

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Also Present: **Asst. City Attorney Mario Gregori**

CARRIED.

11-18-2025

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,
Edward a Zebulske, III
City Attorney

MOVED by Alderman DiBernardo SECONDED by Alderman Loncar
That the Common Council hereby approves the attached resolution for the City of North Tonawanda to join the Public Employers Risk Management Association (PERMA), to provide workers compensation servicing for the City of North Tonawanda, for a term of two (2) years, beginning January 1, 2026.
Ayes: Alderman Schmigel, DiBernardo, Loncar, Lavey (4)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

IV. Engineer

November 5, 2025

Honorable Austin J. Tylec, Mayor
And Common Council Members
City Hall / 216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)
Western New York Stormwater Coalition

Honorable Body:

The City of North Tonawanda has been an active member in the Western New York Stormwater Coalition under the original Memorandum of Agreement signed by former Mayor Soos in 2006.

The purpose of the coalition is to coordinate and cooperate in efforts to meet the requirements of the USEPA Phase II Stormwater Regulations (40CFR Sections 9, 122, 123 and 124) and New York State Department of Conservation (NYSDEC) SPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharge from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s), GP-0-24-001 and subsequent renewals for the term of the Agreement.

The enclosed MOA formalizes the continued participation and commitment of MS4 members such as the City of North Tonawanda.

As the City’s Stormwater Management Officer, I highly recommend the City’s continued participation as a member of the Western New York Stormwater Coalition. If the Common Council concurs, please authorize the Mayor to sign the enclosed MOA for a new five-year term of agreement, terminating on December 31, 2030, subject to review by the City Attorney.

Very truly yours,
Chelsea L. Spahr, P.E.
City Engineer

MOVED by Alderman DiBernardo SECONDED by Alderman Schmigel
That the Common Council hereby approves the enclosed MOA for a new five-year term agreement, with the Western New York Stormwater Coalition terminating on December 31, 2030 and authorizes the Mayor to sign said agreement.
Ayes: Alderman Schmigel, DiBernardo, Loncar, Lavey (4)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

VII. Accountant

November 13, 2025

Honorable Austin J. Tylec, Mayor
and Common Council
City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda NY 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

In accordance with Article V, Division 1, Section 5.002 and 5.003 of the City Charter, an Abstract Sheet, comprised of a Warrant of Claims, has been submitted by this office for your review and approval.

Accordingly, please authorize for payment the current Warrant of Claims for Common Council audit, dated November 18th, 2025, and further authorize the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant.

Warm regards,
Jeffrey R. Zellner
City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Dibernardo SECONDED by Alderman Schmigel
That the Common Council hereby authorizes for payment the current Abstract of Claims for Common Council Audit dated November 18th, 2025, and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant:

01	General Fund	\$415,704.32
02	Water Fund	\$108,778.94
04	Sewer Fund	\$142,420.72
06	Capital Project Fund	\$216,428.16
07	Trust & Agency Fund	<u>\$3,461.41</u>
00	Final Total	<u>\$886,793.55</u>

Ayes: Alderman Schmigel, DiBernardo, Loncar, Lavey (4)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

IX. Supt. Public Works

November 12, 2025

Honorable Austin J. Tylec, Mayor
And Common Council Members
City Hall / 216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: New Street Light – Sweeney Street Pole #1565

Dear Honorable Body:

In conjunction with the City Engineering Department, we requested the annual facilities and energy use charges for a new LED streetlight from National Grid for a new streetlight on pole #1565 on Sweeney Street. This pole is near the intersection of Sweeney Street and Sweeney Court. The estimated annual cost per streetlight is approximately \$234.96 from National Grid.

I recommend that the Council resolve to authorize National Grid to install a new streetlight on pole #1565 and that the City Clerk be directed to send a copy of the Council’s Resolution to Ms. Bernice Montague, Customer Representative for National Grid.

Please let me know if you have any further questions or concerns. Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,
John Urban
Supt. Public Works

MOVED by Alderman DiBernardo SECONDED by Alderman Schmigel
That the Common Council at a regular session meeting, held at City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue, North Tonawanda, New York at 6:30 PM on November 18th, 2025, approves National Grid to install a new LED streetlight near the intersection of Sweeney Street and Sweeney Court pole #1565, at the approximate cost of \$234.96
Ayes: Alderman Schmigel, DiBernardo, Loncar, Lavey (4)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

XIV. Dir. Youth, Recreation, Parks & Seniors

September 30, 2025

Honorable Mayor Tylec
And Common Council
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Attached are the proposed fee schedules for recreational program and facility charges for the 2026 season. Items highlighted in yellow reflect price increases from the 2025 fee structure. Notably these include a \$1 per round increase to greens fees and an associated increase of \$35 for each of the offered season passes. An increase in \$5 for day and overnight charges at Gateway Harbor is also included. These price increases are in correlation with the continued rise in product expenses and staffing costs (state minimum wage increase as well as CSEA union wage increases) that are required to provide programs and services for the public at the same level that our community has come to expect.

Please note that despite the fee increases, our research found that many of our price points continue to competitive to similar program/facility rates in the Town of Tonawanda, City of Tonawanda, Amherst, Buffalo, Lockport and Wheatfield.

These fees are directly associated with the projected revenues that will be submitted for the 2026 budget season. Alteration of the budget figures and associated programs may impact the resulting projected revenues.

Respectfully submitted,
Alex Domaradzki
Dir. Youth, Recreation, Parks and Seniors

MOVED by Alderman Loncar SECONDED by Alderman DiBernardo
That the Common Council hereby approves the attached Recreational Program and Facility Charges for the 2026 Season.
Ayes: Alderman Schmigel, DiBernardo, Loncar, Lavey (4)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

XXV. Monthly Reports

.1 Clerk-Treasurer

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XXXII.1 Dir. Community Development

October 8, 2025

North Tonawanda Common Council
City of North Tonawanda
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Adoption of the City of North Tonawanda Comprehensive Plan

Dear Honorable Members of the Common Council,

On behalf of the North Tonawanda Community Development Office, I am pleased to present the final draft of the City of North Tonawanda Comprehensive Plan for your consideration and adoption.

The Comprehensive Plan represents the culmination of extensive community engagement, stakeholder input, and careful analysis of the City’s current conditions and future opportunities. It provides a unified vision and actionable strategies for guiding growth, development, investment, and preservation across all areas of our community, including land use and housing.

I duly noticed public hearing was held on October 14, 2025, at 6:15 PM in the Council Chambers, allowing residents and stakeholders the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed plan.

Enclosed for your review and approval is a Resolution Adopting the City of North Tonawanda Comprehensive Plan, 2025. Adoption of this resolution will formally establish the Comprehensive Plan as the official guiding document for the city and provide a strong framework for decision-making and community investment in the years ahead.

Thank you for your thoughtful review and consideration of this important step in shaping North Tonawanda's future.

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Wilson
Dir. Community Development

MOVED by Alderman Loncar SECONDED by Alderman DiBernardo

That the Common Council at a regular session meeting, held at City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue, North Tonawanda, New York at 6:30 PM on November 18th, 2025, approves the Resolution Adopting the City of North Tonawanda Comprehensive Plan and it reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of North Tonawanda has undertaken the preparation of a Comprehensive Plan in accordance with Section 272-a of the New York State Town Law, which provides municipalities with the authority to adopt a comprehensive plan to serve as a guide for future development, preservation, and investment; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan reflects the collective input of residents, businesses,

community organizations, and other stakeholders through a series of public meetings, workshops, surveys, and advisory committee sessions; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan identifies the City’s long-term goals and strategies related to land use, housing, economic development, transportation, infrastructure, natural resources, community facilities, and overall quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Tonawanda Planning Commission has reviewed the Comprehensive Plan and recommended its adoption by the Common Council; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of North Tonawanda scheduled and held a duly noticed public hearing on October 14, 2025, at 6:15 PM in the Council Chambers to receive comments from the public and other interested parties regarding the proposed Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has considered such comments along with the recommendations of City staff and consultants, and finds that adoption of the Comprehensive Plan is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of North Tonawanda;

WHEREAS, the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan was reviewed in accordance with 6 NYCCR Part 617 as a Type I Action. A Coordinated Review was conducted involving the solicitation of lead agency status to all funding and permitting entities; and

WHEREAS, after the required review period, the City of North Tonawanda will act as a Lead agency in the determination of significance of the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of North Tonawanda has determined that there will not be significant environmental impacts associated with the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan and hereby **issues a Negative Declaration**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of North Tonawanda hereby adopts the **City of North Tonawanda Comprehensive Plan, 2025**, as the official Comprehensive Plan of the City pursuant to Section 272-a of New York State Town Law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby directed to file and maintain the adopted Comprehensive Plan as a public record and to distribute copies to appropriate City departments, agencies, and officials for implementation.

Ayes: Alderman Schmigel, DiBernardo, Loncar, Lavey (4)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

XXXII.2 Dir. Community Development

November 10, 2025

**Honorable Mayor and City Council
City Hall / 216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120**

**Re: Community Development Block Grant Program – Request for Required
Second Public Hearing**

Dear Honorable Body,

As per Community Development Block Group (CDBG) regulations, the City of North Tonawanda is required to hold a public meeting to discuss CDBG activities. The hearing must be held at a meeting with a quorum of the Common Council.

I would like to formally request authorization to hold a required public meeting for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Dockside Bar & Grill Economic

Development program (822ED505-22) to be held on December 9th 2025 at 6:00pm in the Common Council chambers immediately preceding the regularly scheduled Common Council workshop.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kindest regards,
Laura Wilson
Dir. Community Development

MOVED by Alderman DiBernardo SECONDED by Alderman Loncar
That the Common Council at a regular session meeting, held at City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue, North Tonawanda, New York at 6:30 PM on November 18th, 2025, approves the Resolution Setting a Date for a Second Public Hearing for Community Development Block Grant Funding and it reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of North Tonawanda received Community Development Block (CDBG) funding from the New York State Office of Community Renewal (Project No. 822ED505-22) to implement the economic development assistance to The Dockside Bar & Restaurant (the “Project”), and

WHEREAS, the North Tonawanda Common Council is required to hold a public hearing to discuss the implementation of the Project and to receive comments related to the effectiveness of administration of the CDBG Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held on December 9th 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue, North Tonawanda, New York 14120, before the North Tonawanda Common Council, whereat all interested parties shall be heard regarding the implementation of the CDBG Project, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is directed to prepare a notice of said hearing, to cause the publication of the notice of such hearing in the newspaper which has been officially designated by the Common Council to publish “notices”, and to affix a copy of said notice on the bulletin board in City Hall at 216 Payne Avenue, North Tonawanda, New York; both publication and posting to be made at least eight (8) days before the public hearing.

Ayes: Alderman Schmigel, DiBernardo, Loncar, Lavey (4)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHERS

A.
Sweeney Hose Company No.7

November 5, 2025

Donna Braun City Clerk-Treasurer
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Dear Honorable Council,

The following Active Firefighting member has voluntarily moved his status in our firehall from Active Firefighter to Social Member at our monthly meeting on November 3rd, 2025. Please update the official roster kept within the City of North Tonawanda records.

- Nicolas Leone

Sincerely,
Daniel D. Schmidt
Secretary

MOVED by Alderman DiBernardo **SECONDED** by Alderman Schmigel
That the Common Council hereby grants permission to remove Nicolas Leone from the
North Tonawanda Fire Rolls.

Ayes: Alderman Schmigel, DiBernardo, Loncar, Lavey (4)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Jack Kanack, 84 South Meadow-Inquired about the New Election Law that was passed and wanted to know if it was affecting the newly elected city officials. Also wanted to know if we will be able to let him know when his water meter is going to be ready with our new system.

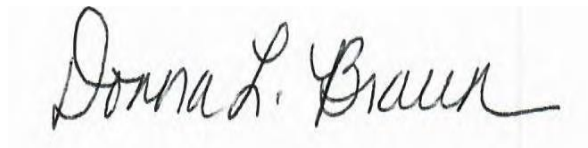
Mike Carin, 792 Revere – Concerns that the residents are being ripped off in the summer months on their water bills. We fill pools and water gardens and that water shouldn't be charged a sewer rate. Wants to know who is making the decisions on paving the roads? Also still displeased with the Nash Road configuration.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Alderman DiBernardo **SECONDED** by Alderman Schmigel
That this regular session of the Common Council be and hereby is adjourned.
CARRIED.

Time of Adjournment: 6:47 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna L. Braun
City Clerk-Treasurer