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September 30, 2022

The City Council Niagara Falls, New York

Re: Sale of City-owned Real Property (Niagara Falls Housing Authority)

Council Members:

Please be advised that the City is in receipt of a proposal submitted by the Niagara Falls Housing Authority regarding a plan to redevelop the Highland and Beech Avenue corridor. The Housing Authority desires to purchase nine City-owned vacant lots for development according to the Housing Authority's master plan for the corridor.

In furtherance of the proposal and in the overall best interests of the City, it is hereby requested that the City Council approve the conveyance of the following properties to the Niagara Falls Housing Authority:

2928 Highland Avenue 2932 Highland Avenue 3006 Highland Avenue 3010 Highland Avenue 3014 Highland Avenue 3016 Highland Avenue 3018 Highland Avenue 3022 Highland Avenue 3026 Highland Avenue

These properties were acquired by the City through In Rem proceedings and have previously been offered for public auction. It is proposed that not only will rehabilitation and revitalization of these properties enhance the appearance and stability of the corridor, but it will also lessen the City's financial burden related to upkeep of the premises.

The purchase price for each of the nine (9) properties is \$5,000.00, for a grand total of \$45,000.00, which has already been authorized by the Housing Authority. Based upon the location and condition of the properties in question, this price is both fair and adequate. The proposed transfer of the City-owned lots in question is clearly in the best interests of the City and in conformity with the requirements of the City Charter related to the disposition of City-owned property.

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Will the Council so approve and authorize the Mayor to execute on behalf of the City all documents relating to the transfer of the properties in question, provided that the same are in a form acceptable to the Corporation Counsel?

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Restaino Mayor