Nays: None CARRIED.

I.4 Mayor

February 24, 2022

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

RE: Complete Streets Policy for North Tonawanda - Climate Smart Task Force

Dear Honorable Body:

The Climate Smart Task Force was advised to create a Complete Streets Policy for The City of North Tonawanda. This policy has been initiated by many municipalities in Western New York and is intended to provide guidance for the planning, design and operation of public rights-of-way within a municipality to improve public safety and access, maintenance efficiency and environmental conditions. The purpose is to show The City of North Tonawanda's commitment to the implementation of Complete Streets that promote the safe, accessible, and environmentally friendly use of public rights-of-way. Over the years, our city has shown our willingness to implement similar initiatives with public projects along our waterfront, downtown, and many areas throughout the city.

This commitment provides a positive message that we are focused on the betterment of our public spaces and I hope this will have the Council's support

Respectfully, Austin J. Tylec Mayor

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 March 1, 2022, a Complete Streets Policy Resolution was passed and reads as follows:

WHEREAS, a North Tonawanda Complete Streets Policy will improve bicycle and pedestrian friendliness and create a safe, reliable, efficient, attractive, and connected multi-modal transportation system that benefits all users regardless of age, mobility limitations, or economic standing; and

WHEREAS, complete streets that integrate multiple transportation choices for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit, with special consideration for children, the elderly and people with disabilities, contribute to the public life of a community, sustainable economic development and efficient movement of people and goods; and

**WHEREAS**, complete streets that are mindful of and respondent to environmental and climate conditions have a positive effect on public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Tonawanda shall, to the maximum extent practical, scope, plan, design, construct, operate and maintain all streets to provide a comprehensive and integrated network of facilities for all users of all abilities; and

WHEREAS, the City will actively seek sources of appropriate funding and pursue all available resources to assist in achieving Complete Street goals; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this policy to foster partnerships with the State of New York, Niagara County, North Tonawanda School District, citizens, businesses, interest groups and neighborhoods to implement complete streets; and

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**WHEREAS,** the City of North Tonawanda shall encourage the use of publicly available design guidelines and best practices to guide the planning, design and operation of complete streets within the city; and

WHEREAS, complete streets should be continuously evaluated for success and opportunities for improvement sought.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Common Council of the City of North Tonawanda, New York hereby supports the creation of a North Tonawanda Complete Streets Policy.

Subject to review by the City Attorney. Ayes: Alderman Schmigel, DiBernardo, Lavey, Loncar, Pecoraro Nays: None CARRIED.

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**II.** Attorney

February 15, 2022

Hon. Mayor and Common Council City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue North Tonawanda, NY 14120

> Re: Proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement between AFSCME Local 515 And City of North Tonawanda

**Dear Honorable Body:** 

Attached, for your consideration, are the new terms of the proposed collective bargaining agreement between AFSCME Local 515 and the City of North Tonawanda. The City and AFSCME met on numerous occasions over the past several months to negotiate the new agreement, and the amendments are hereby attached. The current agreement expired on December 31, 2021. Please note that the proposed term is four (4) years, beginning January 1, 2022.

Should your Honorable Body concur, please pass a resolution approving the changes to the collective bargaining agreement. Subject to any further review by the City Attorney.

Very truly yours, Edward A. Zebulske, III City Attorney

MOVED by Alderman DiBernardo SECONDED by Alderman Pecoraro 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 March 1, 2022, the Collective Bargaining Agreement between AFSCME Local 515 and the City of North Tonawanda was passed and reads as follows:

Union #1 (1.21) Change to 12:01 a.m. on January 1, 2022 continues until midnight on December 31, 2025.

Union #2 (1.23) Change to May 1, 2025 no later than June 1, 2025.

<u>Union #3</u> (5.49 A) NEW: The employer shall be allowed to use up to nine (9) seasonal help employees for the use of sanitation and recycling workers only for twelve (12) months of the calendar year provided there shall be a staffing clause of at least sixty-eight (68) full time AFSCME employees, anytime the number of full time AFSCME employees drop below sixtyeight (68) for any reasons, management shall have thirty (30) days to fill vacant positions. The employer's ability to retain seasonal help for sanitation and recycling shall cease to exist if for any reasons management does not keep staffing clause at sixty-eight (68) full time AFSCME