

**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.

**Report of Mayor**

- Doc Janning recited a poem in commemoration of Memorial Day.
- Mayor Welo reported that Joe Mehalik, the Chairman of the Tree Commission is present to give an update on forestry management plans.
- Mayor Welo reported that all directors are in attendance.
- Housing Director Sally Martin gave a report on a Summit being held by Hamilton County regarding housing issues and she will participate on a panel to discuss issues relevant to inner ring suburbs.
- Economic Development Director Love gave an update on Leopardo project and reported that work on the Service Garage roof is wrapping up and that windows, masonry work and HVAC are next. Work at the Community Center continues with the replacement of the HVAC, construction of the reception area and bids for flooring. Mr. Love stated that the roof replacement at City Hall will begin this week and will not be completed until fall and that the elevator lift has been completed but is awaiting state inspection.
- City Engineer Blackley reported that the 2021 road program is substantially complete with the exception of Rushton Road, the Oakmont infrastructure project is on schedule and bids will be opened for the 2021 Concrete Repair Program on Friday. Mr. Blackley stated that the County Department of Public Works will be starting to do work on South Green Road with signa installation this week and a pre-construction meeting is scheduled for this Thursday.
- Mayor Welo thanked Director Benjamin, Engineer Blackley, Service Director Anderson and staff for their hard work on making these projects a reality and they are an outstanding team.
- Mayor Welo reported on legislation on the agenda and requested support for Ord. 08-21 and Res. 28-21 and 29-21 the Coronavirus Fiscal Relief Fund classifications requested by the auditors.
- Mayor Welo thanked the Rock the Block Committee and Garfield Memorial Church for the Bexley Drive-In Movie Night and reported on the Community Shred-Day and that Pool Passes are now on sale at the Community Center. Ms. Welo thanked the coaches and sponsors putting together the South Euclid Youth Softball and Baseball league and the Service Department for their work getting the parks and fields ready for the summer. Mayor Welo stated that she is saddened that there will not be a Memorial Day Parade this year, but we will once again have a commemorative video and thanked the veterans for their service to our country and our freedoms.

**Report of Law Director.** Law Director Lograsso reported that following discussion by City Council, he was notified that the Clerk of Court did receive a technology grant award from the Ohio Supreme Court for \$99,000 to update their Case Management System. The Court is looking for help from city to pay the costs for the yearly software licensing fee of \$42,000. In addition, the Judge is also seeking for the city to pay for the purchase and installation of plexiglass dividers in the jury and court rooms.

**School District Report**

Neil Bloomberg introduced himself as a member of the South Euclid Lyndhurst Board of Education and thanked City Council for allowing their monthly update. Mr. Bloomberg reported on the following:

- The district is coordinating with the Cuyahoga County Board of Health for students 16 and older that wish to receive the Covid-19 vaccine.
- The district's Destination 2023 strategic plan is being updated to reflect areas impacted by the pandemic and addendum broken into three phases will be implemented over the next several years. Details are on the District's homepage.
- As a result of the pandemic, summer school programs are being expanded and will include extra help so that students can be prepared for a full year on in-class learning in the fall. The programs will be a combination of academic, recreation and other activities.

- HVAC replacement. Jump Start to Kindergarten. Summer School programs over 800 students for K-12 at Greenview and Brush High School. Combination camp environment to address gap due to covid. Students that need extra help can be prepared for full year coming back. School safety and compliance two door entry system in all buildings.
- Reported on socio emotional experiences of students and new programs being implemented that go beyond the typical academic arena. Councilman Tisdale asked for examples of some programs. Mr. Bloomberg responded that he doesn't have detailed specifics, but he is aware of programs focused on junior high female populations.
- Brush High School Graduation will be either June 9, 10 or 11.

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

None.

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### Report of Committees

#### Safety Committee

Councilwoman Elston reported that the committee met to Ord. 12-19 regarding party centers and that the legislation was recommended for passage at an upcoming council meeting.

#### Committee of the Whole

Council President Frank reported that the committee met to discuss city finances and that the city is on budget. In addition to the monthly finance report, the Committee discussed the salary ordinance and the American Tower lease agreement.

#### Legislative & Committee of the Whole

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. **Second Reading.**

Revisit more frequently. **Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation **Moved by** Councilwoman Hardy, **Seconded by** Councilwoman 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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### Legislation Requested by the Administration

Introduced by Frank

Ordinance 07-21

#### ORDINANCE

Approving the editing and inclusion of certain ordinances as parts of the various component codes of the codified ordinances; providing for the adoption and publication of new matter in the updated and revised codified ordinances; repealing ordinances and resolution in conflict therewith; and declaring an emergency. First Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation **Moved by** Council President Frank, **Seconded by** Councilwoman 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.

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Introduced by Frank

Ordinance 08-21

#### ORDINANCE

An ordinance establishing and regulating the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Relief Fund #924; and declaring an emergency. First Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation **Moved by** Councilwoman Elston, **Seconded by** Council President Frank.

**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 27-21

RESOLUTION

Adopting the fiscal budget for the year beginning January 1, 2022. First Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation **Moved by** Council President Frank. , **Seconded by** Councilwoman 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.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 28-21

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Finance Director to reclassify the transfer of \$111,510.00 from the General Fund (101) to the Covid Fund (925). The transfer of funds shall be reclassified to be an advance. First Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation **Moved by** Council President Frank , **Seconded by** Councilwoman Gray, discussed earlier.

**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 29-21

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Finance Director to return the advance of \$111,510.00 in the Covid Fund (925) to the General Fund (101). First Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation **Moved by** Council President Frank. , **Seconded by** Councilwoman Elston.

**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**

None.

**Communications of City Council**

- Councilwoman Hardy scheduled a Legislative Committee Meeting on June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm to discuss Ordinance 01-21.
- Councilwoman Gray reported that the Ward One meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at Quarry Park pavilion and requested that residents bring a lawn chair to practice social distancing.
- Councilwoman Continenza reported that the Farmers Market will be starting next month and vendor slots are free this year. Ms. Continenza reported on planning efforts for the Bexley Bash which will be held August 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Councilwoman Elston wished our Veterans and their families a happy Memorial Day and thanked them for their service and sacrifice. Ms. Elston stated that she has worked with our Veterans for the last 15 years.
- Councilwoman Goodman reported that the next Local Government Clean Energy Caucus Zoom Meeting will be June 4<sup>th</sup> at noon, and she will send out the agenda and link. Ms. Goodman reminded Council that the City has passed a resolution committing to zero carbon emissions from our city facilities and that one of the ways we can move forward is the conversion of our vehicles to

electric. Any interested councilmembers can visit [www.greenenergyohiotour.org](http://www.greenenergyohiotour.org) to learn more.

- Councilman Tisdale reported that he is working with Councilwoman Elston and Director Benjamin to plan a Juneteenth event and more information will be forthcoming. Mr. Tisdale reported on recent issues of crime and violence in the community and that we want people to respect one another.
- Council President Frank stated that the drive-in movie night was great and that there were lots of people using the park and it's a nice slight return to normal. Mr. Frank thanked our Veterans for their service.

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**Adjourn**

With no further business to discuss, **Action:** Motion to Adjourn, **Moved by** Council , Frank **Seconded by** Councilwoman Goodman.

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

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

The Meeting Adjourned at 9:11 pm.

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Council President

Attest:

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Clerk of Council