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The City Council
Niagara Falls, New York

RE: *Change Order - Agreement to Implement IT Strategic Plan (Avero Advisors)*

Council Members:

In an effort to modernize the City's information technology capabilities, the City contracted with Avero Advisors ("Avero") earlier this year to provide, among other things, a network rebuild, Active Directory cleanup, firewall implementation, discovery and stabilization of system backups, oversight and project management maintenance and ad-hoc IT support. In order to complete Phase 1 of the modernization of the City's IT infrastructure, additional funding is required for the following: \$86,689.30 for monitoring utilities, salvage inventories, circuit configuration Fiber Hardware; \$71,328.74 for OWA adjustments and addition file conversions, as well as MS Windows licensing, and; \$30,000.00 is to begin Antivirus Cleanup which is essential to cybersecurity and Website coordination. Accordingly, a total of \$188,018.04 is necessary to complete Phase 1 of the project. Funding is available from American Rescue Plan Funds utilizing the Treasury Guidance Expenditure Category 1, which is the "Responding to Public Health Emergency" category.

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 Office of the Corporation Counsel?

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. RESTAINO
Mayor

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