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**A Resolution Expressing Opposition to Duke Energy's  
Central Corridor Pipeline Extension Project as Proposed  
Through the City of Reading**

**Whereas,** Duke Energy has proposed a 30", high pressure natural gas pipeline from the Mason area to the Norwood area called the Central Corridor Gas Pipeline Extension Project; and

**Whereas,** Duke has publicly shown three options for the location of said pipeline, one which would negatively impact the city of Reading, its residents and its corporate citizens greatly; and

**Whereas,** the safety of Reading's citizens is a top priority for the Council of the City of Reading and recent events in Pennsylvania demonstrate that such installations can fail with catastrophic results: and

**Whereas,** the proposed route through Reading abuts or is near many places of Public Assembly including the Municipal Swimming Pool and Field House, Veterans Memorial Stadium, The Public Library, as well as the many private homes and businesses in this highly urbanized area, thus exposing great numbers to this potential danger, and

**Whereas,** the presence of such a pipeline within the public right-of-way could adversely impact the management and maintenance of that right of way by the city's Public Works Department; and

**Whereas,** the proposed pipeline would likely diminish the desirability of living near or establishing/ maintaining a business near its path, resulting in lower property values, loss of personal wealth and public tax revenues, community disinvestment, and general economic hardship: and

**Whereas,** the proposed route would, in particular, jeopardize the successful redevelopment of two sites key to Reading's efforts at economic sustainability and would put at great risk the investment of nearly three million dollars in public grant funds from the State of Ohio and other authorities, and

**Whereas,** traffic disruptions, environmental damage, noise, and other inconvenience owing to the construction of this pipeline would be suffered disproportionately by an economically disadvantaged populace, and

**Whereas,** Council finds and determines after review of information made available to date that it is necessary to express our opposition to the pipeline as proposed,

Now, therefore, be it resolved:

**Section 1** The Council of the City of Reading does hereby express its strong opposition to the placement of the natural gas pipeline as proposed through the City limits.

**Section 2** The clerk shall cause a copy of this resolution to be delivered to the Ohio Power Siting Board in reference to case 16-253-GA-BTX

Suspend 7-0

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	Yes	No	Abs
— Cox	✓	—	—
— Gertz	✓	—	—
— Lynd	✓	—	—
2 — Albrinck	✓	—	—
— Lindeman	✓	—	—
— Ashbrock	✓	—	—
— Fischesser	✓	—	—

Adopt 7-0

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**Section 3** This Resolution shall be in full force and in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Passed this 28 day of June, 2016

Cris Nadelst

President of council

Robert Bommes

Mayor

Carla Kacher

Clerk of Council

Approved as to form:

[Signature]

Law director