

## REGULAR MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL

Council President Moe Romeo called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### Opening Meeting of Council:

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

- Paul Webster, 3941 Princeton, commended the City on their website and reported a problem with the video. Regarding Good Neighbor Policy, Webster reported that at the beginning there was lots of enthusiasm and that the original group has dwindled from 35 to a handful. The work for the Good Neighbor Guide was essentially completed last October and given to Director Benjamin. Webster stated that there have been too many missed deadlines, emails and it still has not been distributed to the residents. Mr. Webster asked his own employer for \$500 for the printing of the guide and will know around May 1, 2008 if the funding will be approved. Mr. Webster asked for an explanation for the delays and when is the guide going to be completed because he's concerned that it had been put on the backburner. Director Benjamin commented and made remarks on the status of the Guide.
- Chuck Ishler, 3545 Freemont Road, spoke regarding the Good Neighbor Program and congratulated Ruth Gray for all her work. He stated that the Guide was ready to go essentially last October and he knows that Mr. Benjamin is very busy, but the City needs to provide the resources to get it complete. Mr. Benjamin responded. Councilperson Gray also responded, expressed her apologies for the day and stated to the committee that their work was not done in vain and that the Committee did an excellent job.

### Roll Call

**Present:** Fistek, Goodman, Gray, Ilove, Simon, Romeo (6)

**Absent:** Miller

**Staff:** Benjamin, Cannell, Filippo, Gallagher, Kowalczyk, Lograsso, Nietert, Welo

### Report of Council Committees:

#### Committee of the Whole

President Romeo reported that a Committee Meeting was held earlier in the evening about the proposed Community Reinvestment Area legislation and another meeting will be scheduled to continue discussions.

### Mayor's Report:

- **Building Commissioner Kowalczyk:** Introduced Sally Martin who is the City's new Housing Manager. Kowalczyk explained that the Building Department has been split into two divisions, housing and building to better serve residents.
- **Finance Director Filippo:** No Report
- **Service Director Gallagher:** Thanked the Service workers for their help during the recent big winter storm and reported on the Emergency Management Regional Trailer through a grant. It will be used regionally and be used during emergencies.
- **Police Chief Nietert:** No Report
- **Fire Chief Cannell:** No Report.
- **Mayor Welo:** Stated that as Mayor, she could not be prouder of our men in uniform, Police, Fire and Service Department, as well as all of our other employees for their hard work, dedication and commitment to what they do.

### Legislation Requested by the Administration

Introduced by Romeo

Resolution 08-08

#### RESOLUTION

IN APPRECIATION TO AND RECOGNITION OF SERGEANT RICK FRIEDL FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE SOUTH EUCLID POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID AND HAVING BEEN NOMINATED AND ELECTED OFFICER OF THE YEAR FOR 2007. FIRST READING.

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

### Roll Call:

**Ayes:** Fistek, Goodman, Gray, Ilove, Simon, Romeo.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Miller.  
The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Romeo

Resolution 09-08

RESOLUTION

IN APPRECIATION TO AND RECOGNITION OF LIEUTENANT DENNIS ANTHONY FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE SOUTH EUCLID FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID AND HAVING BEEN NOMINATED AND ELECTED FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR FOR 2007. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Fistek, that Resolution 09-08 be passed.

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Miller.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Romeo

Resolution 10-08

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN OPTION AND LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID AND NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Goodman, that Resolution 10-08 be passed.

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Miller.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

**Law Director's Report**

None

**Letters & Communications**

- Councilperson Goodman reported that she only received two calls about the snow and weather related conditions of streets.
- Councilperson Gray stated that she was impressed with how prepared our service department was during the recent snow storm and said that the Administration did a spectacular job especially that we were prepared with enough salt and even the fire hydrants were dug out.
- President Romeo stated that he received a number of calls regarding snow and asking when the plows would be on their street, however the Neighbors were patient.
- Councilperson Fistek reported on the upcoming Saturday budget hearings and stated that they will begin promptly at 9 am.
- President Romeo stated that tonight we honored some very special people in safety forces and that their achievements are a reflection of their leadership and the Chiefs for providing growth and direction.

**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, Simon, Romeo

**Nays:**

**Absent:** Miller

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:46 pm.

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Council President

Attest:

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Clerk of Council