

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL
LANCASTER, OHIO

February 23, 2026

PRAYER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
REGULAR MEETING CONVENES
CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL
READING AND DISPOSING OF THE JOURNAL
REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS
COMMUNICATIONS
SPECIAL PRESENTATION AND AWARDS
PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS
PERMISSION OF VOTERS AND TAXPAYERS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES
REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES
PUBLIC HEARINGS
READING OF RESOLUTIONS

THIRD READING

None

SECOND READING

- | | |
|------------------------|---|
| Temp Res #11-26 | A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PURCHASE ROCK SALT FOR THE 2026-2027 WINTER SEASON Public Works Committee (Carr/Sollie) (2 Readings) |
| Temp Res #12-26 | A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF CHEMICALS FOR USE BY THE DIVISION OF WATER Water/Water Pollution Control Committee (Ailes/Cohen) (2 Readings) |
| Temp Res #13-26 | A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF PIPES AND FITTINGS FOR USE BY THE DIVISION OF WATER Water/Water Pollution Control Committee (Ailes/Cohen) (2 Readings) |
| Temp Res #14-26 | A RESOLUTION TO AMEND 2025 APPROPRIATION BUDGETS AND AMEND THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATIONS WITH THE COUNTY AUDITOR IN THE ESCROW FUND (8060) DUE TO A PARTIAL DRAW FOR THE NORTH WATER TREATMENT PLANT REPLACEMENT PROJECT Finance Committee (Schoonover/Sollie) (2 Readings) |

- Temp Res #15-26** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ACCEPT BUREAU OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION SAFETY INTERVENTION GRANT FUNDS, TO INCREASE RECEIPTS, APPROPRIATE FROM THE UNENCUMBERED BALANCE AND AMEND THE CERTIFICATE OF OTHER SOURCES AND APPROPRIATIONS WITH THE COUNTY AUDITOR IN THE .15 FIRE LEVY FUND (2046) AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY
Safety Committee (Ogg/Schoonover) (2 Readings)
- Temp Res #16-26** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO GRANT AGREEMENTS AND TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH VARIOUS CONSULTANTS FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS THE EASTSIDE INDUSTRIAL CONNECTOR PROJECT
Public Works Committee (Carr/Smiley) (2 Readings)
- Temp Res #17-26** A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE RECEIPTS, APPROPRIATE FROM THE UNENCUMBERED BALANCE, AND AMEND THE CERTIFICATE WITH THE COUNTY AUDITOR IN THE WASTE WATER REPLACEMENT AND IMPROVEMENT FUND (6023), AND TO ISSUE THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES FOR THE PAYMENT OF BILLS
Water/Water Pollution Control Committee (Ailes/Bizjak) (2 Readings)
- Temp Res #18-26** A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CERTIFICATE WITH THE COUNTY AUDITOR, APPROPRIATE FROM THE UNENCUMBERED BALANCE, INCREASE RECEIPTS, AND COMPLETE A FUND-TO-FUND TRANSFER IN THE WASTE WATER FUND (6004) AND IN THE WASTE WATER UTILITY RESERVE FUND (6029)
Water/Water Pollution Control Committee (Ailes/Bizjak) (2 Readings)
- Temp Res #19-26** A RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE FROM THE UNENCUMBERED BALANCE AND AMEND THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATIONS WITH THE COUNTY AUDITOR IN THE WASTE WATER REPLACEMENT AND IMPROVEMENT FUND (6023) AND TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS
Water/Water Pollution Control Committee (Ailes/Cohen) (2 Readings)
- Temp Res #20-26** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH EMH&T FOR DESIGN SERVICES, TO APPROPRIATE FROM THE UNENCUMBERED BALANCE, AND AMEND THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATIONS WITH THE COUNTY AUDITOR IN THE PARKS AND RECREATION FUND (2012)
Service Committee (Knisley/Hoop) (2 Readings)
- Temp Res #23-26** A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE RECEIPTS, APPROPRIATE FROM THE UNENCUMBERED BALANCE, AMEND THE CERTIFICATE WITH THE COUNTY AUDITOR IN THE .45 POLICE & FIRE LEVY FUND (2047) FOR CPT STATE GRANT REIMBURSEMENT
Safety Committee (Bizjak/Sollie) (3 Readings)

FIRST READING

- Temp Res #25-26** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT A NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL 2026 ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT
Finance Committee (Schoonover/Ailes) (3 Readings)
- Temp Res #26-26** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES FOR THE PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE WATER REVENUE FUND (6003) AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY
Water/Water Pollution Control Committee (Ailes/Cohen) (1 Reading)
- Temp Res #27-26** A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE AND DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS IN THE WATER REVENUE FUND (6003) TO COVER A SHORTFALL IN THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS ACCOUNT
Water/Water Pollution Control Committee (Ailes/Cohen) (3 Readings)
- Temp Res #28-26** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE FREDERICK STREET SEWER SEPARATION PROJECT
Water/Water Pollution Control Committee (Ailes/Bizjak) (3 Readings)
- Temp Res #29-26** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO RECEIVE TECHNICAL DESIGN AND/OR FUNDING ASSISTANCE FROM THE NATIONAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION SERVICE (“NRCS”) FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN AND/OR CONSTRUCTION OF A STREAM BANK STABILIZATION/RESTORATION PROJECT TO PROTECT SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE, TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS AS REQUIRED AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY
Water/Water Pollution Control Committee (Ailes/Bizjak) (1 Reading)
- Temp Res #30-26** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT OF AN AEP ELECTRIC BILL FOR STREET LIGHTING IN THE GENERAL FUND (1001) AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY
Finance Committee (Schoonover/Sollie) (2 Readings)
- Temp Res #31-26** A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE AND DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND (1001) TO COVER A UNIFORM ALLOWANCE FOR A RECENT PROMOTION WITHIN THE LANCASTER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY
Safety Committee (Bizjak/Ogg) (3 Readings)

READING OF ORDINANCES**THIRD READING**

None

SECOND READING

- Temp Ord #2-26** AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ACQUIRE PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY RIGHT-OF-WAY AS NECESSARY FOR THE MEMORIAL, PIERCE, WHITTIER NEW SIDEWALKS PROJECT KNOWN AS THE FAI-CR 33/MR 70505-4.93/1.09 PROJECT
Public Works Committee (Carr/Bizjak) (2 Readings)

FIRST READING

- Temp Ord #4-26** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO GRANT FOUR PERMANENT SUPPLEMENTAL EASEMENTS TO THE OHIO POWER COMPANY NECESSARY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF ELECTRIC FACILITIES AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY
Law Committee (Smiley/Carr) (3 Readings)

TABLED LEGISLATION

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor – appointees for Tree Commission

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS**REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**

1. March 9th, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. – Council Chambers
2. March 23rd, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. – Council Chambers

SPECIAL SCHEDULED MEETINGS

None

REGULARLY SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS

1. Safety Committee April 3rd, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. - 1897 Conference Room – City Hall
2. Water/Water Pollution Control Committee April 10th, 2026 at 7:30 a.m. 1897 Conference Room – City Hall
3. Law Committee meeting April 17th, 2026, at 12:30 p.m. - 1897 Conference Room – City Hall
4. Economic Development meeting April 30th, 2026, at 7:30 a.m. - 1897 Conference Room – City Hall

READING OF BILLS

MNCO - \$82.74 - for publication of resolution PO 1-26 & PO 2-26

EXECUTIVE SESSION (if needed)**ADJOURNMENT**

TEMPORARY RESOLUTION NO. 25-26

PERMANENT RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT A
NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL 2026 ENERGIZED
COMMUNITY GRANT

WHEREAS, the City of Lancaster, Ohio ("Grantee") is a member of the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council ("NOPEC") and is eligible for one or more NOPEC Energized Community Grant(s) ("NEC Grant(s)") for 2026 as provided for in the NEC Grant Program guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Grantee wishes to enter into a Grant Agreement with NOPEC, Inc. in substantially the form presented to this Council to receive one or more NEC Grant(s); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. This Council of the Grantee ("Council") hereby finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the Grantee to enter into the Grant Agreement to accept the NEC Grant(s) for 2026 and hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the Grant Agreement to accept the NEC Grant(s) funds.

SECTION 2. This Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 3. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City and for the further reason that this resolution is necessary for timely NEC grant reimbursement for expended funds; wherefore, this resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____ after _____ reading. Vote: Yeas _____ Nays _____

Date Approved: _____

President of Council

Clerk: _____

Mayor

Offered by: _____

Second by: _____

Requested by Finance Committee

TEMPORARY RESOLUTION NO. 26-26

PERMANENT RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES FOR THE PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE WATER REVENUE FUND (6003) AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Lancaster Water Department recently received two electric bills from AEP for December 31, 2025, through January 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the invoices are dated prior to the opening of the associated 2026 Purchase Order; and

WHEREAS, funds for these bills have been appropriated in the 2026 budget in the 6003.6520.53006 (Utilities – Water Plant) account; and

WHEREAS, because these invoices are both in excess of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5705.41(D)(1), Then and Now Certificates are required for the payment of these invoices; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That Lancaster City Council hereby approves Then and Now Certificates for payment of two AEP bills in the Water Revenue Fund (6003).

SECTION 2. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City and for the further reason that these invoices must be paid promptly to avoid service interruption; wherefore, this resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____ after _____ reading. Vote: Yeas _____ Nays _____

Date Approved: _____

President of Council

Clerk: _____

Mayor

Offered by: _____

Second by: _____

Requested by Water & Water Pollution Control Committee

TEMPORARY RESOLUTION NO. 27-26

PERMANENT RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE AND DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS IN THE WATER REVENUE FUND (6003) TO COVER A SHORTFALL IN THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS ACCOUNT

WHEREAS, employee retirement payouts for the Water Department were mistakenly budgeted in the Admin Salary account during the 2026 budget process; and

WHEREAS, there is currently a shortfall in the Retirement account in the Water Revenue Fund; and

WHEREAS, a transfer of Five Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars and Sixty-Six Cents (\$5,983.66) from 6003.6500.51001 (Salaries / Administrative - Water) to 6003.6500.51004 (Retirement - Water) is needed to address this shortfall; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the City of Lancaster shall Auditor complete an appropriation decrease and increase for the following accounts:

DECREASE:

6003.6500.51001, Salaries / Administrative – Water \$5,983.66

INCREASE:

6003.6500.51004, Retirement – Water \$5,983.66

SECTION 2. That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____ after _____ reading. Vote: Yeas _____ Nays _____

Date Approved: _____

President of Council

Clerk: _____

Mayor

Offered by: _____

Second by: _____

Requested by Water & Water Pollution Control Committee

TEMPORARY RESOLUTION NO. 28-26

PERMANENT RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE FREDERICK STREET SEWER SEPARATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Frederick Street Sewer Separation Project is a mandated project per the Schedule of Compliance on the City's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") Permit with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency ("OEPA"); and

WHEREAS, this project involves the construction of new storm sewers in Frederick Street, between North Mt. Pleasant Avenue and Oakwood Avenue, in order to separate out various stormwater catch basins which currently flow into a combined sewer; and

WHEREAS, this project is being financed with a loan through the OEPA Water Pollution Control Loan Fund ("WPCLF") program; and

WHEREAS, the current tentative schedule is to begin construction in May 2026 and conclude construction in October 2026; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Service-Safety Director is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for the construction of the Frederick Street Sewer Separation Project in an amount not to exceed Two Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,800,000.00).

SECTION 2. That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____ after _____ reading. Vote: Yeas _____ Nays _____

Date Approved: _____

President of Council

Clerk: _____

Mayor

Offered by: _____

Second by: _____

Requested by Water & Water Pollution Control Committee

TEMPORARY RESOLUTION NO. 29-26

PERMANENT RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO RECEIVE TECHNICAL DESIGN AND/OR FUNDING ASSISTANCE FROM THE NATIONAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION SERVICE (“NRCS”) FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN AND/OR CONSTRUCTION OF A STREAM BANK STABILIZATION/RESTORATION PROJECT TO PROTECT SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE, TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS AS REQUIRED AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, NRCS provides technical design and/or funding assistance opportunities for local communities with infrastructure that is impacted by the erosion of stream banks during specific major storm events; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lancaster performed an assessment of Ewing and Fetters Run in the aftermath of the July 26-27, 2025, flood event and identified various locations where sanitary sewer infrastructure is exposed to the stream, presumably from damage sustained during that flood event; and

WHEREAS, NRCS has evaluated the various locations identified by the City and determined that four (4) of them are eligible for technical design and/or funding assistance to stabilize/restore the stream bank to protect the currently exposed sanitary sewer infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, an agreement between the City of Lancaster and NRCS is necessary to utilize the technical design and/or funding assistance provided by NRCS for this project; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to apply for the NRCS funding assistance described above.

SECTION 2. That the Mayor is further authorized to execute any contracts/agreement as may be necessary and appropriate for obtaining this assistance.

SECTION 3. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City and for the further reason that this resolution needs to be enacted to enable stream bank stabilization/restoration to proceed as quickly as possible to ensure the City’s access to this assistance – which currently expires in September 2026 – and cover the exposed infrastructure currently at risk of damage; wherefore, this resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____ after _____ reading. Vote: Yeas _____ Nays _____

Date Approved: _____

President of Council

Clerk: _____

Mayor

Offered by: _____

Second by: _____

Requested by Water & Water Pollution Control Committee

TEMPORARY RESOLUTION NO. 30-26

PERMANENT RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT OF AN AEP ELECTRIC BILL FOR STREET LIGHTING IN THE GENERAL FUND (1001) AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Lancaster recently received an AEP bill for street lighting service from January 1 through January 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the bill is dated prior to the opening of the associated 2026 Purchase Order; and

WHEREAS, funds have been appropriated in the 2026 budget in the 1001.3600.52014 (Lighting Services – Street Lighting) account; and

WHEREAS, because the invoice is in excess of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5705.41(D)(1), a Then and Now Certificate is required for the payment of this invoice; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That Lancaster City Council hereby approves a Then and Now Certificate for payment of the January AEP bill out of the 1001.3600.52014 (Lighting Services – Street Lighting) account.

SECTION 2. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City and for the further reason that this invoice must be paid promptly to avoid service interruption; wherefore, this resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____ after _____ reading. Vote: Yeas _____ Nays _____

Date Approved: _____

President of Council

Clerk: _____

Mayor

Offered by: _____

Second by: _____

Requested by Finance Committee

TEMPORARY RESOLUTION NO. 31-26

PERMANENT RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE AND DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND (1001) TO COVER A UNIFORM ALLOWANCE FOR A RECENT PROMOTION WITHIN THE LANCASTER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, a recent, unplanned promotion within the Lancaster Fire Department (LFD) necessitates the issuance of a uniform allowance as per LFD's Collective Bargaining Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the funds needed to cover this uniform allowance were not appropriated in the 1001.3500.51054 (Uniform Allowance – Fire) account as part of the 2026 budget and must be transferred from another account; and

WHEREAS, a transfer of Four Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$4,800.00) from 1001.3500.54009 (Medical/physicals/drugs - Fire) to 1001.3500.51054 (Uniform Allowance - Fire) will ensure the needed funds are available to cover the uniform allowance; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the City of Lancaster shall Auditor complete an appropriation decrease and increase for the following accounts:

DECREASE:

1001.3500.54009, Medical/physicals/drugs – Fire \$4,800.00

INCREASE:

1001.3500.51054, Uniform Allowance - Fire \$4,800.00

SECTION 2. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City and for the further reason that funds must be transferred promptly to cover the payout of the uniform allowance as required by the IAFF collective bargaining agreement; wherefore, this resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____ after _____ reading. Vote: Yeas _____ Nays _____

Date Approved: _____

President of Council

Clerk: _____

Mayor

Offered by: _____

Second by: _____

Requested by Safety Committee

TEMPORARY ORDINANCE NO. 4-26

PERMANENT ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO GRANT FOUR PERMANENT SUPPLEMENTAL EASEMENTS TO THE OHIO POWER COMPANY NECESSARY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF ELECTRIC FACILITIES AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Ohio Power Company, which is a unit of American Electric Power (AEP), is currently rebuilding transmission lines throughout the City of Lancaster; and

WHEREAS, the City owns various parcels throughout the municipal corporation limits where Ohio Power Company electric facilities are located and will need to be ungraded or improved; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Power Company is requesting four (4) supplemental easements and rights of way from the City; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Power Company has advised that all four (4) supplemental easements are necessary for the Ohio Power Company's transmission facilities now and in the future; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer and ROW Manager have reviewed the requested supplemental easements and language to ensure that they will not interfere with the maintenance and installation of City utility infrastructure, as well as the consideration being offered for these easements; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City the four (4) supplemental easements (listed below) to the Ohio Power Company and to execute all documents necessary to complete and record the same:

- A. No. 212 – City of Lancaster 0040083620
- B. No. 213 – City of Lancaster 0040065812
- C. No. 216 – City of Lancaster 0040865812
- D. No. 217 – City of Lancaster 0040066920

SECTION 2. The Easements and Rights of Way, which are available in the Office of the Clerk of Council, are hereby approved and authorized with changes therein that are not inconsistent with this ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City. The Mayor, for and in the name of the City, is hereby authorized to execute this easement and any ancillary documents in this matter, provided further that the approval of changes thereto by the Mayor, their character not being substantially adverse to the City, shall be evidenced conclusively by the execution thereof. This Council further authorizes the Mayor, for and in the name of the City, to execute any amendments or changes to the final documents, which amendments are not inconsistent with this ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City.

SECTION 3. This ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City and its inhabitants and for the further reason that this ordinance is necessary for the Ohio Power Company to construct additional electric infrastructure to serve the City and its residents; wherefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____ after _____ reading. Vote: Yeas _____ Nays _____

Approved: _____

President of Council

Clerk: _____

Mayor

Offered by: _____

Second by: _____

Requested by Law Committee

I, Anitra Scott, Clerk of Council do hereby certify that on _____, 2026 the Lancaster Eagle Gazette published the summary of this ordinance in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 731.24.

Clerk of Council