

RECORD OF RESOLUTIONS

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Resolution No. _____

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**CITY OF BELPRE
RESOLUTION NO. 5 (2026-2027)**

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING ENBRIDGE GAS OHIO'S REQUEST
TO INCREASE DISTRIBUTION RATES AND REQUESTING THAT
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO DENY THE
UTILITY'S REQUEST**

WHEREAS, Belpre, Ohio and its residents currently receive natural gas distribution service from Enbridge Gas Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Enbridge Gas Ohio has filed with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, in Case No. 25-1097-GA-AIR, et al, a request to increase the rates for natural gas distribution services provided to consumers, including the residents of Belpre, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, based on Enbridge Gas Ohio's request, if its proposal is adopted, will increase bills for the average residential consumer by about \$9.50 per month; and

WHEREAS, Enbridge Gas Ohio is requesting these increases when many residents are struggling with inflation and other recent utility bill increases for electric distribution, transmission, and generation services; and

WHEREAS, frequent increases in natural gas rates negatively impact the City of Belpre's new business and jobs, act to depress the housing market, and place an undue burden on all residents, including the elderly, and those living on fixed incomes, at a time when many Ohioans are experiencing an affordability crisis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELPRE, OHIO, THAT:

SECTION I

This Council and the Belpre City Administration do hereby oppose Enbridge Gas Ohio's proposal to increase rates for natural gas (Case No. 25-1097-GA-AIR, et al.) service to Belpre, Ohio residents and do hereby request that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio deny such rate increases to consumers.

SECTION II

The Clerk of this Belpre, Ohio City Council is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Attn: Docketing Division (Case No. 25-1097-GA-AIR, et al.), 180 E. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793 and that a copy of this Resolution be recorded in the minutes of this meeting.

SECTION III

That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Belpre, Ohio City Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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SECTION IV

This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, welfare and safety, and for the further reason that responses to the request by Enbridge Gas Ohio were required to be filed in May 2026. Wherefore, this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and immediately after its passage by Council and signing by the Mayor.

PASSED: May 11, 2026

May 11, 2026


PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: Kimberly M. Meredith

Kimberly M. Meredith

PRESENTED TO MAYOR: 5/11/26

5/11/26


MAYOR

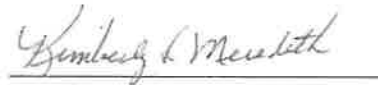
APPROVED BY MAYOR: 5/11/26

5/11/26

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION

The undersigned Clerk of the Council of the City of Belpre, Ohio, does hereby certify that on May 11, 2026, this Resolution was published by posting a copy of the same at the five public places designated by the City Council in Ordinance No. 18 (2006-07).

May 11, 2026
Date


CLERK