

**REGULAR MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL**

Council President Joe Frank called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Roll Call**

**Present:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

**Motion to Amend Agenda to add Resolution 23-21 Police Officer of the Year**

**Action:** Motion to Amend Agenda, **Moved by** Council President Joe Frank, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman.

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

**Yes:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The agenda has been amended.

**Minutes of Meetings**February 22, 2021

**Action:** Motion to Approve Minutes, **Moved by** Council President Joe Frank, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Ruth Gray.

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

**Yes:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

**Abstain:** Councilwoman Jane Goodman.

The minutes have been approved.

March 8, 2021

**Action:** Motion to Approve Minutes, **Moved by** Council President Joe Frank, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman.

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

**Yes:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The minutes have been approved.

**Special Recognition: Police Officer of the Year**

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 23-21

## RESOLUTION

In appreciation to and recognition of Patrol Officer Scott Rendlesham for his outstanding service to the South Euclid Police Department and the residents of the City of South Euclid and having been nominated and elected Officer of the Year for 2020.  
First Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Ruth Gray, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman.

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

**Yes:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

**Report of Mayor**

- Poet Laureate Doc Janning recited the poem "Songs of Spring and Mayor Welo reported that all directors are in attendance.
- Economic Development Director Love gave an update on the Leopardo Energy Project.
- Community Development Coordinator Subwick reported on Res. 08-21 regarding the One South Euclid agreement.
- City Engineer Blackley reported that the Oakmount Road project is underway with the sanitary sewers being replaced and that the milling of most streets in the

2021 road program have been completed. Mr. Blackley reported that Dominion Gas will be replacing a major gas line on Monticello Blvd from Trebisky to Richmond Road and that the South Euclid portion will take about two weeks.

- Mayor Welo reported on the various legislation on the agenda and thanked Keith Benjamin and Brenda Wendt for their work on the bond issuance for major road projects, which were sold despite the fact that our 2019 audit has not yet been able to be completed because of an issue with the Municipal Court. Mayor Welo welcomed our new Police Chief Joe Mays and thanked City Council for their commitment to budgeting funds to train our police and fire fighters so we can give the best service to everyone. Mayor Welo reported that staff are working hard on recreation initiatives for the summer and that the pool and splash park will reopen.

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**Report of Law Director** no report.

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**Public Hearings (Open Meeting) Related to Agenda Items**

None.

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**Report of Committees**

Committee of the Whole

Council President Frank reported that the committee met to discuss the renewal of the agreement with One South Euclid and for an update on the American Tower lease agreement.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 60-20

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an amendment to the option to lease and lease agreement between the City of South Euclid and ATC Sequoia LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company ("American Tower"). **Second Reading.**

The legislation was placed on Second Reading.

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Introduced by Frank

Resolution 08-21

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with One South Euclid for the provision of community development services for The City of South Euclid, Ohio. **Second Reading.**

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Joe Frank,

**Seconded by** Councilwoman Susan Hardy.

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

**Yes:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

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**Legislation Requested by the Administration**

Introduced by Frank

Ordinance 06-21

ORDINANCE

Fixing the salary range, compensation and rates of pay for various offices, boards, commissions and departments of the municipal government effective January 1, 2021, repealing ordinance No. 21-16 adopted February 27, 2017 and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith; and declaring an emergency. First Reading. The legislation was placed on First Reading and referred to the Legislative Committee for discussion and review.

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Introduced by Frank

Resolution 18-21

RESOLUTION

Proclaiming April 2021 to be National Poetry Month in the City of South Euclid, Ohio. First Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Sara Continenza,

**Seconded by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman.

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

**Yes:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

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Introduced by Frank

Resolution 19-21

## RESOLUTION

Proclaiming April 2021 to be Fair Housing Month in the City of South Euclid, Ohio. First Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Chanell Elston, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman.

Mayor Welo thanked Director Benjamin for his work and advocacy on this issue and that the law is a reflection of who we are as a community and thanked City Council for their support of these efforts.

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

**Yes:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 20-21

## RESOLUTION

Authorizing the appropriation of unappropriated funds in the following fund: "Road Improvement and Resurfacing Fund #425" in the amount of \$10,928.50 for issuance fees related to the sale general obligation bond anticipation notes related to 2021 road and infrastructure improvement projects. First Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Ruth Gray.

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

**Yes:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 21-21

## RESOLUTION

Authorizing the appropriation of unappropriated funds in the following fund: "Road Improvement and Resurfacing Fund #425" in the amount of \$1,638,000 as proceeds from the sale of bond anticipation notes related to 2021 road and infrastructure improvement projects. First Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Sara Continenza.

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

**Yes:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 22-21

## RESOLUTION

Authorizing the appropriation of unappropriated funds in the following fund: "Bond Retirement Fund #327" in the amount of \$11,023.74 for the note premium related to the sale of bond anticipation notes related for 2021 road and infrastructure improvement projects. First Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Susan Hardy.

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

**Yes:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

### Public Hearings (Open Meeting) Related to Open Business

- Doc Janning: 2092 Campus Road thanked City Council for passage of the resolution declaring April National Poetry Month and reported that one of his poems is going to be included in a new anthology of poems available on Amazon. Mr. Janning reported on an issue with First Energy not clearing branches that they cut down after a recent snowstorm and that the cost for clearing should not be borne by the homeowner.

**Communications of City Council**

- Councilwoman Gray had no report.
- Councilwoman Continenza reported that she has been working with the community, Director Benjamin and Dan Subwick on the pump track project at Bexley Park and is looking to engage youth through MyCom. Ms. Continenza also reported that Food Strong will be sponsoring a Farmers Market beginning in June at the corner of Mayfield and Green Road.
- Councilwoman Hardy has no report.
- Councilwoman Elston reminded residents to call the Community Center if they wish to get a Covid-19 vaccination and that the city is also looking into the possibility of offering a vaccination pop-up event in the future.
- Councilwoman Goodman reminded residents about the upcoming Arbor Day ceremony at Oakwood Green, the Tree Giveaway event at the Community Center and the City Sweep Community Clean Up Day event.
- Councilman Tisdale asked residents to remember to follow the covid protocols and congratulated the graduating senior high school students who have gone through a year that has been very different.
- Council President Frank echoed what the Mayor stated about the selling of the road bonds.

**Adjourn to Executive Session** for the purposes of discussing pending litigation.

**Action:** Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session, **Moved by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Ruth Gray.

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

**Yes:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 9:12 pm.

**Adjourn**

With no further business to discuss, **Action:** Motion to Adjourn, **Moved by** Council President Joe Frank, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Chanell Elston.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 6).

**Yes:** Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Council President Joe Frank, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

**Absent:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza.

The Meeting Adjourned at 10:02 pm.

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Council President

Attest:

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Clerk of Council