

REGULAR MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL

Council President Ruth Gray called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Amend Agenda to Add Executive Session for the purposes of discussing pending litigation.

Action: Motion to Amend Agenda, **Moved by** Councilwoman Elston, **Seconded by** Councilman Tisdale.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

The agenda has been amended.

Roll Call

Present: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

Approval of Minutes**June 27, 2022**

Action: Motion to Approve Minutes, **Moved by** Councilwoman Elston, **Seconded by** Councilman Tisdale.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

The legislation has been approved.

July 11, 2022

Action: Motion to Approve Minutes, **Moved by** Council Continenza, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Elston.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

Abstain: Councilman Justin Tisdale

The legislation has been approved.

Swearing-In Ceremony

A swearing-in ceremony was held for new police officer Alex Clemenit and the promotion of Officer Shauna McCann to Corporal.

Report of Mayor & Department Heads

- South Euclid Poet Laureate Doc Janning recited the evening's poem "Timeless Cycles".
- Mayor Welo announced that all directors are in attendance except Fire Chief Dave Csire, who is excused.
- City Engineer Blackley gave an update on various road construction programs throughout the City and also reported that he will be making a presentation at the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District on the City's success securing MCIP funds for projects.
- Community Development Director Benjamin discussed the South Green Road Project, Neighborhood Greenways and the use of bike lanes and bike boxes.
- Parks and Recreation Director Subwick reported that the Adventure Trail is under construction and that the Community Market continues this Thursday from 4 pm – 8 pm and thanked Councilwoman Continenza for her efforts running the market.

Mr. Subwick reported on upcoming events including the Hillcrest Concert Band on Sunday July 31st at Notre Dame College, Bexley Bash and Rock the Block.

- Planning & Development Director Love reported on Ordinance 11-22 from the Planning Commission and that a public hearing would need to be scheduled.
- Mayor Welo discussed the upcoming Safety Levy and thanked residents for their past support.
- Mayor Welo congratulated Building Department staff for their hard work to keep our businesses and neighborhoods safe and that the Ohio Building Officials Association named our department one of the top building departments in Ohio.
- Mayor Welo reported that the South Euclid Browns Barkers held their second annual Youth Sports Camp this past weekend and had 38 youth participating.
- Mayor Welo thanked Councilwoman Hardy for her efforts updating our salary and sick leave ordinances.

Public Hearings (Open Meeting) Related to Agenda Items

There were no public comments.

Reports of Council Committees

Committee of the Whole

Councilwoman Gray reported that the monthly Committee of the Whole was held to discuss monthly finances. Finance Director Wendt reported on current revenues and expenditures and the City currently has a General Fund balance of around \$5 million. Councilwoman Hard gave an overview of Ordinances 15-22 and 16-22 updating the Salary Ordinance and Sick Leave Policy.

Legislation Requested by the Planning Commission

Introduced by Gray

Ordinance 11-22

ORDINANCE

Amending Section 772.08 "Parking or Storage of Commercial or Construction Vehicles and Equipment" of Chapter 772 "Parking" of Title Seven "Sign Regulations, Landscaping and Parking" of Part Seven "Planning and Zoning Code," of The Codified Ordinances of the City of South Euclid, Ohio. **Second Reading.**

The legislation was placed on second reading and referred to the Zoning and Planning Committee pending a public hearing.

Introduced by Gray

Resolution 48-22

RESOLUTION

Granting a Conditional Use Permit for an Outdoor Patio to "Daiquiri Factory, aka Daqfac," located at 4490 Mayfield Road in the City of South Euclid, Ohio. First Reading.
Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Gray, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Elston.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Gray

Resolution 49-22

RESOLUTION

Granting a Conditional Use Permit to "iCare Connect" to operate a daycare facility at 1415 South Belvoir Boulevard in the City of South Euclid, Ohio. First Reading.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Gray, **Seconded by** Councilman Tisdale.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

The legislation has been approved.

Legislation Requested by City Council

Introduced by Gray

Resolution 43-22

RESOLUTION

A Resolution of South Euclid City Council in support of abortion rights and other reproductive rights, in opposition to the U.S. Supreme Court's majority decision to overturn Roe v. Wade, urging federal and state elected officials to codify abortion rights and other reproductive rights. **Second Reading.**

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

Councilwoman Elston introduced and discussed the legislation and Councilman Fahsbender stated that he fully supports it. Councilwoman Continenza stated that any prohibitions by the government have never served the people and she will support the resolution. Councilman Tisdale stated that as a male, it is not his decision to decide what anyone should do with their bodies and Council President Gray stated that she supports the legislation and if the Supreme Court can take away the rights of woman, who would be next.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Gray

Ordinance 15-22

ORDINANCE

Ordinance Amending Chapter 137 "Employment Provisions" of Part One "Administrative Code" of the Codified Ordinances of the City of South Euclid, Ohio, First Reading.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Hardy, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Elston.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Gray

Ordinance 16-22

ORDINANCE

Fixing the Salary Range, Compensation and Rates of Pay for various Offices, Boards, Commissions and Departments of the Municipal Government, Repealing Ordinance No. 05-22 Adopted March 28, 2022, and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith; and Declaring An Emergency. First Reading.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Hardy, **Seconded by** Councilman Fahsbender.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

The legislation has been approved.

Legislation Requested by the Mayor & Administration

Introduced by Gray

Ordinance 12-22

ORDINANCE

Assessing unpaid costs of nuisance abatement (high grass, weeds, etc.) as authorized by Section 521.14 (D), of the Codified Ordinances of the City of South Euclid, Ohio; and declaring an emergency. First Reading.

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

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

The legislation has been approved.

 Introduced by Gray

Ordinance 13-22

ORDINANCE

Assessing unpaid costs of Service Department-nuisance abatement (yard clean-up, boarding charges, etc.) as authorized by Section 521.14 (d) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of South Euclid, Ohio; and declaring an emergency. First Reading.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilman Tisdale, **Seconded by** Council President Gray

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Gray

Ordinance 14-22

ORDINANCE

Assessing all unpaid costs of false alarm – nuisance abatements, as authorized by Chapter 531 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of South Euclid, Ohio, the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court and the Ohio Revised Code; and declaring an emergency. First Reading.

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

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Gray

Resolution 50-22

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor to convey certain real property of the City of South Euclid, Ohio to One South Euclid. First Reading.

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

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

The legislation has been approved.

Public Hearings (Open Meeting) Related to Open Business:

- Nathan Diamond, 1090 Avondale Road, stated that he was honored to be part of the July 31st Summerfest at Velocity Church and stated that he grew up in South Euclid and he and his wife are now raising two children in the community. Mr. Diamond reported that there has been an increase in trash at the Playground of Possibilities. Mayor Welo stated that while trash is cleaned up every workday, she will work to address and improve the issue.
 - Aja Nall, 4761 Dorshwood Road, reported that she was attending the meeting as a participant in the One South Euclid Passport to Summer program.
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Communications of City Council

- Councilman Fahsbender stated that he is grateful and moved that Councilwoman Elston & Gray introduced the resolution regarding abortion rights.
 - Councilwoman Hardy reported on the Community Partnership on Aging's Random Acts of Fun fundraiser taking place from September 10 through 20th.
 - Councilwoman Continenza stated that she has been working hard on the community market and it has been growing and reported that the Market now accepts the Produce Perks Program for SNAP program.
 - Councilman Tisdale had no report.
 - Councilwoman Elston congratulated the new police officer and Officer McCann on her promotion and wished everyone a peaceful and relaxing break.
 - Council President Gray thanked council for their efforts and to enjoy their August break.
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Adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation.

Action: Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session, **Moved by** Councilman Elston, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Fahsbender.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman John Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank.

The legislation has been approved.

The Meeting Adjourned to Executive Session at 9:24 pm.

Adjourn

With no further business to discuss, **Action:** Motion to Adjourn, **Moved by** Councilman Continenza, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Elston

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

Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Councilwoman Chanell Elston, Councilman Fahsbender, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale, Council President Ruth Gray.

Absent: Councilman Joe Frank,

The Meeting Adjourned at 10:10 pm.

Council President

Attest:

Clerk of Council