ORDINANCE C-17-26

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A LICENSED COMPETITIVE RETAIL ELECTRIC SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE CITY'S ELECTRIC GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATION PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2020, the electors of the City of Grove City approved a ballot issue authorizing the City to establish an opt-out electric governmental aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2023, Council approved Ordinance C-16-23 that enacted a twenty-four month electric aggregation program with AEP Energy; and

WHEREAS, as part of this program, the City was able to lock in an electric rate, utilizing green energy credits, that was cheaper than the standard brown energy rate and resulted in average savings of over three hundred dollars ($300) per household; and

WHEREAS, in 2025, the City entered into an additional twelve-month electric aggregation program with AEP Energy; and

WHEREAS, the current program expires with the July 2026 meter reads (which typically occur beginning in June); and

WHEREAS, the City has solicited pricing proposals from four certified electric retail providers to continue the City's aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the City received three proposals from the certified electric retail providers for pricing for an additional term of twelve months, twenty-four months and thirty-six months with rates varying between $0.1069 cents and $0.11596 cents; and

WHEREAS, the City now desires to authorize the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with a licensed competitive retail electric service provider for a 24-month period as it expected that this will provide savings while at the same time utilizing green energy; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists for the health, safety and general welfare of the community in that City received and opened bids for the program in which the pricing is only valid for one day and it is necessary to enter into an agreement to have the aggregation program for July 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROVE CITY, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1. Council hereby finds that Dynegy, a licensed competitive retail electric service provider, is the lowest and best responsive bidder for an agreement for the City's electric governmental aggregation program.

SECTION 2. Pursuant to the Plan of Operation and Governance, the City Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement for the City's electric governmental aggregation program with Dynegy for a term of 24 months for a contract amount not to exceed $0.1102 cents a kWh.

SECTION 3. All formal actions of this Council concerning and related to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of said Council, and that all deliberations of this Council that resulted in such formal action were made in meetings open to the public in full compliance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Grove City and Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 4. For the reasons stated in the preamble, this ordinance is hereby declared an emergency measure and shall go into immediate effect.

Ted A. Berry, President of Council

Richard L. Stage, Mayor

Passed: 05-04-2026

Effective: 05-04-2026

Attest: Tami K. Kelly, MMC, Clerk of Council

I certify that this ordinance is correct as to form.

Stephen J. Smith, Director of Law