## **RESOLUTION NO. 10-2023**

# A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN ELECTRIC AGGREGATION AGREEMENT WITH AN ELECTRIC SUPPLIER RECOMMENDED BY ENERGY ALLIANCES, INC., THE COMMUNITY'S ENERGY AGGREGATION CONSULTANT. THE CITY MANAGER CAN EXECUTE A MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT NOT TO EXCEED 8.5 CENTS PER KWH. THE CITY MANAGER CAN ENTER INTO SUBSEQUENT AGREEMENTS WITH REGARD TO THIS PROGRAM, TO REDUCE COSTS AS NEEDED.

- WHEREAS, the Ohio Legislature has enacted electric deregulation legislation which authorized the legislative authorities of municipal corporations, townships, and counties to aggregate the retail electric loads located in the respective jurisdictions and to enter into service agreements to facilitate for those loads the purchase and sale of electricity; and
- WHEREAS, the residents, businesses and other electric consumers within the corporate limits of Forest Park, Ohio have given permission to the City of Forest Park to aggregate the retail electricity loads on their behalf by passing an Electric Aggregation ballot issue; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Forest Park has successfully completed and submitted to the State of Ohio all required paperwork to become a certified Competitive Retail Electric Service Provider in order to provide governmental aggregation services within the State of Ohio;
- **WHEREAS,** Energy Alliances, Inc. has research and provided the City of Forest Park with competitively bid electrical rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Forest Park, Ohio.

## SECTION 1.

That the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with a supplier to be named later for electric supply to the City of Forest Park Electric Aggregation Program.

### **SECTION 2.**

That the City Manager can enter into an electric Master Service Agreement with an electric supplier recommended by Energy Alliance, Inc. not to exceed 8.5 cents per kWh beginning upon the expiration of the City's current electric Master Service Agreement with Constellation. The City Manager can further execute subsequent agreements as needed with regard to reducing electric costs.

### **SECTION 3.**

That the agreement will consist of a "Opt-In" contract with a renewable energy option being designated as the default energy resource.

### SECTION 4.

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That any qualifying resident, businesses and other electric consumers within the corporate limits of City of Forest Park can request, at any time and without cost, to switch the type of energy resource used by contacting Energy Alliances, Inc., or the chosen supplier.

## SECTION 5.

That any qualifying resident, businesses and other electric consumers within the corporate limits of City of Forest Park can request, at any time and without cost, to "Opt-Out" by contacting Energy Alliances, Inc. or the chosen supplier.

## SECTION 6.

This resolution shall be in full force and take effect after its passage.

Passed this 20 day of February, 2023

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Mayor

Attest:

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Clerk of Council

Approved as to form:

Law Director

## **RESOLUTION NO. 24-2022**

# A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION AGREEMENT WITH A NATURAL GAS SUPPLIER RECOMMENDED BY ENERGY ALLIANCES, INC., THE COMMUNITIES ENERGY AGGREGATION CONSULTANT, FOR A PRICE NOT TO EXCEED THE CURRENT MONTH'S GAS COST RECOVERY CHARGE FROM DUKE ENERGY OHIO PER CCF FOR A TERM NOT TO EXCEED 36 MONTHS

- WHEREAS, the Ohio Legislature has enacted natural gas deregulation legislation which authorized the legislative authorities of municipal corporations, townships, and counties to aggregate the retail natural gas loads located in the respective jurisdictions and to enter into service agreements to facilitate for those loads the purchase and sale of natural gas; and
- WHEREAS, the residents, businesses and other natural gas consumers within the corporate limits of Forest Park, Ohio have given permission to the City of Forest Park to aggregate the retail natural gas loads on their behalf by passing a Natural Gas Aggregation ballot issue; and
- **WHEREAS,** the City of Forest Park has successfully completed and submitted to the State of Ohio all required paperwork to become a certified Competitive Retail Natural Gas Service Provider in order to provide governmental aggregation services within the State of Ohio.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Forest Park, Ohio.

### **SECTION 1.**

That the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a natural gas aggregation agreement with a natural gas supplier recommended by Energy Alliances, Inc. for a price not to exceed the current month's gas cost recovery charge from Duke Energy Ohio per CCF for a term not to exceed 36 months.

## SECTION 2.

That any qualifying resident, businesses and other natural gas consumers within the corporate limits of City of Forest Park can request, at any time and without cost, to switch the type of energy resources used by contacting Energy Alliances, Inc., or the chosen supplier.

### **SECTION 3.**

That any qualifying resident, businesses and other natural gas consumers within the corporate limits of City of Forest Park can request, at any time and without cost, to "Opt-Out" or "Opt-In" by contacting Energy Alliances, Inc. or chosen supplier.

### SECTION 4.

This resolution shall be in full force and take effect after its passage.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 24-2022**

Passed this 21 day of June,2022

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Attest:

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Clerk of Council

Approved as to form:

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Law Director

## **RESOLUTION NO. 10-2020**

# A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CONSTELLATION ENERGY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE AGGREGATED ELECTRIC SERVICES TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK

**WHEREAS,** the City of Forest Park passed Ordinance No. 19-2019 for a proposed electric aggregation program.

**WHEREAS**, the electors of the City of Forest Park approved the electric aggregation programs by vote at the general election on November 5, 2019.

WHEREAS, the City of Forest Park must now proceed with a Master Service Agreement with Constellation Energy in order to establish the terms, including price, of the electric services to be provided to the City of Forest Park and its citizens.

WHEREAS, the City desires to be a leader among governmental entities by providing its citizens the lowest and best terms, including the negotiated price for the services, and addressing environmental concerns over climate change by utilizing green energy whenever available.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Council of the City of Forest Park, Ohio,

**Section 1.** City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute, on behalf of the City, a Master Service Agreement with Constellation Energy, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, with its terms incorporated herein.

**Section 2.** To execute said Agreement, City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager, to negotiate the lowest and best price for electric services, and the authority to renegotiate at any time the terms of the Master Service Agreement, including rates for services.

**Section 3.** City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to choose for the electric services to be provided to all residents of Forest Park 100% renewable energy, or green energy, as recommended by staff.

<u>Section 4.</u> It is recognized by Council that from the time this Resolution is passed until the time the Master Service Agreement is actually executed by the City Manager, that changes in terms of the Agreement, including pricing structure, may change, therefore, Council authorizes the City Manager to execute said Agreement that may differ in any terms, including prices, not to exceed a price increase change of greater than 10%.

Section 5. That this Resolution shall be in full force and take effect from and after its passage.

Passed this 17th day of March, 2020.

Charles H. Johnson, Mayor

Clerk of Council

Approved as to form:

Law Director





**Dear Forest Park Residents:** 

October 8, 2019

Forest Park voters will see Issue 26 and Issue 27 on the November 5th ballot. If these two Issues pass in November, it will enable our community to pool its purchasing power for natural gas and electricity with the goal of providing lower and more stable energy costs to our community.

Therefore, the City Council voted to place the Natural Gas Aggregation Issue 26 and the Electric Aggregation Issue 27 on the ballot with two goals in mind:

- To pursue lower and more stable energy costs for Forest Park residents and small businesses.
- To provide a choice in the types of energy they wish to use (fossil fuels, renewables).

Municipal energy aggregation programs have been in existence for almost two decades.

- Over 400 Ohio counties, cities, villages and townships have developed energy aggregation programs and have documented savings for their residents.
- The majority of communities in Hamilton Co. have already developed energy aggregation programs. Examples include, but are not limited to, the Cities of Cincinnati and Springdale, the Villages of Greenhills and Glendale, and the Townships of Springfield and Colerain.

These programs will be designed as "Opt-Out" programs meaning:

 Residents who do not want to participate in the aggregation programs will not have to. They can Opt-Out at the very beginning of the program or can Opt-Out at any time during the contract without any fees or penalties by simply making a phone call.

We hope you will consider Issue 26 and Issue 27 carefully. We believe the twin goals of lower, more stable energy costs and energy choice represents significant potential benefits.

- A "Yes" vote will enable us to develop Natural Gas & Electric Aggregation Programs.
- A "No" vote will simply mean nothing changes, the status quo remains.

If you need more information about Energy Aggregation Programs, please contact the Forest Park Environmental Program @ 513-595-5263, visit www.forestpark.org/environmental.

Sincerely,

Don Jones City Manager

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1<sup>st</sup> Vice Mayor

**Regina Collins** Council Member

Diana Herbe **Council Member** 

**Rosalind Moore Council Member** 

**Denise Holt**  $2^{nd}$ Vice Mayor

Chelsea Nuss **Council Member**