

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-23**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT THE NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL ("NOPEC") ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Willowick is a member of the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council ("NOPEC"), and is eligible for one (1) or more NOPEC Energized Community Grants for 2021 ("NEC Grants"), as provided for in the NEC Grant Program Guidelines; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has previously entered into a Grant Agreement with NOPEC, Inc. in order to receive one or more NEC Grants; and

**WHEREAS**, Council finds that applying for grants through NOPEC is in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the City and its residents and authorizes the Mayor to apply and accept funds from NOPEC for that purpose;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOWICK, COUNTY OF LAKE, AND STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That this Council finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the City of accept NEC Grants for 2021 and authorizes the Mayor to apply and accept NEC Grant funds for 2021.

**Section 2.** All formal actions of this Council concerning the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting, and that all deliberations of this Council, or any of its Committees, which resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances and Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**Section 3.** This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, welfare and dignity of the residents of the City of Willowick; and further the immediate emergency includes the necessity to authorize the Mayor to accept grant funds from NOPEC, for 2021; and therefore shall be in full force and take effect immediately upon its passage by Council and its approval by the Mayor, or at the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted by Council: 6/1, 2021

  
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Robert Patton, Council President

Submitted to the Mayor: JUN 01, 2021

  
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Richard J. Regovich, Mayor

Approved by the Mayor: JUN 01, 2021

ATTEST:   
Angela Trend, Clerk of Council