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The City Council  
Niagara Falls, New York

***RE: Approval of Feasibility Study for Centennial Park Project)***

Council Members:

On December 28, 2022, the City Council approved the engagement of a consultant to compile the data necessary for the preparation of an application to National Grid for a grant from its Strategic Economic Development Program to conduct a feasibility study related to the Centennial Park project. Subsequently, the City's application was approved, and it is now eligible for reimbursable funding to conduct the study.

It is proposed that the City Council approve up to \$140,000.00, exclusive of expenses, for the undertaking of the feasibility study. Upon delivery of the report, the funding for the study will be reimbursed to the City from the National Grid Strategic Economic Development Program and Empire State Development, through its subsidiary USA Niagara. Funding is available from American Rescue Plan funding using Treasury Guidance Expenditure Category 6.1, which is "Revenue Replacement for the Provision of Government Services."

Will the Council so approve and authorize the Mayor to execute any documents necessary to accomplish the same, provided that they are satisfactory to the office of the Corporation Counsel in both form and content?

Respectfully submitted,

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Mayor

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