REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2026 – 7:00 PM
EXECUTIVE SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

CALL TO ORDER

President Jim Fodor called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:00 PM. City Council convened for a regular meeting in Council Chambers – Courtroom #1.

ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE

Councilpersons Derrick Abney, Nick Augustine, Lori DiNallo, Jim Fodor, Paul Hach, and Christine Shoop were present. Mario Rodriguez was not able to attend.

Other City Staff in attendance: City Manager Doug Lewis, Law Director Jim Lyons, Economic Development Director Susan Crotty, Police Chief Dan Waterman, City Engineer Leanne Exum, Finance Director Bill Parkinson, Public Service Director Jarod McCrone, Water Superintendent Orin McMonigle, and Sustainability Project Manager/Assistant Electric Superintendent Mike Dougherty, and Clerk of Council Samantha Danielson.

APPROVE AGENDA AS SUBMITTED

Mr. Fodor asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

Mrs. Shoop made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Augustine. All Council members were in favor by answering "Aye". Motion carried. Agenda approved.

INVOCATION was given by Councilperson Nick Augustine.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited.

MINUTES: Regular Meeting 07.20.26

Mr. Fodor asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting on July 20, 2026.

Mrs. Shoop moved to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting on July 20, 2026, seconded by Mr. Hach. All Council members were in favor by answering "Aye". Motion carried. Minutes approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ray Sternot, of Birchwood Lane, Heisley Park HOA Board Member, addressed Council regarding stormwater management concerns. He stated as a resident of Painesville, he had some concerns. He had on the podium with him the 2014 consultant's stormwater report that Mr. Biro mentioned at the last meeting. It contains suggested actions to improve stormwater efforts in the city. He merely stated that he does not feel the actionable suggestions made in this document are being sufficiently followed with equal emphasis in all parts of the City. He knows that the engineering department is terribly busy with other projects such as the amphitheater, the power projects, and the skatepark. But he also knows the City has a stormwater ordinance that defines administration responsibilities and what actions need to be taken to ensure that the City has a well-maintained stormwater system. He believes that stormwater concerns and their resolution should also have equal priority status. His concern is that there is not enough engineering time or effort being spent on the actions as outlined or defined in either of the above-mentioned documents. As he mentioned verbally to Mr. Fodor and in the previous council meeting, he believes the City needs additional support personnel regarding stormwater management and environmental efforts in the city. Finally, he asked whether Mr. Fodor, Mr. Hach, their Ward IV Councilman, and any other Council-at-large members would meet with representatives of the HOA as a committee to discuss and better understand our concerns just as the City did for the mail post policy that council will be voting on. Council President Fodor responded that he would speak with council members and contact Mr. Sternot within the next day or two regarding the direction to be taken. He noted that council had previously given direction to the administration to secure a consultant to help address concerns. Mr. Sternot affirmed that the HOA's primary interest was in having the ability to input their concerns to that consultant.

David Biro Sr., a resident of Heisley Park Development and a member of the HOA Board, also addressed Council to bring to their attention the urgent concerns regarding the storm water infrastructure system in Heisley Park, particularly following the unprecedented flooding they experienced in 2013 and 2014. Based on his review of pertinent documents provided by the City Engineer, Leanne Exum and actual field research, he has uncovered issues regarding the storm water systems design and condition. He outlined the key points that he believes necessitate immediate attention: 1.) Wassan Creek Routing: the creek was not rerouted to Wassan Ditch as

permitted; 2.) Wassan Ditch Completion: the ditch is not fully completed as permitted and is currently blocked; 3.) Potential Contaminant Source: there is an unknown water source flowing through the storm water drain at the intersection of Heisley Park Lane and Greenfield Lane; 4.) Pond Stressors Specific Pollutants: Based on a long-time resident it has been reported that there is a distressing decline of nesting wildlife, and death of nesting birds. One can conclude based on this first-hand observation over many years that there is likely unknown pollutant(s) in the UNKNOWN water source entering pond #2 that would require testing to rule out the existence of any unknown or forever chemical(s) entering the ponds; 5.) Sediment Flow: during recent rain events, they observed significant sediment flow into POND # 3, with estimates exceeding 35% intake, an observation supported by video evidence submitted to the Council; 6.) Pond Design and Testing: originally designed as detention ponds, they were modified to retention for water quality without any accompanying water quality testing, policy administered, reported, or executed as mandated by the EPA; 7.) Water Bore Hole Testing: previous testing revealed excessive water levels compared to what was expected, and necessary mitigation ditches for water removal were not present; and 8.) Lack of Oversight: confirmation of City oversight during construction phases is unclear, raising concerns about compliance with permitted requirements. He urged the City to set up a joint HOA and City Council committee to seek public engagement regarding these findings to ensure transparency and community involvement. He summarized that the HOA, representing 500 homeowners with complaints spanning twelve years, simply needs help and wants a voice in any City action related to their concerns. Council President Fodor assured him that should a meeting be convened, he and Mr. Sternot, would be invited to participate. Mr. Hach posed a question to Law Director Mr. Lyons regarding whether the City could pursue legal action against the original developer or engineers, given that the development was approximately 30 years old. Mr. Lyons explained that any applicable statute of limitations would have long since expired. He further noted that Ohio's statute of repose for engineers and architects limits liability to a 10-year period after project completion, and that any contractor liability under a statute of limitations would be at most four years. Council President Fodor acknowledged the response and moved the meeting forward.

Chuck Adams, of Casabella Drive, Perry Township, stated that he and others in the community had noticed significant increases in their electric bills and asked whether Council was aware of or looking into the rate situation. He noted his own bill had increased approximately fifty dollars in a single month and said there was considerable discussion on social media about what residents perceived as "exorbitant rates." City Manager Mr. Lewis responded by inviting Mr. Adams to contact the City Manager's office, bring his bill for comparison with the prior year, and meet with city staff to discuss and understand the basis for the increase, noting that whatever explanation applied to his bill would likely apply to others in similar circumstances.

Tom Lucas, of Casabella Drive, Perry Township, followed with similar concerns about the rate structure. He observed that Painesville City residents were charged approximately ten cents per kilowatt hour while Perry Township residents were charged thirteen cents per kilowatt hour, with an additional three percent surcharge on power purchased off the grid. He expressed frustration that Perry Township and Perry Village residents had no representative voice on Council regarding how rates were set, and recounted that he contacted the Assistant City Manager regarding these concerns. Mr. Lucas also referenced the state's "apples to apples" comparison website showing rates from eight to twelve cents per kilowatt hour from other providers. It was also suggested that he contact the City Manager's office to review his bill and receive an explanation. Mrs. DiNallo took a moment to remind the public that electric rate changes, like all legislation, go through three readings at City Council meetings and that residents — including utility users from outside the city limits — are always welcome to attend and comment before any vote is taken on rate adjustments. Council President Fodor noted that the situation of a municipal power company operating in this fashion is not uncommon across Ohio, drawing a comparison to investor-owned utilities such as First Energy where customers also have limited direct influence over rate-setting.

COMMITTEE REPORT: Economic Development Committee

Economic Development Committee

Mrs. DiNallo reported for this committee which was held on July 22, 2026. The following items were discussed: Members discussed the Downtown Painesville Organization's request for consideration for additional funding to support the hiring of an Executive Director, and the City's commitment to fund 1/3 of the organization's budget under the Main Street America model. It was noted that the City has not increased funding for many years and inflation has affected the organization's costs. Members agreed that the DPO Board should develop a plan with an estimated budget demonstrating how they will increase membership and revenue, and how they will help grow downtown businesses. When complete, the plan should be presented to Council for consideration of an increase in funding. Mr. Lewis shared concept plans with members that had been developed for the City. One plan included a rendering and site plan for rebuilding the north side of Main Street in the Downtown. The design would be compatible with existing buildings in

the area and would include buildings along State and St. Clair Streets, as well as a parking garage. The City will work with Lake County to apply for funding for the parking garage. The buildings would have retail space below with residential uses above. The second plan is for a proposed building at the corner of Liberty and Washington Streets that would provide student housing for Lake Erie College on the upper floors and retail, medical, and/or personal services on the first floor. Mr. Lewis explained that the City will use these plans to secure developers that will bring the type of development downtown that will benefit the City and overall community. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

LEGISLATION:
ITEM #1 ORDINANCE
***1st Reading* – An Ordinance amending appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Painesville, State of Ohio for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2026 and adopting the operating budget, and declaring an emergency.**

Finance Director Bill Parkinson spoke on this piece of legislation. He explained the four budget adjustments: First, within the Water Capital Fund, the water tower painting project came in $250,000 under its original $750,000 estimate. Those savings were proposed to offset a higher-than-expected bid for the chlorine room project, which had an original budget of $934,000. No net change to the water fund budget would result; Second, the Engineering Department's Mill and Latimore Street project — encompassing pavement removal, subgrade stabilization, storm sewers, underdrains, concrete curbs, sidewalks, and pavement — received a low bid of $2,525,000 against combined local, OPWC grant, and OPWC loan funding of $2,157,000, leaving a shortfall of $368,769. The proposal was to fund the gap equally (50%) from the unencumbered cash balance of the Street Construction Maintenance & Repair Fund and the Road Levy Fund; Third, the Police Department requested a $3,500 adjustment to cover medical services from an occupational provider and polygraph services; and Fourth, the Cemeteries Department requested authorization to purchase a new skid steer loader for $59,735, to be funded through the trade-in of the existing nearly 30-year-old machine, the sale of a truck, the sale of a wheel loader, savings from a new truck purchase, and the removal of a snow removal machine from the 2026 capital budget. Mrs. Shoop questioned whether funding the Latimore project shortfall would displace other scheduled projects. Mr. Parkinson confirmed that all other scheduled projects would remain on track. City Manager Lewis provided important context, explaining that the City had secured approximately $1.1 million in grant funding tied to local match obligations for this project. Abandoning or deferring the project would mean forfeiting that grant funding, and costs would only increase in subsequent years. He noted the plan was to begin storm sewer work — a 54-inch storm sewer — this year or winter, and complete the paving of Latimore Street the following year. Mill Street was expected to be completed before the beginning of the concert series season.

Mr. Augustine moved to suspend, seconded by Mrs. Shoop.

On roll call, Mr. Hach, Mrs. Shoop, Mr. Abney, Mr. Augustine, Mrs. DiNallo, and Mr. Fodor answered "Yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Hach moved to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Shoop.

On roll call, Mr. Hach, Mrs. Shoop, Mr. Abney, Mr. Augustine, Mrs. DiNallo, and Mr. Fodor answered "Yes". Motion carried 6-0.

ORDINANCE 19-26 is ADOPTED.

ITEM #2 RESOLUTION
2nd Reading* – A Resolution authorizing and directing the City Manager to enter into a Real Estate Purchase Agreement with the Lake County Land Bank to acquire the property located at 260 Richmond Street, Painesville, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.** ***(1st Reading 07.20.26)

City Manager Doug Lewis spoke on this piece of legislation. He stated it is the administration's recommendation to purchase 260 Richmond Street from the Lake County Land Bank at a negotiated price of $12,000. He explained that the City's interest in acquiring this property was to control the nature and character of any future development on the site, given its strategic downtown location. He noted that at the previous meeting, Mrs. DiNallo had requested a review of comparable vacant property values to help contextualize the purchase price. Economic Development Director Susan Crotty had researched the matter and prepared a memo included in the Council packet. Key comparables included a vacant parcel at 4363 Richmond Street that had appraised at $53,000 — equivalent to approximately $18,110 for the 0.156-acre size — and a nearby property at 233 Richmond Street that sold for $230,000, with the land value appraised by the auditor at $18,740 for a parcel of 0.1167 acres, a size very close to the subject property. The

subject parcel has dimensions of approximately 43 by 100 feet, with a total area of 6,795 square feet per the Lake County Auditor, which includes road frontage and sidewalk area. City Manager Lewis additionally noted that the Lake County Land Reutilization Corporation had previously demolished a house on the property in April of 2014 at a cost of $19,494.88, covered by a Moving Ohio Forward grant, and had removed the associated liens — costs that the city would not need to bear as part of this acquisition. Mrs. DiNallo thanked Economic Development Director and City Manager for the thorough research provided in response to the prior meeting's request.

Mrs. Shoop moved to suspend, seconded by Mr. Hach.

On roll call, Mrs. Shoop, Mr. Abney, Mr. Augustine, Mrs. DiNallo, Mr. Hach, and Mr. Fodor answered "Yes". Motion carried.

Mrs. Shoop moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Hach.

On roll call, Mrs. Shoop, Mr. Abney, Mr. Augustine, Mrs. DiNallo, Mr. Hach, and Mr. Fodor answered "Yes". Motion carried 6-0.

RESOLUTION 41-26 is ADOPTED.

ITEM #3 RESOLUTION

***1st Reading* – A Resolution authorizing the payment of a specific invoice with "Then and Now" Certificates, and declaring an emergency.**

Mr. Augustine made a motion to amend the resolution to remove the two American Structure Point expenditures from the resolution, seconded by Mrs. Shoop.

On roll call, Mr. Abney, Mr. Augustine, Mrs. DiNallo, Mr. Hach, Mrs. Shoop, and Mr. Fodor answered "Yes". Motion carried. Legislation amended.

Finance Director Bill Parkinson spoke on this piece of legislation. He described the remaining item in the amended resolution: an invoice from Atwell's Police and Fire Equipment for new hire uniforms, in the amount of $1,900. The expense was incurred in 2025 and would be paid in 2026, with funds available to cover the invoice.

Mrs. Shoop moved to suspend, seconded by Mr. Hach.

On roll call, Mr. Abney, Mr. Augustine, Mrs. DiNallo, Mr. Hach, Mrs. Shoop, and Mr. Fodor answered "Yes". Motion carried.

Mrs. Shoop moved to adopt the amended legislation, seconded by Mr. Hach.

On roll call, Mr. Abney, Mr. Augustine, Mrs. DiNallo, Mr. Hach, Mrs. Shoop, and Mr. Fodor answered "Yes". Motion carried 6-0.

RESOLUTION 42-26 is ADOPTED.

ITEM #4 RESOLUTION

***1st Reading* – A Resolution authorizing and directing the City Manager to enter into a Development Agreement and an amended Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions with Shamrock Commercial LLC for the purposes of development of 31.23± acres on Shamrock Boulevard, and declaring an emergency.**

Economic Development Director Susan Crotty presented this item, explaining that the legislation would authorize the City Manager to enter into a development agreement with Shamrock Commercial LLC, whose has been working with City administration on plans to develop property located west of State Route 44 on Shamrock Boulevard. The proposed development would consist of a business park with a mix of light industrial and commercial uses, along with a limited amount of assisted living units previously approved by the City Planning Commission and City Council. The project is considered significant for job creation in Painesville and for bringing desired commercial activity to the vicinity of the proposed State Route 44 interchange project. The resolution would authorize the City Manager to enter into the development agreement, a substantially final copy of which was attached to the legislation. The development is required to comply with all applicable regulations and processes under the City of Painesville Zoning Code. The resolution also acknowledges that the Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions for the Renaissance 2 Business Park have been updated and amended accordingly. The development agreement outlines the City's obligations to support the project, including a CRA (Community Reinvestment Area) property tax abatement on the value of improvements, as well as infrastructure improvements and maintenance commitments. The agreement also references a tax increment financing (TIF) district, the proceeds of which are to be used for infrastructure improvements. It

was requested passage by emergency to allow the City Manager to execute the agreement and permit the developer to proceed promptly.

Mr. Abney moved to suspend, seconded by Mrs. Shoop.

On roll call, Mr. Augustine, Mrs. DiNallo, Mr. Hach, Mr. Abney, Mrs. Shoop, and Mr. Fodor answered "Yes". Motion carried.

Mrs. Shoop moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Augustine.

On roll call, Mr. Augustine, Mrs. DiNallo, Mr. Hach, Mr. Abney, Mrs. Shoop, and Mr. Fodor answered "Yes". Motion carried 6-0.

RESOLUTION 43-26 is ADOPTED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Mailbox Policy

Council President Fodor introduced the unfinished business item regarding the City's mailbox replacement policy. He provided a general overview and explained the two options to consider: Policy 1 would provide, upon a city vehicle being determined to have directly struck and damaged a mailbox, a replacement installation consisting of a pressure-treated wooden 4-by-4 post and a standard plastic mailbox, both approved by the United States Postal Service; and Policy 2 would provide the same wooden 4-by-4 post but topped with a white vinyl-clad mailbox — specifically the Home Depot Lexington vinyl clad model, at an approximate cost differential of $23 over Policy 1. Both policies stipulated that damage caused by snow — as opposed to direct vehicle impact — would not be the City's responsibility to repair, a departure from past practice where the City would replace mailboxes on a goodwill basis without any formal policy. Public Service Director Jarod McCrone confirmed that under the new policy language, the City would only be obligated to replace mailboxes when a City vehicle directly struck the mailbox or post. He estimated that approximately 10 to 15 mailboxes per year were actually hit by city equipment. He noted that previously, without a written policy, the City had sometimes replaced mailboxes as a courtesy even when it was not responsible for the damage. The discussion also addressed the positioning of replacement mailboxes. Mr. McCrone acknowledged that many existing mailboxes in Heisley Park were installed right at the curb or even overhanging into the roadway, contrary to postal standards requiring a setback behind the back edge of the curb. He explained that every effort would be made to properly recess replacement mailboxes upon reinstallation, though extreme winter conditions had at times made achieving the full 16-inch setback difficult. Mr. Fodor raised a third option — adopting both policies simultaneously and allowing the resident to choose between the wood-post-and-plastic-box configuration or the vinyl-clad option. Mr. Fodor called for an informal vote to determine whether Council wished to consider two or three options. The result was in favor of the three options. A subsequent roll call vote was then taken on each of the three options, with each member indicating their preference: Mr. Abney and Mrs. Shoop — Policy 1 (wood post/plastic mailbox); Mr. Augustine, Mr. Hach, Mrs. DiNallo, and Mr. Fodor — Combined (Policy 1 and 2, resident's choice.) With four votes in favor of the combined approach, Council established that both Policy 1 and Policy 2 would be adopted, giving residents the option to select either a standard wooden-post-and-plastic-mailbox replacement or a vinyl-clad replacement when a city vehicle is determined to have directly caused the damage. Mr. McCrone indicated that the administration would maintain stock of both types and implement the policy accordingly.

NEW BUSINESS: Update on Republic Litigation

Law Director Jim Lyons provided an update on litigation arising from the City's transition of trash pickup from Republic Services to Major Waste on July 1, 2026. Prior to the transition, Republic began billing residents $50 per cart pickup fee — typically $100 per household given most residents have both a trash and recycling cart — which the City contends was not authorized under the contract. The City filed for a temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction in Lake County Common Pleas Court in the last week of June. Republic, as an out-of-state corporation, exercised its right to remove the case to federal court, given the amount in controversy exceeded the $75,000 federal diversity jurisdiction threshold. At an abbreviated federal hearing, the federal judge declined to grant the injunction at that time, finding insufficient evidence of irreparable harm, though the court did indicate the City had a likelihood of success on the merits. The City then contacted Republic's attorneys and, on the basis of that finding, urged them to voluntarily pause the collection effort against residents until the court could rule more fully on the issues. Republic refused. City staff had since begun documenting complaints from residents who reported being contacted — in what appeared to be robocall campaigns — by Republic, stating their bills were overdue and providing payment methods. The City was in the process of collecting resident affidavits to renew its effort to obtain an injunction from the court. Republic had filed a counterclaim against the City of Painesville, alleging the City had a contractual obligation to collect outstanding resident balances on Republic's behalf. Republic is seeking $101,000 from the City.

The City's responsive filing is due by September 7, 2026 following a brief extension. Mr. Lyons noted that the City cannot provide legal advice to individual residents on whether to pay the disputed charges, it could inform them that the Painesville Municipal Court has a small claims division through which residents who had already paid the disputed charges could potentially seek to recover those funds. He further noted that, if subpoenaed, a representative from the City would be willing to appear in small claims court to provide factual testimony in support of a resident's case. City Manager Mr. Lewis affirmed that the Law Director had addressed the matter thoroughly.

DEPARTMENTAL PRESENTATIONS: Electric

Sustainability Project Manager/Assistant Electric Superintendent Mike Dougherty gave a presentation and outlined the following: He gave an overview of personnel for the plant and distribution departments; He discussed the peak shaving function and cost associated; He explained the projects that are underway for 2026 and projects that have been completed; and he presented information and funding support in regards to the solar and BESS projects – 25-Megawatt Solar Project at the OU-7 site along Fairport Nursery Road, a former Diamond Shamrock/Occidental Chemical site along the Grand River. Engineering is 50% complete. Solar panels have been received; transformers have been ordered. A geotechnical study is pending before construction can proceed. EITRI is the engineering firm, and 20-Megawatt Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) to be located adjacent to the Richmond Road substation. The vendor is Convergence Energy, which has ordered Tesla Megapacks. A geotechnical study is underway. Total contract value is approximately $39 million. The batteries will be used for peak shaving (estimated 10–15 times per year) and frequency modulation for PJM, which could generate approximately $1.8 million per year in revenue. The entire project must be complete by 2029, at which point the existing power plant would be idled and eventually a future decommission. Discussion continued about the interplay between the solar and battery systems and the city's current average daily load of 33–35 megawatts, with the 57-megawatt peak. It was clarified that while solar generation is variable and weather-dependent, it continuously reduces purchased power costs when available. Batteries would primarily be charged at night when grid power prices are lowest. The battery warranty is 15 years, with infrastructure designed to allow battery replacement indefinitely. Solar panels have an approximate 25-year lifespan. Mrs. DiNallo asked whether the City could proactively alert residents during anticipated peak demand periods so they could reduce consumption. Mr. Dougherty confirmed that American Municipal Power (AMP) issues peak alerts, and Mr. Lewis indicated the City would begin passing those alerts on to residents. It was confirmed that a capital reserve fund would need to be established for future replacement costs. See slide presentation.

Mr. Hach left the meeting at approximately 8:20 PM.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Law Director and City Manager

Law Director Jim Lyons indicated he had no additional report.

City Manager Doug Lewis reported on the following items: Heisley Park Drainage Study: The City issued an RFQ and received four responses. Three consultants have been scheduled for interviews. Once a consultant is selected, the City will negotiate a scope and fee, then bring both the agreement and a stormwater fund budget appropriation to Council, anticipated at either the September 21 or October 5 Council meeting; Skate Park: Contractor Catamount Skate Parks is actively pouring concrete, including portions of the bowl. Progress is being made daily; Comprehensive Plan: A final draft has been received from Structure Point. Staff is currently reviewing and will bring it to Council for consideration; Amphitheater Concerts: The final concert of the season — Rock the House Live — will be held Wednesday, August 19. The band had originally been scheduled to open the series but the date was postponed; Opportunity Zones: Economic Development Director Susan Crotty submitted a request to the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) for three opportunity zone designations within the city, which could provide additional development incentives similar to those utilized by the Grand River Walk and Renew Partners projects; Senator Moreno Visit: The City hosted a visit from Senator Moreno, who expressed significant interest in the City's ongoing projects and asked detailed questions. Mr. Lewis expressed optimism that this engagement could benefit the city in future federal appropriations considerations; Art in the Park: Mr. Lewis congratulated PCIC on a successful Art in the Park event, noting it may have featured the highest number of vendors in the event's history; and Urban Paving Requests: The City submitted ODOT/NOACA urban paving project requests through 2031, including resurfacing of Mentor Avenue. Leanne Exum, City Engineer, was credited for her work on what was described as an unusually extensive submission process. Projects submitted will be eligible for ODOT cost-sharing with the city paying approximately 20% local match.

CORRESPONDENCE: Clerk of Council

Clerk of Council Samantha Danielson provided the following correspondence and upcoming event notices: The next regular Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 8th at 7:00 PM; City Offices will be closed Monday, September 7th for the Labor Day Holiday; and Story Time with Police & Fire will be Wednesday, September 2nd at 6:00 PM at the Square.

CLOSING COMMENTS: Members of Council

No closing comments were offered by the members of Council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Augustine made a motion to move into an Executive Session being held in accordance with Article II, Section 6(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of an employee or official of the city; in accordance with Article II, Section 6(3) to discuss pending or potential litigation involving the City; and in accordance with ORC. 121.22(8) To consider confidential information related to marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or to negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance in accordance with section 3735.67 of the Revised Code, seconded by Mrs. Shoop.

All Council Members were in favor by answering "Aye". Motion carried to move into the Executive Session at 8:46 PM.

Mr. Fodor asked for a motion to adjourn the Executive Session.

Mrs. Shoop moved to adjourn the Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Abney. All Council Members were in favor by answering "Aye". Motion carried to adjourn the Executive Session at 8:57 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fodor asked for a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting.

Mrs. Shoop moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting, seconded by Mr. Abney. All Council Members were in favor by answering "Aye". Motion carried to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:58 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 PM.

Samantha Danielson
Samantha Danielson
Clerk of Council

Jim Fodor
President of Council

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PRESERVING a legacy delivering electric power to customers & commerce
PIONEERING a new dawn of sustainable renewable energy
PUBLIC POWER reliable – sustainable – affordable

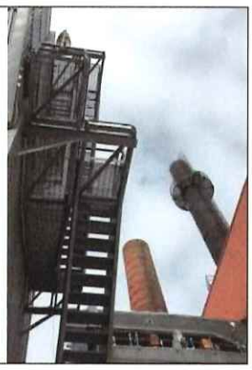
July 2026

ELECTRIC PLANT

2026 PLANT INFORMATION

PLANT PERSONNEL
- 18 full time employees
- 2 contract employees (as needed)
- 3 people in the process of being hired
  - Operating Engineer
  - Maintenance Worker II
  - Electrician

2026 PLANT PEAK SHAVING
- Boiler cleaning, inspection, & repair
- Generator inspection & maintenance
- Cooling towers/ponds drained, cleaned, & repaired
- Electrostatic precipitator repairs completed
- Ran plant generation for current ATSI 1CP & PJM 5CPs
- Plant peak shaving has saved $3.22 million/ last 12 months
- Painesville set a new all-time peak of 57 MW on July 1, 2026



POWER PLANT OPERATIONS

2026 PROJECTS UNDERWAY
- H-6 underground cable replacement
- Replace old breakers at Richmond Road Substation
- Installation of new VT SCADA system
- New power meters on all 13.8 kV circuits
- Replace protective relays - Richmond Road circuit breakers
- Replace transformer high & low side protective relays at North Ridge & Richmond Road substations



ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION

2026 POWER DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION PERSONNEL
- 17 full time employees
- Management
- Linemen
- Meter testing & install
- Tree trimmer specialists



POWER DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS

2026 PROJECTS UNDERWAY
- AI Pole Inspections
- Working along side of the plant on H-6 underground fault repair
- Victoria Place 2 new 4000amp services
- New Lake County jail new 2500amp service
- Underground development fault indicator installations
- Distribution office relocation to 348 Chester St
- Updating of streetlight feed (removing old switch leg system)
- Circuit 5 and Circuit 6 back up engineering
- AMI meter replacements and software update

2026 COMPLETED PROJECTS
- Grand Amphitheater power feeds
- River Walk apartments power feed
- North Ridge road widening project (99% complete)

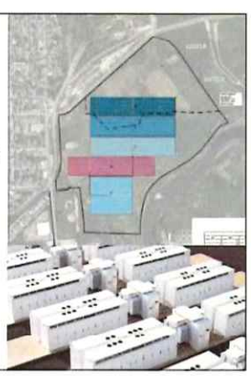
USEPA CPRG GRANT

2026 SOLAR & BESS

EPA GRANT: $80,520 to Painesville plus ITC

SOLAR
- 25 MW
- Solar site – OU7 (Operable Unit 7), which is a section of the 1,100-acre former Diamond Shamrock/Occidental Chemical site along Fairport Nursery Road.
- EITRI – solar site design is advancing
- Solar panels received & transformers under construction
- Transformers ordered
- Site geotechnical study to start soon

BESS (BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM)
- 20 MW
- BESS site – next to the Richmond Road Substation
- BESS vendor – Convergence Energy
- Multiple contracts cover engineering, equipment, & installation
- Battery equipment has been ordered
- Site geotechnical study to start soon
- Will negotiate an operations contract



THANK YOU

JULY 2026