

REGULAR MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL

Council President Jane Goodman called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Present: Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

Approval of Minutes: February 27, 2017 & March 6, 2017 (Special Mtg.)

February 27, 2017 Meeting

Action: Motion to Approve Minutes, **Moved by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, **Seconded by** Council President Jane Goodman.

Vote: Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 6, No = 0, Abstain = 1).

Yes: Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilman Ed Icove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

Abstain: Councilwoman Ruth Gray.

The Minutes have been approved.

March 6, 2017 Special Meeting

Action: Motion to Approve Minutes, **Moved by** Councilman Jason Russell, **Seconded by** Councilman Marty Gelfand.

Vote: Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 6, No = 0, Abstain = 1).

Yes: Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilman Ed Icove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

Abstain: Councilwoman Ruth Gray.

The minutes have been approved.

Report of the Mayor

- Mayor Welo reported that all directors were present with the exception of Service Director Anderson, Police Chief Nietert and Law Director Lograsso.
- Economic Development Director Mike Love reported that Burlington has opened at Oakwood Commons, the new Moe's Southwest Grill is nearing opening and that Season's Kosher Grocery will begin construction soon.
- Engineer Andy Blackley gave an update on the Grosvenor road reconstruction project that began last week, along with other road resurfacing projects on Greenwald, Macall and Birchwood. Mr. Blackley reported on projects with Cleveland Water and Dominion Gas throughout the city. Mr. Blackley reported that he has been working with the Service Director on the latest street ratings and they should be available in a few weeks.
- Mayor Welo reported on new Board Officers for One South Euclid and reported on the City's SpringFest that took place at the Community Center and said that it was a great event with a great crowd and thanked the Garden Club and Velocity Church for their support. Mayor Welo discussed several community events including the musical production of Footloose at Brush High School, Grease at Notre Dame College and a fundraiser for the Community Partnership on Aging.
- Community Services Director Keith Benjamin reported on the upcoming Democracy Days meeting on May 9 at 6:30 pm at City Hall, which is part of a charter amendment approved by the voters last November and asked resident Madelon Watts to give an overview of the process and the upcoming meeting.

Opening Meeting of Council Related to Agenda Specific Items

President Goodman called the Open Meeting of Council to order and invited the audience to address Council:

- No residents spoke on those specific agenda items

Report of Council Committees:**Zoning & Planning Committee**

Introduced by Goodman

Ordinance 02-17

ORDINANCE

CREATING AMENDING SECTION 752.01 751.02 "CHANGES" "PERMITTED USE" OF CHAPTER 752 751

"REGULATIONS FOR NONCOMPLYING BUILDINGS NONCONFORMING USES" OF TITLE FIVE

"REGULATIONS COVERING NONCONFORMING USES AND NONCONFORMING BUILDINGS" OF PART SEVEN

"PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO.

THIRD READING.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilman Jason Russell, **Seconded by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli.

Councilman Fiorelli reported for the record that he owns rental property in South Euclid that this legislation could impact and that he sought a legal opinion from the Law Director to make sure he could vote on the issue.

Councilwoman Gray advised Mr. Fiorelli that he should recuse himself to ensure that there are not conflicts of interest. Following discussion, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Ilove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.
The legislation has been approved.

Legislation Requested by City Council

Introduced by Goodman

Ordinance 08-17

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 531.09 "ABATEMENT OF CRIMINAL ACTIVITY NUISANCES" OF CHAPTER 531 "NUISANCES" OF PART FIVE "GENERAL OFFENSES CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

The legislation was placed on first reading and referred to the Safety Committee.

Legislation Requested by the Mayor and Administration

Introduced by Goodman

Resolution 10-17

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE OF APPROPRIATIONS IN THE FOLLOWING FUND: "GENERAL FUND-POLICE DEPARTMENT-VEHICLES #101-1110-52507" IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THE PURCHASE OF A NEW POLICE VEHICLE. FIRST READING.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, **Seconded by** Council President Jane Goodman.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Ilove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Goodman

Resolution 11-17

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATED FUNDS IN THE GENERAL FUND TO THE LAND ACQUISITION FUND. FIRST READING.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, **Seconded by** Council President Jane Goodman.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Ilove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Goodman

Resolution 12-17

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE OF APPROPRIATIONS IN THE FOLLOWING FUND: "LAND ACQUISITION FUND" FOR EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE 05-17. FIRST READING.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, **Seconded by** Councilman Jason Russell.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Ilove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The legislation has been approved.

Communications of City Council

- Councilman Frank reported on youth softball and baseball sponsorship information and that nearly 500 youth play in the league.
- Councilman Fiorelli reported that the new Burlington Store is great and that the Brush production of Footloose is wonderful.
- Councilwoman Gray thanked Chief Stefko and Director Benjamin for attending the Ward One Meeting.
- Councilman Gelfand scheduled a Safety Committee regarding on Ord 08-17 for May 22nd at 6 pm. Mr. Gelfand reported on a reception regarding gun violence that was held downtown at the Old Stone Church that was organized by resident Rev. Kris Eggert and also that the Cleveland Heights University Heights Schools are host their 21st Annual Pancake Breakfast and that sections of South Euclid attend the district. Mr. Gelfand wished everyone a happy Passover and Easter.
- Councilman Russell reported on a call he received from a resident about their excellent experience in the South Euclid Police Academy and that it says a lot about the purpose of having community dialogue and the Chief is to be commended for the program.
- Council President Goodman wished everyone a happy Easter and Passover and reported on the upcoming Arbor Day event at Bexley Park on April 28 at 1 pm.

Open Meeting

- Charles Turner, 4549 Lilac, said to Council President Goodman that he "loves your hair tonight" and that he had asked Council Clerk Benjamin at the last council meeting to include the minutes with the council agenda that's posted online before the council meeting. Mr. Turner reported on his two court cases and stated that

city prosecutor Cicero is going to get “his butt kicked”. Mr. Turner stated that when he holds his sign protesting outside of city hall “it appears that black people are more on my side” and that somehow the Mayor is able to control the reporting of the Sun Messenger and reporter and suggested that had the mayor done her job the Police Chief and Law Director would have already gone to jail.

- Cassandra Jones reported that she is a South Euclid Lyndhurst School Board member and gave the monthly district report. Ms. Jones stated that the district is in their final six weeks at school and beginning to wind down and reported on various school programs and community planning efforts. Ms. Jones reported on the ArcFit Facility and STEM programs and congratulated several students for their academic successes.

Adjourn

Action: Motion to Adjourn, **Moved by** Councilman Marty Gelfand, **Seconded by** Councilman Jason Russell.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icové, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:58 pm

Council President

Attest:

Clerk of Council