

## REGULAR MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL

Council President Pro Tem Ed Icové called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### Roll Call

**Present:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Goodman, Gray, Romeo, Icové, (6)

**Absent:** Miller

**Staff:** Benjamin, Blackley, Filippo, Lograsso, Anderson, Love, Huston, Martin

**Approval of Minutes:** December 26, 2012; January 14, 2013; January 28, 2013; and February 11, 2013  
Following discussion, it was moved by Icové seconded by Romeo, that the minutes be approved.

### Roll Call:

**Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Goodman, Gray, Romeo, Icové.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** Gray for December 26 Meeting.

**Absent:** Miller

The Minutes have been approved.

### **Opening Meeting of Council:**

President Pro Tem Icové called the Open Meeting of Council to order and invited the audience to address Council:

- John Currid, 1683 Beaconwood, stated that he is in shock at City Council's passage of the law City Council passed allowing bar owners to prevent their customers from carrying guns in their establishments and violates the right to keep and bare arms.
- Alfreda Wynne, 585 Quilliams, a member of the South Euclid-Lyndhurst School Board, gave an update on their strategic planning process and student accomplishments.
- Beth Greisel, 4498 East Berwald, thanked the Mayor and members of Council for their 2012 support of boys and girls youth softball and baseball teams, along with the police and firefighters.

### **Report of Council Committees:**

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Councilman Romeo reported on monthly finances prior to meeting and stated that receipts are down so far this year as a result of the reductions from the State and that RITA collections to date are down \$17,000 from this time last year.

#### Recreation Committee

Councilman Gelfand reported that the Committee met to discuss the proposed pesticide ordinance and had an excellent meeting. Legislation will be prepared for first reading in the near future.

### **Legislation Requested by the Planning Commission**

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 02-13

#### ORDINANCE

Enacting New Section 770.35 (a) of Chapter 770 "Sign Regulations" of Part Seven "The Planning and Zoning Code" of the City of South Euclid, Ohio. **Second Reading.**

The Ordinance was placed on Second Reading and Referred to the Zoning & Planning Committee of Council for further review and discussion.

### **Mayor's Report:**

- **Engineer Blackley:** Reported on upcoming BIDS for the Sheridan Road infrastructure project and that the Road Program Bids would be going out by the end of the month. Mr. Blackley discussed the Green Road signalization project and the process to have it on the NOACA TIP list.
- **Housing Manager Martin** reported that she has been selected to present at a webinar held by the Federal Reserve and that the door to door inspection programs have begun
- **Economic Development Director Love** reported that Neveah Cuisine will open tomorrow at 4.
- **Mayor Welo** reported on the status of House Bill 5 regarding the Income Tax Uniformity and that the City has three primary sources of income: Income Tax, Property Tax and Local Government Fund, and all have been cut by the State or County. Mayor Welo reported that a bill has been introduced to restore the Local Government Fund.

### **Legislation Requested by the Administration**

Introduced by Ilove

Resolution 16-13

## RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor to apply for a grant under the "Cuyahoga County Competitive Municipal Program: 2013 Community Development Block Grant Fund" and declaring an emergency. FIRST READING.

The Legislation was placed on First Reading pending a Public Meeting to be held on March 13, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

**Law Director's Report**

Reported that Council has received notice of the resolution of the parking ticket issue and Judge Liston has made the judgment entry and that Judge Liston found that all orders issued by the South Euclid Court against the Mayor, Chief Nietert and Traffic Commissioner Abele were null and void. Lograsso reported that all parties worked together towards a mutually agreed upon resolution.

**Letters & Communications**

- Councilperson Gray reported on the upcoming Safety Committee Public Hearing on March 18 to discuss the budget and proposed cuts.
- Councilperson Goodman reported on the Ward 4 Community Meeting.
- Councilperson Gelfand reported on the State Cuts and that if the State was now going to withhold Income Tax dollars its going to be a big problem. Mr. Gelfand reported that he attended an event at the Brush High School Library.
- Councilperson Romeo reported that the Playground of Possibilities fundraiser sold 191 tickets and it was a wonderful evening. It is expected that the fundraiser raised approximately \$6,000 for the Playground of Possibilities.
- Councilman Fiorelli an issue regarding yard waste and thanked Sally Martin and Jim Anderson for their assistance. Mr. Fiorelli spoke regarding the gun resolution.
- Councilman Ilove stated that the guns in bars resolution was unanimously passed and supported by our police chiefs and safety forces.
- Councilwoman Gray also responded regarding the guns in bars resolution and said that logic dictates what happens when guns and alcohol mix.
- Councilman Ilove reported on Black History Month events and the budget hearing, which were held on March 6, and 7. Ilove stated that there will be another budget hearing and that between now and the meeting council will give input regarding the budget, which needs to be passed by the end of the month.
- Councilperson Goodman stated that Council must still meet with the Mayor and Judge regarding their departmental budgets. Councilperson Ilove stated that the Judge does not have to appear at budget hearings and that former Judge Keri attended three times.

**Adjourn**

With no further business to discuss, Ilove made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss the sale of real property. Seconded by Gelfand

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Goodman, Gray, Romeo, Ilove

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Miller

The Meeting Adjourned to Executive Session at 9:20 pm.

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 Council President

Attest:

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 Clerk of Council