

CITY ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An Ordinance granting a franchise to Ohio Power Company , its successors and assigns, for the right to acquire, construct, maintain, and operate in the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, bridges, and public places of the City of Gahanna, State of Ohio, and its successors, lines for the transmission and distribution of electric energy to the City of Gahanna, and the inhabitants thereof for light, heat, power, and other purposes, and for the transmission and distribution of the same within, through, or across said City of Gahanna, State of Ohio.

Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Gahanna, State of Ohio:

SECTION I.

Ohio Power Company, its successors, and assigns (hereinafter called "Grantee") are hereby granted the right, privilege, franchise, and authority to acquire, construct, maintain, and operate in, above, under, across, and along the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, bridges, and public places (as the same now exist or may hereafter be laid out) of the City of Gahanna, State of Ohio, lines for the transmission and distribution of electric energy, either by means of overhead or underground conductors, together with all necessary or desirable appurtenant equipment, to render public utility service in said City and to the inhabitants thereof by supplying electric energy to said City and the inhabitants thereof, and persons or corporations beyond the limits thereof for light, heat, power, or any other purposes or purpose for which electric energy is now or may hereafter be used, and the transmission and distribution of the same within, through, or across said City of Gahanna, State of Ohio.

SECTION II.

Said lines and appurtenant equipment shall be constructed in a manner that shall not unreasonably interfere with the traveling public in its use of the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, bridges, and public places.

SECTION III.

The rights, privileges, and franchise hereby granted shall be in force and effect for an initial term of twenty-five (25) years from the date of the passage of this Ordinance. Thereafter this franchise shall continue for successive one-year terms, unless either party hereto provides written notice of its intention not to renew at least one year prior to the term expiration.

The rights, privileges, and franchise hereby granted shall not be construed to be exclusive and the Council of the City of Gahanna hereby reserves the power to grant similar rights, privileges, and franchises to any other person or persons, firm or firms, corporation or corporations.

SECTION IV.

Said Grantee shall save the City harmless from any and all liability arising in any way from Grantee's negligence in the erection, maintenance, or operation of said lines for the distribution and transmission of electric energy, except to the extent such liability arises out of the contributory negligence or willful misconduct of the City.

SECTION V.

Whenever said Grantee shall begin the erection or installation of any lines or equipment, it shall promptly and diligently prosecute the work to completion and leave the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, bridges, and public places where such work is done in as good condition of repair as before such work was commenced.

SECTION VI.

Wherever in this Ordinance, reference is made to the City or the Grantee, it shall be deemed to include the respective successors or assigns of either; and all rights, privileges, franchises, and obligations herein contained by or on behalf of said City, or by or on behalf of said Grantee, shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of the respective successors or assigns of said City, or of said Grantee, whether so expressed or not.

SECTION VII.

This Ordinance shall be accepted by the Grantee within sixty (60) days from the date of the passage of same.

Passed in Council, this _____ day of _____, 20____.

President of Council

Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Mayor of the City of Gahanna