

## **NEWS RELEASE From Mayor Dean DePiero**

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## PARMA SCHEDULES PUBLIC HEARING ON GAS AGGREGATION PROPOSAL

(**PARMA**) – Parma residents are encouraged to attend a Public Hearing Monday, October 26 at 7:00 p.m. on the issue of natural gas aggregation. The Public Hearing will be held in City Council Chambers at Parma City Hall, 6611 Ridge Road.

Information will be available from the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) detailing the process of purchasing natural gas in bulk to pass along gas rate reductions to Greater Cleveland consumers. Members of Parma City Council are considering the joining the non-profit consortium that serves 126 communities in nine counties in northeast Ohio.

NOPEC is based in Solon and is the nation's largest public aggregator in the nation.

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