

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT A NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL (NOPEC) ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Village is a member of the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (“NOPEC”) and received notification from NOPEC that it was awarded a grant of \$10,251 through NOPEC Energized Community (“NEC”) Grant Program for 2022; and

WHEREAS, NOPEC awards NEC Grants to member communities implement energy efficiency or energy infrastructure projects that will benefit member communities; and

WHEREAS, NOPEC requires legislation from member communities accepting the NEC Grant.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Village of Richfield, Summit County, State of Ohio, that:

- SECTION 1. The Council finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the Village to accept an NEC Grant for 2022, and authorizes the Mayor and the Finance Director to enter into an agreement with NOPEC the NEC Grant substantially in accordance with the agreement attached hereto and expressly incorporated herein as Exhibit “A” subject to final approval from the Director of Law.
- SECTION 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.
- SECTION 3. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Village of Richfield, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary in order to receive the 2022 NOPEC NEC grant funds as soon as possible; wherefore, provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of Council elected or appointed, it shall take effect immediately upon its passage and execution by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: 2-1-22

Bobbie Bushara  
President of Council

Michael Wheeler  
Mayor

Dated: 2/15/2022

ATTEST:  
Jeffery  
Clerk of Council