ORDINANCE 3 - 25

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ADVERTISE FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR URBAN FORESTRY PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Whereas, the City has adopted legislation in Ordinance 8-24 directing the City to enter into an agreement with American Forests to implement the City of Port Clinton Urban and Community Forestry Inflation Reduction Act grant award from the U.S. Forest Service; and

Whereas, the City seeks to establish an urban forestry management plan to address long-term urban forest planning, assessment, and management; and

Whereas, such urban forestry services are eligible activities funded by the City of Port Clinton Urban and Community Forestry Inflation Reduction Act grant award; and

Whereas, this Council finds and determines that the City shall purchase the necessary services under the grant award.

Wherefore, be it Ordained by the Council of the City of Port Clinton, Ottawa County, Ohio:

Section 1. The Director of Safety Service is hereby authorized and directed to advertise for qualifications and enter into a contract for urban forestry planning and management services.

Section 2. A sum not to exceed \$153,000.00 from the Port Clinton Urban and Community Forestry Inflation Reduction Act grant award shall be drawn to pay the cost of tree trimming and removal services and supplies.

Section 3. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

Section 4. This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the City, and for the further reason that this Ordinance is required to be immediately effective in order to provide for the timely implementation of the grant award and procurement of urban forestry services within the grant reimbursement period provided by terms of the grant award, wherefore this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____, 2025

President of Council

Attest: _____ Clerk of Council

Approved: _____, 2025

Mayor