

**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 Ed Icové, Councilman Moe Romeo, Council President David Miller.

**Approval of Minutes:** June 8, 2015

**Action:** Motion to Approve Minutes, **Moved by** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli, **Seconded by** Council President Pro Tem Jane Goodman.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Council President Pro Tem Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icové, Councilman Moe Romeo, Council President David Miller.  
The minutes have been approved.

**Opening Meeting of Council:**

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

- Darlene Thomas, 1407 Belvoir Mews, discussed issues with the neighboring bar and business including rubbish not being placed in dumpsters resulting in garbage blowing over onto her lot and noise issues with the Riverstone Bar. Ms. Thomas stated that the bar is a bit out of control with patrons making noise and some urinating on the street. Ms. Thomas also requested that the city look at the condition of their back lot which is overgrown and haven for weeds and rodents.
- Charles Turner, 4549 Lilac Road, stated that council doesn't discuss people's problems because it opens them up to liability and Mr. Lograsso opens himself up to liability and claimed that Mr. Lograsso mistreated a former client by taking advantage of her in a real estate deal to buy his house. Mr. Turner remarked that the law director, police chief and mayor have looked into his past and he has been assaulted by a police officer going 60 mph and that he filed a complaint with Chief Nietert and nothing was done about it. Mr. Turner also stated that he reported two police officers were sexually harassing a black dispatcher. Mr. Turner stated that he has no criminal record and not even a parking or speeding ticket.
- Carol Bell, 4573 Wilburn Drive, discussed issues with the condition of her street and that the roadway has not had any major repairs for over 9 years and that they don't want to wait until the sewers are replaced to have a decent roadway.
- John Bell, 4573 Wilburn Drive, stated that he has lived in South Euclid since 1949 and suggested that South Euclid consider doing what Mayfield Heights has done on Bonnie Lane by cutting out bad places and putting in new concrete. Mr. Bell suggested that if there is not enough money in the budget, that the city should consider borrowing funds.
- Christine Sarafian, 4554 Wilburn drive, also addressed street repair issues and issues with some flooding. Ms. Sarafian stated that several years ago the city had a contractor clean out the ditches and assessed the property owner a fee. Ms. Sarafian asked that the City come out and look at the issue. Councilman Romeo stated that he has discussed the issue with the City Engineer and that they will be looking at the flood plain issue.
- William McLaughlin, 4286 Elmwood, thanked the city for starting work on Elmwood Road and asked that a detour sign be posted to prevent cut through traffic.

**Report of Council Committees:****Safety Committee:**

Councilman Gelfand reported that the committee met to discuss the proposed legislation regarding fire dampers in city owned building and that the legislation would be on second reading.

**Zoning & Planning Committee**

Councilwoman Goodman reported that the committee met to discuss the proposed Conditional Use Permit for Porcelain Art Museum and Historical and also to discuss the regulation of clothing donation boxes.

**Committee of the Whole**

Council President Miller reported that the committee met to review monthly finances and reported that receipts through the middle of June show that the expenses and revenues are in line with the budget with a current general fund balance of \$3.4 million dollars. Mr. Miller also reported that the committee discussed Councilman Icové's requests regarding the \$12,000 yearly income from First Interstate for Oakwood Park and how the money is budgeted and that Finance Director Smith will contact the auditors to get clarification on outstanding questions.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 15-15

**RESOLUTION**

GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO THE MUSEUM OF AMERICAN PORCELAIN ART AND THE SOUTH EUCLID/LYNDHURST HISTORICAL SOCIETY, LOCATED AT 4629 AND 4645 MAYFIELD ROAD IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID. **SECOND READING.**

The legislation was placed on Second Reading and a Public Hearing is set for Sept. 15 at 7 pm.

Safety Committee  
Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 09-15

## ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 131.08 "FIRE DEPARTMENT DUTIES" OF CHAPTER 131 "DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY" OF PART ONE "ADMINISTRATIVE CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. **THIRD READING.**

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilman Marty Gelfand, **Seconded by** Councilman Moe Romeo.

**Following discussion, Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Council President Pro Tem Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icové, Councilman Moe Romeo, Council President David Miller. The legislation has been approved.

**Legislation Requested by the Charter Review Commission**

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 12-15

## ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID OF CERTAIN CHARTER AMENDMENTS AS PROPOSED BY THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XI-A OF THE CHARTER FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **SECOND READING.**

The legislation was placed on Second Reading and it was reported that the Charter Review Commission met on July 6 and recommended passage as the legislation currently stands.

**Legislation Requested by the Planning Commission**

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 20-15

## ORDINANCE

GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR A DRIVE THROUGH AND OUTDOOR DINING AT 2100 WARRENSVILLE CENTER ROAD IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FIRST READING.**

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Pro Tem Jane Goodman, **Seconded by** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli.

**Following discussion, Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Council President Pro Tem Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icové, Councilman Moe Romeo, Council President David Miller. The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 10-15

## ORDINANCE

AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO, SO AS TO CHANGE THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBERS FROM ITS EXISTING CLASS R-50 "ONE AND TWO FAMILY DISTRICT" TO ~~C-1 "LIMITED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT"~~ **R-O "RESIDENTIAL-OFFICE DISTRICT."** **SECOND READING.**

The legislation was placed on second reading and a Public Hearing was scheduled for August 3<sup>rd</sup> along with a Special Meeting of Council to consider the redevelopment of the former Young Israel Temple property for a new medical dental clinic.

**Mayor's Report:**

- Mayor Welo discussed the passing of Police Lt. Schaeffer who passed away from cancer one year to the date they found the tumor. The Mayor thanked everyone for their support of the Schaeffer family who live in South Euclid. Mayor Welo reported the State of Ohio passed the new biennial budget which includes further cuts in the Local Government Fund and also reported on the recent rainstorms which have caused flooding as well as delays in street repair projects. The Mayor discussed the many block clubs, garden parties and other events happening around the community.
- Economic Development Director Love reported for Housing Manager Martin regarding proposed legislation adding 4246 Ellison road to the Cuyahoga County demolition list.
- Fire Chief Stefko discussed a grant of \$1,500 that needs council appropriation and also in the donation of old ladders to the TRI-C Fire School. Police Chief Nietert reported on the requested donation of a mountain bike to the Notre Dame College Police Department.

**Legislation Requested by the Mayor and Administration**

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 21-15

## RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS IN THE FOLLOWING FUND: "FIRE PREVENTION FUND #101-1120-52712" IN AN AMOUNT OF \$1,500.00 FOR FIRE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES AND SUPPLIES. **FIRST READING.**

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilman Moe Romeo, **Seconded by** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli.

**Following discussion, Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Council President Pro Tem Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icové, Councilman Moe Romeo, Council President David Miller.  
The legislation has been approved

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 22-15

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO DONATE CERTAIN PROPERTY OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO TO NOTRE DAME COLLEGE AND CUYAHOGA COMMUNITY COLLEGE (TRI-C). FIRST READING.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President David Miller, **Seconded by** Councilman Moe Romeo.

**Following discussion, Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Council President Pro Tem Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icové, Councilman Moe Romeo, Council President David Miller.  
The legislation has been approved

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 23-15

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HER DESIGNEE, TO ACCEPT DONATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4246 ELLISON ROAD IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President David Miller, **Seconded by** Councilman Moe Romeo.

**Following discussion, Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Councilman Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Council President Pro Tem Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icové, Councilman Moe Romeo, Council President David Miller.  
The legislation has been approved

**Law Director's Report** No report

**Letters & Communications**

- Councilman Icové thanked Finance Director Smith for coming to the Committee Meeting and willingness to obtain in writing Section 5A information regarding the use of restrictive and non-restrictive funds.
- Councilman Fiorelli –reported on the holiday band concert at Notre Dame College and thanked resident Ray Rhode for planning the event. Mr. Fiorelli also reported on the Verona Road block party.
- Councilman Romeo reported that he was out of town and unable to attend Lt. Schaeffer's funeral and stated that he was one of the finest to ever serve South Euclid and that his prayers are with his family.
- Councilman Gelfand reported on the new City gateway signs that were installed and stated that they were great. Mr. Gelfand also reported on a meeting of the Cedar Center Neighborhood Association and the Heights Hillcrest Chamber of Commerce Summer in the City Mixer at Cedar Center.
- Councilwoman Gray reported on complaints from residents about the South Green Road bar, 2<sup>nd</sup> II None, which is located next to a recently opened child care center. Ms. Gray stated that the police continue to ticket the bar and that they have been declared a nuisance and being fined, however they remain a public nuisance. Councilwoman Gray requested that the law director advise council about what the city can do to have the state liquor board repeal their liquor license. Councilwoman Gray also reported on a meeting she attended regarding County Out-of-School Time expanded activities and available grants for inner-ring suburbs up to \$30,000. To qualify for the grant attendance for the meeting was mandatory and Ms. Gray reported that she attended on behalf of South Euclid and turned the grant application which is due on August 14<sup>th</sup> over to Director Benjamin.
- Councilwoman Goodman reported on the Verona Road Block party and stated it was wonderful to see their new "little free library". Ms. Goodman reported on the road construction delays because of the rain, but the residents of Stilmore and Eastway are thrilled about their streets being repaved. Ms. Goodman addressed the residents of Wilburn and stated that she understands their desire for a new street, but the city must handle worse streets first and can only do so much with the road levy funds.
- Council President Miller reported on the upcoming Wade Oval Wednesday event at University Circle on August 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjourn**

**Action:** Motion to Adjourn, Moved by Councilman Moe Romeo, Seconded by Councilman Dennis Fiorelli.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 7).

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

The Meeting Adjourned at 9:02 pm.

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Council President

Attest:

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Clerk of Council