

ORDINANCE NO. 28-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT RELATED TO THE MARKETING OF COMPETITIVE RETAIL NATURAL GAS SUPPLY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of New Philadelphia seeks to facilitate choice by its residents, businesses, and other consumers of reliable and reasonably priced retail natural gas supply and related products and services;

WHEREAS, the City of New Philadelphia wishes to recommend publicly the retail natural gas supply and related products and services of a competitive retail natural gas supplier; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Philadelphia is authorized by Article 18, Section 3 of the Ohio Constitution to exercise all powers of local self-government and to adopt and enforce within their limits such local police, sanitary and other similar regulations, as are not in conflict with general laws.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by this Council of the City of New Philadelphia, State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a marketing agreement (and any future amendments) with Eastern Power and Gas under which the City of New Philadelphia will recommend to its residents, businesses and other consumers Eastern Power and Gas natural gas supply and related products and services, such that such residents, businesses and other customers may transact individually and directly with the competitive retail natural gas supplier for such natural gas supply and related products and services.

SECTION 2. Any other ordinances and resolutions or portions of ordinances and resolutions which authorize governmental aggregations for competitive retail natural gas supply, except opt-out aggregations, or otherwise are inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. All formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in formal action were in compliance with the law.

SECTION 4. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare. The reason for such necessity is that the prompt entry into the marketing agreement is necessary to provide its benefits to the City of New Philadelphia's residents, businesses and other consumers for the approaching heating season.

SECTION 5. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council,

and that all deliberations of the Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval.

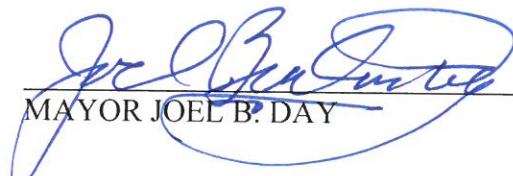
PASSED: Dec 2, 2024


DONALD C. KEMP
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:


JULIE COURTRIGHT
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED:


MAYOR JOEL B. DAY

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