# Niagara County Industrial Development Agency Niagara County Center for Economic Development . 6311 Inducon Corporate Drive . Sanborn. NY 14132

# NCIDA/NCDC/NADC AUDIT/FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

Date: Time: Place:	Wednesday, March 11, 2020 8:15 a.m. Niagara County Center for Economic Development
NCIDA	A Audit/Finance Committee Members:
	Mark A. Onesi, Chairman Kevin McCabe, Member William L. Ross, Member
Copies	
	Susan Langdon, Executive Director Andrea Klyczek, Assistant Director Scott Brydges Clifford Scott Robert B. Cliffe Mary Lynn Candella  Susan Langdon, Executive Director Andrea Klyczek, Assistant Director Dmitri Liadski, Economic Developer Michael S. Dudley, Finance Manager Caroline Caruso, Accounting Associate Barbara A. Gill, Administrative Coordinator Mark J. Gabriele, Agency Counsel
1.0	Meeting Called to Order – M. Onesi
2.0	Roll Call – B. Gill
3.0	Approval of Audit Committee Meeting Minutes – K. McCabe
	3.1 February 12, 2020
4.0	NCIDA Audit/Finance Committee – M. Onesi
	<ul> <li>4.1 Audit Report – Lumsden &amp; McCormick, CPAs</li> <li>4.2 Agency Payables – M. Onesi</li> <li>4.3 MTD and YTD Budget Variance Report – M. Onesi</li> <li>4.4 Project Closing Summary Report – M. Gabriele</li> </ul>
5.0	Reaffirm Audit/Finance Charter – M. Onesi/M. Gabriele
6.0	Adjournment – M. Onesi

# **Niagara County Industrial Development Agency**

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Date:

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Time:

8:45 a.m.

Place:

Niagara County Center for Economic Development

Vantage Center

# NCIDA/NCDC/NADC Audit/Finance Committee Members:

Mark A. Onesi, Chairperson

Present

Kevin McCabe, Member

Present

William L. Ross, Member

Present

# **Other Board Members Present:**

### **Staff Present:**

Jerald I. Wolfgang Clifford Scott Scott Brydges Robert B. Cliffe Mary Lynn Candella Susan Langdon, Executive Director Andrea Klyczek, Assistant Director Michael S. Dudley, Finance Manager Dmitri Liadski, Economic Developer Barbara A. Gill, Recording Secretary Mark J. Gabriele, Agency Counsel

### 1.0 Meeting Called to Order

Mr. Onesi called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m.

### 2.0 Roll Call

Ms. Gill called the roll; a quorum was established.

# 3.0 Approval of Audit Committee Meeting Minutes

### 3.1 January 8, 2020

Mr. Onesi stated that he had reviewed the meeting minutes and he made a motion for approval; Mr. Ross seconded the motion. The motion passed.

# 4.0 Finance & Audit Committee Reports

# 4.1 Agency Payables

Mr. Onesi stated that he reviewed the monthly payables and he made a motion to recommend approval of the Payables to the Board Members at the Regular Board Meeting; Mr. McCabe seconded the motion. The motion passed.

# 4.2 Budget Variance Report

Mr. Onesi stated that he reviewed the Report and he made a motion to recommend approval of the Budget Variance Report to the Board Members for approval at the Regular Board Meeting; Mr. Ross seconded the motion. The motion passed.

# 5.0 Project Closing Summary Report

Mr. Gabriele stated that Penn Terra is hoping to close this month, and the Niagara University refinancing Bond project paperwork has been finalized.

### 6.0 Adjournment

Mr. Onesi made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCabe to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:48 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Barbara A. Gill, Administrative Coordinator

# Niagara County Industrial Devel. Agency Check Register For the Period From Feb 1, 2020 to Feb 29, 2020

Filter Criteria includes: Report order is by Date.

Check #	Date	Payee	Cash Account	Amount	
2/3/20	2/3/20	NEW YORK STATE AND LOCAL	10001.100	334.14	
28927	2/4/20	Caroline M. Caruso	10001.100	67.80	
28928	2/4/20	County of Niagara	10001.100	133.09	
28929	2/4/20	CoStar Realty Information, Inc.	10001.100	217.31	
28930	2/4/20	THE HARTFORD	10001.100	290.91	
28931	2/4/20	M&T Bank	10001.100	463.59	
28932	2/4/20	National Grid	10001.100	509.10	
28933	2/4/20	Niag Cnty Dept of Economic Development	10001.100	283.44	
28934	2/4/20	Niagara Gazette Lockport Union Sun	10001.100	103.54	
28935	2/4/20	PITNEY BOWES	10001.100	158.98	
28936	2/4/20	Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services	10001.100	189.42	
28937	2/5/20	Guardian	10001.100	521.48	
28938	2/11/20	360 PSG.com	10001.100	60.00	
28939	2/11/20	Cintas Corporation #782	10001.100	87.64	
28940	2/11/20	County of Niagara	10001.100	584.58	
8941	2/11/20	Express Carpet Steamers	10001.100	793.17	
8942	2/11/20	First Choice Coffee Services	10001.100	100.53	
8943	2/11/20	H. SICHERMAN & CO., INC.	10001.100	4,591.68	
/13/20	2/13/20	PAYCHEX, INC.	10001.100	88.73	
2/14/20	2/14/20	NYS DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN	10001.100	1,051.84	
8944	2/19/20	County of Niagara	10001.100	265.97	
8945	2/19/20	Dawn M. Siters	10001.100	150.00	
28946	2/19/20	Independent Health	10001.100	3,389.65	
8947	2/19/20	Roxanne M. Morgan	10001.100	76.69	
8948	2/19/20	PURCHASE POWER	10001.100	150.00	
8949	2/19/20	SAM'S CLUB/SYNCHRONY BANK	10001.100	478.96	
8950	2/25/20	Guardian	10001.100	304.63	
8951	2/25/20	SUSAN C. LANGDON	10001.100	259.18	
8952	2/25/20	NIAGARA USA CHAMBER	10001.100	1,600.00	
8953	2/25/20	Niagara Gazette Lockport Union Sun	10001.100	101.60	
2/27/20	2/27/20	PAYCHEX, INC.	10001.100	75.40	
2/28/20	2/28/20	NYS DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN	10001.100	967.84	
otal				18,450.89	

NCIDA - MTF - Operating Fund Check Register For the Period From Feb 1, 2020 to Feb 29, 2020

Filter Criteria includes: Report order is by Date.

Check#	Date	Payee	Cash Account	Amount	
2927	2/4/20	National Grid	10001.600	42.52	
2928	2/4/20	Niagara Falls Water Board	10001.600	885.18	
2929	2/19/20	Blue OX Roofing	10001.600	194.00	
2930	2/19/20	DAVIS-ULMER Sprinkler Co.	10001.600	160.00	
2931	2/19/20	LARABA ENTERPRISES	10001.600	927.00	
2932	2/19/20	VERIZON	10001.600	114.68	
2933	2/25/20	LARABA ENTERPRISES	10001.600	1,300.00	
Total				3,623.38	

NCIDA VIP-MTF Operating
Check Register
For the Period From Feb 1, 2020 to Feb 29, 2020
Filter Criteria includes: Report order is by Date.

Check#	Date	Payee	Cash Account	Amount	
4336	2/1/20	Republic Services #111	10001.600	181.01	
4337	2/4/20	H.W.BRYK & SONS, INC.	10001.600	476.25	
4338	2/4/20	Frontier	10001.600	171.49	
4339	2/4/20	National Grid	10001.600	354.03	
4340	2/11/20	H.W.BRYK & SONS, INC.	10001.600	154.00	
4341	2/11/20	Express Carpet Steamers	10001.600	219.42	
4342	2/11/20	County of Niagara	10001.600	444.58	
4343	2/19/20	H.W.BRYK & SONS, INC.	10001.600	450.00	
4344	2/19/20	DAVIS-ULMER Sprinkler Co.	10001.600	170.00	
4345	2/19/20	LARABA ENTERPRISES	10001.600	1,602.00	
4346	2/19/20	County of Niagara	10001.600	159.33	
4347	2/19/20	Town of Wheatfield	10001.600	63.65	
4348	2/25/20	LARABA ENTERPRISES	10001.600	2,050.00	
Total				6,495.76	

# Niag. Cnty Dev. Corp. - Micro RLF

Check Register

For the Period From Feb 1, 2020 to Feb 29, 2020

Filter Criteria includes: Report order is by Date.

Check #	Date	Payee	Cash Account	Amount	
2024	2/25/20	Niagara Gazette Lockport Union Sun	10004.400	216.06	
Total				216.06	

# Niagara Industrial Incubator Associates Check Register For the Period From Feb 1, 2020 to Feb 29, 2020 Filter Criteria includes: Report order is by Date.

Check #	Date	Payee	Cash Account	Amount	
1088	2/4/20	Blue Ox Roofing	10000.100	556.00	
1089	2/4/20	H.W. Bryk & Sons, Inc.	10000.100	285.00	
1090	2/4/20	National Fuel	10000.100	417.30	
1091	2/4/20	National Grid	10000.100	904.48	
1092	2/4/20	Niagara Falls Water Board	10000.100	432.59	
1093	2/11/20	Modern Electrical Construction Inc.	10000.100	770.00	
1094	2/19/20	Laraba Enterprises	10000.100	1,125.00	
1095	2/19/20	Rich's Expert Door Service, LLC	10000.100	300.00	
1096	2/19/20	Silipos Holdings LLC	10000.100	2,390.05	
1097	2/25/20	Blue Ox Roofing	10000.100	772.00	
1098	2/25/20	H.W. Bryk & Sons, Inc.	10000.100	3,250.00	
1099	2/25/20	Laraba Enterprises	10000.100	1,337.50	
1100	2/25/20	Modern Electrical Construction Inc.	10000.100	2,670.00	
Total				15,209.92	

# NIAGARA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

# BUDGET VARIANCE REPORT AS OF February 29, 2020 UN-AUDITED STATEMENT FOR INTERNAL MANAGEMENT USE ONLY

	Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	Year To Date Actual	Year To Date Budget	Year To Date Variance	Total Budget
Operating Revenues						
Project Administrative Fees	\$ 52,850.00	\$ 36,390.00	\$ 52,850.00	\$ 45,299.00	7,551.00	\$ 543,163.00
Project Application Fees	2,000.00	1,000.00	3,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	12,000.00
NEDF RLF Administrative Fee	4,166.67	4,166.67	8,333.34	8,333.34	0.00	50,000.00
Administratve Fees - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,354.00
Interest Earnings	216.06	228.75	446.90	457.50	(10.60)	9,148.00
Training Room Income	50.00	33.33	50.00	66.66	(16.66)	400.00
Distrib From Niag. Ind. Suites	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100,000.00
Distributions From Affiliates	0.00	0.00	, 0.00	0.00	0.00	80,000.00
Distribution from VIP MTF	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100,000.00
Total Operating Revenues	59,282.73	41,818.75	64,680.24	56,156.50	8,523.74	902,065.00
Operating Expenses						
Salaries	30,478.70	30,161.76	76 106 75	75 404 40	700.07	200 102 00
Benefits	4,712.06		76,196.75	75,404.40	792.35	392,103.00
Retirement Benefits		5,740.00	9,325.86	11,480.00	(2,154.14)	68,880.00
Payroll Taxes	4,470.33	4,470.33	8,940.66	8,940.66	0.00	53,644.00
Unemployment Taxes	2,387.02	2,315.09	5,915.91	5,737.64	178.27	29,996.00
Consultants	126.20	157.72	407.47	509.24	(101.77)	614.00
	2,500.00	2,500.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	30,000.00
Assisstant Director	5,201.25	5,201.25	10,402.50	10,402.50	0.00	62,415.00
Legal Services	6,016.80	5,000.00	11,016.80	10,000.00	1,016.80	60,000.00
Accounting Services	0.00	8,000.00	0.00	8,000.00	(8,000.00)	18,700.00
Accounting Services - NADC	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	2,000.00
Marketing	2,409.31	1,833.33	2,886.62	3,666.66	(780.04)	22,000.00
Printing	0.00	208.33	0.00	416.66	(416.66)	2,500.00
Office Supplies	114.38	250.00	114.38	500.00	(385.62)	3,000.00
Postage	150.00	252.00	648.40	1,137.00	(488.60)	3,296.00
Telephone & Fax	87.16	126.67	174.32	253.34	(79.02)	1,520.00
Internet Service	123.85	328.33	277.70	656.66	(378.96)	3,940.00
Common Area Charges	680.00	687.50	1,360.00	1,375.00	(15.00)	8,250.00
Energy	1,569.56	1,609.00	2,929.21	3,496.00	(566.79)	16,063.00
Conference & Travel	329.20	291.67	397.00	583.34	(186.34)	3,500.00
Employee Training	660.00	1,250.00	660.00	2,500.00	(1,840.00)	15,000.00
Insurance Expense	1,424.68	1,570.25	2,849.36	3,140.50	(291.14)	18,843.00
Library & Membership	0.00	54.45	1,500.00	1,554.45	(54.45)	2,099.00
General Office	841.95	774.67	1,824.60	1,549.34	275.26	9,296.00
Repairs & Maintenance	862.49	1,221.08	1,803.60	2,442.16	(638.56)	14,653.00
Computer Support	0.00	666.67	0.00	1,333.34	(1,333.34)	8,000.00
Public Hearings	0.00	16.67	0.00	33.34	(33.34)	200.00
Furniture & Equipment Purchase	259.18	166.67	259.18	333.34	(74.16)	2,000.00
Other Expense	0.00	83.33	0.00	166.66	(166.66)	1,000.00
Total Operating Expenses	65,404.12	75,936.77	144,890.32	161,612.23	(16,721.91)	853,512.00
Net Operating Income/ <loss></loss>	(6,121.39)	(34,118.02)	(80,210.08)	(105,455.73)	25,245.65	48,553.00
Non-Operating Revenue & Expense Grant Rev- City NF Initiative Grant Sub-City NF Initiative	0.00 0.00	74,437.50 74,437.50	0.00 0.00	148,875.00 148,875.00	(148,875.00) (148,875.00)	893,250.00 893,250.00
Net Non-Operating Income/ <loss></loss>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Net Income/ <loss></loss>	(\$ 6,121.39)	(\$ 34,118.02)	(\$ 80,210.08)	(\$ 105,455.73)	25,245.65	\$ 48,553.00

# NIAGARA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Balance Sheet February 29, 2020

# ASSETS

Current Assets Cash - Checking Petty Cash Certificates of Deposit Mmkt Acct M&T Bank Cash - First Response Cash - City of N.F. Cataract Tourism C/D	1,211,28 418,47	0.00 5.00 8.24 3.58 5.89
Mmkt Acct Cataract Tourism Accts Rec - Public Hearings Accounts Rec. EDA - RLF Due To/From Micro RLF Accounts Rec - NEDF Due To/From VID. MTE	8,78 14,47 8,33	7.38 8.23 4.62 3.34
Due To/From VIP - MTF Due From NCDC CDBG/HUD Due To/Due From NADC Due To/From MTF Operating Prepaid Insurance	529,98 14,27 40 102,66 17,64	0.76 6.56 7.19
Total Current Assets		7,162,168.33
Other Assets Deferred Outflows Investment in NIIA	166,98 342,50	
Total Other Assets		509,482.00
Fixed Assets Furniture & Equipment Furn & Fixtures - Fed purchase Accum Dep Furn & Equip Accum Dep F&F Fed Purch	199,36 5,86 (198,346 (5,861	1.08 5.59)
Total Fixed Assets		1,014.24
Total Assets		\$ 7,672,664.57
Total Assets  LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		\$ 7,672,664.57
	8,94	2.76 0.66 3.58 1.77 9.03
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS  Current Liabilities NYS Retirement W/H 414(H) Accrued Retirement Deferred Rev First Repsonse Def. Rev City of N.F. Accounts Payable	8,94 4,548,73 22,62	2.76 0.66 3.58 1.77 9.03
Current Liabilities NYS Retirement W/H 414(H) Accrued Retirement Deferred Rev First Repsonse Def. Rev City of N.F. Accounts Payable Acct. Payable - Niag. County	8,94 4,548,73 22,62	2.76 0.66 3.58 1.77 9.03 2.50 4,590,930.30
Current Liabilities NYS Retirement W/H 414(H) Accrued Retirement Deferred Rev First Repsonse Def. Rev City of N.F. Accounts Payable Acct. Payable - Niag. County  Total Current Liabilities  Long-Term Liabilities Pension Liability	8,94 4,548,73 22,62 10,40	2.76 0.66 3.58 1.77 9.03 2.50 4,590,930.30
Current Liabilities NYS Retirement W/H 414(H) Accrued Retirement Deferred Rev First Repsonse Def. Rev City of N.F. Accounts Payable Acct. Payable - Niag. County  Total Current Liabilities  Long-Term Liabilities Pension Liability Deferred Inflows of Resources	8,94 4,548,73 22,62 10,40	2.76 0.66 3.58 1.77 9.03 2.50 4,590,930.30
Current Liabilities NYS Retirement W/H 414(H) Accrued Retirement Deferred Rev First Repsonse Def. Rev City of N.F. Accounts Payable Acct. Payable - Niag. County  Total Current Liabilities Long-Term Liabilities Pension Liability Deferred Inflows of Resources  Total Long-Term Liabilities	8,94 4,548,73 22,62 10,40	2.76 0.66 3.58 1.77 9.03 2.50 4,590,930.30 3.00 8.00 166,271.00 4,757,201.30
Current Liabilities NYS Retirement W/H 414(H) Accrued Retirement Deferred Rev First Repsonse Def. Rev City of N.F. Accounts Payable Acct. Payable - Niag. County  Total Current Liabilities  Long-Term Liabilities Pension Liability Deferred Inflows of Resources  Total Long-Term Liabilities  Total Liabilities  Net Assets Fund Balance - Operating Fund	8,94 4,548,73 22,62 10,40 39,77 126,49	2.76 0.66 3.58 1.77 9.03 2.50 4,590,930.30 3.00 8.00 166,271.00 4,757,201.30

Unaudited - For Management Purposes Only

# Niagara County Industrial Development Agency Aged Payables As of February 29, 2020

Vendor ID Vendor	Invoice #	Amount Due
CARUSO Caroline M. Caruso	2/3/2020 - 2/26/2020	53.64
GABRIELE Gabriele & Berrigan, P.C.	Feb 2020 Engagement	5,000.00
LANSUE Susan C. Langdon	12/16/19-2/25/20	100.63
M&TBUS M&T Bank	Feb 2020	942.00
NATGRID National Grid	39004 2/20	469.56
NIACHA NIAGARA USA CHAMBER	39934	250.00
SICHER H. SICHERMAN & CO., INC.	#2 2019	2,105.00
STAPLES STAPLES CONTRACT & CO	8057565002 8057564993	39.88 74.50
tim Time Warner Cable	Feb 2020	123.85
Report Total		9,159.06
Adjusting Journal Entries	_	5 000 40
	nated Jan 2020 Legal Fees	5,223.40
	nated Feb 2020 Legal Fees	4,803.40
	mated Jan 2020 Litigation nated Feb 2020 Litigation	750.00 240.00
	ted Jan 2020 Copier usage	250.00
	ted Feb 2020 Copier usage	250.00
	d Jan-Feb 2020 Telephone	60.00
	0 Niagara County Electric	450.00
Estimated Feb	2020 Niagara County Gas	650.00
Estimated l	Feb 2020 Cleaning service	793.17
		22,629.03

# NIAGARA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Project Income - 2020 Lease/Lease Back and Bonds

Crused 2020	Project Type	Total Project Amount	IDA Project Amount	Fees	Application Fee	Amount Received to Date	Date Received	Balance Due	Date Closed
Penn Terra - USRE Corp.	L/L Back	5,635,000	5,285,000	52,850	1,000	53,850	2/25/20	- - - -	2/29/20
TOTAL				52,850	1,000	53,850			
		Fees received	d in prior year				8		
	Total f	fees received to	date in 2020	52,850					
		Total 2020 B	udgeted Fees	543,163					
		Balance of B	udgeted Fees	490,313					
Projected 2020	Project Type	Total Project Amount	IDA Project Amount	Anticipated Fees	Application Fee	Amount Received to Date	Date Received	Anticipated Balance Due	Inducement Expiration
Merani Hotel Group 1300 Pine Avenue LLC DLC Diversified Holdings, LLC(Dominic Hotel Niagara Development, LLC The Niagara Club Niagara University Intarosa Holdings, Inc. IR Real Property Holdings LLC Neighborhood Redevelopment LLC  * Buffalo Fuel Corp.	Sales Tax Only Sales Tax Only sk Cili L/L Back L/L Back Bond Refinat L/L Back L/L Back L/L Back L/L Back L/L Back	22,500,000 900,000 2,500,000 34,075,020 3,036,700 nice 820,000 516,000 338,000 2,240,000	20,286,000 425,000 2,230,000 33,032,832 2,872,000 41,000,000 820,000 485,000 315,000 2,217,000	75,000 - 22,300 230,000 28,720 100,000 8,200 4,850 3,150 22,170	1,000 1,000 1,000 1,000 1,000 1,000 1,000 1,000 1,000	1,000 1,000 1,000 1,000 1,000 1,000 1,000	6/17/19 6/4/18 1/3/19 9/9/19 9/27/19 1/8/20	75,000 - 22,300 230,000 28,720 100,000 8,200 4,850 3,150 22,170	11/30/20 5/31/20 10/31/20 7/31/20 8/31/20 10/31/20 11/30/20 2/28/21
TOTAL				494,390	10,000	10,000		494,390	0
TOTAL - Projected Income 2020			;	547,240	11,000	63,850		494,390	. 0
Projected 2021	Project Type	Total Project Amount	IDA Project Amount	Anticipated Fees	Application Fee	Amount Received to Date	Date Received	Anticipated Balance Due	Inducement Expiration
								-	
TOTAL			:	0	0	0		0	0

<sup>\*</sup> Pending Board Approval

# Cataract rism Fund Gran ogram

Disbursement

Amount

37,667

88,147

0

0

0

0

0 125,814

Disbursement

Date

1/23/2018

7/15/2019

To Be Disbursed

	Grant	Outst'd'g	Approval
Grantce Name	Awards	Awards	Date
Niagara County Dept. of Economic Development	37,667	0	10/11/2017
Niagara Aquarium Foundation	88,147	0	2/14/2018
The Tourism Research Entrepreneurship Center (TReC)		176,000	8/8/2018
Niagara Falls Center for Tourism LLC	1,000,000	1,000,000	6/12/2019
NFNY Hotel Management, LLC	2,000,000	2,000,000	Pending
Red Star Builders, LLC (The Niagara Club)	523,250	523,250	7/10/2019
Niagara Aquarium Foundation	370,000	370,000	8/14/2019
Niagara Aquarium Foundation	16,717	16,717	2/12/2020
To Date Sub-Total	4,211,781	4,085,967	
Grant Fund Cash Balance as of 2/29/2020	4 549 721 77		
Grant Fund Cash Dalance as of 2/25/2020	4,548,731.77		
Less: Outstanding Awards	(4,085,967.00)		
Available for amounting and	460 564 55		
Available for awarding grants	462,764.77		
Grant Fund Balance	_		
Grant Funding from NYS 11/22/2016	1,600,000.00		
Grant Funding from NYS 10/16/2017	1,440,000.00		
Grant Funding from NYS 10/12/2018	1,600,000.00		
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Bank Interest	34,589.03		
Bank Fees	(43.26)		
	/		
Grant Disbursements	(125,814.00)		
Grant Fund Balance	4,548,731.77		

Offer	
Expiration	Project Description
	Feasability study for Niagara Falls area multi-use facility
	Jellyfish exhibit and equipment
3/31/2020	Buildout, audio/visual equipment and network connectivity hardware
5/31/2021	Construction of an indoor family entertainment center and outdoor improvements
Pending	Niagara Beach and Surf Club - indoor/outdoor wave pool, resaurant and bar
5/31/2020	Rooftop bar and lounge, banquet space, virtual entertainment lounge & Spot Coffee
5/31/2020	Interactive touch pools adjacent to main entrance of the Aquarium
1/20/2021	Renovations to second floor event room

# NIAGARA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("NCIDA")

### FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER

This Charter shall also serve as the charter for the Financial & Audit Committee of the Niagara County Industrial Development Agency ("Agency"), upon approval by the Board of the corporation.

# ARTICLE I Core Functions

The core functions of the Financial & Audit Committee are set forth include: (i) providing assistance to members of the Agency in fulfilling their fiduciary responsibilities relating to accounting, reporting and regulatory compliance practices; (ii) maintaining, by way of regularly scheduled meetings, a direct line of communication between the members of the Agency and the Agency's independent accountants and auditors to provide for exchanges of views and information; (iii) maintaining, as appropriate, a direct line of communication between the members of the Agency and the governmental authorities having audit authority or fiscal oversight of the Agency; (iv) approving the budget of the Agency for submission to the Board; (v) approving and/or directing the transfers of moneys under the budget; and (vi) recommending to the Board the level of cash reserves and the level of fund balances of the Agency.

# ARTICLE II Composition

Members of the Financial & Audit Committee shall be appointed in accordance with the Bylaws. The Board shall designate one member of the Financial & Audit Committee to serve as chair of the Financial & Audit Committee. Each member of the Financial & Audit Committee shall serve for a term of one (1) year and until his or her successor shall be appointed and qualified.

At least three members of the Financial & Audit Committee must be an "independent member" within the meaning of, and to the extent required by, Section 2825 of the New York Public Authorities Law, as amended from time to time. Financial & Audit Committee members shall be prohibited from being an employee of the Agency or an immediate family member of an employee of the Agency. Members of the Financial & Audit Committee shall not engage in any private business transactions with the Agency or receive compensation from any private entity that has material business relationships with the Agency, or be an immediate family member or an individual that engages in private business transactions with the Agency or receives compensation from an entity that has material business relationships with the Agency. In addition, Financial & Audit Committee members who are members of the Agency shall comply

with the conflict of interest provisions applicable to public officers under Article 18 of the New York General Municipal Law.

# ARTICLE III Committee Meetings

The Financial & Audit Committee will meet a minimum of twice each calendar year (at least once prior to the commencement of the annual audit process and once after completion of the annual audit process). Additional meetings may be necessary or appropriate to adequately fulfill the obligations and duties outlined in this Charter. All committee members are expected to attend each meeting, in person or via videoconference. The Financial & Audit Committee may invite other individuals, such as members of management, auditors or other technical experts to attend meetings and provide pertinent information, as necessary.

Meeting notices and agendas will be prepared for each meeting and provided to Financial & Audit Committee members by electronic or regular mail at least five (5) days in advance of the scheduled meeting. A quorum of the Finance & Audit Committee shall consist of a majority of the members then serving on the Finance & Audit Committee. The affirmative vote of a majority of the members then serving on the Finance & Audit Committee shall constitute an act of the Financial & Audit Committee. Minutes of all meetings shall be recorded by the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary of the Agency. All meetings shall comply with the requirements of the Open Meetings Law.

# ARTICLE IV Committee Responsibilities

The Finance & Audit Committee shall have responsibilities related: (a) the independent auditor and annual financial statements; (b) oversight of management's internal controls, compliance and risk assessment practices; (c) special investigations and whistleblower policies; (d) miscellaneous issues related to the financial practices of the Agency; and (e) shall review proposals for the issuance of debt by the Agency and make recommendations regarding such proposed debt issuance.

# A. Independent Auditors and Financial Statements

The Finance & Audit Committee shall:

- (i) Recommend to the Board the hiring of independent auditors, establish the compensation to be paid to the auditors retained by the Agency and provide oversight of the audit services provided by the independent auditor.
- (ii) Establish procedures for the engagement of the independent auditor to provide permitted audit services. The Agency's independent auditor shall be prohibited from providing non-audit services unless having received previous written approval from the Finance & Audit Committee. Non-

audit services include tasks that directly support the Agency's operations, such as (a) bookkeeping or other services related to the accounting records or financial statements of the Agency; (b) financial information systems design and implementation; (c) appraisal or valuation services, fairness opinions, or contribution-in-kind reports; (d) actuarial services; (e) internal audit outsourcing services; (f) management functions or human resource services; (g) broker or dealer, investment advisor, or investment banking services; and (h) legal services and expert services unrelated to the audit function.

- (iii) Review and approval the Agency's audited financial statements, associated management letter and all other auditor communications.
- (iv) Review significant accounting and reporting issues, including complex or unusual transactions and management decisions, and recent professional and regulatory pronouncements, and understand their impact on the financial statements of the Agency.
- (v) Meeting with the Agency's independent auditor at least annually to discuss the financial statements of the Agency, and on an as-needed basis to discuss any significant issues that may have surfaced during the course of the audit.
- (vi) Review and discuss any significant risks reported in the independent audit findings and recommendations and assess the responsiveness and timeliness of management's follow-up activities pertaining to the same.

# B. Internal Controls, Compliance and Risk Assessment

The Finance & Audit Committee shall review management's assessment of the effectiveness of the Agency's internal controls and review the actions taken by management on the independent accountants' and auditors' suggestions for correcting weaknesses, if any, in the Agency's internal controls, regulatory compliance, organizational structure and operations, and if applicable, any weaknesses noted.

# C. Special Investigations

The Finance & Audit Committee shall:

- (i) Ensure that the Agency has an appropriate confidential mechanism for individuals to report suspected fraudulent activities, allegations of corruption, fraud, criminal activity, conflicts of interest or abuse by the directors, officers or employees of the Agency or any persons having business dealings with the Agency or breaches of internal control.
- (ii) Develop procedures for the receipt, retention, investigation and/or referral of complaints concerning accounting, internal controls and auditing.

(iii) Request and oversee special investigations as needed and/or refer specific issues to the Board or appropriate committee of the Board for further investigation.

# D. Other Responsibilities

The Finance & Audit Committee shall obtain information and training needed to enhance the committee members' understanding of the role of the independent auditor, the risk management process, internal controls and a certain level of familiarity in financial reporting standards and processes.

### E. Debt Issuance

The Finance & Audit Committee shall review proposals for the issuance of debt and make recommendations regarding such proposed debt issuance.

# ARTICLE V Committee Reports

The Finance & Audit Committee shall:

- A. Report its actions and recommendations to the Board at each regular meeting of the Board following a meeting of the Finance & Audit Committee and when otherwise requested by the Board;
- B. Report to the Board, at least annually, regarding any proposed changes to this Charter;
- C. Provide a self-evaluation of the Finance & Audit Committee's functions to the Board on an annual basis; and
- D. Report to the Board on a periodic basis, at least annually, the findings of its independent auditors. These reports shall include careful consideration of the actions taken by management on the independent auditors' suggestions for correcting weaknesses, if any, in the Agency's internal controls, regulatory compliance, organizational structure and operations. These reports may include the adequacy of the audit effort by the Agency's independent auditors, the financial and regulatory compliance reporting decisions of management, the adequacy of disclosure of information essential to a fair presentation of the financial affairs and regulatory compliance efforts of the Agency, and the organization and quality of the Agency's system of management and internal accounting controls.

# ARTICLE VI Amendments

This Charter may be amended upon affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of the Agency.