

REGULAR MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL

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

Roll Call

Present: Caroscio, Goodman, Gray, Icove, Romeo, Simon, Miller (7)

Absent: None

Staff: Benjamin, Blackley, Cannell, Gallagher, Kowalczyk, Lograsso, Welo, Martin, Love

Opening Meeting of Council:

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

- Brad Bryan, 22050 Mastick Road in Fairview Park stated that he is the attorney representing the initiative petitioners concerning the tax ballot issue. Bryan submitted a written letter to the Clerk of Council on behalf of the petitioners to meet the requirements of the City Charter to place the initiative petition on the ballot at the next General Election to be held in November 2011. Bryan stated that even though the petitioners exceeded the 20% of signatures necessary to hold a special election, they did not want the City to pay the additional costs for a special election.
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Report of Council Committees:

Finance Committee

Committee Chair Romeo reported that the Committee met regarding the proposed legislation reducing Council salaries. Additional research will be conducted and the committee will meet again to discuss the matter.

Mayor's Report:

- **Mayor Welo** read a statement regarding the events of September 11, 2001 and asked that a moment of silence be observed; reported that the South Euclid and the St. Gregory community lost a valued resident with the passing of Ruth Liptow, and offered condolences to Joe Liptow and the Liptow family. Mayor Welo congratulated the efforts of the South Euclid Baseball and Girls Softball Leagues for their fundraising efforts; thanked Ray Rhode for another season of successful community band concerts; thanked Velocity Church for their efforts to provide recreation and special events for our community youth; and thanked Notre Dame College students for their efforts collecting canned food for the Heights Hunger Shelter. The Mayor requested Council's consideration of Ordinance 44-10, regarding the rental of Community Center rooms to University Heights residents.
- **Engineer Blackley:** Requested Council's consideration of Res. 54-10 to apply for the yearly Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement Program for City street improvement projects. Blackley gave an update on current improvement projects.
- **Building Commissioner Kowalczyk:** no report.
- **Housing Manager Martin:** Gave an update on the Green Neighborhood Initiative projects on Colony and Warrendale Roads.
- **Service Director Gallagher:** Congratulated Asst. Service Director Jim Anderson and his wife Tracey on the birth of their second child and requested Council consideration of Resolutions 54-10, 55-10, 56-10, 57-10, and Ordinance 45-10.
- **Fire Chief Cannell:** reported that the annual Labor Day weekend MDA Boot collection resulted in \$2,500 raised for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Cannell reported that the City is

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 41-10

ORDINANCE

ENACTING NEW CHAPTER 771 "LANDSCAPING" OF TITLE SEVEN OF PART SEVEN "PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

The Ordinance was placed on first reading and referred to the Planning Commission for review.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 42-10

ORDINANCE

AMENDING ZONING TEXT TO CHAPTERS 722, 731, 732, 736, 738, 739, 743, 744, 746, 747, AND 762 AND SECTIONS 732.02, 736.04, 736.06, 738.11, AND 739.11 OF TITLE TWO, THREE, FOUR, AND SIX OF PART SEVEN OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE. FIRST READING.

The Ordinance was placed on first reading and referred to the Planning Commission for review.

Legislation Requested by the Administration

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 54-10

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) FOR THE PROGRAM YEAR 2011 AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED WITHIN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Goodman, seconded by Caroscio, that Resolution 54-10 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Caroscio, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Simon, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 55-10

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS TO THE COMMUNITY CENTER IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Goodman, that Resolution 55-10 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Caroscio, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Simon, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 57-10

RESOLUTION

Following an explanation by the Law Director, it was moved by Goodman, seconded by Romeo, to suspend the rules for passage of Resolution 57-10.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Caroscio, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Simon, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

The rules have been suspended.

Council discussed the legislation allowing for the sale of property at Cedar Center for Gordon Foods Marketplace and Jon Baumann, consultant for the City for Cedar Center and Director Benjamin made comments regarding the agreement. Following discussion, It was moved by Goodman, seconded by Miller, that Resolution 57-10 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Caroscio, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Simon, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 43-10

ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES SECTION OF THE AUDITOR OF THE STATE OF OHIO FOR THE PURPOSES OF PREPARING AND FURNISHING TO THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (CAFR), PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFORE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Miller, that Ordinance 43-10 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Caroscio, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Simon, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 44-10

ORDINANCE

AMENDING DIVISION (b) OF SECTION 937.01 "REGULATIONS; FEE SCHEDULE" OF CHAPTER 937 "COMMUNITY CENTER" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

The legislation was placed on first reading and referred to Finance Committee for discussion and review.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 45-10

Letters & Communications

- Councilperson Goodman congratulated Councilperson Ilove on his award from Ohio Citizen Action and congratulated Councilperson Simon on her primary victory for the district County Council position. Goodman reported that resident Marcie Ronan is producing an independent film and looking for potential investors and financial assistance. Goodman reported that she will be participating in the upcoming event to promote healthy foods in school at Whole Foods on September 19 from 12-3. Goodman announced that she will be having her annual fall Ward 4 Meeting on October 6 at 7 pm at the Community Center.
- Councilperson Ilove discussed the letter presented earlier in the evening concerning the request to submit the initiative petition request to the electorate and requested that the Law Director provide an opinion.
- Councilperson Simon stated that as she has been walking the many cities that make up the County Council district she noted that South Euclid is on the cutting edge in implementing projects and initiatives. Simon discussed Notre Dame College's "Books That Changed the World" series.
- Councilperson Romeo reminded residents of the Mayor's upcoming Ward 2 Community Meeting.
- Councilperson Gray reported that the South Euclid staff has been wonderful in addressing resident issues and complaints and stated that she has received good feedback about the Mayor's Ward One Community Meeting that was held in August. Gray reported that Block Groups are forming in Ward One with a new club being implemented on Sherwood. Gray reported that her annual fall Ward One meeting will be held on Oct. 14th at 6 pm at the Greenmont Party Center. Gray also reported that the City's second annual Kwanzaa Celebration will be held December 26 at Greenmont Party Center.
- Council President Miller thanked the Mayor and the administration for their hard work regarding the Cedar Center redevelopment project.

Adjourn

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

Roll Call to Adjourn

Ayes: Caroscio, Goodman, Gray, Ilove, Romeo, Simon, Miller

Nays:

The Meeting Adjourned at 9:17 pm.

Council President

Attest:

Clerk of Council