

ORDINANCE NO. 20 - 25

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH VERDANTAS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE DESIGN PHASE, BIDDING PHASE, AND CONSTRUCTION PHASE TO MAKE NECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY'S WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND SANITARY LIFT STATION WITHOUT FORMAL BIDDING AND ADVERTISING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Whereas, the City of Port Clinton is interested making necessary improvements to its Wastewater Treatment Plant and Lift Station; and

Whereas, four of the five existing influent pumps located within the Headworks Facility need to be replaced because all have reached the end of their useful life and require replacement due to their age and deteriorating condition, which is starting to impact their efficiency, performance and reliability; and

Whereas, one of the pumps was recently replaced because its condition had deteriorated to a level beyond reasonable repair options; and

Whereas, the three secondary transfer pumps, utilized to transfer flow from the Wastewater Treatment Plant Actiflo System to the aeration and clarification tanks have also reached the end of their useful life and require replacement due to their age and condition; and

Whereas, the four make-up units which supply fresh outside air into the Headworks and Actiflo facilities to prevent excessive exposure to gas for both employee safety and equipment longevity have also reached the end of their useful life, are exhibiting high levels of corrosion, and require replacement due to their age and condition; and

Whereas, the estimated cost for the project is \$325,000.00; and

Whereas, Section 735.051 of the Ohio Revised Code states that in the case of a real and present emergency arising in connection with the operation and maintenance of the department of public services, including all municipality owned utilities, the legislative authority of the municipality may by two-thirds vote of all the members elected thereto, authorize the director of public service to enter into a contract for work to be done or for the purchase of supplies or materials without formal bidding and advertising; and

Whereas, this Council finds and determines that there is a real and present emergency arising in connection with the operation and maintenance of the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sanitary Lift Station and hereby approves the estimated cost of the project without formal bidding and advertising.

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

Section 1. Section 735.051 of the Ohio Revised Code states that in the case of a real and present emergency arising in connection with the operation and maintenance of the department of public services, including all municipality owned utilities, the legislative authority of the municipality may by two-thirds vote of all the members elected thereto, authorize the director of public service to enter into a contract for work to be done or for the purchase of supplies or materials without formal bidding and advertising.

Section 2. This Council voted _____ that there is a real and present emergency arising in connection with the operation and maintenance of the Wastewater Treatment Plant and its Sanitary Lift Station and hereby authorizes the Director of Safety and Service to enter into a contract with Verdantas to make Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sanitary Lift Station Improvements without formal bidding and advertising.

Section 3. A sum not to exceed \$325,000.00 is hereby appropriated, from the City's Sewer Fund, for Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sanitary Lift Station Improvements.

Section 4. 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 5. 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 start the necessary improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sanitary Lift Station, 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