

**REGULAR MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL**

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

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Council President Pro Tem Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Moe Romeo, Council President David Miller.

**Absent:** Councilman Ilove.

**Opening Meeting of Council:**

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

- Michael Fortner, 1823 Oakmont Road, discussed why the City should consider changing its name from South Euclid to College Square to reflect the growth and vitality of Notre Dame College and connection with the nearby colleges and universities and University Circle. Mr. Fortner stated that College Square is forward looking rather than looking to the past and is a fresh statement for the community

**Report of Council Committees:****Committee of the Whole:**

President Miller reported that interviews took place for the selection of a member of the Planning Commission

**Mayor's Report:**

- **Mayor Welo** reported on behalf of Service Director Anderson that since last Thursday the City has gone through over 1,000 tons of road salt and during the storm there were issues with two of the city's nine trucks. The Mayor reported on behalf of Fire Chief Stefko the City's policy regarding the opening of Warming Centers and that City Hall will be open 24 hours a day as a first response, with the opening of the Community Center during large scale power outages. The Mayor reported on Chief Stefko's warnings regarding the use of space heaters, extension cords and reminded residents to have working smoke and CO2 detectors near bedrooms. Mayor Welo reported that the City's unique response to the foreclosure crisis has been included as a best practice by the Federal Reserve Bank Report.
- **Engineer Blackley:** Reported on the NOACA meeting that was also attended by Councilwoman Pro Tem Goodman and the Safe Routes For School Grant, which has been approved. Engineer Blackley requested Council Consideration of Resolution 03-14 regarding going out to bid for the City's Watermain Renewal Program for 2014.

**Legislation Requested by the Administration**

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 02-14

## RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY SPECIFICATIONS, ADVERTISE FOR BIDS, AND ENTER INTO SUBSEQUENT CONTRACTS FOR THE 2014 NUISANCE ABATEMENT LANDSCAPING PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID. FIRST READING.

The legislation was placed on First Reading and referred to Service Committee.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 03-14

## RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE CITY ENGINEER TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE 2014 WATERMAIN RENEWAL PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

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

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

**Yes:** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Moe Romeo, Council President David Miller.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 01-14

## RESOLUTION

APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF 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 RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

The legislation was placed on First Reading and referred to the Legislative Committee.

**Law Director's Report**

No Report

**Letters & Communications**

**President Miller** reported on the tragedy at Tino's and requested that the administration begin the process of nuisance abatement of the establishment. Mr. Benjamin reported that the Mayor and Chief had the conversation last week about the issue and the Law Director will be looking into the process.

**Councilperson Fiorelli** reported on a community meeting regarding Juvenile Issues sponsored by the South Euclid Municipal Court.

**Council President Pro Tem Goodman** reported that the Public Forum regarding Juvenile issues was requested by Ward 3 Resident Val Mikluscak because there have been issues regarding youth in the neighborhood and residents are seeking a better understanding about how the judicial system works with juvenile offenders. Ms. Goodman thanked Judge Byers for putting the program together which will include Judge Floyd from the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court and Judge Gall from the Court of Common Pleas. The Meeting will take place on February 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at South Euclid City Hall in the Community Room.

**Councilman Gelfand** reported on the press conference that was held with Mayor Welo to announce the Heritage Home Purchase Program in collaboration with the Cleveland Restoration Society and reported on the Society's upcoming annual meeting and fundraiser.

**Councilwoman Gray** thanked the Housing and Police Department for their work to abate the problem of a vacant home on Princeton where the siding was being stolen. Ms. Gray reported that the police had a warrant out for someone's arrest. Ms. Gray asked if City snow plows accidentally take a mailbox down while plowing if the City will replace the resident's mailbox. Mayor Welo reported that the City will pay for the cost of a replacement and that the resident should contact Patti in the Service Department.

**Council President Pro Tem Goodman** thanked the Service Department for their assistance helping residents, including herself, whose cars got stuck in the snow during the recent storm. The Mayor stated that the City's Facebook page has photos of police officers helping residents during the recent storm. Ms. Goodman discussed the Cuyahoga River Action Planning Grant that she is applying for and will work with South Euclid on codes and policies to make South Euclid a model community. The grant will serve 30 communities across Northeast Ohio.

**Council President Miller** scheduled a Legislative Committee for February 10, 2014 at 7 pm to discuss the Codification Ordinance and a Committee Meeting on February 24<sup>th</sup> to discuss the grass-cutting abatement legislation.

**Adjourn**

**Action:** Motion to adjourn the meeting of City Council, **Moved by** Councilman Marty Gelfand, **Seconded by** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli.

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

**Yes:** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Moe Romeo, Council President David Miller.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:46 pm.

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Council President

Attest:

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Clerk of Council