

#### ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE AGENDA FEBRUARY 10, 2025 5:30 PM

#### 1. Call to Order

- a. Godfrey, Nemi, Bradt, Elder, Myers, Robins, Voccio
- 2. Approval of Minutes of January 13, 2025
- 3. Community Safety and Security Committee Agenda
- 4. Community Services Committee Agenda
- 5. Infrastructure Committee Agenda
- 6. Treasurer's Office
  - a. Budget Modification Distribution of Sales Tax
  - b. Budget Modification Leases and Subscription Based IT Arrangements

#### 7. Real Property

a. Real Property Tax Corrections/Cancellations No. COE-2025 A

#### 8. County Attorney

a. Requesting the Enactment of a Bill Authorizing and Empowering the County of Niagara to Extend the Additional Rate of One Percent Sales and Compensating Use Tax

#### 9. Risk Management

- a. Resolution to Waive RFP for Professional Services Healthcare Consulting
- 10. Information and Adjournment

	ADMINISTRATION	STAFF	OTHERS
PRESENT:	D. Godfrey	R. Updegrove	M. Casale, Economic Development
	R. Bradt	D. Huntington	M. Filicetti, Sheriff's Office
	I. Myers	C. Joerg	D. LaRock, Probation
	A. Nemi	K. Alexander	J. Schultz, Emergency Services
	C. Robins	P. Lopes	K. Kugler, Conflict Defense
	C. Voccio	T. Farrell	D. Jablonski, E&T
		J. Pitarresi	V. Pearson, Public Health
	R Wydysh	K. Schuler	G. Meal, Public Works
		A. Tomasino	J. Gaston, Parks
			D. Timm, Refuse
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	J. Elder		W. Flynn, Information Technology

#### 1. Call to Order

Chairman D. Godfrey called the meeting of the Administration Committee to order at 5:36 p.m.

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

Chairman D. Godfrey asked for the approval of the minutes to the meeting of December 3, 2024. The minutes were approved by I. Myers. C. Voccio seconded them. The minutes passed unanimously.

#### 3. Economic Development

- a. Sole Source Standardization of On-Air and Streaming Radio Marketing
- A. Nemi made a motion. C. Robins seconded it. The resolution passed unanimously.

#### 4. Community Safety and Security Committee Agenda

#### a. Office of the Sheriff

- i. Budget Mod. Accept FY24 Stonegarden Grant
- ii. Budget Mod. SHSP 2024 Homeland Security Grant
- iii. Budget Mod. STOP DWI Foundation Grant
- iv. Budget Mod. DCJS Law Enforcement Equipment Grant
- v. Budget Mod. Police Traffic Services Grant
- vi. Budget Mod. FY2020 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Law Enforcement Equipment Grant
- vii. Federal Equitable Sharing Annual Recertification
- viii. Jail Healthcare Business Associate & Qualified Service Organization Agreement
- ix. Expenditure of Cellular E911 Funds for Olcott Communications Tower Power Project
- x. Sole Source Standardization National Grid
- xi. Create and Fill Temporary Maintenance Mechanic Position
- xii. Create and Fill Sheriff Temporary Dispatcher Position
- xiii. Create and Fill Two Temporary Deputy Sheriff Positions

- xiv. Create and Fill Two Temporary Correction Officer Positions
- xv. Committee Approval to Apply for Victims of Crime Acts (VOCA) 2025-2028
  Grant

#### b. Conflicts & Assigned Counsel

- i. Waiver of Residency for Conflict Attorney
- c. Probation
  - i. Accept Ignition Interlock Device Monitoring Program Award
- d. Office of Emergency Services
  - i. Inter-Municipal Trailer Transfer Agreement
  - ii. Budget Mod. Accept Payment for a Haz-Mat Incident
- D. Godfrey made a motion. I. Myers seconded it. Passed unanimously.

#### 5. Community Services Committee Agenda

- a. Public Health Department
  - i. Budget Modification Accept Medical Reserve Corps Funds Emergency Planning
  - ii. Bid Award for Professional Engineer Environmental Division
  - iii. Abolish Account Clerical III/Create & Fill Account Clerical IV Position Fiscal Division

#### b. Employment & Training

- i. Budget Modification Accept \$250,000 Renewable Energy Training Initiative (RETI) Funding 2025
- A. Nemi made a motion. C. Robins seconded it. Passed unanimously.

#### 6. Infrastructure Committee Agenda

- a. Solid Waste
  - i. Clean Energy Communities Grant Acceptance of Funds
  - ii. Budget Modification Clean Energy Communities Grant
- b. Parks
  - i. Agreement Between County of Niagara and Scouting America Troop 4
  - ii. Niagara County Golf Course Rates for 2025 Season
  - iii. Niagara County Park Rates for 2025 Season
  - iv. Niagara County DPW Sole Source Standardization NYSEG Golf Course

#### c. Building and Grounds

- i. Trott Access Signage Contract Change Order No. 1
- d. Engineering
  - i. Bridge NY Culvert Local Project Agreement, PIN 5765.39 Royalton Center Rd over Mud Creek Bridge Replacement
  - ii. Award Consultant Contract Rehabilitation of Five Bridges
  - iii. Award of Contract Porter Center Rd, Swan to Route 18
  - iv. Johnson Creek Rd Bridge over Golden Hill Creek Bridge Replacement Consultant Amendment No. 3

- v. Willow Rd Bridge over the East Branch of Twelve Mile Creek Consultant Amendment No. 3
- vi. Hartland Rd Culvert No. 108-10 Consultant Amendment No. 1
- vii. Road Evaluation and Prioritization for TIP Submission Amendment No. 1-Final
- viii. Recreational Facilities at Krull & Oppenheim Parks Consultant Amendment No. 3
- ix. East Canal Rd Rehabilitation and Drainage Improvements From Robinson Road to Fisk Road Change Order No. 1-Final
- x. Braley Rd over East Branch 12 Mile Creek, No Cost Time Extension
- xi. BUILD Grant Application

#### e. Highway

- i. Expenditure of County Road Fund Monies for Maintenance of Roads
- ii. Budget Modification 2024 Highway Maintenance
- R. Bradt made a motion. C. Robins seconded it. Passed unanimously.

#### 7. Real Property

- a. Extension of Real Property Tax Services Consultant Agreement
- b. Authorization for Real Property Tax Refunds/Corrections 2025
- C. Voccio made a motion. A. Nemi seconded it. The two resolutions passed as a slate unanimously.

#### 8. Office of Management & Budget

- a. Agreement Between Niagara County and Brian Parisi Copier Systems Inc. to Provide Multifunction Copier Services
- I. Myers made a motion. A. Nemi seconded it. Passed unanimously.

#### 9. Human Resources

- a. Renewal of Contract with Enterprise Training Solutions, Inc. for e-Learning/Distance Learning Training Services
- I. Myers made a motion. C. Robins seconded it. Passed unanimously.

#### 10. County Attorney

- Reconnect Program Grant and Security Agreement for Congressionally Directed Spending Award Through USDA/RUS for Orleans County Broadband Infrastructure Project NY 1709-A70
- D. Godfrey made a motion. R. Bradt seconded it. Passed unanimously.

#### 11. Adjournment

A motion was made by C. Robins to adjourn. A. Nemi seconded it. Passed unanimously. The Administration Committee meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Minutes Transcribed By:	Heather Soles, Budget Assistant Office of Management & Budget		
Minutes Approved By:	David E. Godfrey, Chairman		



## COMMUNITY SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE AGENDA February 10, 2025

- Call to Order
  - a. Hill, Godfrey, Abbott, Elder, Robins, Bradt, McKimmie
- Approval of minutes from previous meeting
- Sheriff

Res. - Budget Mod. - Asset Forfeiture

**Funds Barricades** 

Res. - Issuing a Negative Declaration Pursuant to the SEQRA for the Proposed Niagara County Jail Housing Addition Project

Res. - Budget Mod. - Accept BJA FY2024 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program Grant.

Res. - Budget Mod. - Accept Domestic Cannabis Eradication/Suppression Program Grant.

Res. - Budget Mod. - Accept 2024 Statewide Interoperable Communications Formula Grant.

Res. - Accept 2024 Public Safety Answering Point Operations Grant.

Res. - Budget Mod. - FY24 Domestic Terrorism Prevention Grant Change and Co-Terminus Special Patrol Officer Position.

Res. - Create and Fill Temporary Deputy Sheriff Position.

Res. - Create and Fill Temporary Clerical III Position.

Res. - Sole Source Standardization OffenderWatch

Probation

Committee Approval - Apply for 2024-2025 Non-Installer Enforcement Initiative DCJS Grant

Fire Coord/Emerg. Svcs.

Res. - Budget Mod. - Rollover 2024 Homeland Security Unspent Funds. Res. - MOU with NYS Department of Homeland

Security & Emergency Services & Niagara County.

Res. - Appointment of Fire Investigations Deputy Fire Coordinator.

Res. - Appointment of Area 2 Deputy Fire Coordinator.

Res. - Appointment of Area 3 Deputy Fire Coordinator.

Coroners

Res. - Resolution Requiring the Use of Licensed Funeral Directors or Funeral Homes for Body Removal and Transport by Niagara County Coroner



### **Community Services Committee**

## AGENDA - Meeting of February 10, 2025

#### 1. Call to Order

- a) Bradt, Gooch, Godfrey, Nemi, Robins, Speranza, Voccio
- 2. Approval of Minutes of January 13, 2025

#### 3. Department of Public Health

a) Budget Modification – Reappropriate Healthy Neighborhoods Grant Funds Environmental Division

#### 4. Department of Mental Health

- a) Budget Modification Suicide Prevention for Faith-Based Communities
- b) Budget Modification Expansion of Mental Health and Wellness Supports for Students

#### 5. Department of Social Services

a) Budget Modification - Social Services State Training Schools

### 6. Office for the Aging

a) Abolish Aging Services Aide/Create and Fill Case Manager Senior Services Position

## 7. Employment & Training

a) Budget Modification – Accept \$110,761 Career Pathways Training Program Funding from Finger Lakes Performing Provider Systems, Inc. (FLPPS) 2025

### 8. Motion to Adjourn



#### INFRASTRUCTURES COMMITTEE AGENDA NIAGARA COUNTY COURT HOUSE LOCKPORT, NEW YORK

## MONDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2025 MEETING NO. 2

5:30 PM

- 1. Call to Order
  - a. Foti, Robins, Myers, Abbott, Hill, Speranza, Bradt
- 2. Meeting Minutes Approval
  - a. January 13, 2025
- 3. Information Technology Informational
  - a. Project to be Let
    - i. Cabling Project for Courts
- 4. Environmental/Solid Waste Informational
  - a. HHW Events 5/3 Lockport and 10/4 North Tonawanda (Tentative)
  - **b.** Paint Only Event 5/10 Niagara University, 5/31 Medina, 7/26 Starpoint and 9/27 Town of Niagara
  - c. Grant information update
- 5. Parks Approval
  - a. Polar Bear Swim Olcott Lion's Club Krull Park
  - b. Waive Golf Course Restaurant, 1 month rent (Groff's Café)
  - c. 2026 PDGA National Tournament at Burmaster and Royalton Ravine Parks Informational
  - d. Accepting Seasonal Applications Informational
- 6. Buildings and Grounds Approval
  - a. NorthPointe Council Inc. lease renewal for 5 years at Trott
  - b. Niagara County Courthouse RTU Replacement Change Order NO.1 Final
- 7. Engineering Approval
  - a. Bridge NY Culvert Replacement Porter Center Rd Culvert NO. 57-23, Town of Porter EPN2412
  - **b.** Award of Contract
    - i. Porter Center Rd Culvert NO. 57-23, CHA Consulting Inc. EPN2412
  - c. Amendment
    - i. Courthouse Boiler Replacement, LaBella NO.3 Final EPN2009
    - ii. New Public Works Facility Consultant, C & S NO.3 EPN2007
    - iii. Royalton Center Rd Bridge over Mud Crk Bridge Replacement, GPI NO.4 EPN2232
    - iv. Amazon Distribution Center Project FIFI, Erdman Anthony NO.1 EPN2230

- d. Change Order
  - i. Courthouse HVAC Improvements, DR Chamberlain NO.5 Final EPN2009
  - ii. Burmaster Park Natural Playground Phase 1, Scott Lawn Yard, Inc. NO.1 EPN2312
- e. Budget Modification Approval
  - i. Public Works Storm Facility and Admin Building, Walter S. Johnson EPN2007
- f. Property Transfer with City of Niagara Falls Parking Lot at Trott Access Center

#### 8. Highway - Informational

- a. Projects to be Let
  - i. Weed Control
  - ii. Highway Materials Bid book
  - iii. Striping

#### 9. Administration - Approval

- a. Niagara County Section 5311 Grant Application
- b. Resolution to Declare 5465 Upper Mt Rd., Lockport NY Surplus Property and Transfer to NORLIC



#### **Administration Committee**

Complete this form, save in Committee folder and name using this format yyyymmdd dept desc (example 20170111 cdp budget adjustment)

Today's Date: February 3, 2025

Department Submitting agenda item: Treasurer's Office

Date of Committee Meeting: February 10, 2025

Title: Budget Modification: Distribution of Sales Tax

Brief Summary: distribution of sales tax

If this item pertains to a position(s), it must be sent to the Human Resources Department to be reviewed and approved <u>before</u> going to the Administration Committee.

Please provide date approved: N/A

Action Requested: Approval

Associated Costs: None

Benefits & Risks:

#### **BUDGET MODIFICATION - DISTRIBUTION OF SALES TAX**

WHEREAS, the County Treasurer's Office has reviewed the year-to-date distribution of county-wide sales tax revenue for 2024, and

WHEREAS, sales tax revenue for the fiscal year 2024, the final payment of which was received in January 2025, came in higher than anticipated and must be accrued back to 2024 per Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), and

WHEREAS, such unanticipated increase in sales tax revenue has led the County to distribute higher than anticipated amounts of revenue to the local municipalities, and

WHEREAS, budget modifications for the 2024 fiscal year can continue to be made into the first quarter of 2025, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated to the 2024 County budget:

#### INCREASE ESTIMATED REVENUE:

A.07.1985.000 41110.01 Sales and Use Tax General Distribution

\$3,201,278

#### INCREASE APPROPRIATION:

A.07.1985.000 74500.01 Distribution of Sales Tax

\$3,201,278

Δ	n	III	VIS'	$r_{R/2}$	$\Gamma I$	TC	M	CC	ì٨	ΛN	ЛΥ	ГΊ	$\mathbf{F}$	F
,		~	V 1. 7	1 12 /	-\ Ι		, v		, I V		/ I I		2 / 1	



#### **Administration Committee**

Complete this form, save in Committee folder and name using this format yyyymmdd dept desc (example 20170111 cdp budget adjustment)

Today's Date: February 3, 2025

Department Submitting agenda item: Treasurer's Office

Date of Committee Meeting: February 10, 2025

Title: Budget Modification: Lease & Subscription based on IT arrangements.

Brief Summary: necessaery accounting change

If this item pertains to a position(s), it must be sent to the Human Resources Department to be reviewed and approved <u>before</u> going to the Administration Committee.

Please provide date approved: N/A

Action Requested: Approval

Associated Costs: None

Benefits & Risks:

#### BUDGET MODIFICATION – LEASES AND SUBSCRIPTION BASED IT ARRANGEMENTS

WHEREAS, The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued GASB Statement Number 87, Leases, and GASB Statement Number 96, Subscription Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA),

WHEREAS, The Niagara County Legislature has adopted the County's Lease Policy and SBITA Policy for calendar year ending December 31, 2023, and

WHEREAS, The County Treasurer's Office has reviewed 2024 Lease agreements and subscription based IT arrangements received from applicable departments, and

WHEREAS, the County Treasurer's Office must update the 2024 financial records to comply with GASB Statement Number 87 and 96 and the respective County policies, and

WHEREAS, budget modifications for the 2024 fiscal year can continue to be made into the first quarter of 2024, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated to the 2024 County budget:

#### INCREASE ESTIMATED REVENUE:

A.28.8020.000 72702.00

A.07.9788.000 41289.08	Other General Gov. Income Reimbursement	\$ 85,595
A.07.9781.000 41289.08	Other General Gov. Income Reimbursement	\$ 109,100
A.16.1680.000 45781.00	SBITA, Other Financing Sources	\$ 1,430,736
A.20.4189.401 45781.00	SBITA, Other Financing Sources	\$ 76,242
A.09.1355.000 45781.00	SBITA, Other Financing Sources	\$ 538,521
A.28.8020.000 45788.00	Leases, Other Financing Sources	\$ 623,008
INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:		
A.07.9788.000 76001.02	Leases Principal Expense	\$ 76,853
A.07.9788.000 77001.02	Leases Interest Expense	\$ 8,742
A.07.9781.000 76001.03	SBITA Principal Expense	\$ 150,260
A.16.1680.000 72702.00	IT Arrangement Expense	\$ 1,430,736
A.20.4189.401 72702.00 A.09.1355.000 72703.00	IT Arrangement Expense IT Arrangement Expense	\$ 76,242 \$ 538,521

Lease Asset Expense

623,008

### DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.07.9781.000 77001.03

SBITA Interest Expense

\$ 41,160

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE



#### **Administration Committee**

Complete this form, save in Committee folder and name using this format yyyymmdd dept desc (example 20050111 cdp budget adjustment)

Today's Date:

1/24/2025

Department Submitting agenda item: Real Property

**Date of Committee Meeting:** 

2/10/2025

Title: Real Property Tax Corrections NO. COE-2025 A

#### **Brief Summary:**

Authorization to correct county tax billings and to approve tax refunds/credits based upon the recommendation of the Real Property Tax Director.

If this item pertains to a position(s), it must be sent to the Human Resources Department to be reviewed and approved <u>before</u> going to the Administration Committee.

Please provide date approved: N/A

Action Requested: Approval

**Associated Costs:** 

Benefits & Risks:

From: Administration Committee

Resolution Number -

Administration Mtg.: February 10, 2025 Legislative Mtg.: February 18, 2025

#### REAL PROPERTY TAX CORRECTIONS/CANCELLATIONS NO. COE-2025 A

WHEREAS, the Director of Real Property Tax Services has received applications for refunds and / or corrections applicable to various outstanding Niagara County tax liens, or has been made aware that unenforceable tax liens exist upon certain real property owned by the State of New York and / or the United States, and

WHEREAS, the Director has investigated the claimed erroneous assessments and / or unenforceable liens in accordance with sections 554, 556, and 558 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the applications and / or lien cancellations be approved and / or denied as set forth in the attached Exhibit No. COE-2025 A, which is made a part hereof, and subsequently be charged back to the applicable town, city, special district and school district within the County of Niagara.

**ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE** 

Filename: COE-2025 A Date: February 18, 2025

## **EXHIBIT # COE-2025 A** Page 1 of 6

### **Town of Cambria**

#### **RPTS # 8-2025**

**Owner:** Douglas Hofert

SBL#	Tax Year	Tax Warrant Reduction		
79.00-2-45	2025	\$ 4,805.84		

The homeowner paid the 2024/2025 school tax bill in a timely fashion, but it was included on the 2025 tax roll as unpaid.

This constitutes an erroneous school re-levy according to Real Property Tax Law. In light of this, the 2025 Niagara County/Town of Cambria tax billing in the amount of \$7,622.90 shall be reduced by \$4,805.84 to \$2,817.06

Original billing: \$7,622.90 Revised billing: \$2,817.06

Filename: COE-2025 A Date: February 18, 2025

## EXHIBIT # COE-2025 A Page 2 of 6

#### Town of Wheatfield

#### RPTS # 10-2025

**Owner: 7210 Housing Development** 

SBL#	<u>Tax Year</u>	Tax Warrant Reduction
161.00-1-53	2025	\$ 50,832.91

This property is wholly exempt and should never have received a school tax bill for the 2024/2025 school year. This error was previously corrected, however Niagara Wheatfield School District, failed to act, which caused an erroneous school relevy onto the 2025 county tax bill.

This constitutes an erroneous school re-levy according to Real Property Tax Law. In light of this, the 2025 Niagara County/Town of Wheatfield tax billing in the amount of \$55,697.95 shall be reduced by \$50,832.91 to \$4,865.04

Original billing: \$55,697.95 Revised billing: \$4,865.04

Filename: COE-2025 A Date: February 18, 2025

## EXHIBIT # COE-2025 A Page 3 of 6

### Town of Wheatfield

#### RPTS # 11-2025

**Owner:** Pyrotek Inc

SBL#	<u>Tax Year</u>	Tax Warrant Reduction
132.00-1-1	2025	\$ 58,690.84

This property is wholly exempt and should never have received a school tax bill for the 2024/2025 school year. This error was previously corrected, however Niagara Wheatfield School District, failed to act, which caused an erroneous school relevy onto the 2025 county tax bill.

This constitutes an erroneous school re-levy according to Real Property Tax Law. In light of this, the 2025 Niagara County/Town of Wheatfield tax billing in the amount of \$64,547.82 shall be reduced by \$58,690.84 to \$5,856.98

Original billing: \$ 64,547.82 Revised billing: \$ 5,856.98

Filename: COE-2025 A Date: February 18, 2025

## EXHIBIT # COE-2025 A Page 4 of 6

#### Town of Lewiston

#### **RPTS # 12-2025**

Owner: CVE North America Inc/ Kilmer Solar

SBL#	Tax Year	Tax Warrant Reduction
90.00-3-32./SF	2025	\$ 64,223.40

This property is wholly exempt for school purposes and should never have received a school tax bill for the 2024/2025 school year. This error was previously corrected, however Niagara Wheatfield School District, failed to act, which caused an erroneous school relevy onto the 2025 county tax bill.

This constitutes an erroneous school re-levy according to Real Property Tax Law. In light of this, the 2025 Niagara County/Town of Lewiston tax billing in the amount of \$83,651.10 shall be reduced by \$64,223.40 to \$19,427.70

Original billing: \$83,651.10 Revised billing: \$19,427.70

Filename: COE-2025 A Date: February 18, 2025

## EXHIBIT # COE-2025 A Page 5 of 6

#### Town of Royalton

#### **RPTS # 13-2025**

**Owner:** Brandon Caprio

SBL#	<u>Tax Year</u>	Tax Warrant Reduction
156.00-1-41.1	2025	\$ 3,122.92

The homeowner paid the 2024/2025 school tax bill in a timely fashion, but it was included on the 2025 tax roll as unpaid.

This constitutes an erroneous school re-levy according to Real Property Tax Law. In light of this, the 2025 Niagara County/Town of Royalton tax billing in the amount of \$6,078.22 shall be reduced by \$3,122.92 to \$2,955.30

Original billing: \$ 6,078.22 Revised billing: \$ 2,955.30

Filename: COE-2025 A Date: February 18, 2025

## EXHIBIT # COE-2025 A Page 6 of 6

#### Town of Newfane

#### **RPTS # 17-2025**

**Owner:** Jeanine Sonier

SBL#	Tax Year	Tax Warrant Reduction
38.00-2-58.2	2025	\$ 4,356.63

The homeowner paid the 2024/2025 school tax bill in a timely fashion, but it was included on the 2025 tax roll as unpaid.

This constitutes an erroneous school re-levy according to Real Property Tax Law. In light of this, the 2025 Niagara County/Town of Newfane tax billing in the amount of \$6,484.08 shall be reduced by \$4,356.63 to \$2,127.45.

Original billing: \$ 6,484.08 Revised billing: \$ 2,127.45



#### **Administration Committee**

Complete this form, save in Committee folder and name using this format yyyymmdd dept desc (example 20170111 cdp budget adjustment)

Today's Date: 01/16/2025

Department Submitting agenda item: County Attorney

Date of Committee Meeting: 02/10/2025

**Title:** Requsting the Enactment of a Bill Authorizing and Empowering the County of Niagara to Extend the Additional Rate of One Percent Sales and compensating Use Tax

Brief Summary: .Extension of the additional one percent rate of tax

If this item pertains to a position(s), it must be sent to the Human Resources Department to be reviewed and approved <u>before</u> going to the Administration Committee.

Please provide date approved: N/A

**Action Requested:** 

**Associated Costs:** 

Benefits & Risks:

## REQUESTING THE ENACTMENT OF A BILL AUTHORIZING AND EMPOWERING THE COUNTY OF NIAGARA TO EXTEND THE ADDITIONAL RATE OF ONE PERCENT SALES AND COMPENSATING USE TAX

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara thereafter deemed it necessary to extend the additional one percent (1%) sales tax, as set forth in Home Rule Message Resolution CW-008-23 adopted April 25, 2023 and imposition resolution CW-028-23 adopted August 1, 2023 to enable the County of Niagara to continue to offset the cost of the local share of mandated Medicaid costs, and

WHEREAS, the extension of the one percent (1%) rate was imposed from the period beginning December 1, 2023 and ending November 30, 2025, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature hereby finds that it is necessary to further extend the additional one percent (1%) sales tax for the period beginning December 1, 2025 and ending November 30, 2027 to enable the County of Niagara to continue to offset the cost of the local share of mandated Medicaid costs, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature requests and urges the New York Senate to work with the New York State Assembly, along with the Governor to enact a bill to authorize the County of Niagara to continue to impose an additional one percent (1%) rate of tax for the period beginning December 1, 2023 and ending November 30, 2027 in addition to the three percent (3%) the County is authorized to impose and to dedicate the funds from the additional one percent (1%) rate to the payment of the local share of Medicaid costs, said authorization in the form of a Senate Bill and an Assembly Bill.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE



#### **Administration Committee**

Today's Date: February 07, 2025

Department Submitting agenda item: Risk Management

Date of Committee Meeting: February 10, 2025

Title: Resolution to Waive RFP for Professional Services - Healthcare Consulting

Brief Summary: A resolution to maintain Assured Partners as Niagara County Health

Plan Consultants

Action Requested: Approval to waive RFP and execute contract under standalone

pricing contingency propsal

Associated Costs: \$38,000.00 after offset

#### Benefits & Risks:

Benefit is cost savings given extension of 2018 pricing and consulting services. Risk is disruption of Niagara County Health Plan and stop loss services to Members

#### Resolution to Waive RFP for Professional Services - Healthcare Consulting

WHEREAS, a proposal for standalone healthcare consulting services for the Niagara County

Healthcare Plan was received by County Purchasing from Premier Consulting, now Assured Partners, in 2018;

and

WHEREAS, healthcare consulting services have been provided under a Proprietary Buyout Agreement between NOVA, the County's TPA for medical claims administration and placement of stop loss reinsurance and Premier's founder Bill Brothers and;

WHEREAS, NOVA has advised Assured Partners and the County that said Agreement has concluded as of December 31, 2024, making the standalone proposal contingency operational and;

WHEREAS, said proposal will be honored at the 2018 pricing offered; and

WHEREAS, the County will thereby realize a cost savings over and above the current market industry standard and maintain continuity of service, benefiting the Niagara County Health Plan and its Members, now, therefore be it,

**RESOLVED**, that Niagara County Risk Management is authorized to waive RFP for this professional service, thereby allowing the Niagara County Health Plan to execute a contract reviewed by the County Manager and approved as to legal form by the County Attorney.