



## **RESOLUTION 2023-085**

Passed November 20, 2023

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LICKING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ACT AS THE PURCHASING AGENT AND GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATOR FOR THE CITY OF PATASKALA NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROGRAM**

*WHEREAS*, on November 7, 2023, residents of the City of Pataskala voted in favor of natural gas aggregation to improve purchasing leverage and offer reduced natural gas rates to residential and small business consumers; and,

*WHEREAS*, the Licking County Commissioners have offered their services to act on behalf of City of Pataskala in Licking County as the governmental aggregator; and,

*WHEREAS*, having one centralized aggregator will provide for the most expeditious manner to manage any issues arising in the process of natural gas aggregation; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PATASKALA, COUNTY OF LICKING, STATE OF OHIO, A MAJORITY OF MEMBERS PRESENT CONCURRING THAT:**

Section 1: Council for the City of Pataskala hereby authorizes the Licking County Commissioners to act as the governmental agent for purchasing and aggregation of natural gas for the City of Pataskala.

Section 2: Council for the City of Pataskala hereby authorizes and directs the City Administrator to execute all documents and agreements necessary to participate in the Natural Gas Aggregation Program.

Section 3: The Interim Clerk of Council shall forward a copy of this resolution to the Licking County Commissioners, 20 South Second Street, Newark, Ohio 43065.

Section 4: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of Council and that all deliberations of the Council and any of the decision-making bodies of the City of Pataskala

which resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of the State of Ohio.

Section 5: This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by the Charter of the City of Pataskala.

ATTEST:

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Jessica Cumbo, Interim Clerk of Council

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Michael W. Compton, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Brian M. Zets, Law Director