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The City Council
Niagara Falls, New York

**RE: *Consultant Agreement for Property Management – City Market
 (Alfonse Muto)***

Council Members:

Recently, the City Council approved the termination the lease agreement with Muto Development relative to the operation of the Niagara Falls City Market. Accordingly, the City has assumed full control of the Market property. However, the City does not possess the ability to perform the management duties in connection with City Market operations and the leases and licenses of the various commercial tenants at the site. This Administration is presently searching for consultant to perform these property management functions on a longer-term basis; however, until such time as this search is completed, it is necessary to have a consultant on board to manage the property in the interim.

Alfonse Muto, the prior operator of the City Market facility, has offered to perform the required property management services as a consultant, on interim basis. Among other things, Muto will relay and notify the City of any complaints, concerns and correspondence from the commercial tenants at the Market, facilitate landscaping and garbage and waste collection in accordance with past practices and facilitate the collection and remittance of rental payments. The term of this Agreement shall be a period of three months; the work performed by Muto thereunder will be done for \$1.00.

Will the Council so approve the proposal presented herein and to authorize the Mayor to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the same?

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. RESTAINO
Mayor

Funding Approval:

Daniel Morello, City Controller

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