

REGULAR MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL

Council President Moe Romeo called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Present: Goodman, Gray, Hartigan, Miller, Simon, Romeo (6)

Absent: Icové

Staff: Benjamin, Blackley, Caminati, Cannell, Filippo, Kowalczyk, Lograsso, Martin, Nietert, Weló

Special Presentation:

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY GRADUATION CEREMONY. Certificates were awarded to the first graduating class of the South Euclid Citizens Police Academy.

Opening Meeting of Council:

President Romeo called the Open Meeting of Council to order and invited the audience to address Council:

- Yakov Lieber, 4242 Hindsdale, requested that City Council consider amending Resolution 01-09 changing the date of the September 28th Regular Meeting of City Council to September 29, 2009 for the observance of the Yom Kippur holiday.
- Rochelle Hartigan, 4301 Lucille, spoke regarding the upcoming Pancake Breakfast to benefit the Playground of Possibilities. Hartigan invited City Council Members to be “celebrity servers” and stated that local media celebrities would also be in attendance as servers for the event.

Approval of Minutes: November 10, 2008 and November 24, 2008

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Goodman, that the minutes of the November 10, 2008 and November 24, 2008 meetings of City Council be approved.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Goodman, Gray, Hartigan, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Icové.

The Minutes have been approved.

Report of Council Committees:

Safety Committee

Councilperson Gray reported that the Safety Committee met earlier in the evening to discuss Civil Service regulations and the recruitment of minority candidates for safety service positions. Further discussion will take place at a Safety Committee meeting scheduled for February 9, 2009.

Mayor's Report:

- **Engineer Blackley:** reported that the District One Public Works District One Integrating Committee approved South Euclid's application for \$287,000 for the Cedar Center Infrastructure Improvement. Blackley also discussed a change in PUCO law that allows Dominion East Ohio Gas Company to take ownership of gas line replacements. Work will be done on Green Road on Bluestone by the gas company and will affect approximately 14 homes.
- **Building Commissioner Kowalczyk:** reported that the new Dormitory building opened on Saturday at Notre Dame College. The dorm has 64 beds and connects the old residence hall areas, making the existing buildings ADA compliant for the first time with elevators. Kowalczyk also reported that Cedar Center demolition got underway about 2 weeks ago and that the crews are performing asbestos abatement in the old theater building. Kowalczyk also requested Council consideration for Ordinance 03-09 regarding registration of contractors within the Building Code.
- **Finance Director Filippo:** requested Council consideration of Ord. 01-09 regarding the renewal of the Cedar Center bonds and reported that the pricing for the renewal would take place the week of January 20th and that Key Bank does not see any problems with getting the notes priced. Filippo also stated that Budget Books will be available in mid February and that RITA will be having their subpoena program for unpaid income taxes in the coming weeks. President Romeo requested that Council and the Administration set aside the last two Saturdays in February for proposed Budget Hearings.

- **Housing Manager Martin:** reported that the Good Neighbor/Building Department Home Maintenance Seminar will be this upcoming Wednesday and reported on a Cleveland Sight Center grant.
- **Police Chief Nietert:** no report
- **Fire Chief Cannell:** no report.
- **Mayor Welo:** reported that she met with the St. John Lutheran Church Outreach Program to discuss how their congregation can engage with the city and city events and also reported the the City was recently listed in Crain's Cleveland Magazine as having one of the top 50 incomes in Northeast Ohio.

Legislation Requested by the Mayor & Administration

Introduced by Romeo

Resolution 01-09

RESOLUTION

SETTING THE DATES FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETINGS IN 2009. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Gray, that Resolution 01-09 be amended to change the date of the September 28th meeting of City Council to September 29, 2009.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Goodman, Gray, Hartigan, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Icovc.

The Legislation has been amended.

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Gray, that Resolution 01-09 be passed as amended.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Goodman, Gray, Hartigan, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Icovc.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Romeo

Resolution 02-09

RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING JANUARY 2009 AS "FIBROMYALGIA AWARENESS MONTH". FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Goodman, seconded by Simon, that Resolution 02-09 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Goodman, Gray, Hartigan, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Icovc.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Romeo

Ordinance 01-09

ORDINANCE

TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF THE ACQUISITION, AND ANY NECESSARY CLEARANCE AND PREPARATION OF REAL PROPERTY FOR URBAN REDEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS TO BE LOCATED THEREON, AND PAYING COSTS OF ISSUANCE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Hartigan, that Ordinance 01-09 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Goodman, Gray, Hartigan, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Icovc.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Romeo

Ordinance 02-09

ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 933.07, FEES FOR USE, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 933, MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOLS OF PART NINE – STREETS AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID; SETTING ADMISSION FEES, SEASON PASSES, SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND RECIPOROCITY WITH THE CITY OF LYNDHURST FOR THE USE OF THE MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOLS AND SPLASH PARK BY RESIDENTS OF THE CITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Miller, seconded by Goodman, that Ordinance 02-09 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Goodman, Gray, Hartigan, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Icové.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Romeo

Ordinance 03-09

ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 1307.03 “EXCEPTIONS” OF CHAPTER 1307 “REGISTRATION OF CONTRACTORS” OF PART THIRTEEN “BUILDING CODE” OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

[8:33:15 PM](#) Following discussion, It was moved by Simon, seconded by Hartigan, that Ordinance 03-09 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Goodman, Gray, Hartigan, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Icové.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Law Director’s Report

None

Letters & Communications

- Councilperson Gray: requested that the Building Commissioner look in to a matter regarding the complaint of a resident who is dealing with the flooding of her home on West Anderson Road. Building Commissioner Kowalczyk responded that he was aware of the long standing situation and that the City is looking into a solution through the flood control program
- Councilperson Goodman reported that a Colony Road Block Watch meeting will be held on January 21st at the Community Center. Goodman also reported that a new bagel store has opened on Grosvenor and Warrensville Center roads and that the owner is also a resident of the city. Goodman congratulated South Euclid resident Marty Gland and his wife on the birth of their first child.
- Mayor Welo reported that the City is holding a food drive through Valentine’s Day called “Share the Love” to collect food for those in need and reported that the Pancake Breakfast to benefit the Playground of Possibilities will be held next Saturday.
- President Romeo reported on the results of the Annual Ward 2 Holiday Decoration contest that was judged by Sally Martin, Jane Romeo and Meg Martines. Romeo reported that there were three winners and 17 honorable mentions and read a letter received from one of the award winners thanking the City for recognizing them.

Adjourn

With no further business to discuss, President Romeo made a motion to adjourn the Meeting. Seconded by Miller

Roll Call to Adjourn

Ayes: Goodman, Gray, Hartigan, Miller, Simon, Romeo

Nays:

Absent: Ilove.
The Meeting Adjourned at 8:44 pm.

Council President

Attest:

Clerk of Council