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

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2018, the Council of the City of Willoughby Hills adopted Ordinance No. 2018-16 entering into a Grant Agreement with NOPEC, Inc. to receive one or more NEC Grant(s); and

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2019, the Mayor was notified via letter dated January 18, 2019 from Chuck Keiper, Executive Director of NOPEC, that the City would be receiving a NOPEC Energized Community (NEC) grant of $34,688.00 for 2019; and

WHEREAS, the NEC Grant Program features multiple options and greater flexibility for our community to get the greatest benefit from our grant, while reducing the paperwork required; and

WHEREAS, funds can be used for community-owned facilities, for residents, for businesses, or escrowed for a future year’s project; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor established a NOPEC Grant Committee consisting of Firefighter Robert Vencil, Road Superintendent Mark Grubiss and his Executive Assistant Gloria Majeski as he felt that these three individuals could accurately assess the best use of these funds citywide and, further, establish a three-year plan to utilize future funding from NOPEC to save on energy expenditures; and

WHEREAS, in 2018 Phase I was accomplished by the City being awarded a NOPEC grant in the amount of thirty-six thousand, seven hundred and fifty-four dollars ($36,754.00) and as previously established by the City’s Grant Committee, Phase II will continue to implement the energy conservation plan throughout the City Hall complex.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO THAT:

SECTION 1. This Council of the City of Willoughby Hills finds and determines that it is in best interest of the City to accept the NEC Grants(s) for 2019 in the amount of thirty-four thousand, six hundred and eighty-eight dollars ($34,688.00).

SECTION 2. The actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were conducted in lawful meetings of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willoughby Hills.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance constitutes an emergency measure in that the same provides for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Willoughby Hills insofar as it provides for the usual daily operation of a municipal department, and further reason to allow the City to immediately accept the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) grant so that the City may continue with the implementation of energy efficiency or energy infrastructure projects within the City Hall complex; wherefore this Ordinance shall the bid and enter into a contract with Grand be in full force and take effect from and after its adoption and approval by the Mayor.
PASSED: __________, 2019

Submitted to the Mayor for his approval on this ___________ day of __________, 2019

ATTEST:

Victoria Ann Savage, CMC
Clerk of Council

Approved by the Mayor

February 14, 2019

Robert M. Weger
Mayor