

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL (NOPEC) 2026 ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT

WHEREAS, the Village of Richfield, Ohio (the "VILLAGE" or "GRANTEE") is a member of the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council ("NOPEC") and is eligible for one or more NOPEC Energized Community Grant(s) for 2026 ("NEC Grant(s)") 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); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD, COUNTY OF SUMMIT, AND STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1. This Council of the GRANTEE (the "Council") 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 authorizes the: Mayor to execute the Grant Agreement to accept the NEC Grant(s) funds.

SECTION 2. This Council finds and determines that 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 of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the GRANTEE; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor of the GRANTEE.

PASSED: 2-3-26

Rick Finkel
President of Council

Michael Wheeler
Mayor

Date: 2/3/2026

ATTEST:
[Signature]
Clerk of Council