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The City Council
Niagara Falls, New York

***RE: Allocation of American Rescue Plan Funding
(Security Camera Rebate Program for Local Businesses Program)***

Council Members:

In an effort to help local business owners better protect their property, this Administration has launched the “Security Camera Rebate Program for Local Businesses.” Under this program, the City will, through American Rescue Plan (“ARP”) funding, make a \$700.00 rebate available for businesses that purchase exterior video camera security systems. All applicants under to program must:

- be an owner of the business property located in the jurisdictional limits of the City (or, if the applicant is a tenant, they must have the owner's consent to install);
- provide proof of purchase and comply with an inspection by police;
- have all business license fees paid and up-to-date;
- agree to provide local law enforcement with any video and/or pictures from the system, upon request;
- ensure that the camera system have night vision operation and a 30-day storage minimum; and
- keep the system in operation for at least three years.

This rebate program covers only the cost of the video equipment; business owners are responsible for any installation and/or subscription costs.

Funding for this program will be \$500,000.00 and is available from American Rescue Plans Funds, expenditure category Section 2.2, “Strong Healthy Communities Neighborhood Features that Promote Health and Safety.”

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Will the Council so approve and authorize the Mayor to execute any documents necessary to implement the same, provided these documents are in form and content acceptable to the Corporation Counsel?

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Restaino
Mayor

Funding Approval:

Daniel Morello, City Controller