

## 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, Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller (7)

**Absent:** None

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

**Approval of Minutes:** November 28, 2011

Following discussion, it was moved by Goodman, seconded by Icovc, that the November 28, 2011 Minutes of City Council be approved.

### Roll Call:

**Ayes:** Caroscio, Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Minutes have been approved.

### Special Presentation

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 59-11

#### RESOLUTION

IN APPRECIATION TO AND RECOGNITION OF JUDGE PATRICIA ANN KLERI FOR HER OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE SOUTH EUCLID MUNICIPAL COURT AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, reading of the resolution by Councilman Romeo, presentation of the Key to the City by Mayor Welo and comments by Judge Kleri, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Caroscio, that Resolution 59-11 be passed.

### Roll Call:

**Ayes:** Caroscio, Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

**RECOGNITION CEREMONY:** Residents from the latest graduating class of the South Euclid Fall 2011 Citizen's Police Academy were recognized and received their certificates.

### Opening Meeting of Council:

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

- Larry Daniels, 4613 College Road, requested that the City revisit ordinances prohibiting the construction and use of accessory dwelling units. Mr. Daniels stated that they would like to replace their old garage and build a new garage with a dwelling unit above it for their son. Mr. Daniels stated that there are many benefits, including seniors to age in place and they promote community enhancement, financial stability and competition for absentee landlords.
- Yakov Lieber, 4242 Hindsdale, proposed that Council pass a debt limitation resolution and suggested that the City's debt should be limited to \$22 million or less.

### Report of Council Committees:

#### Committee of the Whole

President Miller reported that in November, City revenues continued to exceed expenditures, but that trend may reverse in December as a result of quarterly payments coming due. Miller stated that RITA Income Tax Revenues are holding stable.

#### Legislative Committee

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 53-11

#### RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A GREEN AND CIVIC SPACE USE AGREEMENT WITH CCN, LLC.  
**THIRD READING.**

Councilperson Gray stated that while the intent of the resolution is noteworthy, she is concerned that the once public land banked City property, is being limited to public use only 12 times a year and that the developer is dictating how the space can be used. Councilperson Fiorelli stated that the agreement accomplishes the goals of utilizing the

greenspace for public use and that even when the City is not using it for special events, the community can still use the space. It was moved by Miller, seconded by Fiorelli, that Resolution 53-11 be passed.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Caroscio, Fiorelli, Goodman, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** Gray, Ilove.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has passed.

Safety Committee

Councilperson Gray reported that the Safety Committee met to review Ordinance 14-10 and 15-10 regarding the use of mascots by businesses and that the committee recommended that the legislation be removed from Council Docket at the next meeting of Council. The Committee also recommended that Ordinance 20-11 regarding the seat belt enforcement in vehicles be approved by City Council.

Councilperson Gray reported that the Safety Committee will be meeting to review and discuss civil service policies and procedures, testing and outreach.

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**Mayor's Report:**

- **Mayor Welo:** Reported on the Brush High School Show Choir Competition and that Mercury Summerstock Theatre held their kickoff celebration. The theatre will be moving to Notre Dame College this summer and will produce the musicals Cats, Once Upon A Mattress, and All Shook Up. Mayor Welo reported that she attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new "Just-A-Buck" store at the Maymore shopping plaza. The store is operated by the Cuyahoga County Department of Developmental Disabilities and employees 15 developmentally disabled individuals. The ceremony was attended by Councilman Romeo, Councilman Fiorelli and County Councilwoman Sunny Simon. Mayor Welo also reported that she attended the dedication of the Jewish Federation's new home on Cedar Road. Welo thanked the Service Department for their outstanding work completing leaf pickup prior to the first major snowfall, and doing so without the use of part-time service workers.
- **Engineer Blackley:** Reported that the Eastway watermain project would be completed by the end of the week and that Dominion's replacement of a gas main on Temblethurst would result in several residents receiving new sidewalks.
- **Housing Manager Martin:** Reported that work has begun on the next Green Neighborhood Initiative home at 4202 Wilmington Road and that the rehabilitation will be completed mid-winter.
- **Finance Director Filippo:** Requested passage of several pieces of legislation on the agenda regarding end of year appropriations and temporary budget for 2012.
- **Service Director Anderson:** Reported on neighborhood leaf collection efforts and that the Emerald Ash Borer grant assisted in the removal of 66 diseased trees.
- **Police Chief Nietert:** Requested council consideration of legislation regarding fees associated with the Criminal Nuisance Abatement Program and allowing all-night parking on city streets.
- **Economic Development Coordinator Love –** Requested Council consideration of legislation regarding Cuyahoga County's anti-poaching agreement and the annual codification legislation.
- **Fire Chief Huston:** Requested Council consideration of legislation regarding the Fire Department's vehicle fund and reported that the Firefighters held a food donation "fill the squad" day at the new GFS Marketplace at GFS and thanked GFS for being a great community partner. The Chief reported on the passing of retired Assistant Chief Ray Glavic, who retired in 1984.
- **Community Services Director Benjamin:** Requested Council consideration of the appropriation of a grant received from the Legacy Community Fund for \$5,000 for the 2012 Summer Youth Initiative.

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**Legislation Requested by the Administration**

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 60-11

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID WITH CUYAHOGA COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A BUSINESS ATTRACTION AND ANTI-POACHING PROTOCOL. FIRST READING.

The legislation was placed on First Reading and moved to the Committee of the Whole. Cuyahoga County Regional Coordinator Ed Jerse will come to a committee meeting to explain the requested legislation in more detail.

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Introduced by Miller

Resolution 61-11

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATED FUNDS IN THE GENERAL FUND TO THE SWIMMING POOLS FUND AND THE SAFETY FORCES VEHICLES FUND. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Caroscio, seconded by Goodman, that Resolution 61-11 be approved.

**Ayes:** Caroscio, Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 62-11

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS IN THE GENERAL FUND-SERVICE DEPARTMENT-OTHER. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Goodman, seconded by Caroscio, that Resolution 62-11 be approved.

**Ayes:** Caroscio, Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 63-11

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS IN THE GENERAL FUND-LEGAL-OTHER. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Goodman, seconded by Romeo, that Resolution 63-11 be approved.

**Ayes:** Caroscio, Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 64-11

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS IN THE GENERAL FUND-COMMUNITY RELATIONS-OTHER. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Goodman, that Resolution 64-11 be approved.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Caroscio, Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 33-11

ORDINANCE

TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING, FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011, THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 131.08 (C) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Goodman, that Ordinance 33-11 be approved.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Caroscio, Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 34-11

ORDINANCE

TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2011; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Miller, that Ordinance 34-11 be approved.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Caroscio, Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 35-11

ORDINANCE

TO MAKE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT AND OTHER EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Miller, that Ordinance 35-11 be passed.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Caroscio, Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 36-11

ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 531.09 "ABATEMENT OF CRIMINAL ACTIVITY NUISANCES" OF CHAPTER 531 "NUISANCES" OF PART FIVE "GENERAL OFFENSES CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

The legislation was placed on first reading and moved to the Safety Committee for review and discussion.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 37-11

ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 351.14 "ALL-NIGHT PARKING PROHIBITED" OF CHAPTER 351 "PARKING GENERALLY" OF PART THREE "TRAFFIC CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

The legislation was placed on first reading and moved to the Legislative Committee for review and discussion.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 38-11

ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PART OF THE 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 INCONSISTENT HEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Icovc, seconded by Goodman, that Ordinance 38-11 be approved.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Caroscio, Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

**Law Director's Report**

Law Director Lograsso reported that negotiations with the City's unions regarding their contracts has commenced and that the City will be closing on the sale of the Cedar Center parcels to Deville and Coral at the end of the week.

**Letters & Communications**

- Councilperson Goodman wished everyone a wonderful and peaceful holiday season.
- Councilperson Gray thanked all of those who have sent their prayers and support during her mom's illness. Gray reported that the annual community Kwanzaa celebration will be held from 4-8 pm on December 26 at the Greenmont Party Center hosted by Gray and Keesha McMillian. The theme is voices in unity. Councilperson Gray also reported that Judge Elect Gayle Williams Byers will be holding a Community Celebration on January 15 at 6 pm at the Mayfield Country Club and that the Good Neighbor Committee will be having their holiday meet and greet on Wednesday at 7 pm at City Hall.
- Councilperson Caroscio wished everyone a happy holiday season.
- Councilperson Romeo thanked all of those who sent get-well wishes for his wife who is recovering and wished everyone a happy holiday.
- Councilperson Fiorelli wished everyone a happy holiday season and thanked the Firefighters for the successful GFS Food Drive on Saturday. Fiorelli also reported that he met to women who have children with disabilities that work at the new Just-A-Buck store and that they are so proud of the opportunities for their children.
- Council President Miller wished everyone happy holidays and new year and reported that he will be out of town at the next meeting of Council and that Council Pro Tem Icové will be presiding. Miller stated that it has been a great year for South Euclid and he is appreciative of the hard work of the employees and residents and thanked many of the residents who helped City leaders see different perspectives throughout the process.

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**Adjourn**

With no further business to discuss it was moved by Romeo, seconded by Goodman, that the meeting be adjourned.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Caroscio, Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Meeting Adjourned at 9:33 pm.

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Council President

Attest:

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Clerk of Council