

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 MARCH 3, 2021

LEGISLATIVE MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL - COUNCIL MEMBERS

KENNEDY ____ SPANBAUER ____ TOUMA ____ VOCCIO ____ CHAIRMAN TOMPKINS ____

PRAYER - SPANBAUER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Approval of Minutes from the Council Meetings of February 3, 2021 and February 17, 2021

VOTE

PUBLIC HEARING

Regarding Local Law #1 for the year 2021 be introduced relative to amending Article V of the Niagara Falls City Charter, entitled "Budget, Capital Projects and Taxation", by amending the first paragraph of Section 5.3 and by amending Section 5.6 (B)

SPEAKERS

PUBLIC SPEAKERS (SEE NOTE ON LAST PAGE)

1. AGENDA ITEMS

2. FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY

PRESENTATIONS: NIAGARA FALLS KITE FESTIVAL 2022, KEN HAMILTON SPEAKER

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE:

CONTROLLERS REPORT

REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS

LEGISLATIVE MEETING

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

FROM THE CITY CLERK

1. City Clerk's Claims for the Month of February 2021

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ITEMS FOR COUNCIL ACTION

FROM THE MAYOR

2. Approval of removal of Clean Up Fees from the City Tax for 1561 Whitney Avenue (Dennis Williams)

VOTE

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

FROM THE CITY CLERK

3. Approval of Commissioner of Deeds appointment

VOTE

RESOLUTIONS

4. Relative to re-appointment of Board of Assessment Review Board Member

BY: Council Member Touma, Chairman Tompkins

VOTE

5. Relative to Amending Chapter 365 of the Codified Ordinances entitled "Taxicabs and Taxicab Drivers"

BY: Council Member Touma, Chairman Tompkins

VOTE

6. Relative to Amending the Niagara Falls City Charter, as amended, by amending Article V of the Niagara Falls City Charter, entitled "Budget, Capital Projects and Taxation", by Amending the First Paragraph of Section 5.3 and by Amending Section 5.6(B), Local Law #1 for the Year 2021.

BY: Council Members Touma, Voccio, Chairman Tompkins

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.