

**REGULAR MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL**

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

**Roll Call**

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

**Absent:** Councilman John Fahsbender

**Minutes of Meetings****November 14, 2022**

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

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5)

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

**Abstain:** Councilwoman Sara Continenza

**Absent:** Councilman John Fahsbender

The minutes have been approved.

**November 28, 2022**

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

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

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

The minutes have been approved.

**Absent:** Councilman John Fahsbender

**Report of Mayor & Department Heads**

- South Euclid Poet Laureate Doc Janning recited his poem "Their Calling" in recognition of the South Euclid Fire Department. Gave his monthly report. Porcelains and Poetry delayed until April.
- Council President Gray reported that Mayor Welo could not attend the meeting and that all directors are present.
- Parks & Recreation Director Subwick thanked council members that were able to attend the lighting ceremony and recognized Service Department employee John Carlo for all of his hard work setting up the lighting decorations.
- Planning & Development Director Love requested Council's support of Res. 75-22 to convey property to One South Euclid and Res. 78-22 renewing the contract for OhioBiz and Mark Geyman for the management of the City's website.
- Anthony DiRenzo provided updates on the Oakmount Road Phase II project and request Council consideration of Res. 74-22 regarding additional expenses related to the Oakmount project.

**Report of Law Director** Law Director Lograsso reported on Res. 76-22 which allows City Council, Finance Director and the Mayor to enter into a settlement agreement with the South Euclid Municipal Court regarding former Judge Gayle Williams Byers against the city related to financial issues.

**Report of School District**

South Euclid-Lyndhurst Board of Education Member Ashley King gave a report on behalf of the school district including the installation of new HVAC and windows at the elementary schools, the opening of a new medical clinic for students and employees at Brush High School and student achievements for several programs including a new music and technology program for middle and high school students.

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

There were no public comments.

## Reports of Council Committees

### Committee of the Whole

Council President Gray reported that the Committee of the Whole met to discuss the Court Reconciliation Update with Acting Judge Harry Field and Acting Clerk of Court Szirony.

### Committee of the Whole

Introduced by Gray

Ordinance 19-22

#### ORDINANCE

An Ordinance to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of South Euclid, State of Ohio, during the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2023; and declaring an emergency. Third Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilman Frank, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Gray.

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

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

**Absent:** Councilman John Fahsbender

The legislation has been approved.

### Legislation Requested by the Mayor & Administration

Introduced by Gray

Ordinance 21-22

#### ORDINANCE

An ordinance to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of South Euclid, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2022; and declaring an emergency. First Reading.

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

Councilman Tisdale.

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

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

**Absent:** Councilman John Fahsbender

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Gray

Ordinance 22-22

#### ORDINANCE

Fixing the salary range, compensation and rates of pay for various offices, boards, commissions and departments of the municipal government, repealing Ordinance 18-22 adopted October 24, 2022, and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith; and declaring an emergency. First Reading.

The legislation was placed on First Reading.

Introduced by Gray

Ordinance 23-22

#### ORDINANCE

An ordinance establishing and regulating the OneOhio Opioid Settlement Fund #231; and declaring an emergency. First Reading.

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

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

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

**Absent:** Councilman John Fahsbender

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Gray

Resolution 74-22

#### RESOLUTION

Authorizing the appropriation of unappropriated funds in the following fund: "Flood

Control Fund #426" for expenditures related to the Oakmount Road Infrastructure Improvement Project, Phase 2. First Reading.

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

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

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

**Absent:** Councilman John Fahsbender

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Gray

Resolution 75-22

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** Councilman Tisdale.

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

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

**Absent:** Councilman John Fahsbender

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Gray

Resolution 76-22

RESOLUTION

Authorizing Members of City Council, Mayor and Finance Director to enter into a settlement agreement with the South Euclid Municipal Court. First Reading.

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

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

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

**Absent:** Councilman John Fahsbender

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Gray

Resolution 77-22

RESOLUTION

Setting the date for the first regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council of the City of South Euclid, Ohio in 2023. First Reading.

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

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

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

**Absent:** Councilman John Fahsbender

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Gray

Resolution 78-22

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with OhioBiz, LLC to continue providing website development, hosting and maintenance services in fiscal year 2023 for the City of South Euclid, Ohio. First Reading.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilman Frank, **Seconded by** Councilman Gray.

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

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

**Absent:** Councilman John Fahsbender

The legislation has been approved.

**Public Hearings (Open Meeting) Related to Open Business:**

- Chuck Turner, 4549 Lilac Road, wished everyone a merry Christmas, Kwanzaa, and Hanukah. Mr. Turner apologized to "those groups" upset that the Mayor allowed the time capsule to be placed at Notre Dame College.

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**Communications of City Council**

- Councilman Tisdale discussed the success of the Holiday Lighting Ceremony and wished everyone healthy and happy holidays.
- Councilwoman Hardy reported on the Council of Councils Meeting held last week and that Councilwomen Continenza and Elston were also in attendance. Ms. Hardy reported that she spoke with elected officials from Richmond Heights, and they are grateful that South Euclid allowed their residents to use our pools last summer. Ms. Hardy stated that she enjoyed the Holiday Lighting Ceremony and congratulated Tim Sterkel on his appointment as South Euclid Judge.
- Councilman Frank thanked Service Department employee John Carlo for taking such joy in lighting up City Hall and thanked the Fire Department and Paramedics for their excellent service to his parents during two emergency calls. Mr. Frank wished everyone happy holidays and a happy new year.
- Councilwoman Elston also discussed the success of the Holiday Lighting Ceremony and wished everyone happy holidays and she is looking forward to next year.
- Councilwoman Continenza wished everyone happy and safe holidays and stated that she is looking forward to more accomplishments in the new year.
- Council President Gray thanked everyone for their service in the last year and accomplishments and wished everyone happy and safe holiday season.

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**Adjourn**

With no further business to discuss, **Action:** Motion to adjourn meeting, **Moved by** Councilwoman Frank, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Elston.

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

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

**Absent:** Councilman John Fahsbender

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 pm.

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Council President

Attest:

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Clerk of Council