

ORDINANCE NO. 24-81

BY: John Hage

An Ordinance to hire special counsel to represent the City of Bexley in relation to the application of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc., to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio for an increase in rates to be charged and collected for gas service in the City of Bexley and to appropriate funds for payment.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY, OHIO:

Section 1: That, On December 2, 1980, Columbia Gas of Ohio, gave notice of intent to file with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, an application for an increase in rates for gas service in the City of Bexley, pursuant to Section 4909.18, Revised Code;

Section 2: That on March 4, 1981, Columbia Gas filed its formal application for said increase and that on May 20, 1981, the City of Bexley filed a motion to intervene in said proceeding as a representative of its residents and businesses located within its borders, which motion was granted by the Public Utilities Commission by Entry of May 28, 1981;

Section 3: That the Mayor and the Auditor be, and they hereby are, authorized to enter into a contract with Attorney Geoffrey Stern of the firm of Knepper, White, Arter, and Hadden, to represent the City of Bexley before the P.U.C.O. and in negotiations with attorneys for Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc., in the matter of the application of said Columbia Gas for an increase in the rates for gas service in the City of Bexley, which contract shall provide for payment at the rate of \$80.00 per hour for legal services and for miscellaneous expenses.

Section 4: That the sum of \$ 10,000.00 be and it hereby is set aside and appropriated from the unencumbered General Fund to be used for payment of the legal services provided pursuant to said contract.

Section 5: That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force, from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: July 28, 1981

Attest: John H. Hage

Clerk of Council

John H. Hage
President of Council

Approved: July 28, 1981

David H. Madison
David H. Madison,
Mayor

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Suspended and
a day later