

ORDINANCE NO. O2020-31

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE PLAN OF OPERATION
AND GOVERNANCE FOR THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS
NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 4929 of the Ohio Revised Code, to facilitate competitive retail natural gas service to promote natural gas savings, lower cost of natural gas supplies, and other benefits, certain governmental entities may aggregate certain natural gas consumers within their jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, the electors of the City of Gallipolis approved the Municipalities' plan to create an aggregation program for customers located within the boundaries of the City of Gallipolis; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code 4929.26 (c) requires a governmental entity interested in the automatic registration of customers under governmental aggregation, subject to customers rights to "opt-out" of such an aggregation, to adopt a plan of operation and governance for its aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has recommended in writing the passage of this Ordinance as an emergency measure as it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and property and in order to provide for the usual operations of the municipal departments.

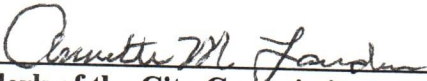
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commission of the City of Gallipolis, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the City Commission hereby adopts the City of Gallipolis's Plan of Operation and Governance, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, for the implementation and administration of the Municipality's natural gas aggregation program in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 4929.26 (c).

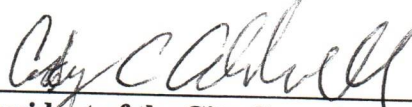
SECTION 2: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon passage as an emergency measure for the term beginning December 01, 2020 through November 30, 2022.

PASSED: September 15, 2020

ATTEST:




Clerk of the City Commission
Annette M. Landers



President of the City Commission
Cody C. Caldwell

The foregoing Ordinance is hereby approved as to form according to City Charter.



Gallipolis City Solicitor
Brynn S. Noe