

SPECIAL MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL

The Special Meeting of Council began at 7 pm and was conducted via Zoom Meeting Platform due to the "Stay-in-Place" order issued by the State of Ohio. Council President Joe Frank called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Clerk of Council Benjamin outlined the meeting format and protocols for the meeting.

Roll Call

Present: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.
All members of council are in attendance.

Minutes of Meetings December 16, 2019 (recovered) & March 9, 2020

December 16, 2019 Minutes (recovered from broken laptop)

Action: Motion to Approve Minutes, **Moved by** Councilman Marty Gelfand, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Sara Continenza.

Vote: Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 6, No = 0, Abstain = 1).

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

Abstain: Councilwoman Susan Hardy.

The minutes have been approved.

March 9, 2020 Minutes

Action: Motion to Approve Minutes, **Moved by** Councilman Marty Gelfand, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Sara Continenza.

Vote: Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 6, No = 0, Abstain = 1).

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

Abstain: Councilwoman Jane Goodman.

The minutes have been approved.

Legislation Requested by the Administration

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 19-20

RESOLUTION

Declaring a State of Emergency for the City of South Euclid, Ohio. First Reading.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Joe Frank, **Seconded by** Councilman Marty Gelfand.

Mayor Welo stated that the legislation will hopefully enable the reimbursement of funds that are being spent as a result of the COVID-19 emergency.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 20-20

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Participation Agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to provide 3,500 Tons of Sodium Chloride (Bulk Rock Salt) to the City of South Euclid, per Ohio Revised Code Section 5531.01 (B); for the 2020-2021 Winter Season. First Reading.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman, **Seconded by** Councilman Marty Gelfand.

Councilwoman Goodman stated that even though we have road salt left over from the mild winter, this is the only time we are able to purchase road salt for next winter to get the best price from the State.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 21-20

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids for Rubbish & Recycling Removal for the City of South Euclid, Ohio; and declaring an emergency. First Reading.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman, **Seconded by** Councilman Marty Gelfand.

Councilwoman Goodman stated that the city is doing its due diligence by going out to bid for the new contract. Service Director Anderson stated that the current contract expires on June 1st.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 22-20

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the appropriation of unappropriated funds in the following fund: "Water Distribution Infrastructure #424" for expenditures of the 2020 South Euclid Watermain Renewal Program. First Reading.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman, **Seconded by** Council President Joe Frank.

City Engineer Blackley explained the additional appropriation, which will be paid out of the Water Infrastructure Fund and not impact the general fund budget.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 23-20

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the City Engineer to prepare the necessary plans, specifications and advertise for bids for the 2020 Hinsdale Road Resurfacing Project in the City of South Euclid, Ohio. First Reading.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Ruth Gray.

Director Benjamin explained in the memo that the CDBG process and matching funds required from the City's road fund for the \$263,000 project with \$150,000 coming from the CDBG grant.

Mayor Welo thanked members of city council who assisted with the grant petition effort and Directors Benjamin, Anderson and Engineer Blackley for their efforts.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 24-20

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor to take all actions necessary to accept Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) 2020 Energized Community Grant(s) (NEC) Funds for the Victory Park Improvement Project. First Reading.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Susan Hardy, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Ruth Gray.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 25-20

RESOLUTION

Declaring the necessity to levy a renewal tax outside of the ten mill limitation for the purpose of providing funds for construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of roads and streets in the city; and declaring an emergency. First Reading.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Council President Joe Frank, **Seconded by** Councilman Marty Gelfand.

Council President Frank stated that the Road Levy is up for renewal this fall and must be placed on the ballot for resident approval. Director Benjamin outlined the process and procedures for placing the renewal on the ballot and Councilman Gelfand stated that it is important for the city that the levy continues.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 26-20

RESOLUTION

Submitting the question of renewing an existing tax levy for the purpose of providing funds for the general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of roads and streets in the City; together with all necessary incidentals and appurtenances thereto, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19, to the Electors of the City of South Euclid, Ohio. First Reading.

The legislation was placed on first reading and referred to the Committee of the Whole for discussion and review.

Introduced by Frank

Resolution 27-20

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids for the construction of the Victory Park Adult & Senior Adult and Senior Park in the City of South Euclid. First Reading.

Councilwoman Hardy enquired if the proposed park would be open to any member of the public and Director Benjamin responded that the park would be a public park and open to different age groups, however the proposed amenities would be specifically geared towards seniors and their needs. Councilwoman Gray stated that the project would be geared for use by senior and disabled populations and that all of the city's other parks already have amenities for other age groups.

Action: Motion to Approve Legislation, **Moved by** Councilwoman Susan Hardy, **Seconded by** **Councilwoman Ruth Gray**.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The legislation has been approved.

Adjourn

With no further business to come before City Council, Council President Frank thanked department heads for their work during the crisis and Mayor Welo reported that staff have been working on a lot of planning and have been dispatched into five teams working towards planning future reopening efforts that protect employees and residents as the state and federal government moves forward with announcing their phased reopening efforts.

Action: Motion to Adjourn, **Moved by** Councilwoman Sara Continenza, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Jane Goodman.

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

Yes: Councilwoman Sara Continenza, Council President Joe Frank, Councilman Marty Gelfand, Councilwoman Jane Goodman, Councilwoman Ruth Gray, Councilwoman Susan Hardy, Councilman Justin Tisdale.

The Meeting Adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Attest:

Council President

Clerk of Council