

**COUNCIL OF THE  
VILLAGE OF HIGHLAND HILLS**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-25**

For the May 14, 2025  
Council Meeting

Introduced by: Mayor Michael L. Booker  
Supported by: Council President Pride and  
Council Members Greene, McManus, Mills and  
Wright

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO  
ACCEPT THE NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL  
(NOPEC) 2025 ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT, AND  
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Highland Hills, Ohio (the "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 2025 ("NEC Grant(s)") as provided for in the NEC Grant Program guidelines; and

**WHEREAS**, the VILLAGE wishes to enter into a Grant Agreement with NOPEC, Inc. in substantially the form presented to this Council to receive one or more NEC Grant(s); and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF HIGHLAND HILLS, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA, AND STATE OF OHIO, THAT:**

Section 1. This Council of the VILLAGE (the "Council") finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the VILLAGE to enter into a Grant Agreement, in substantially the same form as attached hereto as Exhibit A, to accept the NEC Grant(s) for 2025, and authorizes the Mayor to execute the Grant Agreement to accept the NEC Grant(s) funds.

Section 2. Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an orderly meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were conducted in meetings open to the public and in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3. This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary to provide for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the Village of Highland Hills, and for the reason that it is necessary to accept this grant due to the time limitation on expending the grant funds and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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Passed in Council this 14th day of May, 2025.

First Reading  Second Reading \_\_\_\_\_ Third Reading \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: Pride  yea \_\_\_ nay \_\_\_ Greene  yea \_\_\_ nay \_\_\_ Mills  yea \_\_\_ nay \_\_\_  
McManus  yea \_\_\_ nay \_\_\_ Wright  yea \_\_\_ nay \_\_\_

Cassandra Pride 5-14-25  
Cassandra Pride Date  
President of Council

Attest: Margaret Sikon 5/14/25  
Margaret Sikon, Clerk of Council Date

Filed with the Mayor: ✓ 5/20/25  
Date

Approved By: [Signature] 5/20/25  
Michael L. Booker, Mayor Date

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