

RESOLUTION 2025-04

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO'S ASSESSMENT OF THE FEASIBILITY TO REGULATE THE THROUGH TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ALONG PORTIONS OF OH-315 EFFECTING THE POWELL COMMUNITY TO ENHANCE SAFETY IN THE COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, significant growth in population has increased traffic congestion throughout Central Ohio; and

WHEREAS, population growth has led to significant residential development along active transportation corridors; and

WHEREAS, forecasted population growth is estimated to introduce several hundred thousand new residents to Delaware County by 2050; and

WHEREAS, OH-315 is a state route connected to a larger regional transit system responsible for distributing various goods and services, including hazardous materials, throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, a portion of OH-315 is located within the City of Powell and Liberty Township; and

WHEREAS, the Olentangy Local School District provides bus transportation to over forty (40) students along this portion of OH-315; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORC4923.11, PUCO is the regulatory agency responsible for the safe transportation of hazardous materials by commercial vehicles in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, an initial step to establishing a regulation of this type of traffic is PUCO's assessment of its feasibility to do so; and

WHEREAS, this Council believes prohibiting of the transportation of hazardous material on OH-315 in the Powell area will reduce traffic flow, eliminate certain risk and improve the quality of life for local residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF POWELL, COUNTY OF DELAWARE, STATE OF OHIO, AS FOLLOWS:

City Council hereby supports a Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's assessment of the Section 1. feasibility to regulate the through transportation of hazardous materials along portions of OH-315 effecting the Powell community to enhance safety in the community.

It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and Section 2: relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of Council and that all deliberations of Council and any of the decision-making bodies of the City of Powell, which resulted in such formal actions, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of the City of Powell, Delaware County, Ohio.

Section 3:

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon adoption.

Tom Counts

Mayor

City Clerk

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 21, 2025

This legislation has been posted in accordance with

the City Charter on this date 1/22/25