

THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID  
SCHEDULE OF MEETING  
March 22, 2021  
8:00 PM

**Meeting Conducted Via WebEx Meeting Platform**

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**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. SPECIAL PRESENTATION #1 **Firefighter of the Year****

1. Resolution 13-21 In appreciation to and recognition of Firefighter Jacob McKenrick for his outstanding service to the South Euclid Fire Department and the residents of South Euclid and having been nominated and elected Firefighter of the Year for 2020. First Reading.

**4. SPECIAL PRESENTATION #2 **Police Exceptional Service Award****

1. Resolution 14-21 In appreciation to and recognition of Lieutenant James Wilson for his outstanding service to the South Euclid Police Department and the residents of the City of South Euclid and having been nominated for the Exceptional Service Award 2020. First Reading.

**5. SPECIAL PRESENTATION #3 **Dee O'Connor Civilian Police Employee Award****

1. Resolution 15-21 In appreciation to and recognition of Senior Records Clerk Cherie Baldyga for her outstanding service to the South Euclid Police Department and the residents of the City of South Euclid and having been nominated and elected for the Dee O'Connor Civilian Employee Award 2020. First Reading.

**6. SPECIAL PRESENTATION #4 **Police Department Promotions & Oaths of Office****

- Michael Fink, Sergeant
- Robert Abele, Assistant Chief
- Joe Mays, Chief

**7. SPECIAL PRESENTATION #5 **Recognition of Retiring Police Chief Kevin Nietert****

1. Resolution 16-21 In appreciation to and recognition of Chief Kevin T. Nietert for his outstanding service to the South Euclid Police Department and the residents of the City of South Euclid. First Reading.

**8. REPORT OF MAYOR & DEPARTMENT HEADS**

**9. REPORT OF LAW DIRECTOR**

**10. REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**11. PUBLIC HEARINGS (OPEN MEETING) RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS**

**12. REPORT OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**13. LEGISLATION REQUESTED BY THE MAYOR & ADMINISTRATION**

1. Resolution 17-21                      Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Participation Agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to provide 4,500 Tons of Sodium Chloride (Bulk Rock Salt) to the City of South Euclid, per Ohio Revised Code Section 5513.01 (B); for the 2021-2022 Winter Season. First Reading.

**14. PUBLIC HEARINGS (OPEN MEETING) RELATED TO OPEN BUSINESS**

**15. COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY COUNCIL**

**16. ADJOURN**

CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO.: 13-21  
INTRODUCED BY: Frank  
REQUESTED BY: Mayor

March 22, 2021

A RESOLUTION

IN APPRECIATION TO AND RECOGNITION OF FIREFIGHTER JACOB MCKENRICK FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE SOUTH EUCLID FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE RESIDENTS OF SOUTH EUCLID AND HAVING BEEN NOMINATED AND ELECTED FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR FOR 2020.

- WHEREAS, Firefighter Jacob McKenrick is a United States Armed Service Veteran, served as a Corporal in the United States Army with Battle Company, in 173<sup>rd</sup> Airborne Infantry Brigade from 2009 to 2012, where he was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge, Parachute Wings and is also a recipient of the Purple Heart.
- WHEREAS, Firefighter Jacob McKenrick has served the City of South Euclid as a Firefighter/Paramedic since November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 and has completed over 5 years of continuous service; and
- WHEREAS, Firefighter Jacob McKenrick has earned his Emergency Medical Technician Certification, his Professional Firefighters Certification, and his Paramedic Certification; and
- WHEREAS, Firefighter Jacob McKenrick has been recognized on the “Wall of Saves” of the South Euclid Fire Department on five separate occasions; and
- WHEREAS, Firefighter Jacob McKenrick went above and beyond to enrich his fellow Firefighters lives and the needs of the department while sacrificing much of his own time and energy while on duty. He painted the departments exercise room, designed and constructed a designated space, for “Fire Explores Post 1349” to store their firefighting gear and equipment.
- WHEREAS, Firefighter Jacob McKenrick consistently comes to work with a positive attitude, he interjects an upbeat disposition amongst the department through his personality and sense of humor, he demonstrates a relentless work ethic, and a desire to do what is best for the residents, the Fire Department and his fellow Firefighters; and is deserving of the nomination and election of Firefighter of the Year 2020.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of South Euclid, Ohio:

Section 1: That the Mayor and Members of Council for themselves and on behalf of the People of the City of South Euclid express their respect and appreciation to Firefighter Jacob McKenrick for his dedication, interest, and devotion to the City of South Euclid and wish to congratulate him on being named Firefighter of the Year 2020.

Section 2: That is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees on or after November 25, 1975, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Joe Frank, President of Council

Attest:

Approved:

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Keith A. Benjamin, Clerk of Council

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Georgine Welo, Mayor

Approved as to form:

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Michael P. Lograsso, Director of Law

CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO.: 14-21  
INTRODUCED BY: Frank  
REQUESTED BY: Mayor

March 22, 2021

A RESOLUTION

IN APPRECIATION TO AND RECOGNITION OF LIEUTENANT JAMES WILSON FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE SOUTH EUCLID POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID AND HAVING BEEN NOMINATED FOR THE EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARD 2020.

- WHEREAS, Jim Wilson has served the City of South Euclid Police Department, as a Lieutenant, Sergeant, a member of the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team, Honor Guard, Taser instructor, and manages and maintains the computer infrastructure, which has significantly contributed to the Police Department; and
- WHEREAS, he was sworn in the South Euclid Police Department on July 9, 1996; and
- WHEREAS, he was promoted to Sergeant on September 25, 2001; and
- WHEREAS, he was promoted to Lieutenant on October 4, 2009; and
- WHEREAS, he has exhibited those qualities which best illustrate to other officers and to the public, a high degree of professionalism, compassion and empathy; and
- WHEREAS, the performance of his duties and responsibilities and his working relationships are always characterized by an obvious dedication to his job, the department, and the community; and
- WHEREAS, in 2014 when body cameras were implemented at the South Euclid Police Department, he was instrumental with the implementation of this technology and worked tirelessly to ensure its success; and
- WHEREAS, his dedication and desire to make the streets of South Euclid safe for everyone can be seen through his innovative and proactive approach to policing and getting those officers under his supervision involved; and
- WHEREAS, his computer knowledge, skills, technical savvy, and ability, in developing and managing the complex computer system for the department is truly impressive, and his computer knowledge is all self-taught, which is an amazing achievement; and
- WHEREAS, he is always available to help co-workers with computer issues, whether he is on-duty or off, and is selfless with his time in working to bring a resolution to any issue that arises; and
- WHEREAS, Jim Wilson is being honored by the South Euclid Police Department, South Euclid City Council, the Mayor of South Euclid, friends, and co-workers, who are all appreciative of his contributions to the city; and
- WHEREAS, he has unselfishly given to the community in an effort to help make it a better place and we encourage him to continue his efforts; and
- WHEREAS, Council expresses its sincere appreciation and thanks to Jim Wilson for his contributions to the community, and highly commends him for the manner in which he has carried out his responsibilities and duties as a member of the South Euclid Police Department.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of South Euclid, Ohio:

Section 1: That the Mayor and Members of Council for themselves and on behalf of the people of the City of South Euclid, expresses their respect and appreciation to Jim Wilson for his dedication, interest, and devotion to the community that has rendered to be of great benefit for the people of South Euclid.

Section 2: That is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees on or after November 25,

1975, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Joe Frank, President of Council

Attest:

Approved:

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Keith A. Benjamin, Clerk of Council

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Georgine Welo, Mayor

Approved as to form:

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Michael P. Lograsso, Director of Law

CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO.: 15-21  
INTRODUCED BY: Frank  
REQUESTED BY: Mayor

March 22, 2021

A RESOLUTION

IN APPRECIATION TO AND RECOGNITION OF SENIOR RECORDS CLERK CHERIE BALDYGA FOR HER OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE SOUTH EUCLID POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID AND HAVING BEEN NOMINATED AND ELECTED FOR THE DEE O'CONNOR CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE AWARD 2020.

- WHEREAS, Cherie Baldyga, during the past 16 years and 2 months she has served the City of South Euclid Police Department and has significantly contributed to and assisted in various departmental functions of the Police Department; and
- WHEREAS, she began her tenure with the South Euclid Police Department as a dispatcher in April 2004, her duties and responsibilities and her working relationships were always characterized by an obvious dedication to her job, the Department, and the community; and
- WHEREAS, in May of 2005 she was assigned to the position of Assistant TAC Officer, soon after to the position of TAC Officer until February 2021, where she served the position with a great understanding of all the faucets of the LEADS operations; and
- WHEREAS, in 2006 she became Senior Records Clerk, where she has served for the past 15 years; and
- WHEREAS, she has exhibited those qualities which best illustrate to other officers and to the public, a high degree of professionalism; and
- WHEREAS, the performance of her duties, responsibilities, and her working relationships are always characterized by, understanding, trust, and an obvious dedication to her job, the department, and the community; and
- WHEREAS, in February 2021, Cherie began serving the City of South Euclid in her new capacity as a Housing Inspector for the Building Department; and
- WHEREAS, Cherie Baldyga is being honored by the South Euclid Police Department, South Euclid City Council, the Mayor of South Euclid, friends, and co-workers, for her contributions to the City; and
- WHEREAS, Council expresses its sincere appreciation and thanks to Cherie Baldyga for her dedication to the community, and highly commends her for the manner in which she has carried out her responsibilities and duties as a member of the South Euclid Police Department.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of South Euclid, Ohio:

Section 1: That the Mayor and Members of Council for themselves and on behalf of the people of the City of South Euclid, deem it an honor and pleasure to extend this Resolution in recognition of and appreciation to Cherie Baldyga for her dedication, interest, and devotion to the community of South Euclid.

Section 2: That is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees on or after November 25, 1975, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO.: 16-21  
INTRODUCED BY: Frank  
REQUESTED BY: Mayor

March 22, 2021

A RESOLUTION

IN APPRECIATION TO AND RECOGNITION OF CHIEF KEVIN T. NIETERT FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE SOUTH EUCLID POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID.

- WHEREAS, Kevin Nietert was sworn in to the South Euclid Police Department on June 02, 1986, and has served with integrity, honor, compassion, and a commitment to excellence; and
- WHEREAS, he has served on the South Euclid Police Department for the past 35 years first as a Patrol Officer and later being assigned to the Detective Bureau; and
- WHEREAS, in 1997 he was promoted to Detective Sergeant, Detective Lieutenant in 2001, Assistant Chief in 2004, and in 2007 he was promoted to Chief; and
- WHEREAS, during his three and one-half decades of service he has received numerous letters of commendation and accolades for his high degree of professionalism and commitment to service; and
- WHEREAS, Chief Nietert has been an advocate for victims of crime, working tirelessly to ensure that those that prey on others are swiftly brought to justice; and
- WHEREAS, his commitment to the community lead him to develop and implement a Citizens Police Academy and a Youth Police Academy to help foster better relationships between the police and the residents of South Euclid; and
- WHEREAS, Chief Nietert's leadership and innovation lead to the development of the East Side Group Enforcement Unit (EDGE) and the Heights Hillcrest Communication Center (HHCC) both of which provide enhanced public safety services to the entire region; and
- WHEREAS, he is an active member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Ohio Police Chiefs Association, and the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association where he served as President from 2016 to 2017; and
- WHEREAS, he is a graduate of Dyke College where he graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Public Administration; and
- WHEREAS, Chief Nietert successfully graduated in 2005 from the FBI's National Academy session 221; and
- WHEREAS, Chief Nietert is being honored by South Euclid Police Department, South Euclid City Council, the Mayor of South Euclid, friends, and co-workers, all appreciative of his contributions to the city; and
- WHEREAS, he has unselfishly given to the community to help make it a better place to live and work.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of South Euclid, Ohio:

Section 1: That the Mayor and Members of Council for themselves and on behalf of the people of the City of South Euclid, expresses its sincere appreciation and thanks to Chief Kevin Nietert for his contributions to the community, and highly commends him for the manner in which he has carried out his responsibilities and duties as a member of the South Euclid Police Department.

Section 2: That is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees on or after November 25, 1975, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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Joe Frank, President of Council

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Keith A. Benjamin, Clerk of Council

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Georgine Welo, Mayor

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Michael P. Lograsso, Director of Law



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## Memorandum

**To:** Members of Council

**From:** Keith Ari Benjamin, Director of Community Services

**Date:** March 18, 2021

**RE:** Res. 17-21 Purchase of Bulk Rock Salt for 2021-2022 Winter Season

Resolution 17-21 authorizes the Mayor to enter into a participation agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to provide for the purchase of 4,500 tons of Bulk Rock Salt for the 2021-2022 Winter Season.

The participation agreement must be submitted via electronic form on ODOT's website. Please feel free to review at the following link:

<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/ContractAdmin/Contracts/Pages/Salt-Winter.aspx>

Please do not hesitate to contact Service Director Anderson prior to Monday's meeting if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

**From:** Collins, Tina [mailto:[Tina.Collins@dot.ohio.gov](mailto:Tina.Collins@dot.ohio.gov)]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 12, 2021 2:38 PM  
**To:** [Janderson@seuclid.com](mailto:Janderson@seuclid.com)  
**Subject:** ODOT 2021-2022 Salt Contract Participation (018-22)

Dear Political Subdivisions,  
There are three parts to this email, please read entire message.

1 - The Department will begin accepting electronic forms and resolutions for the ODOT **WINTER SALT CONTRACT (018-22)** participation through the ODOT website beginning **today Friday, March 12, 2021.**

All orders will be based on the electronically submitted tonnages submitted from the Salt Resolution/Ordinance Participation Form on our website at:  
<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/ContractAdmin/Contracts/Pages/Salt-Winter.aspx>. The deadline to submit your electronic form AND signed salt-specific Resolution/Ordinance through the website will be **Friday, April 30th, 2021.**

Upon receipt of this form you will receive a confirmation message, like the sample shown below, the confirmation will be your receipt to verify the tonnage submitted. If you do not receive this confirmation please contact ODOT immediately.

### **Sample Submission Receipt**

#### **2 - Resolution Link –**

<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/ContractAdmin/Contracts/Purchase/SaltResolution-ODOT.docx>

#### **3 - Note on 2020-2021 Contract Tonnages -**

**As you estimate your salt quantities for the next ODOT contract, before submitting your request, please ensure that you have reviewed and addressed any balances needed to meet the contractual requirements of the current, 018-21 contract.**

Please submit all questions and inquiries through the [Contracts.Purchasing@dot.ohio.gov](mailto:Contracts.Purchasing@dot.ohio.gov) email address.

Thank you,  
Ohio Department of Transportation  
Office of Contract Sales

### **Tina Collins, MBA, MPM**

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CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO.: 17-21  
INTRODUCED BY: Frank  
REQUESTED BY: Mayor

March 22, 2020

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) TO PROVIDE 4,500 TONS OF SODIUM CHLORIDE (BULK ROCK SALT) TO THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, PER OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5513.01 (B); FOR THE 2021-2022 WINTER SEASON.

WHEREAS, the City of South Euclid (hereinafter referred to as the "Political Subdivision") hereby submits this written agreement to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation's (ODOT) annual winter road salt bid in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 5513.01(B) and hereby agrees to all of the following terms and conditions in its participation of the ODOT winter road salt contract; and

WHEREAS, the Political Subdivision hereby agrees to be bound by all terms and conditions established by ODOT in the winter road salt contract and acknowledges that upon award of the contract by the Director of ODOT it shall be bound by all such terms and conditions included in the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Political Subdivision hereby acknowledges that upon the Director of ODOT's signing of the winter road salt contract, it shall effectively form a contract between the awarded salt supplier and the Political Subdivision; and

WHEREAS, the Political Subdivision agrees to be solely responsible for resolving all claims or disputes arising out of its participation in the ODOT winter road salt contract and agrees to hold the Department of Transportation harmless for any claims, actions, expenses, or other damages arising out of the Political Subdivision's participation in the winter road salt contract; and

WHEREAS, the Political Subdivision hereby requests through this participation agreement a total of 4,500 tons of Sodium Chloride (Road Salt) of which the Political Subdivision agrees to purchase from its awarded salt supplier at the delivered bid price per ton awarded by the Director of ODOT; and

WHEREAS, the Political Subdivision hereby agrees to purchase a minimum of 90% of its above-requested salt quantities from its awarded salt supplier during the contract's effective period of September 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Political Subdivision hereby agrees to place orders with and directly pay the awarded salt supplier on a net 30 basis for all road salt it receives pursuant to ODOT winter salt contract; and

WHEREAS, the Political Subdivision acknowledges that should it wish to rescind this participation agreement it will do so by written, emailed request by no later than Friday, April 30, 2021 by 5:00 p.m. The written, emailed request to rescind this participation agreement must be received by the ODOT Office of Contract Sales, Purchasing Section email: [Contracts.Purchasing@dot.ohio.gov](mailto:Contracts.Purchasing@dot.ohio.gov) by the deadline. The Department, upon receipt, will respond that it has received the request and that it has effectively removed the Political Subdivision's participation request. Furthermore, it is the sole responsibility of the Political Subdivision to ensure ODOT has received this participation agreement as well as the receipt of any request to rescind this participation agreement. The Department shall not be held responsible or liable for failure to receive a Political Subdivision's participation agreement and/or a Political Subdivision's request to rescind its participation agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of South Euclid, Ohio:

Section 1: That the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a participation agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation for the ODOT winter road salt contract for the purchase of up to 4,500 tons of Sodium Chloride (bulk rock salt).

Section 2: That funding has been authorized, and the City of South Euclid agrees to the above terms and conditions regarding participation on the ODOT winter salt contract, per Section 5513.01 (B) of the Ohio Revised Code for the salting of the streets and roadways within the City for the 2021-2022 winter season.

Section 3: That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees on or after November 25, 1975, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4: That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety and for the further reason that a vital function of the Municipal government is effected thereby. Wherefore, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law and upon signature of the Mayor.

Passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Joseph Frank, President of Council

Attest:

Approved:

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Keith A. Benjamin, Clerk of Council

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Georgine Welo, Mayor

Approved as to form:

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Michael P. Lograsso, Director of Law