

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: Fistek, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Miller, Simon, Romeo (7)

Absent: None

Staff: Benjamin, Blackley, Caminati, Cannell, Filippo, Kowalczyk, Lograsso, Nietert, Welo

Council President Moe Romeo requested that Ordinance 44-07 be amended to reflect the recommendations of the Recreation Committee of City Council. Moved by Miller, Seconded by Goodman.

Roll Call to Amend:

Ayes: Fistek, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

The Legislation has been amended.

Council President Romeo made a motion to amend proposed Ordinance 05-08 to reflect the addition of a third home on the nuisance abatement legislation. Seconded by Goodman.

Roll Call to Amend:

Ayes: Fistek, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

The Legislation has been amended.

Swearing In/Recognition Ceremony:

Eric Thompson was sworn-in as a new firefighter and Lt. Tim Carney was recognized for 27 years of service with the Fire Department.

Opening Meeting of Council:

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

- Robert Fry, 1299 South Green Road, requested that City Council either rescind the Point of Sale legislation or put it on the ballot for citizen vote.
- Al Harris, 4070 Dartford, thanked the City and the Service Department for their quick response and work to fill potholes on streets.
- Kevin Blaysak, 3851 Princeton Road, reported that the Streets in South Euclid are better than they are in Cleveland Heights and also voiced his opposition to the point of sale legislation.
- Bob Schoenenwald, 4426 Bayard, spoke in favor of allowing the residents to decide if the city should have Point of Sale and stated that we owe it to them to allow them to have their voice.
- Yakov Lieber, 4242 Hindsdale, spoke in opposition of the Point of Sale legislation and stated that Council has two options: either repeal the legislation or put it on the ballot for the voters to decide.
- Brad Steinberg, owner of Curves at 13967 Cedar Road, made Council aware of challenges he is facing regarding relocating his business from Cedar Center and asked for some forgiveness in terms of his remaining rent.

Report of Council Committees:

Zoning & Planning Committee of Council

Councilperson Icové reported that a Public Hearing was held to discuss the proposed Mayfield-Green Rezoning Legislation and requested that the legislation be scheduled for second and third readings at the next two meetings of City Council.

Recreation Committee of Council

Introduced by Romeo

Ordinance 44-07

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 ADMISSION FEES, SEASON PASSES, SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND RECIPROCITY WITH THE CITY OF LYNDHURST FOR THE USE OF THE MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOLS BY RESIDENTS OF THE CITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Miller, seconded by Goodman, that Ordinance 44-07 be passed as amended.

Roll Call:**Ayes:** Fistek, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Miller, Simon, Romeo.**Nays:** None.**Abstain:** None.**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Romeo

Ordinance 45-07

ORDINANCE

FIXING THE SALARY COMPENSATION AND RATES OF PAY FOR SWIMMING POOL PERSONNEL;
 REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN
 EMERGENCY. SECOND READING.

Following discussion, it was moved by Miller, seconded by Goodman that Ordinance 45-07 be passed.

Roll Call:**Ayes:** Fistek, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Miller, Simon, Romeo.**Nays:** None.**Abstain:** None.**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Mayor's Report:

- **Mayor Welo:** Reported that Jim Kennedy, Economic Development Director from Fairview Park will be available to meet with Council and the public on February 11 to discuss how Fairview Park uses its CRA. Mayor Welo also reported that Cal Caminati received a call from Kirby Date from Cleveland State University regarding greenspace utilization and the CRA.
- **Engineer Blackley:** Requested Council's consideration of Resolutions 02-08 & 03-08.
- **Building Commissioner Kowalczyk:** No Report
- **Finance Director Filippo:** No Report
- **Police Chief Nietert:** Requested Council's consideration of Ordinances 03-08 & 04-08.
- **Fire Chief Cannell:** Reported that the hiring of the new firefighter is a replacement position.
- **Mayor Welo:** Reported on the School Funding issue and her agreement with the Sun Newspaper editorial regarding school funding and getting the burden off of our property taxes. Welo stated that she is serving on two State committees regarding education and school funding and is meeting with Governor Strickland on a regular basis about the issue.

Legislation for Reconsideration

Introduced by Romeo

Ordinance 65-05

ORDINANCE

AMENDING PART FOURTEEN "HOUSING CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF
 SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO BY ENACTING NEW CHAPTER 1413 ENTITLED "CERTIFICATES OF
 INSPECTION".

Council President Romeo asked for a motion to reconsider the legislation. No motions were made to reconsider the legislation. Legislation stands as originally passed.

Resident Yakov Lieber requested a "point of order" regarding the non-action concerning the exterior point of sale legislation and asked what it meant. Law Director Lograsso reported that the legislation stands as originally passed and that per law, residents will have the opportunity to vote on the issue to decide if they want exterior point of sale or not.

Legislation Requested by the Mayor & Administration

Introduced by Romeo

Resolution 02-08

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE CITY ENGINEER TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS,
 AND BIDS FOR THE 2008 MANHOLE SEPARATION PROJECT IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID,
 OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Fistek, seconded by Romeo, that Resolution 02-08 be passed.

Roll Call:**Ayes:** Fistek, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Miller, Simon, Romeo.**Nays:** None.**Abstain:** None.

Absent: None.
The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Romeo

Resolution 03-08

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE CITY ENGINEER TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND BIDS FOR THE NINE MILE CREEK WATERSHED RESTORATION PROJECT IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Fistek, seconded by Goodman, that Resolution 03-08 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fistek, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Romeo

Ordinance 03-08

ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 131.05 "POLICE DEPARTMENT: COMPOSITION AND BOND" OF CHAPTER 131 "DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY" OF PART ONE "ADMINISTRATIVE CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Simon, that Ordinance 03-08 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fistek, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Romeo

Ordinance 04-08

ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 351.03 "PROHIBITED STANDING OR PARKING PLACES" OF CHAPTER 351 "PARKING GENERALLY" OF PART THREE "TRAFFIC CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, moved by Gray, seconded by Simon that Ordinance 04-08 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fistek, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Romeo

Ordinance 05-08

ORDINANCE

ASSESSING ALL UNPAID COSTS OF ABATEMENT OF THE NUISANCES, AS AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 531 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO, THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT AND THE OHIO REVISED CODE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, moved by Romeo, seconded by Goodman that Ordinance 05-08 be passed as amended.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fistek, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Miller, Simon, Romeo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Law Director's Report - None

Letters & Communications

- Councilperson Goodman discussed setting up a meeting regarding a presentation from HUD.
- Councilperson Gray reported that she is setting up an ad-hoc committee to plan a celebration of the opening of the Splash Park at Quarry Park. Gray asked Councilperson Simon to co-chair the

committee with her. A meeting was set for February 28. Gray also announced that she will be having a Ward 1 meeting on either March 20 or 27 at St. Margaret Mary Church.

- Councilperson Miller requested dates to set up a Town Hall Coffee regarding the School Levy to educate residents about the issue and answer questions.
- Councilperson Fistek, read letters of thanks and appreciation and shared photographs from the troops that received gifts as part of the Adopt-A-Platoon project. Fistek thanked all those who assisted with the successful project.
- Councilperson Simon reported that the South Euclid Book Club will meet this Wednesday at City Hall to discuss the Club's first book which focuses on Africa.
- Council President Romeo congratulated the administration for the new advertisement in January's issue of Northern Ohio Live promoting the City as a great place to live.

Adjourn

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

Roll Call to Adjourn

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

Nays:

The Meeting Adjourned at 9:13 pm.

Council President

Attest:

Clerk of Council