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CITY COUNCIL — REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, March 11, 2025 @ 6:30 PM

City Council Chambers

417 Main Street

Huron, Ohio 44839

LIVESTREAM MEETING INFORMATION

- I. Call To Order** Moment of Silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- II. Roll Call of City Council**
- III. Audience Comments** Citizens may address their concerns to City Council. Please state your name and address for the recorded journal. (3-minute time limit)
- IV. Old Business**
- V. New Business**
 - V.a** Motion to adopt the Lakefront Parks Plan as presented by OHM Advisors at the March 25, 2025 Council work session.
 - V.b** Resolution No. 22-2025 (*submitted by Jack Evans*)
A resolution authorizing a Master Services Agreement with Utility Service Co., Inc. for a period of 11 years for professional maintenance and painting services for the East Side and Rye Beach Water Towers in an amount not to exceed \$600,324.00.
 - V.c** Ordinance No. 2025-6 (submitted by Stuart Hamilton)
An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$2,500,000 to pay costs of improving the municipal electric system by purchasing and installing a power transformer, together with all necessary related improvements and appurtenances thereto.
- VI. City Manager's Discussion**
- VII. Mayor's Discussion**
- VIII. For the Good of the Order**
- IX. Executive Session(s)**
 - IX.a** Executive session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee.
- X. Adjournment**



TO: Mayor Tapp and City Council
FROM: Jack Evans
RE: Resolution No. 22-2025 (*submitted by Jack Evans*)
DATE: March 11, 2025

Subject Matter/Background

Resolution No. 22-2025 requests Council approval of a Master Services Agreement with Utility Service Co., Inc (dba USG Water Solutions) for water tower maintenance, inspections, and painting. USG has been highly recommended and serve many other municipalities within Ohio. The unique service contracts offered by USG will allow the city to cost spread the painting of the water tower over the next decade. For example, the East Side Tower requires 2 exterior coats of paint that is going to cost approximately \$600,000. The contract with USG allows the city to pay less than \$100,000 each year for 5 years and approximately \$20,000 per year over years 6-11. It is critical that the East Side Tower is painted in 2025 as the top coat is nearly nonexistent, but the base coat is still intact. Should this painting be delayed and the base coat deteriorates, the tower will need sandblasted which would cost an additional \$300,000. The contract also covers interior washouts, which have not been done in the past. This work needs to be performed to satisfy OEPA requirements and asset management.

A copy of the budgetary pricing by year is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

Jack Evans will make a short PowerPoint presentation to Council, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 2. ORC 9.29 allows political subdivisions to enter into, by direct negotiation a multi-year asset management professional service contract. See Exhibit 3 attached.

Financial Review

This agreement was correctly budgeted and will be paid out of 604-5210-53623 and 604-5220-53623.

Legal Review

The matter has been reviewed, follows normal administrative procedure and is properly before you.

Recommendation

If Council is in agreement with the request, a motion adopting Resolution No. 22-2025 is in order.

[Resolution No. 22-2025 Exh 1 East Side Budgetary Pricing \(1\).pdf](#)

[Resolution No. 22-2025 Exh 2 Council Mtg. 3-11-25 East Side Tower \(1\).pptx](#)

[Resolution No. 22-2025 Exh 3 ORC 9.28.pdf](#)

[Resolution No. 22-2025 Utility Service Co Inc Water Tower Svc Agreement \\$600,324 \(1\).docx](#)

[Resolution No. 22-2025 Exh A USG Master Services Agreement.pdf](#)

East Side Tower

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Exterior Painting - 2 Coat system Washout Repairs	Visual Inspection	Visual Inspection	Visual Inspection	Wet interior NSF Approved	Visual Inspection	Visual Inspection	Visual Inspection	Visual Inspection	Washout	Exterior Painting - 1 Coat system
94,325	94,325	94,325	94,325	94,325	18,921	19,591	20,285	21,003	21,746	22,529



\$471,625

Repairs

Safety Cable Climb
Foundation Grout

New Vent
Screen on the overflow

Compliant with Ohio EPA asset management program

Compliant with Ohio Revised Code 9.29

You can cancel anytime

Includes all engineering

Includes all Permitting with OEPA

Exterior painting -washouts/visuals included in future

Emergency Services



Water Tower Painting and Maintenance Plan

USG WATER

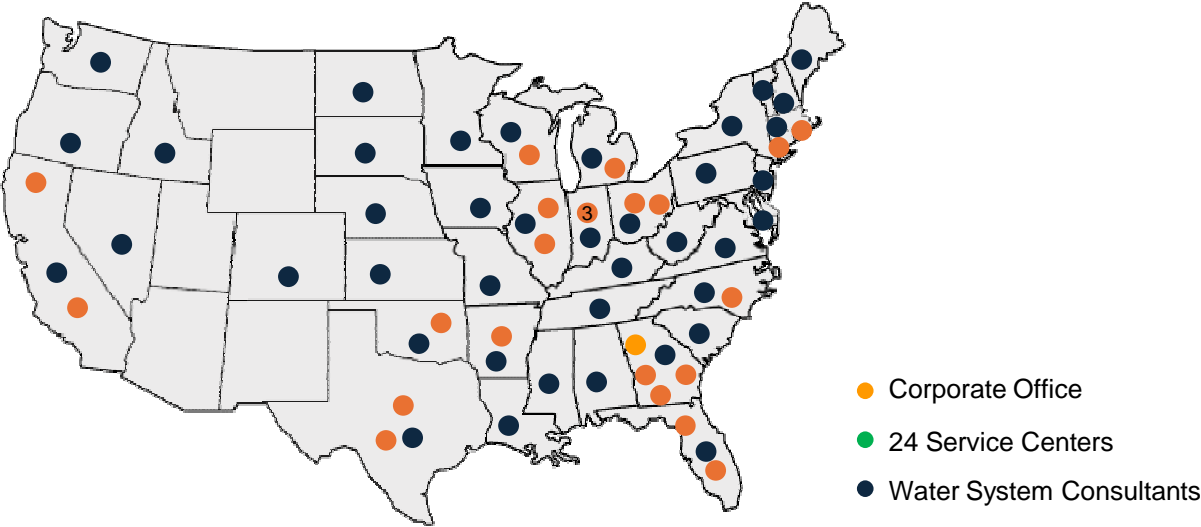
NORTH AMERICAN LEADER IN WATER ASSET MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS

4,000+
Municipal & industrial customers

7,000 +
Water assets managed

1,900+
Renovations in 2023

ISO 9001 Certified
3rd party audited for Quality Assurance



5
lines of business

Tank Asset Management
(Lowest Life Cycle Cost) (Keep the EPA happy)

Water Quality
TRS, RCS, Mixers

Concrete and Plant Rehabilitation
Concrete Tanks, Filter Plants, MBR

Network Asset Management
SIPP, Pipe Asset Management Plan

Metering Asset Management
AMI

Ohio Customers

Lorain

Port Clinton

Oberlin

Elyria – just starting

Akron*

Bellevue

Clyde

Carey*

Findlay

Lima

Youngstown

Galia Rural Water*

Mansfield

Bucyrus

Shelby

Napoleon

Bryan

Lexington

Warren

Portsmouth

Circleville*

Approaching 200



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Tank Asset Management

Compl i ant wi th:

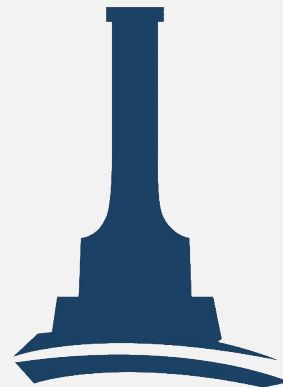
Oh i o EPA Asset Management Program

Amer i can Water Works Associ ati on

10 States Standards

Oh i o Revi sed Code 9.29 (general provi si ons)

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Low Bid vs Asset Management



Asset Management Program (AMP™)

High value **sustainable solution** that ultimately saves the tank owner time and money, and limits most of the aggravation of owning a storage tank.



Proactive and sustainable



Annual inspections limit repairs or renovations



Lifetime warranty on external and interior dry coatings



Predictable annual fee makes budgeting simple



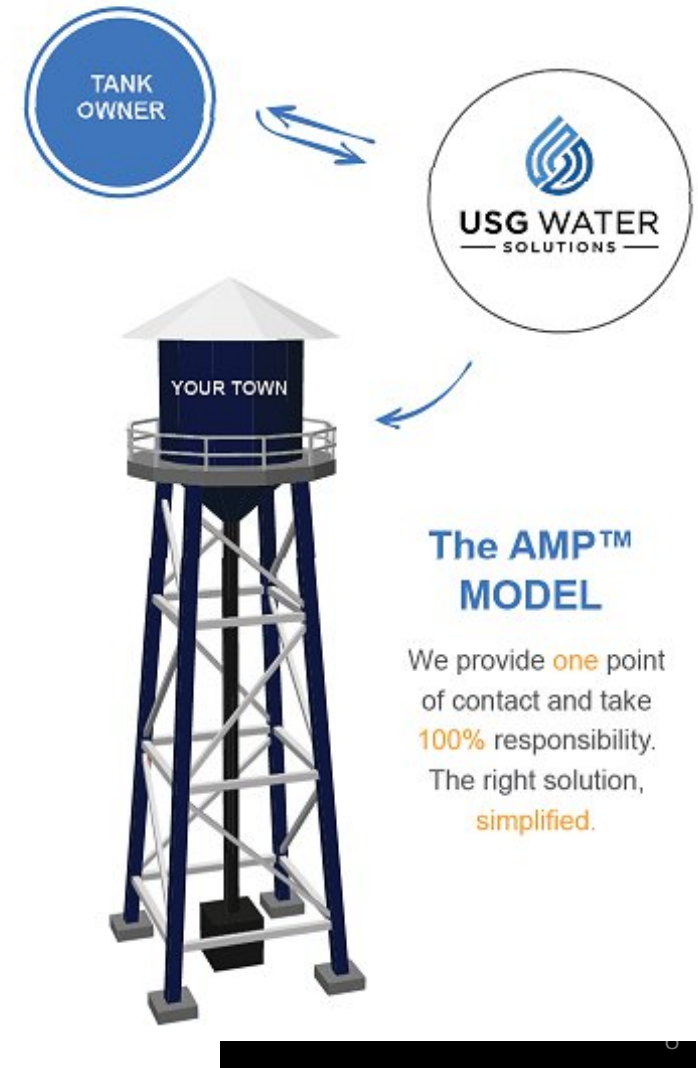
NO CHANGE ORDERS means no surprise expenses and scrambling for funds to cover unforeseen project costs.



Save \$\$\$ Long Term and Short Term



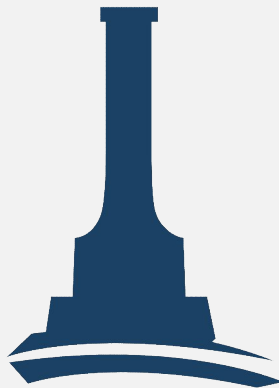
Tank Owner shifts the risk of any future problems to USG saving money and gaining peace of mind



Tower Inspections October 2024

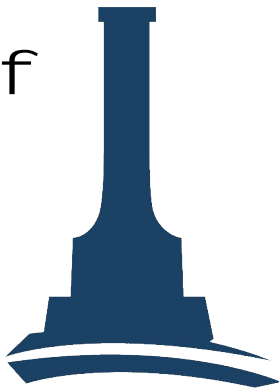
- Both towers inspected for compliance with AWWA, EPA, OSHA, 10 State Standards, Homeland Security
- 5 areas reviewed:
 - Coatings
 - Sanitary
 - Security
 - Structural
 - Safety
- Paint samples sent to laboratory
 - Determine current condition of paint
 - NO Lead or chromium found in existing paint

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East Side Tower

- Constructed 2001 (24 years old)
- 500,000-gallon water storage capacity
- Previously budgeted for painting in 2029 (28 years old)
 - Towers should be painted (overcoat) every 10-years at minimum
- East Side Tower must be painted this year. If this is delayed any longer it will require a full blast, which can add \$400,000 to the painting cost.









Interior dry of the cone in good
condition



2024/09/26 07:21

AWWA does not allow
overcoating of wet interiors.
Interior must be fully blasted
and recoated in year 5.

2024/09/26 08:04





2024/09/26 07:20



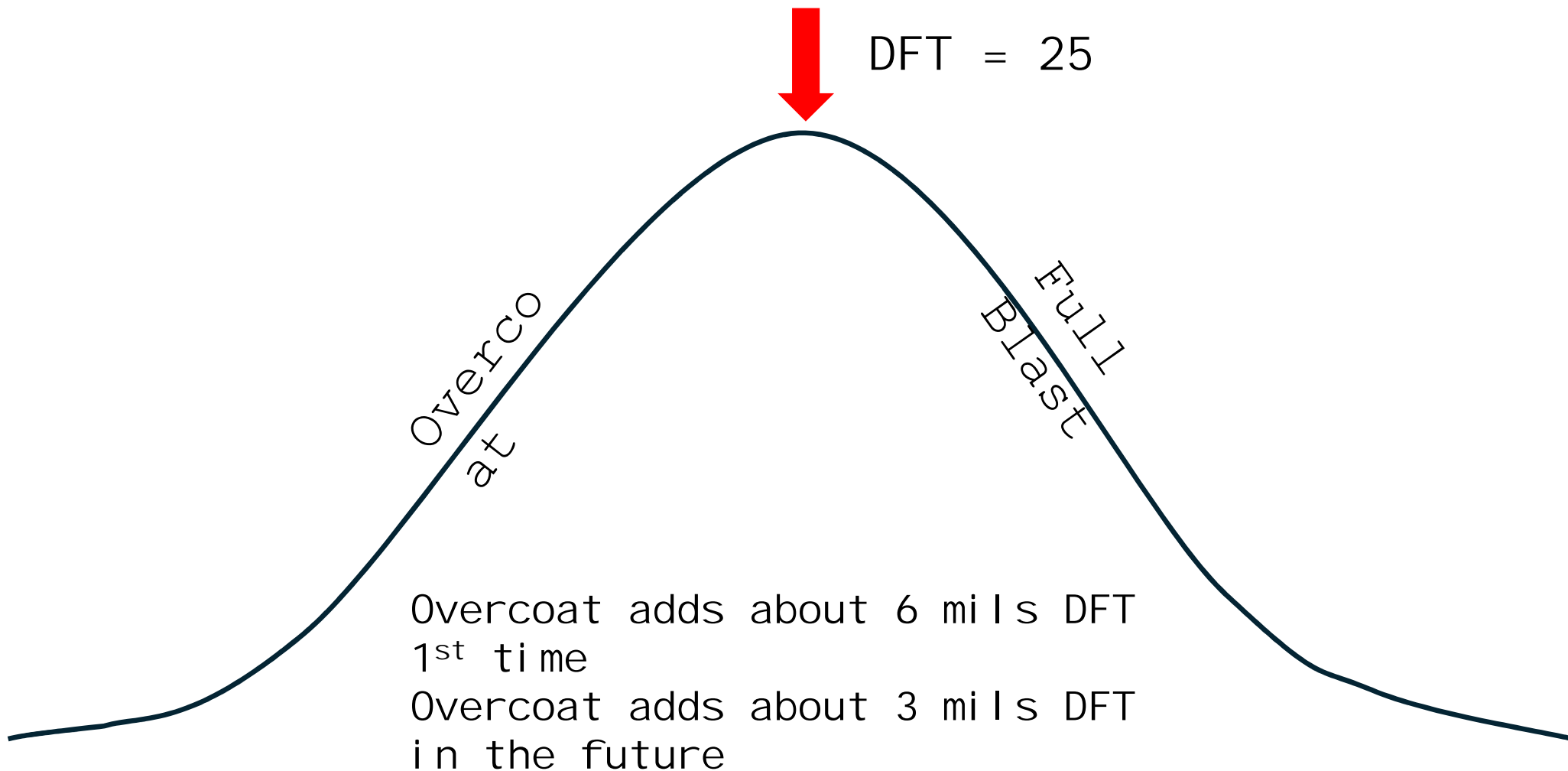
7.1.9 Vents

Finished water storage structures shall be vented. The overflow pipe shall not be considered a vent. Open construction between the sidewall and roof is not permissible.

Vents:

- a) Shall prevent the entrance of surface water and rainwater.
- b) Shall exclude birds and other animals.
- c) Should exclude insects and dust, as much as this function can be made compatible with effective
- e) Shall, on elevated tanks and standpipes, open downward, and be fitted with twenty-four mesh non-corrodible screen in combination with an automatically resetting pressure-vacuum relief mechanism.

2-coat overcoat system versus a full blast



OVERCOAT VERSUS FULL BLAST

- DFT (Defel sko Posi test) thickness should not exceed 25 DFT.
- East Side Tower currently at 10 DFT
- 2 overcoats in 2025 = 16 DFT
- 3 more overcoats extends tower paint life by 40 years.
- Tower will not need blasted until 2065.



Recommendations

- 2 overcoats in 2025 and interior washout
- Wet interior blasted and recoated in 2030
- Touch up dry interior where needed
- Removed notched rail and add safety cable
- Add grout to foundation where needed
- Add new EPA approved roof vent
- Replace overflow screen



Cost Analysis

- Loan versus yearly maintenance costs
- Current:
 - Estimated \$1,000,000 to blast and paint
 - Yearly/monthly \$43,500/\$3,600
 - *Does not include inspections, interior washouts, interior recoating, or 10-year overcoat*
- Proposal
 - Years 1 – 5 yearly/monthly = \$94,325/\$7,860
 - Years 6 – 11 yearly/monthly = \$20,700/\$1,725
 - **Total = \$595,700**
 - *Includes* yearly inspections, interior washouts, interior recoat, and recoat in year 11



Contract

East Side Tower

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Section 9.28 | Competitive solicitation as public record.

Ohio Revised Code / General Provisions / Chapter 9 Miscellaneous

Effective: April 6, 2017 Latest Legislation: Senate Bill 227 - 131st General Assembly

(A) As used in this section:

(1) "Competitive solicitation" means a request for proposal or any other solicitation or announcement by a public office requiring bids or proposals for the provision of goods or services to that office.

(2) "Public office" includes any state agency, public institution, political subdivision, or other organized body, office, agency, institution, or entity established by the laws of this state for the exercise of any function of government. "Public office" does not include the nonprofit corporation formed under section [187.01](#) of the Revised Code.

(3) "State agency" includes every department, bureau, board, commission, office, or other organized body established by the constitution and laws of this state for the exercise of any function of state government, including any state-supported institution of higher education, the general assembly, any legislative agency, any court or judicial agency, or any political subdivision or agency of a political subdivision. "State agency" does not include the nonprofit corporation formed under section [187.01](#) of the Revised Code.

(B) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, materials submitted to a public office in response to a competitive solicitation shall not be considered public records for purposes of section [149.43](#) of the Revised Code until the date the public office announces the award of a contract based on the competitive solicitation or the cancellation of the competitive solicitation.

(C) If a public office rejects all bids or proposals received in response to a competitive solicitation and, concurrently with the announcement of the rejection gives notice of its

intent to reissue the solicitation, the materials submitted in response to the original competitive solicitation and the materials submitted in response to the reissued competitive solicitation shall not be considered public records for purposes of section [149.43](#) of the Revised Code until the date the public office announces the award of a contract based on the reissued competitive solicitation or the cancellation of the reissued competitive solicitation.

Available Versions of this Section

April 6, 2017 – Senate Bill 227 - 131st General Assembly

RESOLUTION NO. 22-2025

Introduced by Joel Hagy

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH UTILITY SERVICE CO, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL MAINTENANCE AND PAINTING SERVICES RELATING TO THE EAST SIDE WATER TOWER FOR A PERIOD OF ELEVEN (11) YEARS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR AND XX/100 DOLLARS (\$600,324.00).

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager shall be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to accept the proposal and enter into a Master Services Agreement with Utility Service Co., Inc., for the provision of professional maintenance and painting services relating to the East Side Water Tower for a period of eleven (11) years for an amount not to exceed Six Hundred Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Four and XX/100 Dollars (\$600,324.00). A copy of the proposed Master Services Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. That this Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of its Committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including O.R.C. §121.22.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its adoption.

Monty Tapp, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Clerk of Council

ADOPTED: _____

MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT
Terms and Conditions

This MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is entered into by and between **City of Huron** with a principal business address of 500 Cleveland Road West, Huron, Ohio 44839 ("Owner"), and **Utility Service Co., Inc.**, a Georgia corporation with a principal business address of 535 General Courtney Hodges Boulevard, Post Office Box 1350, Perry, Georgia 31069 ("Company").

WHEREAS, the Owner and the Company (individually, "Party"; collectively, "Parties") desire for the Company to provide goods and services to the Owner under the terms set forth herein;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Scope. The Company agrees to provide the Owner with certain goods and services ("Services") set forth on each properly executed Scope of Work ("SOW") to be attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Each SOW shall be subject to the general terms and conditions (the "Terms and Conditions") set forth in this Agreement. Each time Owner engages Company to perform Services, a new SOW shall be prepared specifying the scope of Services specific to that engagement. Unless otherwise indicated in any given SOW, Company shall be responsible for furnishing all labor, materials and tools to perform the Services. Each new SOW represents a separate contract between Company and Owner that incorporates the Terms and Conditions and is governed by this Agreement. All changes to any SOW may only be made by a written amendment to such SOW and signed by an authorized representative of each Party. Owner may terminate a SOW in accordance with the terms of each SOW. In the event there is a conflict between any term of an SOW and this Agreement, the term(s) of the SOW shall control.

2. Term. The effective date of this Agreement shall be _____, 2025 ("Effective Date"). The term of this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and shall continue in full force and effect for one year ("Term"). This Agreement will automatically renew for successive one-year terms ("Renewal Terms") unless terminated as set forth in Section 9 of this Agreement. The term of a SOW shall begin on the commencement date provided in that SOW and continue in effect for the agreed term provided in that SOW.

3. Fees. For all Services performed, Owner shall pay Company in accordance with the terms of each SOW. The fees paid in accordance with each SOW shall constitute the full and complete compensation to Company for the Services performed pursuant to the SOW. Unless otherwise expressly set forth in any given SOW, Company shall be responsible for expenses it incurs in connection with its provision of the Services.

4. Independent Contractor. The Company is, and shall at all times remain, an independent contractor. The Company and each of the Company's employees and principals shall not be deemed for any purpose to be the Owner's employees, and they shall not be entitled to any claims, rights, benefits and privileges to which an employee of the Owner or any of its respective affiliates may be entitled under any retirement, pension, insurance, medical or other plans which may now be in effect or which may hereafter be adopted. The Owner is not responsible to any governing body or to the Company for paying or withholding payroll taxes and other employee expenses related to payments made to the Company. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, this Agreement does not, and shall not be deemed to, constitute a partnership or joint venture between the Parties and neither Party nor any of their respective directors, officers, officials, or employees shall, by virtue of the performance of their obligations under this Agreement, be deemed to be an agent or employee of the other. No Party has the authority to bind the other Party except to the extent approved in writing by the Party to be bound.

5. Insurance. Company shall maintain statutory minimum Worker's Compensation as required by the laws of any jurisdiction in which Services are performed, and commercial general liability insurance covering Company's liabilities hereunder and for injury to persons or damage to property with limits of not less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence. Upon Owner's request, Company shall furnish Owner with a certificate of insurance evidencing this coverage. The Owner will be added as an additional insured. The Company will deliver the Certificate of Insurance prior to commencement of any work.

6. Representations. Company represents and warrants that Company has the full power and authority to enter into and perform under this Agreement; that the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement has been duly authorized and constitutes a valid and binding agreement of Company; and that the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement will not result in the breach of, or constitute a default under, or violate any provision of, any agreement or other instrument to which Company is a party to a non-competition agreement or bound by any competitive restrictive covenant concerning or relating to, in any manner, the performance by Company of services similar to the Services to be performed hereunder.

7. Indemnification.

a. Indemnification by Company. The Company agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Owner and its officers from and against any and all known or unknown claims demands, suits, judgements, causes of action, losses, liabilities or obligations of buyer (including but not limited to any transferee liabilities imposed by law), obligations, losses, fines, penalties, damages, assessments, judgements, costs, expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, court costs, and other costs and expenses incurred in investigating, preparing, or defending against any litigation, claim, action, suit, proceeding or demand of any kind or character or in enforcing all terms of this Agreement, relating to the assignment of Company receivables in Section 8 of this Agreement, and/or directly or indirectly arising from or related to the acts or omissions of Company in performing work hereunder.

b. Indemnification by Owner. As limited by the indemnity insurance proceeds actually received by the Owner, the Owner shall indemnify the Company and its officers, directors and employees from and against any claims, actions, and suits resulting from and to the extent of the Owner's negligence. The Owner's indemnification obligations hereunder shall be subject to the Company's prompt written notification to the Owner adequately describing any damages resulting from the Owner's negligence.

8. Assignment of Receivables. The Company reserves the right to assign any outstanding receivables from this Contract to its financial institutions as collateral for any loans or lines of credit.

9. Termination.

a. Right to Terminate. Once all SOWs that have been issued under this Agreement have expired or have been terminated, pursuant to the termination provision(s) in each SOW, either Party may terminate this Agreement by giving ten (10) days' advanced written notice to the other Party.

b. Termination Provisions in SOWs. The termination of each individual SOW shall be governed by the applicable termination provision in each SOW.

10. Intellectual Property. The Owner acknowledges and agrees that (a) all intellectual property rights in the Company's performance, methods and all related know-how are owned by the Company, its licensors, or suppliers; and (b) this Agreement shall not be construed as a license for the Owner to use, deliver, or exploit the intellectual property used by the Company in its performance, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement. To the extent that any new intellectual property or know-how is developed as a result of the Company's performance, the new intellectual property rights will all be owned by the Company, its licensors, or suppliers, and the Owner agrees that it will not make a claim to any such new intellectual property rights.

11. Limitation of Liability.

a. **IN NO EVENT WILL THE COMPANY OR ITS RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES, SUBSIDIARIES, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES, SUPPLIERS OR AGENTS BE LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS OF REVENUE, PROFITS, OR DATA, OR FOR ANY SPECIAL, INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES HOWEVER CAUSED AND REGARDLESS OF THE THEORY OF LIABILITY (CONTRACT, TORT, NEGLIGENCE, OR OTHERWISE, EXPRESSLY EXCEPTING INTENTIONAL MISCONDUCT OR GROSS, RECKLESS NEGLIGENCE OF COMPANY, THE REMEDIES OF WHICH SHALL NOT BE LIMITED BY THIS AGREEMENT) WHICH ARISES OUT OF THE COMPANY'S OR ITS SUPPLIERS' PERFORMANCE OR NON-PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT. THE TOTAL LIABILITY OF THE COMPANY, ITS AFFILIATES, SUBCONTRACTORS, EMPLOYEES, SUPPLIERS AND AGENTS ARISING OUT OF PERFORMANCE OR NON-PERFORMANCE OF OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE SALE, DELIVERY, STORAGE, INSTALLATION, REPAIR, MODIFICATION OR USE OF THE EQUIPMENT, THE RENDITION OF OTHER SERVICES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, SHALL NOT EXCEED, IN THE AGGREGATE, AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO ONE HUNDRED PERCENT (100%) OF THE SUM OF ALL FEES PAID BY THE OWNER TO THE COMPANY PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF ALL SOWs.**

b. **NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING HEREIN TO THE CONTRARY, ANY LIABILITY ON THE PART OF THE COMPANY FOR MATTERS RELATED TO OR ARISING FROM CYBER SECURITY (A) SHALL BE LIMITED TO CLAIMS RELATING TO THE HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE WITHIN THE DIRECT CONTROL OF THE COMPANY THAT IS THE DIRECT AND PROXIMATE CAUSE OF ANY LOSSES OR DAMAGE, AND (B) SHALL BE LIMITED TO ONLY THOSE CLAIMS OR PORTIONS OF CLAIMS THAT ARE COVERED BY INSURANCE REQUIRED TO BE MAINTAINED PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY SOW.**

12. Rules of Construction. In construing this Agreement, the following principles shall be followed: (i) no meaning may be inferred from any presumption that one Party had a greater or lesser hand in drafting this Agreement; (ii) examples do not limit, expressly or by implication, the matter they illustrate; (iii) the plural shall be deemed to include the singular and vice versa, as applicable; and (iv) the headings are for convenience only and do not affect the meaning or construction of any such provision. Furthermore, the Parties specifically acknowledge and agree that they have in fact read this Agreement and are fully informed and have full notice and knowledge of the terms, conditions and effects of this Agreement. Each Party further agrees that it will not contest the validity or enforceability of any provision of this Agreement on the basis that it had no notice or knowledge of such provision or that such provision is not conspicuous.

13. Miscellaneous.

a. **Notices.** All notices hereunder shall be in writing and shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by overnight courier service, to the address set forth below each Party's signature, or to such other addresses as may be stipulated in writing by the Parties pursuant hereto. Unless otherwise provided, notice shall be effective on the date it is officially recorded as delivered by return receipt or equivalent.

b. **Entire Agreement; Amendment.** This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements, arrangements, and undertakings between the Parties and constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties relating to the subject matter thereof. This Agreement may not be amended except by written instrument executed by both Parties. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement.

c. **Assignment.** Neither Party may assign this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party. Any attempt to assign this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party shall be null and void. A Change in Control of a Party shall not be deemed an assignment of this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, "Change in Control" shall mean an event deemed to occur if a person or entity, that is either affiliated or unaffiliated with the Company, acquires more than fifty percent control over the Party's voting securities.

d. **Force Majeure.** If either Party is prevented from performing any of its duties or obligations hereunder (other than duties or obligations with respect to payment) in a timely manner by reason or act of God or force majeure such as fire; war; earthquake; strike; lock-out; labor dispute; flood; public disaster; pandemic or epidemic event (to include but not limited to COVID-19); interruptions or delays in reasonably available means of transportation; acts of any government or its agencies or officers, or any order, regulation, or ruling thereof; equipment or technical malfunctions or failures; power failures or interruptions; or any other reason beyond its reasonable control, such condition shall be deemed to be a valid excuse for delay of performance or for nonperformance of any such duty or obligation for the period during which such condition(s) exist.

e. **Survival of Certain Provisions.** The provisions of Sections 10 and 11 of this Agreement shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement and continue to bind the Parties and their legal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.

f. **No Waiver.** The waiver of any breach or failure of a term or condition of this Agreement by any Party shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach or failure of the same term or condition, or a waiver of any other breach or failure of a term or condition of this Agreement.

g. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same Agreement. The Parties may utilize electronic means (including facsimile and e-mail) to execute and transmit the Agreement and all such electronically executed and/or transmitted copies of the Agreement shall be deemed as valid as originals.

h. Dispute Resolution. In the event a dispute arises among the Parties, the disputing Party shall provide the other Party with written notice of the dispute, and within twenty (20) days after receipt of said notice, the receiving Party shall submit to the other a written response. The notice and response shall include a statement of each Party's position and a summary of the evidence and arguments supporting its position. Each Party shall designate a high level manager with authority to resolve the dispute to work in good faith with the other Party's designated manager to resolve the dispute; the name and title of said employee shall also be included in the notice and response. The managers shall meet at a mutually acceptable time and place within thirty (30) days of the date of the disputing party's notice and thereafter as they deem reasonably necessary to resolve the dispute. If the managers, having acted in good faith, have not resolved the dispute within ninety (90) days of receipt of the initial written notice, then the Parties shall attempt to resolve the dispute in good faith by non-binding mediation administered by the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") under its Commercial Mediation Rules. If either Party is unsatisfied with the results of mediation and cannot resolve the dispute and/or claim at mediation, it shall be submitted to binding arbitration. Any such dispute and/or claim will be resolved by binding arbitration in accordance with the Rules for Commercial Arbitration of the American Arbitration Association before a panel of three (3) arbitrators, one appointed by each Party, and the third appointed by the Agreement of the first two arbitrators. The decision or award of a majority of the arbitrators shall be final and binding upon the Parties. Any arbitral award may be entered as a judgment or order in any court of competent jurisdiction. Each Party's costs and expenses attributed to the negotiation, mediation, and/or arbitration shall be borne by such Party.

i. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by the law of the State of Ohio; provided, however, that the Company's obligation to comply with applicable laws shall be limited to laws that apply to the Company.

SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW

WHEREFORE, for the purpose of being bound, the Parties execute this Agreement by their duly authorized representatives as of the date(s) set forth below.

OWNER

City of Huron

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

COMPANY

Utility Service Co., Inc.

By: _____


Name: Jonathan Cato

Title: Chief Operating Officer

Date: March 7, 2025

Notice Address for Each Party:

City of Huron

Attn: _____

Utility Service Co., Inc.

Attn: Customer Service Department

535 General Courtney Hodges Boulevard

Post Office Box 1350

Perry, Georgia 31069

SCOPE OF WORK NO. 1
TO THE MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN
UTILITY SERVICE CO., INC.
AND
CITY OF HURON, OH

WATER TANK MAINTENANCE – 500,000 GALLON PEDISPHERE – EAST SIDE TANK

1. **Effective Date.** The Effective Date for this Scope of Work No. 1 (“SOW1”) shall be _____, 20____ .
2. **Term.** The Owner agrees to engage the Company to provide the professional services needed to maintain its **500,000** gallon water storage tank located at **900 Cleveland Road East, Huron, Ohio 44839** (hereinafter, “the Tank”). This SOW1 shall commence on the Effective Date and shall continue in full force and effect for one year. This SOW1 will automatically renew for successive one-year terms unless terminated as defined in Section 10 herein. For purposes of this SOW1, “Contract Year” shall mean the 12-month period which commences on the first day of the month when the SOW1 is executed by the Owner and each successive 12-month period thereafter (hereinafter, “Contract Year” or collectively, “Contract Years”).
3. **Company’s Engagement and Responsibilities.** This SOW1 outlines the Company’s responsibility for the upfront renovation (hereinafter, the “Upfront Renovation”) of the Tank and the care and maintenance of the Tank thereafter. The services (collectively, “the Services”) that the Company will provide include the following:
 - a. The Tank shall receive an Upfront Renovation, which will include: **exterior renovation, interior dry touch up, interior washout, and repairs prior to the end of Contract Year 1; interior wet renovation prior to the end of Contract Year 5.**
 - b. The Company will annually inspect the Tank. The Tank will be inspected to ensure that the structure is in a sound, watertight condition. All applicable standards will be followed, including, but not limited to, A.W.W.A., O.E.P.A., and 10 States Standards. The Company will provide a written inspection report to the Owner following each inspection.
 - c. Every four years, after the Tank is drained by the Owner, the Company will clean the interior of the Tank and perform a condition assessment on the Tank (hereinafter “Washout Inspection”). During each Washout Inspection, the Tank will be cleaned to remove all mud, silt, and other accumulations from the interior of the Tank. After a Washout Inspection is completed, the interior of the Tank will be thoroughly inspected and disinfected prior to returning the Tank to service; however, the Owner is responsible for draining and filling the Tank and conducting any required testing of the water before returning the Tank to service.
 - d. The Company shall provide the engineering and inspection services needed to maintain and repair the Tank during the term of this SOW1. The repairs include: the Tank’s expansion joints, water level indicators,

sway rod adjustments, vent screens, manhole covers/gaskets, and the Tank's other steel parts not otherwise excluded hereinafter.

e. The Company will clean and repaint the exterior of the Tank at such time as complete repainting is needed. The need for exterior painting of the Tank is to be determined by the appearance and protective condition of the existing paint. At the time that the exterior requires repainting, the Company agrees to paint the Tank with a coating that is the same color as the existing coating and to select a coating system which best suits the site conditions, environment, and general location of the Tank. When exterior painting of the Tank is needed, all products and procedures as to coating systems will be equal to or exceed the requirements of the **State of Ohio** and the American Water Works Association's D102 standard in effect as of the Effective Date (defined hereinafter).

f. The Company will install a lock on the roof hatch of the Tank; however, the provision of such lock does not guarantee the Tank's security during the term of the SOW1. For the avoidance of doubt, security of the Tank and the site where the Tank is located (hereinafter, "Tank Site") are the responsibility of the Owner.

g. In the event of an emergency involving the Tank, the Owner shall provide written notice of such emergency to the Company via its email hotline at the following address: customerservice@usgwater.com. The Company will provide emergency services for the Tank, when needed, to perform all repairs covered under this SOW1. Reasonable travel time must be allowed for the repair unit to reach the Tank Site. The Company strives to get to the site within 72 hours for evaluation, and then the parties would develop a timeline thereafter based on needed parts and equipment.

h. When the Tank is taken out of service, the Company will furnish pressure relief valves, if requested by the Owner, so that the Owner can install the valves in its water system while the Tank is being serviced. The Owner assumes all risk and liability for the installation and use of the pressure relief valves.

i. The Company will furnish the Owner with current certificates of insurance, which will summarize the Company's insurance coverage.

4. **Price/Annual Fees.** For the performance of the Services required by Section 3, the Owner shall pay the Company an Annual Fee (hereinafter, "Annual Fee") for each Contract Year of the SOW1. The first **five (5)** Annual Fees shall be **\$94,325.00** per Contract Year. The Annual Fee for Contract **Year 6** shall be **\$18,921.00**. Each Contract Year thereafter, the Annual Fee shall be adjusted to reflect the current cost of service. The adjustment of the Annual Fee shall be limited to a maximum of 5% annually. All applicable taxes are the responsibility of the Owner and are in addition to the stated costs and fees in this SOW1.

5. **Payment Terms.** The Annual Fee for Contract **Year 1**, plus all applicable taxes, shall be due and payable **on August 1, 2025**. **Each subsequent Annual Fee, plus all applicable taxes, shall be due and payable on August 1 of each Contract Year thereafter.** If the Annual Fee, plus all applicable taxes, are not paid within ninety (90) days of the date of invoice, the Company may charge the Owner a late fee on unpaid balances and may also terminate or suspend Services under this SOW1 without notice. The late fee will be 1.5% per month.

6. **Changes or Delays to Services.** This Section applies if the Owner is unable to drain the tank for more than 24 months from the originally scheduled service date to give the Company full access to inspect the condition of the interior coating. For purposes of this Section 6, "Unreasonable Delay" shall mean the Owner's delay in releasing the Tank or making the Tank available to the Company for the performance of any of the Services described herein for a period of twenty-four (24) months following the Company's written request for release or access to the Tank. In the event of Unreasonable Delay, the Company reserves the right to recover its reasonable costs related to the Unreasonable Delay, and the Owner agrees to negotiate with the Company in good faith to determine the amount of its reasonable costs caused by such Unreasonable Delay. Furthermore, the Owner hereby agrees that the Company can replace a Washout Inspection of the Tank with a visual inspection, remotely operated vehicle inspection ("ROV Inspection"), or unmanned aerial vehicle inspection ("UAV Inspection") without requiring the modification of this SOW1.
7. **Structure of Tank and Tank Site Conditions.** The Company is accepting this Tank to maintain pursuant to the requirements of this SOW1 based upon its existing structure and components as of the Effective Date (defined hereinafter). ***Any modifications to the Tank, including antenna installations, shall be approved by the Company, prior to installation and may warrant an increase in the Annual Fees.*** In addition, changes in the condition of the Tank Site and/or any adjoining properties (e.g., construction of a mall next to the Tank Site which significantly increases the risk of overspray claims, etc.) following the Effective Date, which cause an increase in the cost of the maintenance of the Tank, will be just cause for an equitable adjustment of the Annual Fees in this SOW1.
8. **Environmental, Health, Safety, Labor, or Industry Requirements.** The Owner hereby agrees that the promulgation of, enactment of, or modification to any environmental, health, safety, or labor laws, regulations, orders, or ordinances (e.g., EPA or OSHA regulations or standards) following the Effective Date of this SOW1, which cause an increase in the cost of the maintenance of the Tank, will be just cause for an equitable adjustment of the Annual Fees in this SOW1. Furthermore, modifications to industry requirement(s) including, but not limited to, standard(s) or other guidance documents issued by the American Water Works Association, National Sanitary Foundation, and the Association for Materials Protection and Performance, which cause an increase in the cost of the maintenance of the Tank, will be just cause for an equitable adjustment of the Annual Fees in this SOW1. Said equitable adjustment of the Annual Fees in this SOW1 will reasonably reflect the increased cost of the Services with newly negotiated Annual Fee(s).

The work performed under this Contract is subject to prevailing wages, and the workers who are performing work under this Contract are to be paid no less than the prevailing hourly rate of wages as set by the appropriate authority. Any future work performed by workers under this Contract will be subject to the wage determination of the appropriate authority which is in effect when the work is performed. However, the Owner and the Company hereby agree that if the prevailing wage rates for any job or trade classification increases by more than 5% per annum from the effective date of this Contract to the date in which any future work is to be performed under this Contract, then the Company reserves the right to re-negotiate the annual fee(s) with the Owner. If the Company and the Owner cannot agree on re-negotiated annual fee(s), then: (1) the Company will not be obligated to perform the work and (2) the Company will not be obligated to return past annual fee(s) received by the Company.

9. **Excluded Items.** This SOW1 does NOT include the cost for and/or liability on the part of the Company for: (i) containment of the Tank at any time during the term of the SOW1; (ii) disposal of any hazardous waste materials; (iii) resolution of operational problems or structural damage due to cold weather; (iv) repair of structural damage due to antenna installations or other attachments for which the Tank was not originally designed; (v) resolution of operational problems or repair of structural damage or site damage caused by physical conditions below the surface of the ground; (vi) negligent acts of Owner's employees, agents or contractors; (vii) damages, whether foreseen or unforeseen, caused by the Owner's use of pressure relief valves; (viii) repairs to the foundation of the Tank; (ix) any latent defects or inaccessible areas of the Tank or its components (including, but not limited to, (a) corrosion from the underside of the floor plates, and (b) inaccessible areas of the Tank such as the area between the bottom of the roof plate and the top of the roof rafter); (x) the maintenance, repair or replacement of any electrical components (to include any lighting, such as aviation lights); (xi) the maintenance, repair or replacement of fill lines, insulation, and/or frost jackets; (xii) the maintenance, repair, or replacement of piping of any kind below ground level;; and (xiii) other conditions which are beyond the Owner's and Company's control, including, but not limited to: acts of God and acts of terrorism. Acts of God include, but are not limited to, any damage to the Tank or Tank Site which is caused by seismic activity, hurricanes, and/or tornadoes. Acts of terrorism include, but are not limited to, any damage to the Tank or Tank Site which results from an unauthorized entry of any kind to the Tank or Tank Site.
10. **Termination.** This SOW1 is an annual contract that shall automatically renew on an annual basis for successive Contract Years so long as: (i) the Owner pays each Annual Fee to the Company in accordance with the terms herein and (ii) does not terminate the SOW1 pursuant to the terms of this Section. This SOW1 is subject to termination by the Owner only at the end of the then-current Contract Year if written notice of intent to terminate is received by the Company at least ninety (90) days prior to the first day of the upcoming Contract Year. If the notice of intent to terminate is not received at least ninety (90) days prior to the first day of the upcoming Contract Year, this SOW1 shall renew for an additional Contract Year and expire at the end of the upcoming Contract Year. In such an event, the Owner agrees that it shall be responsible to pay the Annual Fee for the upcoming Contract Year. The notice of intent to terminate must be sent by certified mail, with return receipt requested, to Utility Service Co., Inc., Attention: Customer Service, Post Office Box 1350, Perry, Georgia 31069, and signed by three (3) authorized voting officials of the Owner's governing body (e.g., commission or council). Notice of intent to terminate cannot be delivered electronically or verbally (e.g., email, text, phone call, etc.). The Owner acknowledges and agrees that the Company has advanced Services to the Owner, and the Company has not received full payment for the Services previously performed. Therefore, if the Owner elects to terminate this SOW1 prior to remitting the first **five (5)** Annual Fees, then the balance for work completed shall be due and payable within thirty (30) days of the Owner's issuance of the notice of intent to terminate at the end of the then-current Contract Year.
11. **Visual Inspection Disclaimer.** This SOW1 is based upon a visual inspection of the Tank. The Owner and the Company hereby acknowledge and agree that a visual inspection is intended to assess the condition of the Tank for all patent defects. If latent defects are identified once the Tank has been drained and is made available to the Company, the Owner agrees and acknowledges that the Company shall not be responsible to repair the latent defects unless the Owner and the Company re-negotiate

the Annual Fees. The definition of a “latent defect” shall be any defect of the Tank which is not easily discovered (e.g., corrosion of the floor plates, corrosion of the roof plates or rafters, corrosion in areas inaccessible to maintain, damage to the roof of the Tank which is not clearly discoverable during the visual inspection, etc.).

- 12. Excessive Inflation.** In the event that the aggregate of the Annual Inflation Rates (defined hereinbelow) established for two (2) consecutive calendar years during the term of this SOW1 exceeds 12% in total, the Owner and the Company agree to renegotiate the Annual Fees and increase the Annual Fees throughout the remaining term of this SOW1 to compensate the Company for the excessive inflation. For purposes of this provision, the Annual Inflation Rate for each calendar year shall be established by the *Engineering News Report – Construction Cost Index (“ENR-CCI”)*. In the event that the ENR-CCI index is discontinued, the Owner and the Company will negotiate and agree to an alternative index or methodology to address the excessive inflation. For illustrative purposes, if a SOW is executed in 2022, the first equitable adjustment could not be made until both the 2023 inflation rate and the 2024 inflation rate have been established. If the annual inflation rates for 2023 and 2024 are 5.0% and 7.1%, respectively, the Owner and the Company agree to renegotiate the current year’s Annual Fee as well as the remaining Annual Fees for the remainder of the term of the SOW to address the excessive inflation.

13. Ohio Revised Code § 9.29.

a. The Owner is not required to make total payments in a single year that exceed the excess of (a) the Owner’s water utility charges over (b) the operating expenses of the water system payable from such charges and the principal, interest, and other debt charges, including reserves and coverage requirements, for outstanding debt due in that year.

b. The work performed under this Agreement shall be performed under the supervision of a professional engineer licensed under Chapter 4733 of the Revised Code, who certifies that the work will be performed in compliance with all applicable codes and engineering standards.

c. If, on the date of commencement of the Agreement, the water tank or appurtenant facilities require engineering, repair, sustainability, water quality management, or service in order to bring the tank or facilities into compliance with federal, state, or local requirements, the Company must provide the engineering, repair, sustainability, water quality management, or service. The cost of the work necessary to ensure such compliance shall be itemized separately and may be charged to the Owner in payments spread over a period of not less than three years from the date of commencement of the Agreement or SOW. The charges shall be paid after provision is made to pay operating expenses and the principal, interest, and other debt service charges, including reserves and coverage requirements for outstanding debt due in that year.

SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW

The SOW1 is executed and effective as of the date last signed by the parties below.

OWNER

City of Huron

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

COMPANY

Utility Service Co., Inc.

By: _____


Name: Jonathan Cato

Title: Chief Operating Officer

Date: March 7, 2025

UPFRONT RENOVATION SPECIFICATIONS

Year 1

Exterior

1. All exterior surfaces must be pressure washed with a minimum of 4,000 P.S.I. washer to remove any surface contamination.
2. All rusted areas must be Hand/Power tool cleaned per SSPC-SP2, SP3 cleaning methods.
3. All rusted or bare areas must be spot primed with a rust inhibitive metal primer.
4. One (1) full intermediate coat of a Tnemec compatible Series coating shall be applied to the complete exterior surfaces (100%) at the manufacturer's recommended thickness.
5. One (1) full finish coat of a Tnemec compatible Series coating shall be applied to the complete exterior surfaces (100%) at the manufacturer's recommended thickness.
6. Retrace all logos.

Repairs

1. Install 24" pallet style roof vent.
2. Install cable safety climb device.
3. Install overflow pipe screen.
4. Caulk and grout foundation.

Interior Dry

1. Rusty and or delaminating areas should be hand tool (SSPC-SP2) or power tool (SSPC-SP3) cleaned to tightly adhered rust or existing paint, and spot primed. Edges of existing coating should be feathered to form a smooth transition prior to spot priming. All surfaces prior to painting must be clean, dry and free of all contaminants.
2. Apply one spot coat of Tnemec 135 Chembuild Epoxy or equivalent to all cleaned areas of the interior dry surfaces at the manufacturer's recommended coating thickness.
3. Apply one spot top coat of Tnemec Series 20 white Pota-Pox or equivalent to the previously primed areas at the manufacturer's recommended coating thickness..

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Interior Wet

1. The complete interior (100%) shall be abrasive blast cleaned to SSPC-SP No. 10 "Near White" finish.
2. After abrasive cleaning, all surfaces shall be cleaned of any dust residue or foreign debris.
3. A high build epoxy liner manufactured by the Tnemec Company shall be applied as follows:
 - a. Primer Coat: One [1] complete coat of Tnemec Series 93 H2O zinc or equivalent zinc shall be applied to 100% of the interior surfaces at the manufacturer's recommended coating thickness.
 - b. Finish Coat: One [1] complete finish coat of Tnemec Series FC22 epoxy or equivalent epoxy shall be applied to 100% of the interior surfaces at the manufacturer's recommended thickness.
 - c. Contrasting Color: Each coat of epoxy paint shall be of contrasting color.
 - d. Stripe Coat: One additional coat of epoxy shall be applied by brush and roller to all weld seams.
4. After the liner has properly cured, the interior surfaces shall be disinfected per A.W.W.A. Spray Method No. 2 (200 PPM).
5. The spent abrasive media shall be tested per TCLP-(8) Heavy Metals as mandated by the State.
6. Once the tests results confirm the non-hazardous status of the wastes, the spent abrasive shall be disposed of properly.
7. The Tank shall be sealed and made ready for service.



TO: Mayor Tapp and City Council
FROM: Stuart Hamilton , Service Director
RE: Ordinance No. 2025-6 (submitted by Stuart Hamilton)
DATE: March 11, 2025

Subject Matter/Background

The ordinance will allow the Finance Director to competitively issue 20-year bonds not to exceed a par amount of \$2.5 million. Bonds are being issued for the purpose of paying costs of purchasing a third transformer (Resolution 37-2023) for Huron Public Power, associated switchgear (Resolution 15-2025) and the installation thereof (yet to be bid out).

This project is critical to enabling us to provide reliable and redundant power to our customers, Currently, we cannot supply our full power load if we lost a transformer. By adding this third unit, we will always be able to keep our businesses online.

The intent is to pay for this debt with a rate increase to our HPP customers. This increase will still keep us well below Ohio Edison rates ensuring we are still providing the lowest price for our businesses.

A copy of the executed Fiscal Officer's Certificate is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

Financial Review

The financial impact to the issuance will result in annual debt payment on a 20-year bond at approximately \$200,000 per year. The bonds will be issued as taxable, unvoted general obligation bonds and will not impact the City's indirect debt limit. This legislation relates to the purchase and installation of a third transformer at the Electric substation.

Proceeds will be recorded in the Electric Capital Fund (Fund 653) and used to pay the costs of purchasing and installing a third transformer at the City's electric substation.

Legal Review

The matter has been reviewed, follows normal administrative procedure and is properly before you.

Recommendation

If Council is in agreement with the request, a motion adopting Ordinance No. 2025-6 as an emergency measure is in order.

[Ordinance No. 2025-6 Exh 1 Fiscal Officer's Certificate.pdf](#)

[Ordinance No. 2025-6 - Bond Ordinance \(Huron Public Power 2025\) \\$2.5 million.docx](#)

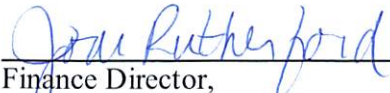
FISCAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO:

As fiscal officer of the City of Huron, Ohio, I certify in connection with your proposed issue of bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$2,500,000 (the Bonds) to pay costs of improving the municipal electric system by purchasing and installing a power transformer, together with all necessary related improvements and appurtenances thereto (the improvement), that:

1. The estimated life or period of usefulness of the improvements is at least five years.
2. The estimated maximum maturity of the Bonds, calculated in accordance with Section 133.20 of the Revised Code, is 30 years, being my estimate of the life or period of usefulness of the improvement.

Dated: March 6, 2025



Finance Director,
by Jodi Rutherford, Assistant Director of Finance
City of Huron, Ohio

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-6

Introduced by: Joel Hagy

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$2,500,000 TO PAY COSTS OF IMPROVING THE MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC SYSTEM BY PURCHASING AND INSTALLING A POWER TRANSFORMER, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance, as fiscal officer of the City, has certified to this Council that the estimated life or period of usefulness of the improvement described in Section 2 is at least five years and the estimated maximum maturity of the Bonds described in Section 2 is 30 years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Huron, Ohio, that:

Section 1: Definitions and Interpretation. In addition to the words and terms elsewhere defined in this Ordinance, unless the context or use clearly indicates another or different meaning or intent:

"Authorized Denominations" means (subject to any limitations in Section 3) the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

"Bond proceedings" means, collectively, this Ordinance, the Certificate of Award, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement and such other proceedings of the City, including the Bonds, that provide collectively for, among other things, the rights of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds.

"Bond Register" means all books and records necessary for the registration, exchange and transfer of Bonds as provided in Section 5.

"Bond Registrar" means the bank or trust company appointed pursuant to Section 4 as the initial authenticating agent, bond registrar, transfer agent and paying agent for the Bonds under the Bond Registrar Agreement and until a successor Bond Registrar shall have become such pursuant to the provisions of the Bond Registrar Agreement and, thereafter, "Bond Registrar" shall mean the successor Bond Registrar.

"Bond Registrar Agreement" means the Bond Registrar Agreement between the City and the Bond Registrar, as it may be modified from the form on file with the Clerk of Council and signed by the City Manager and the Fiscal Officer in accordance with Section 4.

"Bonds" means, collectively, the Serial Bonds and the Term Bonds, each as is designated as such in the Certificate of Award.

"Book entry form" or "book entry system" means a form or system under which (a) the ownership of book entry interests in Bonds and the principal of and interest on the Bonds may be transferred only through a book entry and (b) physical Bond certificates in fully registered form are issued by the City only to a Depository or its nominee as registered owner, with the Bonds "immobilized" in the custody of the Depository or its agent. The book entry maintained by others than the City is the record that identifies the owners of book entry interests in those Bonds and that principal and interest.

“Certificate of Award” means the certificate authorized by Section 6(a), to be signed by the Fiscal Officer, setting forth and determining those terms or other matters pertaining to the Bonds and their issuance, sale and delivery as this Ordinance requires or authorizes to be set forth or determined therein.

“Closing Date” means the date of physical delivery of, and payment of the purchase price for, the Bonds.

“Continuing Disclosure Agreement” means the agreement authorized by Section 6(c), to be substantially in the form on file with the Clerk of Council, made by the City for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds in accordance with the Rule.

“Depository” means any securities depository that is a clearing agency under federal law operating and maintaining, with its Participants or otherwise, a book entry system to record ownership of book entry interests in Bonds or the principal of and interest on Bonds, and to effect transfers of Bonds, in book entry form, and includes and means initially The Depository Trust Company (a limited purpose trust company).

“Fiscal Officer” means the Director of Finance of the City.

“Interest Payment Dates” means, unless otherwise determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, June 1 and December 1 of each year that the Bonds are outstanding, commencing December 1, 2025.

“Original Purchaser” means the original purchaser of the Bonds designated by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award.

“Participant” means any participant contracting with a Depository under a book entry system and includes securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies, and clearing corporations.

“Principal Payment Dates” means, unless otherwise determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, December 1 in each of the years from and including 2026 to and including 2045, provided that in no case shall the total number of Principal Payment Dates exceed the maximum maturity of the Bonds referred to in the preambles hereto.

“Rule” means Rule 15c2-12 prescribed by the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

“SEC” means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

“Serial Bonds” means those Bonds designated as such and maturing on the dates set forth in the Certificate of Award, bearing interest payable on each Interest Payment Date and not subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

“Term Bonds” means those Bonds designated as such and maturing on the date or dates set forth in the Certificate of Award, bearing interest payable on each Interest Payment Date and subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

The captions and headings in this Ordinance are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof. Reference to a Section means a section of this Ordinance unless otherwise indicated.

Section 2: Authorized Principal Amount and Purpose; Application of Proceeds. This Council determines that it is necessary and in the best interest of the City to issue bonds of the City in one lot in the maximum principal amount of \$2,500,000 (the Bonds) to pay costs of improving the municipal electric system by purchasing and installing a power transformer, together with all necessary related improvements and appurtenances thereto, including the payment of expenses related to the issuance of the Bonds.

The aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued shall not exceed \$2,500,000 and shall be issued in an amount determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award to be the aggregate principal amount of Bonds required to be issued, taking into account any premium above or discount from the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds at which they are sold to the Original Purchaser, in order to effect the purpose for which the Bonds are to be issued, including the payment of any expenses properly allocable to the issuance of the Bonds.

The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds (except any premium and accrued interest) shall be paid into the proper fund or funds, and those proceeds are appropriated and shall be used for the purpose for which the Bonds are being issued. Any portion of those proceeds representing premium and accrued interest (after the payment of costs of issuance) shall be paid into the Bond Retirement Fund.

Section 3: Denominations; Dating; Principal and Interest Payment and Redemption Provisions. The Bonds shall be issued in one lot and only as fully registered bonds, in the Authorized Denominations, but in no case as to a particular maturity date exceeding the principal amount maturing on that date. The Bonds shall be dated as provided in the Certificate of Award, provided that their dated date shall not be more than 60 days prior to the Closing Date.

(a) Interest Rates and Interest Payment Dates. The Bonds shall bear interest at the rate or rates per year (computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 30-day months) as shall be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award. Interest on the Bonds shall be payable at such rate or rates on the Interest Payment Dates until the principal amount has been paid or provided for. The Bonds shall bear interest from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or provided for or, if no interest has been paid or provided for, from their date.

(b) Principal Payment Schedule. The Bonds shall mature or be payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (as hereinafter defined and described) on the Principal Payment Dates in principal amounts as shall be determined by the Fiscal Officer, subject to subsection (c) of this Section, in the Certificate of Award, consistent with the Fiscal Officer's determination of the best interest of and financial advantages to the City.

Consistent with the foregoing and in accordance with the Fiscal Officer's determination of the best interest of and financial advantages to the City, the Fiscal Officer shall specify in the Certificate of Award (i) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued as Serial Bonds, the Principal Payment Dates on which those Bonds shall be stated to mature and the principal amount thereof that shall be stated to mature on each such Principal Payment Date, and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued as Term Bonds, the Principal Payment Date or Dates on which those Bonds shall be stated to

mature, the principal amount thereof that shall be stated to mature on each such Principal Payment Date, the Principal Payment Date or Dates on which Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption (Mandatory Redemption Dates) and the principal amount thereof that shall be payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements on each Mandatory Redemption Date.

(c) Conditions for Establishment of Interest Rates and Principal Payment Dates and Amounts.

The rate or rates of interest per year to be borne by the Bonds, and the principal amount of Bonds maturing or payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements on each Principal Payment Date, shall be such that (i) the total principal and interest payments on the Bonds in any fiscal year in which principal is payable is not more than three times the amount of those payments in any other such fiscal year and (ii) the true interest cost of the Bonds does not exceed 9%.

(d) Payment of Debt Charges. The debt charges on the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America without deduction for the services of the Bond Registrar as paying agent. Principal of and any premium on the Bonds shall be payable when due upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds at the office of the Bond Registrar designated in the Certificate of Award or, if not so designated, then at the principal corporate trust office of the Bond Registrar. Interest on a Bond shall be paid on each Interest Payment Date by check or draft mailed to the person in whose name the Bond was registered, and to that person's address appearing, on the Bond Register at the close of business on the 15th day preceding that Interest Payment Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and so long as the Bonds are issued in a book entry system, principal of and interest and any premium on the Bonds shall be payable in the manner provided in any agreement entered into by the Fiscal Officer, in the name and on behalf of the City, in connection with the book entry system.

(e) Redemption Provisions. The Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to stated maturity as follows:

(i) Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption of Term Bonds. If any of the Bonds are issued as Term Bonds, the Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory redemption in part by lot and be redeemed pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, on the applicable Mandatory Redemption Dates and in the principal amounts payable on those dates, for which provision is made in the Certificate of Award (such dates and amounts being the Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements).

The aggregate of the money to be deposited with the Bond Registrar for payment of principal of and interest on any Term Bonds on each Mandatory Redemption Date shall include an amount sufficient to redeem on that date the principal amount of Term Bonds payable on that date pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (less the amount of any credit as hereinafter provided).

The City shall have the option to deliver to the Bond Registrar for cancellation Term Bonds in any aggregate principal amount and to receive a credit against the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation) of the City, as specified by the Fiscal Officer, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so delivered. That option shall be exercised by the City on or before the 45th day preceding any Mandatory Redemption Date with respect to which the City wishes to obtain a credit, by furnishing the Bond Registrar a certificate, signed by the Fiscal Officer, setting

forth the extent of the credit to be applied with respect to the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date. If the certificate is not timely furnished to the Bond Registrar, the current Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation) shall not be reduced. A credit against the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation), as specified by the Fiscal Officer, also shall be received by the City for any Term Bonds which prior thereto have been redeemed (other than through the operation of the applicable Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements) or purchased for cancellation and canceled by the Bond Registrar, to the extent not applied theretofore as a credit against any Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so redeemed or purchased and canceled.

Each Term Bond so delivered, or previously redeemed, or purchased and canceled, shall be credited by the Bond Registrar at 100% of the principal amount thereof against the then current or subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligations), as specified by the Fiscal Officer, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so delivered, redeemed or purchased and canceled.

(ii) Optional Redemption. The Bonds of the maturities, if any, specified in the Certificate of Award shall be subject to redemption by and at the sole option of the City, in whole or in part in integral multiples of \$5,000, on the dates, in the years and at the redemption prices (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount to be redeemed), plus accrued interest to the redemption date, to be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award; provided that the redemption price for any optional redemption date shall not be greater than 102%.

If optional redemption of Term Bonds at a redemption price exceeding 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed is to take place as of any Mandatory Redemption Date applicable to those Term Bonds, the Term Bonds, or portions thereof, to be redeemed optionally shall be selected by lot prior to the selection by lot of the Term Bonds of the same maturity to be redeemed on the same date by operation of the Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements. Bonds to be redeemed pursuant to this paragraph shall be redeemed only upon written notice from the Fiscal Officer to the Bond Registrar, given upon the direction of this Council through a resolution or an ordinance. That notice shall specify the redemption date and the principal amount of each maturity of Bonds to be redeemed, and shall be given at least 45 days prior to the redemption date or such shorter period as shall be acceptable to the Bond Registrar.

(iii) Partial Redemption. If fewer than all of the outstanding Bonds are called for optional redemption at one time and Bonds of more than one maturity are then outstanding, the Bonds that are called shall be Bonds of the maturity or maturities selected by the City. If fewer than all of the Bonds of a single maturity are to be redeemed, the selection of Bonds of that maturity to be redeemed, or portions thereof in amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, shall be made by the Bond Registrar by lot in a manner determined by the Bond Registrar. In the case of a partial redemption of Bonds by lot when Bonds of denominations greater than \$5,000 are then outstanding, each \$5,000 unit of principal thereof shall be treated as if it were a separate Bond of the denomination of \$5,000. If it is determined that one or more, but not all, of the \$5,000 units of principal amount represented by a Bond are to be called for redemption, then, upon notice of redemption of a \$5,000 unit or units, the registered owner of that Bond shall surrender the Bond to the Bond Registrar (a) for payment of the redemption price of the \$5,000 unit or units of principal amount called for redemption (including, without limitation,

the interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption and any premium), and (b) for issuance, without charge to the registered owner, of a new Bond or Bonds of any Authorized Denomination or Denominations in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unmatured and unredeemed portion of, and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date as, the Bond surrendered.

(iv) Notice of Redemption. The notice of the call for redemption of Bonds shall identify (a) by designation, letters, numbers or other distinguishing marks, the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, (b) the redemption price to be paid, (c) the date fixed for redemption, and (d) the place or places where the amounts due upon redemption are payable. The notice shall be given by the Bond Registrar on behalf of the City by mailing a copy of the redemption notice by first class mail, postage prepaid, at least 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the registered owner of each Bond subject to redemption in whole or in part at the registered owner's address shown on the Bond Register maintained by the Bond Registrar at the close of business on the fifteenth day preceding that mailing. Failure to receive notice by mail or any defect in that notice regarding any Bond, however, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any Bond.

(v) Payment of Redeemed Bonds. In the event that notice of redemption shall have been given by the Bond Registrar to the registered owners as provided above, there shall be deposited with the Bond Registrar on or prior to the redemption date, moneys that, in addition to any other moneys available therefor and held by the Bond Registrar, will be sufficient to redeem at the redemption price thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, all of the redeemable Bonds for which notice of redemption has been given. Notice having been mailed in the manner provided in the preceding paragraph hereof, the Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption shall become due and payable on the redemption date, and, upon presentation and surrender thereof at the place or places specified in that notice, shall be paid at the redemption price, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. If money for the redemption of all of the Bonds and portions thereof to be redeemed, together with accrued interest thereon to the redemption date, are held by the Bond Registrar on the redemption date, so as to be available therefor on that date and, if notice of redemption has been deposited in the mail as aforesaid, then from and after the redemption date those Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption shall cease to bear interest and no longer shall be considered to be outstanding. If that money shall not be so available on the redemption date, or that notice shall not have been deposited in the mail as aforesaid, those Bonds and portions thereof shall continue to bear interest, until they are paid, at the same rate as they would have borne had they not been called for redemption. All money held by the Bond Registrar for the redemption of particular Bonds shall be held in trust for the account of the registered owners thereof and shall be paid to them, respectively, upon presentation and surrender of those Bonds, provided that any interest earned on the money so held by the Bond Registrar shall be for the account of and paid to the City to the extent not required for the payment of the Bonds called for redemption.

Section 4: Execution and Authentication of Bonds; Appointment of Bond Registrar. The Bonds shall be signed by the City Manager and the Fiscal Officer, in the name of the City and in their official capacities, provided that either or both of those signatures may be a facsimile. The Bonds shall be issued in the Authorized Denominations and numbers as requested by the Original Purchaser and approved by the Fiscal Officer, shall be numbered as determined by the Fiscal Officer in order to distinguish each Bond from any other Bond, and shall express upon their faces the purpose, in summary terms, for which they are issued and that they are issued pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 133 of the Revised Code and this Ordinance.

The Huntington National Bank is appointed to act as the initial Bond Registrar; provided, however, that the Fiscal Officer is authorized to appoint a different Bond Registrar in the Certificate of Award after determining that such bank or trust company will not endanger the funds or securities of the City and that proper procedures and safeguards are available for that purpose. The City Manager and the Fiscal Officer shall sign and deliver, in the name and on behalf of the City, the Bond Registrar Agreement between the City and the Bond Registrar, in substantially the form as is now on file with the Clerk of Council. The Bond Registrar Agreement is approved, together with any changes or amendments that are not inconsistent with this Ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City and that are approved by the Fiscal Officer on behalf of the City, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Bond Registrar Agreement or amendments thereto. The Fiscal Officer shall provide for the payment of the services rendered and for reimbursement of expenses incurred pursuant to the Bond Registrar Agreement from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and then from other money lawfully available and appropriated or to be appropriated for that purpose.

No Bond shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or shall be entitled to any security or benefit under the Bond proceedings unless and until the certificate of authentication printed on the Bond is signed by the Bond Registrar as authenticating agent. Authentication by the Bond Registrar shall be conclusive evidence that the Bond so authenticated has been duly issued, signed and delivered under, and is entitled to the security and benefit of, the Bond proceedings. The certificate of authentication may be signed by any authorized officer or employee of the Bond Registrar or by any other person acting as an agent of the Bond Registrar and approved by the Fiscal Officer on behalf of the City. The same person need not sign the certificate of authentication on all of the Bonds.

Section 5: Registration; Transfer and Exchange; Book Entry System.

(a) Bond Registrar. So long as any of the Bonds remain outstanding, the City will cause the Bond Registrar to maintain and keep the Bond Register at the office satisfactory to the Fiscal Officer and the Bond Registrar. Subject to the provisions of Section 6, the person in whose name a Bond is registered on the Bond Register shall be regarded as the absolute owner of that Bond for all purposes of the Bond proceedings. Payment of or on account of the debt charges on any Bond shall be made only to or upon the order of that person; neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary, but the registration may be changed as provided in this Section. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the City's liability upon the Bond, including interest, to the extent of the amount or amounts so paid.

(b) Transfer and Exchange. Any Bond may be exchanged for Bonds of any Authorized Denomination upon presentation and surrender at the office of the Bond Registrar designated in the Certificate of Award or, if not so designated, then at the principal corporate trust office of the Bond Registrar, together with a request for exchange signed by the registered owner or by a person legally empowered to do so in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. A Bond may be transferred only on the Bond Register upon presentation and surrender of the Bond at the designated office of the Bond Registrar together with an assignment signed by the registered owner or by a person legally empowered to do so in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. Upon exchange or transfer the Bond Registrar shall complete, authenticate and deliver a new Bond or Bonds of any Authorized Denomination or Denominations requested by the owner equal in the aggregate to the unmatured principal amount of the Bond surrendered and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date.

If manual signatures on behalf of the City are required, the Bond Registrar shall undertake the exchange or transfer of Bonds only after the new Bonds are signed by the authorized officers of the City. In all cases of Bonds exchanged or transferred, the City shall sign and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate and deliver Bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Bond proceedings. The exchange or transfer shall be without charge to the owner, except that the City and Bond Registrar may make a charge sufficient to reimburse them for any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to the exchange or transfer. The City or the Bond Registrar may require that those charges, if any, be paid before the procedure is begun for the exchange or transfer. All Bonds issued and authenticated upon any exchange or transfer shall be valid obligations of the City, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same security and benefit under the Bond proceedings as the Bonds surrendered upon that exchange or transfer. Neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be required to make any exchange or transfer of (i) Bonds then subject to call for redemption between the 15th day preceding the mailing of notice of Bonds to be redeemed and the date of that mailing, or (ii) any Bond selected for redemption, in whole or in part.

(c) Book Entry System. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Ordinance, if the Fiscal Officer determines in the Certificate of Award that it is in the best interest of and financially advantageous to the City, the Bonds may be issued in book entry form in accordance with the following provisions of this Section.

The Bonds may be issued to a Depository for use in a book entry system and, if and so long as a book entry system is utilized, (i) the Bonds may be issued in the form of a single, fully registered Bond representing each maturity and registered in the name of the Depository or its nominee, as registered owner, and immobilized in the custody of the Depository or its designated agent which may be the Bond Registrar; (ii) the book entry interest owners of Bonds in book entry form shall not have any right to receive Bonds in the form of physical securities or certificates; (iii) ownership of book entry interests in Bonds in book entry form shall be shown by book entry on the system maintained and operated by the Depository and its Participants, and transfers of the ownership of book entry interests shall be made only by book entry by the Depository and its Participants; and (iv) the Bonds as such shall not be transferable or exchangeable, except for transfer to another Depository or to another nominee of a Depository, without further action by the City.

If any Depository determines not to continue to act as a Depository for the Bonds for use in a book entry system, the Fiscal Officer may attempt to establish a securities depository/book entry relationship with another qualified Depository. If the Fiscal Officer does not or is unable to do so, the Fiscal Officer, after making provision for notification of the book entry interest owners by the then Depository and any other arrangements deemed necessary, shall permit withdrawal of the Bonds from the Depository, and shall cause Bond certificates in registered form to be authenticated by the Bond Registrar and delivered to the assigns of the Depository or its nominee, all at the cost and expense (including any costs of printing), if the event is not the result of City action or inaction, of those persons requesting such issuance.

The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized and directed, to the extent necessary or required, to enter into any agreements, in the name and on behalf of the City, that the Fiscal Officer determines to be necessary in connection with a book entry system for the Bonds.

Section 6: Award and Sale of the Bonds.

(a) Original Purchaser Designated in Certificate of Award. The Bonds shall be sold to the Original Purchaser at a purchase price, not less than 97% of their aggregate principal amount, to be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, plus accrued interest on the Bonds from their date to the Closing Date, and shall be awarded by the Fiscal Officer with and upon such other terms as are required or authorized by this Ordinance to be specified in the Certificate of Award, in accordance with law and the provisions of this Ordinance. The Fiscal Officer is authorized, if it is determined to be in the best interest of the City, to combine the issue of Bonds with one or more other bond issues of the City into a consolidated bond issue pursuant to Section 133.30(B) of the Revised Code in which case a single Certificate of Award may be utilized for the consolidated bond issue if appropriate and consistent with the terms of this Ordinance.

The Fiscal Officer shall sign and deliver the Certificate of Award and shall cause the Bonds to be prepared and signed and delivered, together with a true transcript of proceedings with reference to the issuance of the Bonds, to the Original Purchaser upon payment of the purchase price. The City Manager, the Fiscal Officer, the Law Director, the Clerk of Council and other City officials, as appropriate, each are authorized and directed to sign any transcript certificates, financial statements and other documents and instruments and to take such actions as are necessary or appropriate to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Ordinance.

(b) Primary Offering Disclosure – Official Statement. The City Manager and the Fiscal Officer, on behalf of the City and in their official capacities, are authorized to (i) prepare or cause to be prepared, and make or authorize modifications, completions or changes of or supplements to, an official statement in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds, (ii) determine, and to certify or otherwise represent, when the official statement is to be “deemed final” (except for permitted omissions) by the City or is a final official statement for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), (3) and (4), (iii) use and distribute, or authorize the use and distribution of, that official statement and any supplements thereto in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds and (iv) complete and sign that official statement as so approved together with such certificates, statements or other documents in connection with the finality, accuracy and completeness of that official statement as they deem necessary or appropriate.

(c) Agreement to Provide Continuing Disclosure. For the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners from time to time of the Bonds, the City agrees to provide or cause to be provided such financial information and operating data, audited financial statements and notices of the occurrence of certain events, in such manner as may be required for purposes of the Rule. The Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to complete, sign and deliver the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, in the name and on behalf of the City, in substantially the form as is now on file with the Clerk of Council. The Continuing Disclosure Agreement is approved, together with any changes or amendments that are not inconsistent with this ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City and that are approved by the Fiscal Officer, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

The Fiscal Officer is further authorized and directed to establish procedures in order to ensure compliance by the City with its Continuing Disclosure Agreement, including timely provision of information and notices as described above. Prior to making any filing required under the Rule, the Fiscal Officer shall consult with and obtain legal advice from, as appropriate, the Law Director and/or bond or other qualified independent special counsel selected by the City. The Fiscal Officer, acting in the name

and on behalf of the City, shall be entitled to rely upon any such legal advice in determining whether a filing should be made. The performance by the City of its Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall be subject to the annual appropriation of any funds that may be necessary to perform it.

(d) Municipal Advisor; Application for Rating or Bond Insurance; Financing Costs. If, in the judgment of the Fiscal Officer, the (i) engagement of the services of a municipal advisor or (ii) filing of an application for (A) a rating on the Bonds by one or more nationally recognized- rating agencies, or (B) a policy of insurance from a company or companies to better assure the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, is in the best interest of and financially advantageous to this City, the Fiscal Officer is authorized to engage a municipal advisor and prepare and to submit those applications, to provide to each such agency or company such information as may be required for the purpose, and to provide further for the payment of the fees of a municipal advisor or the cost of obtaining each such rating or policy, except to the extent paid by the Bond Registrar in accordance with the Certificate of Award and/or the Bond Registrar Agreement, from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available and that are appropriated or to be appropriated for that purpose. The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized, to the extent necessary or required, to enter into any agreements, in the name of and on behalf of the City, that the Fiscal Officer determines to be necessary in connection with the engagement of a municipal advisor or of obtaining that bond insurance.

The expenditure of the amounts necessary to engage a municipal advisor and/or secure those rating(s) and to pay the other financing costs (as defined in Section 133.01 of the Revised Code) in connection with the Bonds, except to the extent paid by the Bond Registrar in accordance with the Certificate of Award and/or the Bond Registrar Agreement, and the Fiscal Officer is authorized to provide for the payment of any such amounts and costs from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available that are appropriated or shall be appropriated for that purpose.

Section 7: Provisions for Tax Levy. There shall be levied on all the taxable property in the City, in addition to all other taxes, a direct tax annually during the period the Bonds are outstanding in an amount sufficient to pay the debt charges on the Bonds when due, which tax shall not be less than the interest and sinking fund tax required by Section 11 of Article XII of the Ohio Constitution. The tax shall be within the ten-mill limitation imposed by law, shall be and is ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers, in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of those years are certified, levied, extended and collected, and shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof. The proceeds of the tax levy shall be placed in the Bond Retirement Fund, which is irrevocably pledged for the payment of the debt charges on the Bonds when and as the same fall due.

In each year to the extent the net revenues from the municipal electric system are available for the payment of the debt charges on the Bonds and are appropriated for that purpose, the amount of the tax shall be reduced by the amount of such net revenues so available and appropriated.

In each year to the extent receipts from the municipal income tax are available for the payment of the debt charges on the Bonds and are appropriated for that purpose, and to the extent not paid from net revenues of the municipal electric system, the amount of the tax shall be reduced by the amount of such receipts so available and appropriated in compliance with the following covenant. To the extent necessary, the debt charges on the Bonds shall be paid from municipal income taxes lawfully available therefor under the Constitution and the laws of the State of Ohio, and the Charter of the City; and the City hereby covenants,

subject and pursuant to such authority, including particularly Section 133.05(B)(7) of the Ohio Revised Code, to appropriate annually from such municipal income taxes such amount as is necessary to meet such annual debt charges.

Nothing in the two preceding paragraphs in any way diminishes the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit and general property taxing power of the City to the prompt payment of the debt charges on the Bonds.

Section 8: Certification and Delivery of Ordinance and Certificate of Award. The Clerk of Council is directed to deliver or cause to be delivered a certified copy of this Ordinance and a signed copy of the Certificate of Award to the Erie County Auditor.

Section 9: Retention of Bond and Disclosure Counsel. The legal services of Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP, as bond and disclosure counsel, be and are hereby retained. The legal services shall be in the nature of legal advice and recommendations as to the documents and the proceedings in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds and the rendering of the necessary legal opinions upon the delivery of the Bonds. In rendering those legal services, as an independent contractor and in an attorney-client relationship, that firm shall not exercise any administrative discretion on behalf of the City in the formulation of public policy, expenditure of public funds, enforcement of laws, rules and regulations of the State, the City or any other political subdivision, or the execution of public trusts. That firm shall be paid just and reasonable compensation for those legal services and shall be reimbursed for the actual out-of-pocket expenses it incurs in rendering those legal services. The Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to make appropriate certification as to the availability of funds for those fees and any reimbursement and to issue an appropriate order for their timely payment as written statements are submitted by that firm. The amounts necessary to pay those fees and any reimbursement are hereby appropriated from the proceeds of the Bonds, if available, and otherwise from available moneys in the General Fund.

Section 10: Satisfaction of Conditions for Bond Issuance. This Council determines that all acts and conditions necessary to be performed by the City or to have been met precedent to and in the issuing of the Bonds in order to make them legal, valid and binding general obligations of the City have been performed and have been met, or will at the time of delivery of the Bonds have been performed and have been met, in regular and due form as required by law; that the full faith and credit and general property taxing power (as described in Section 7) of the City are pledged for the timely payment of the debt charges on the Bonds; and that no statutory or constitutional limitation of indebtedness or taxation will have been exceeded in the issuance of the Bonds.

Section 11: Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in open meetings of this Council or committees, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with the law.

Section 12: Declaration of Emergency; Effective Date. This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of this City, and for the further reason that this Ordinance is required to be immediately effective in order to issue and sell the Bonds, which is necessary to enable the City to enter into contracts for the improvement which is needed to ensure adequate supplies of electricity for the City and City businesses; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage.

Adopted: _____

Mayor

Attest: _____

Clerk of Council