To Amend Codified Ordinance Section 129.22

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **Ordinance No. 1037-2026**

Division of Water - Cleveland Public Power - Water Pollution Control

Request for Legislation

An ordinance authorizing the Department of Public Utilities (DPU) to amend Codified Ordinance Section 129.22. The amendment to Codified Ordinance Section 129.22 will remove the stated dollar value and replace with fair market value of the property/easement being occurred.

Executive Summary – Amendment to Codified Ordinance 129.22

Background/Purpose:

The Department of Public Utilities (DPU) is requesting to amend Codified Ordinance Section 129.22. The ordinance was last updated in 1984. DPU would like to change the last section of the ordinance to remove the dollar amount and in its place change it to state fair market value of the property/easement.

This will allow any division of DPU to purchase the easements as projects arise without seeking additional ordinance authority if the value exceeds the current threshold.

Current Ordinance Authority:

The Director of Public Utilities is authorized to purchase easements, permits, licenses and other interests in real property necessary for the operation of the various divisions of the Department of Public Utilities, provided that the cost of each such easement, permit, license or other interest in real property does not exceed three thousand five hundred dollars ($3,500.00).

Proposed Amendment Language:

The Director of Public Utilities is authorized to purchase easements, permits, licenses and other interests in real property necessary for the operation of the various divisions of the Department of Public Utilities, provided that the cost of each such easement, permit, license or other interest in real property does not exceed the fair market value at the time of acquisition.

Anticipated Costs and funding source:

The funding source will be DPU operating funds (52-001, 54-001, 58-001).