

October 25, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager *W*
Subject: Emergency Ordinance Accepting and Confirming the Grant of Utility Easements
in Favor of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.

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Attached is an emergency ordinance captioned as follows:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute a Grant of Easement in favor of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., granting utility easements across portions of City-owned property generally located along Kellogg and Renslar Avenues in the California neighborhood of Cincinnati.

The attached ordinance accepts and confirms the grant of utility easements in favor of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (“Grantee”) for the purpose of replacing existing underground gas pipelines upon portions of real property owned by the City of Cincinnati and managed by the Greater Cincinnati Water Works. The easement areas are more particularly depicted and described in the Grant of Easement attached to this ordinance as Attachment A.

The City Manager, in consultation with the Greater Cincinnati Water Works, has determined that granting the easement to Grantee is not adverse to the City’s retained interest in the property, nor will it interfere with the City’s municipal use of the property.

The collective fair market value of the easements is approximately \$145,217, which Grantee has agreed to pay. The City Planning Commission approved the easements at its meeting on October 20, 2023.

The Administration recommends passage of the attached emergency ordinance.

cc: Cathy B. Bailey, GCWW, Executive Director