

## 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, Icovc, Miller, Simon, Romeo (7)

**Absent:** None

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

### Opening Meeting of Council:

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

- Mary Alice Casalina, 1029 Argonne, President of the South Euclid Lyndhurst Board of Education thanked the Mayor and City Council for their support of the upcoming School Levy and thanked Councilmember Miller for co-chairing the levy campaign and caring so much about the schools and education of our students.
- Dave Steiner, 3911 Covington Road, spoke regarding recent flooding in his home and detailed conversations with Service Director Gallagher and Engineer Blackley and said that they have been very helpful. Mr. Steiner asked if there would be any financial support from the City for the flooding issues.
- Marcia Woody, 3903 Covington, thanked Councilperson Miller and President Romeo for being responsive to her answers regarding the recent flooding issues.
- Peggy Miller, 1499 Genesee Road, filed a complaint about trash cans that have been in the front yard of 1505 and 1483 Genesee. Ms. Miller also stated that leaves at 1525 Genesee have not been picked up and was wondering about a "drug bust" at 1483 Genesee.

### Report of Council Committees

#### Committee of the Whole

Introduced by Romeo

Ordinance 08-07

#### ORDINANCE

ENACTING CHAPTER 739 OF TITLE THREE "COMMERCIAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS" OF PART SEVEN "PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. SECOND READING.

The Ordinance was placed on second reading and will be placed on the next meeting of Council for third reading.

Introduced by Romeo

Ordinance 09-07

#### ORDINANCE

AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO AND THE ZONE MAP MADE A PART THEREOF, SO AS TO CHANGE THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED ZONING DISTRICT FROM ITS EXISTING CLASS C-2 "GENERAL COMMERCIAL" AND R-O "RESIDENTIAL OFFICE" ZONING DISTRICT TO ESTABLISH A NEW M-G "MAYFIELD-GREEN" DISTRICT. SECOND READING. The Ordinance was placed on second reading and will be placed on the next meeting of Council for third reading.

### Mayor's Report:

- Mayor Welo congratulated Captain Richard Huston from the Fire Department for being given the Firefighters Leadership Award.
- Mayor Welo stated that the City's new web site will be launched at the end of the week.
- Mayor Welo thanked Andy and Ed for handling complaints regarding the recent flooding issues caused by inclement weather.
- Service Director Gallagher thanked Dominion East Ohio for their quick response to issues.
- Finance Director Filippo – No report.
- Service Director Gallagher reported on CEI tree work and asked for Council's consideration of Ordinance 05-08 regarding the City Engineer's contract.
- Chief Nietert – No report.
- Chief Cannell – reported that there will be a Safety Fair in collaboration with Notre Dame College on April 17 from 10-2 pm.
- Mayor Welo and Director Benjamin requested Council's consideration for Resolution 04-08 regarding a contract with Burges and Niple for Brownfield related assessment at Cedar Center.
- Mayor Welo requested Council's consideration of Ordinance 05-08 regarding the City Engineer's 2008 contract.

**Legislation Requested by the Mayor & Administration**

Introduced by Romeo

Resolution 04-08

**RESOLUTION**

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH BURGESS AND NIPLE, INC. FOR THE PURPOSES OF A PHASE ONE UPDATE AND PHASE TWO PROPERTY ASSESSMENT OF THE CEDAR CENTER BUSINESS DISTRICT, AS REGULATED BY THE OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S VOLUNTARY ACTION PROGRAM (VAP); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Following discussion, It was moved by Simon, seconded by Miller, that Resolution 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.

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Introduced by Romeo

Resolution 05-08

**RESOLUTION**

AUTHORIZING THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE DEMOLITION OF THE CEDAR CENTER SHOPPING CENTER IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Following discussion, It was moved by Goodman, seconded by Gray, that Resolution 05-08 be passed.

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

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Introduced by Romeo

Ordinance 06-08

**ORDINANCE**

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT EXTENDING THE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR STEPHEN J. HOVANCSEK & ASSOCIATES, FOR A PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2008 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2008. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Fistek, seconded by Goodman, that Ordinance 06-08 be passed.

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** None.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

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**Law Director's Report** – Law Director Lograsso reported that the remaining businesses at Cedar Center have been given 60 day notices to vacate Cedar Center so that environmental and demolition work can commence. Director Lograsso also reported that the \$107,000 in back taxes and legal fees owed by the Young Israel Synagogue has been received.

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**Letters & Communications**

Councilperson Gray reported that the City of Bedford Heights recently had a "Government Day" that is very successful and suggested that South Euclid consider having one as well.

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**Adjourn**

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

**Roll Call to Adjourn**

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

**Nays:**

The Meeting Adjourned at 9:90 pm.

Attest:

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Clerk of Council

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Council President