hearing will be held on **WEDNESDAY**, **March 24th**, **2021 at 6:00 PM** at the following location: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 745 MAIN STREET, NIAGARA FALLS, NY.

Description of Action: The Planning Board will take comments on a proposed amendment regarding adopting a new Zoning Chapter 1319.4 Airport Protection Overlay District (APOD) and a new Schedule 14: Airport Protection Overlay District Map. This proposed new chapter is intended to prevent the creation of airport hazards through regulation of height, land use, new overlay is to prevent the creation or establishment of airport hazards. The City's airport district boundaries are illustrated on new Schedule 14 of this Zoning Ordinance. In particular, the objective of this overlay is to regulate the height, land use, and construction of development within the environs that is consistent with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations, particularly Part 77 Regulations, to ensure the safety of aircraft approach to and departure from the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority's (NFTA) Niagara Falls International Airport and its runways.

The Planning Board is holding this hearing as required by State and local law and so that the Planning Board will have all information it may reasonably need to submit a recommendation to City Council. If approved by City Council, a notice of future land use developments within the proposed Schedule 14 Airport Protection Overlay District Map would be sent to the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station/Department of Defense, Federal Aviation Administration, the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority, and other appropriate City, county and state officials, departments and agencies for review. Such land use developments include all new development construction, building modifications that cost more than 50 percent of the appraised value, zoning map amendments (rezoning), use variances, area variances, and special use permits. Comments, if any, from these agencies shall be taken into consideration by the City in the review of the proposed project. Conditions can be placed on the project in response to these comments.

Attendance is strictly voluntary; any interested person may attend. Written comments should be submitted to the Planning Office at the above address **before March 23rd 2021**. Copies of the proposed 1319.4 APOD and new Schedule 14 will be available for public review at the office of the City Clerk, City Hall – Room 114. If you have any questions, please contact the Planning Office at 286-4467. To protect everyone's health in attendance, the City of Niagara Falls follows all NYS Department of Health Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) guidelines. Attendees must wear a mask or face covering when social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart) is impossible.