

**REGULAR MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL**

Council President Jane Goodman called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Roll Call**

**Present:** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icové, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman. President Goodman informed the audience Economic Development Director Michael Love would be acting as Clerk of Council in place of Keith Benjamin who is out-of-town.

**Approval of Minutes:** November 13, 2017

**Action:** Motion to Approve Minutes, **Moved by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, **Seconded by** Councilman Marty Gelfand.

**Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 7, No = 0).

**Yes:** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilman Ed Icové, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

**Abstain:** Councilwoman Ruth Gray.

The Minutes have been approved.

**Report of the Mayor**

- Mayor Welo: City Employees were proud to assist Grace Tabernacle Church by donating food which was used to provide Thanksgiving meals to needy families in the South Euclid-Lyndhurst area. The NOPEC Annual Meeting recently took place and there will be grants which local communities will be able to apply for, details will follow. The Greater Cleveland Partnership recently held the annual Public Officials Reception which she attended. Due to continued state funding cuts, RTA is looking at further cuts to service. The Heights-Hillcrest Communication Center is up and running as South Euclid and University Heights have moved in, with Shaker Heights, Cleveland Heights, and Richmond Heights to follow. The Center will eventually service over 118,000 residents. On Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup>, the South Euclid Humane Society will host the annual Pets Light Up Our Lives Ceremony at 2pm at Mayfield & Green to be followed by the City Lighting Ceremony from 4:30pm-6pm at City Hall. Leaf pickup will continue through December 15<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting. Residents are welcome to recycle their nonworking holiday lights at the Service Department Monday-Friday 8am-3pm. The Holiday Food Drive continues at the Community Center through December 13<sup>th</sup> and the new Bridal Flea in the SE event will be at the Community Center in February.
- The Mayor reported that Housing Director Sally Martin, Police Chief Kevin Nietert, Building Commissioner Eric Tuck-Macalla, Finance Director Brenda Wendt, Asst. Fire Chief Dave Csire, Service Director Jim Anderson, and Economic Development Director Michael Love were all in attendance. Community Services Director Keith Benjamin and City Engineer Andy Blackley were absent and excused from this meeting.
- Housing Director Sally Martin: Informed Council the study of all properties in the City completed by Western Reserve Land Conservancy is finished. The results, along with an electronic data mapping tool, will be available soon. The Mayor added that the electronic data mapping tool will be of assistance as Cuyahoga County conducts the 2018 property reappraisal.
- Police Chief Kevin Nietert: Requested Council support of Res. 46-17 which would allow funds to pay the final payouts to dispatchers now employed by the Heights-Hillcrest Communication Center. Also requested Council support of Res. 49-17 which would appropriate funds earned by the Police Department for traffic control on Dominion Gas Projects to be used to purchase new police vehicles.
- Economic Development Director Michael Love: Reported on Res. 52-17 which is a conditional use permit for Black Forest to have outdoor dining. Director Love reported owner Rick King will be installing a permanent patio at the front of the establishment and this is the reason for the conditional use permit. Support for this Resolution was requested from City Council. Director Love also reported on Res. 53-17 which would issue a conditional use permit to South Euclid Medical Solutions to operate a medical marijuana dispensary. Director Love recommended Council refer this Resolution to the Zoning & Planning Committee and wait to see whether South Euclid Medical Solutions is issued a license to operate by the State of Ohio before proceeding with this legislation.
- City Engineer Andy Blackley: Report provided to City Council in written form. The Mayor mentioned Cleveland Water continues extensive repairs on Belvoir Blvd. The parts are coming in and the hope is to make the repairs in early November.

**Report of Law Director**

Law Director Lograsso Requested Council's support of Res. 47-17 which would appropriate funds received from the City's insurance company as a reimbursement for legal expenses the City has incurred.

**Opening Meeting of Council Related to Agenda Specific Items**

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

- No residents spoke on those specific agenda items

**Report of Council Committees:**

Zoning & Planning Committee: Councilman Russell reported on the 6:00pm Zoning & Planning Committee Meeting, where Res. 41-17 was discussed. The Resolution pertains to the South Euclid Lyndhurst Schools proposed construction of a transportation facility on property adjacent to Brush High School. Councilman Russell stated that the meeting served as an introduction to the proposal to the Committee from South Euclid Lyndhurst School Officials. Concerns from residents of Dorsh Road were also heard. A public meeting will be scheduled for January to continue this discussion.

Committee-of-the-Whole: Council President Goodman reported on the 7:00pm Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting. Council received its monthly financial update from the Finance Director. Revenue and expenditures are on track for the year. Council President Goodman complemented Finance Director Wendt for providing detailed information from RITA, as revenue sources continue to be explored.

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**Legislation Requested by The Planning Commission**

Introduced by Goodman

Resolution 52-17

## RESOLUTION

GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR OUTDOOR DINING FOR "BLACK FOREST" LOCATED AT 4368 MAYFIELD ROAD IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

Councilman Russell thanked the property owner for his commitment to improving Mayfield Road.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilman Jason Russell, **Seconded by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Goodman

Resolution 53-17

## RESOLUTION

GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO "SOUTH EUCLID MEDICAL SOLUTIONS" MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARY, LOCATED AT 1976 WARRENSVILLE CENTER ROAD IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

The legislation was placed on First Reading, and referred to the Zoning & Planning Committee where it will be considered once it is known whether South Euclid Medical Solutions receives an operator's license from the State of Ohio.

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**Legislation Requested by the Mayor and Administration**

Introduced by Goodman

Resolution 46-17

## RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATED FUNDS FROM THE "GENERAL FUND-POLICE DEPARTMENT-PERSONAL SERVICES #101-1110" TO THE "GENERAL FUND-POLICE DEPARTMENT-DISPATCHERS-WAGES-FULL TIME #101-1130-52101." FIRST READING.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, **Seconded by** Councilman Joe Frank.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Goodman

Resolution 47-17

## RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS IN THE FOLLOWING FUND: "GENERAL FUND-LAW DEPARTMENT-PERSONAL SERVICES #101-7740" IN ORDER TO EXPEND MONIES RECEIVED FROM WICHERT INSURANCE COMPANY. FIRST READING.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, **Seconded by** Councilman Joe Frank.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Goodman

Resolution 48-17

## RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS IN THE GENERAL FUND TO THE: "FINANCE DEPARTMENT-PERSONAL SERVICES ACCOUNT #101-7730" IN AN AMOUNT OF \$7,500.00 TO COVER EXPENDITURES RELATED TO EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFITS. FIRST READING.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, **Seconded by** Councilman Joe Frank.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Goodman

Resolution 49-17

## RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS IN THE FOLLOWING FUND: "GENERAL FUND-POLICE DEPARTMENT-VEHICLES #101-1110-52507" FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING A NEW POLICE VEHICLE. FIRST READING.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, **Seconded by** Councilman Marty Gelfand.

Following discussion, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Goodman

Resolution 50-17

## RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS IN THE "SAFETY FORCES LEVY FUND #410" IN AN AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00 FOR SAFETY SERVICE EXPENDITURES. FIRST READING.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, **Seconded by** Councilman Marty Gelfand.

Following discussion, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Goodman

Resolution 51-17

## RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS IN THE "STREET CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE FUND #202" IN AN AMOUNT OF \$20,000.00 FOR EXPENDITURES RELATED TO SERVICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES. FIRST READING.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, **Seconded by** Councilman Joe Frank.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Goodman

Ordinance 25-17

## ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH FOR PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018. FIRST READING.

**Action:** Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Jane Goodman, **Seconded by** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli

Following discussion, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icove, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The legislation has been approved.

### Communications of City Council

- Councilwoman Gray: Reminded Council Members to identify 2-4 seniors in each ward who would meet with the Citizen Recreation Committee. Anyone over the age of 55 and/or who has a documented disability could qualify. The next meeting of the Citizen Recreation Committee will be Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at the Community Center. Councilwoman Gray also scheduled a Council Recreation Committee Meeting for Monday January 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.
- Councilman Gelfand: Attended the HRCC Breakfast on November 16<sup>th</sup> and Small Business Saturday was the topic. Councilman Gelfand enjoyed the event and complemented the panelists. Councilman Gelfand also recently attended the Legal Aid luncheon.
- Councilman Russell: Reminded City Council that its appointment to the Planning Commission expires at the end of the year. Applications for the position are available on the City Website and are due on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Council will then schedule interviews with those who apply in order to make the appointment.
- Councilman Fiorelli: A family friend recently suffered a loss that reminds us to always be thankful for our safety forces. Councilman Fiorelli also mentioned how thankful he is for his new grandson, Leo.
- Councilman Frank: Offered special thanks to Police Chief Nietert, Service Director Anderson, and Housing Director Martin for all their help over the past few weeks. Also reminded everyone of the value of the suicide hotline and encouraged people to always share that this service is available to our region.
- Council President Goodman: Returned from spending time in Charlotte at the National League of Cities Conference. Attended a presentation from Purple Heart Homes and shared examples of the work done by Purple Heart Homes in South Euclid. Also spoke to how great Chef's Ingredient is in South Euclid for all your cooking needs, Councilwoman Gray echoed this sentiment.

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### Open Meeting

- Charles Turner, 4549 Lilac Road, reminded Council to speak loudly at meetings, as some individuals, including him, have hearing disabilities. Mr. Turner stated that he stood alongside Mayor Welo this past Election Day. Mr. Turner stated that she has an ownership stake in the South Euclid Hardware Store which is not proper or legal. Mr. Turner proceeded to read an excerpt from the City Charter, which in summary states, that the Mayor is to be full-time and not have any other private or public employment or business interest. Mr. Turner stated that the Mayor has pledged her house to secure a loan for South Euclid Hardware and should the business fail, the only place the Mayor will have to sleep is in her city-owned vehicle. Mr. Turner concluded his remarks by stating his favorite item to eat on Thanksgiving were black-eyed peas.

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**Adjourn to Executive Session** for the purposes of discussion of collective bargaining agreements.

**Action:** Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session, **Moved by** Councilman Joe Frank, **Seconded by** Council President Pro Tem Fiorelli

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icové, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

### Adjourn

**Action:** Motion to Adjourn, **Moved by** Councilman Marty Gelfand, **Seconded by** Council President Pro Tem Fiorelli

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

**Yes:** Council President Pro Tem Dennis Fiorelli, Councilman Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Ed Icové, Councilman Jason Russell, Council President Jane Goodman.

The Meeting Adjourned at 9:40 pm

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Council President

Attest:

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Clerk of Council