

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-5  
(AS AMENDED)**

**AN ORDINANCE  
AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT  
NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL (NOPEC)  
ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT(S), AND DECLARING AN  
EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio (“Village”) is a member of the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (“NOPEC”) and is eligible for one or more NOPEC Energized Community Grant(s) for 2023 (“NEC Grants”) as provided for in the NEC Grant Program guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Village wishes to enter into a Grant Agreement with NOPEC, Inc. to receive one or more NEC Grants for 2023, and to authorize the Mayor to execute such Grant Agreement with NOPEC, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Council read this ordinance for the first time and suspended the rule requiring three (3) readings of legislation on February 13, 2023, but tabled the ordinance so that the Law Director could look into a question that was raised at the meeting; and

WHEREAS, inadvertently the legislation and the NEC Grant application were signed by the administration and submitted to NOPEC; and

WHEREAS, the Village has received a portion of the NEC Grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the Law Director has confirmed that there is no language which is adverse to the Village’s interests contained in the Grant Agreement; and

WHEREAS, this Council wants to ratify the application for the NEC Grants and authorize the acceptance of the Grant.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF WAITE HILL, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:**

SECTION 1. This Council finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the Village to accept the NEC Grant(s) for 2023, ratifies the execution of the Grant Agreement with NOPEC, Inc. in order for the Village to obtain such grants, and authorizes the administration to take such further actions as are necessary to secure such grants.

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 of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

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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 Village as the Village wants to be immediately certain that acceptance and use of the Grant funding is lawful; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

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Council President

Submitted to the Mayor for his approval  
on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

Approved by the Mayor:

\_\_\_\_\_, 2023

ATTEST:

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Clerk-Treasurer

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Mayor