

**AGENDA**  
**EUCLID CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2024 AT 7:00 PM**  
**EUCLID MUNICIPAL CENTER COUNCIL CHAMBER**

**PERMISSIBLE PRELIMINARIES:**

**FIRST GAVEL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**EUCLID CITY COUNCIL MEETING BUSINESS:**

**SECOND GAVEL**

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Euclid Gas Money Mart Corporation – 27611 Euclid Ave, 44132 – Ward 3

**COUNCIL MINUTES:**

- March 4, 2024
- March 18, 2024

**ADMINISTRATION REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS:**

**COMMITTEE DOCUMENTATION:**

- Work Session Summary – March 18, 2024
- Board of Control – March 11, 2024 and March 18, 2024

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR LEGISLATIVE MATTERS ONLY**

**LEGISLATION**

<b>ACTION</b>		<b>PROPOSED</b>
1.	A resolution proclaiming April 2024 as Fair Housing Month in Euclid, recognizing and celebrating the 56 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Fair Housing Act, and reiterating the City’s commitment to housing without discrimination in the City and to maintaining an inclusive community. (Sponsored by Mayor Holzheimer Gail)  <b>Comment: This would recognize April as Fair Housing Month.</b>	Res. (030-24)
2.	An emergency ordinance authorizing the Director of Planning and Development to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for labor and materials necessary for the construction of the Upland Sims Park project. (Sponsored by Councilpersons Jarosz and Hannum by request of the Director of Planning and Development)  <b>Comment: This will allow the City to request bids for the construction of improvements for the Upland Sims Park project.</b>	Ord. (031-24)
3.	An emergency ordinance authorizing the Director of Planning and Development of the City of Euclid to enter into a professional services agreement with Davey Resource Group (295 South Water Street, Suite 300, Kent, Ohio 44240) for urban forestry services in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00. (Sponsored by Mayor Holzheimer Gail and Councilperson Hannum)  <b>Comment: This will allow the City to engage a firm to perform urban forestry services.</b>	Ord. (032-24)
4.	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Planning and Development to enter into an agreement with Ameresco, Inc., 640 Lakeview Plaza	Ord. (035-24)

Blvd., Suite J, Worthington, Ohio 43085, for the design, supply, and completion of energy upgrades at various public sites in an amount not to exceed \$535,386.00. (Sponsored by Mayor Holzheimer Gail)

**Comment: This will allow the City to authorize a firm to proceed with energy upgrades in multiple municipal facilities.**

5. An ordinance authorizing the Chief of Police of the City of Euclid to enter into contract with Baycom, 2040 Radisson Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin 54302 for the purchase of twenty-three (23) Panasonic Toughbooks, in an amount not to exceed \$93,794.00, for use by the Euclid Police Department (“EPD”). (Sponsored by Mayor Holzheimer Gail) Ord. (033-24)

**Comment: This will allow the City to purchase mobile data terminals for police vehicles.**

6. A resolution supporting the application for the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant, a federally funded program offered through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), that if awarded could provide funding directly to the Euclid Fire Department to help hire “front line” firefighter/paramedics. (Sponsored by Mayor Holzheimer Gail) Res. (034-24)

**Comment: This will allow the City to apply for a grant to provide funds to assist with the hiring of firefighter/paramedics.**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – PUBLIC PORTION  
COUNCIL MEMBERS’ COMMENT  
ADJOURNMENT**

Resolution No.

By: Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail

A resolution proclaiming April 2024 as Fair Housing Month in Euclid, recognizing and celebrating the 56<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Fair Housing Act, and reiterating the City's commitment to housing without discrimination in the City and to maintaining an inclusive community.

WHEREAS, Fair Housing Month is celebrated each April across the United States in commemoration of the enactment of the Fair Housing Act of 1968 (Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act), which became law one week after the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on April 4, 1968. When passed, the Fair Housing Act prohibited discrimination based on race, color, national origin, and religion; the Act was amended in 1974 to include prohibiting discrimination based on gender and again amended in 1988 to include prohibiting discrimination based on familial status and persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the City passed its fair housing law, enacted by Ordinance 141-1992, which coincides with State and Federal law to prohibit discrimination in many facets of housing, such as housing sales, rentals, home loans, and home insurance for a group of protected classes; and

WHEREAS, the City's fair housing ordinance was amended in 2013 by Ordinance No. 41-2013 to further prohibit discrimination based on military status, sexual orientation and gender identity; and

WHEREAS, the Fair Housing Act not only prohibits discrimination but, in conjunction with other statutes, directs U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's program participants to take steps proactively to overcome historic patterns of segregation, promote fair housing choice, and foster inclusive communities for all; and

WHEREAS, the Fair Housing Act and Presidential Executive Order 12892 initially described the obligation to "Affirmatively Further Fair Housing"; and

WHEREAS, the responsibility of participants using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) / HOME funds to "Affirmatively Further Fair Housing" is specified in detail in the Code of Federal Regulations at 24CR 5.150 – 5.180; and

WHEREAS, the City of Euclid has been awarded an annual CDBG allocation since 1975, with the allocations totaling over forty-eight million (\$48,000,000) dollars for the benefit of low-to-moderate income individuals and community development activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the City of Euclid, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That the month of April 2024 is recognized as Fair Housing Month in the City of Euclid, Ohio.

Section 2: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were, in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3: That this resolution shall take immediate effect.

Attest:

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Clerk of Council

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President of Council

Passed:

Approved:

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Mayor

Ordinance No.

By – Councilperson Jarosz and Hannum (by request)

An emergency ordinance authorizing the Director of Planning and Development to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for labor and materials necessary for the construction of the Upland Sims Park project.

WHEREAS, the Upland Sims Park project will construct the improvements outlined in the Upland Sims Park Expansion Master Plan, adopted by Euclid City Council as an addendum to the 2018 Master Plan in Resolution 31-2024, passed on March 18, 2024; and

WHEREAS, CT Consultants, Inc. will prepare documents that will be used to bid this project; and

WHEREAS, the Upland Sims Park project is funded by Clean Ohio grant funds and Harbortown TIF funds; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is hereby declared an emergency in that it provides for the public health and safety of its residents and in order to solicit bids for this project in a timely fashion and maintain compliance with grants awarded to construct the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the City of Euclid, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That the Director of Planning and Development is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for labor and materials necessary for the construction of the Upland Sims Park project in accordance with plans on file in the office of the Director of Planning and Development. Said contract shall be entered into after advertising for not less than two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Euclid and awarded by the Board of Control to the lowest and best bidder. The contract shall be in a form approved by the Director of Law and shall be in conformance with such specifications as developed by the Director of Planning and Development. The contract shall be executed by the Director of Planning and Development. The Board of Control is hereby authorized to waive any minor or technical irregularities that may occur during the bid process.

Section 2: Funds to pay for this expenditure are to be derived from the Other Grants Fund, Account Code 255-821-52205, for the \$449,411.00 Clean Ohio grant funds and from the Harbortown TIF Fund, Account Code 394-411-52205.

Section 3: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4: That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of Euclid, and provided it receives the two-thirds vote of all members of Council elected thereto, shall be in full force and effect from after its passage and approval; otherwise to be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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Clerk of Council

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President of Council

Passed:

Approved:

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Mayor

Ordinance No.

By – Mayor Holzheimer Gail and Councilperson Hannum

An emergency ordinance authorizing the Director of Planning and Development of the City of Euclid to enter into a professional services agreement with Davey Resource Group (295 South Water Street, Suite 300, Kent, Ohio 44240) for urban forestry services in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00.

WHEREAS, the City of Euclid adopted the 2018 Master Plan, which calls for the City to “use green infrastructure to slow and store stormwater” including reviewing ordinances, planting trees, and taking other action as required to maintain a strong tree canopy. According to the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission, Euclid had a tree canopy covering approximately 27.4% of the City, or more than 1,800 acres, as of 2013. Tree canopy increased to 28% in 2019, making the City one of five communities in Cuyahoga County that experienced growth in its tree canopy during this time; and

WHEREAS, maintaining a strong, healthy urban tree canopy can have numerous positive impacts on the social determinants of health of the city. Studies have found that having a poor urban tree canopy can cause premature deaths, heart disease, high blood pressure, and asthma; and

WHEREAS, the City of Euclid applied for and was awarded \$525,400.00 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry through the Inflation Reduction Act. These funds were awarded to the city in order to conduct a survey and assessment of trees in the public right-of-way and public property, develop an urban forest management plan, and hire an urban forester to oversee implementation of the urban forest management plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the City of Euclid, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That the Director of Planning and Development of the City of Euclid is authorized to enter into a professional services agreement with Davey Resource Group (295 South Water Street, Suite 300, Kent, Ohio 44240) to conduct a survey and assessment of trees in the public right-of-way and public property, develop an urban forest management plan, and provide for tree management software in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00.

Section 2: That all agreement(s) shall be in a form approved by the Director of Law.

Section 2: That funds to pay for this expenditure are to be derived from the Other Grants Fund and the General Fund.

Section 3: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4: That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of Euclid and, provided it receives the two-thirds vote of all members of Council elected thereto, shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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Clerk of Council

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President of Council

Passed:

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Mayor

Ordinance No.

By – Mayor Holzheimer Gail

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Planning and Development to enter into an agreement with Ameresco, Inc., 640 Lakeview Plaza Blvd., Suite J, Worthington, Ohio 43085, for the design, supply, and completion of energy upgrades at various public sites in an amount not to exceed \$535,386.00.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Development offers the Energy Efficiency Program (EEP) to help businesses, manufacturers, nonprofits, schools, and local governments reduce energy use and improve energy efficiency – resulting in lower energy costs; and

WHEREAS, the EEP is funded using U.S. Department of Energy Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funds; and

WHEREAS, energy efficiency retrofit projects, which include installation of light emitting diodes (LED) lighting or other energy efficient lighting and other energy efficiency upgrades are eligible uses of EEP funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Euclid submitted an application to replace outdated lighting with LED, energy efficient lighting at the parks garage, animal shelter, Briardale Golf Course, C.E. Orr Ice Arena, fire station #2, fire station #3, Memorial Pool, and city-owned streetlighting along E. 222<sup>nd</sup> Street and St. Clair Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the City of Euclid submitted an application for energy efficiency retrofit projects, which include installation of LED lighting and upgrading City Hall's existing HVAC controls system from an out-of-date, proprietary building automation system (BAS) to a non-proprietary, open-source, BACNet, modern controls system; and

WHEREAS, the City of Euclid's applications were approved and grant funds in the amount of \$500,000.00 were awarded by the Ohio Department of Development with a local match of \$35,386.00; and

WHEREAS, Equalis Group is a cooperative purchasing organization that provides contracts competitively solicited by public agencies and other lead agencies. One of the Lead Agencies is The Cooperative Council of Governments (CCOG), which is a regional council of governments and political subdivision formed under Section 167 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, Equalis Group, as a cooperative purchasing organization, provides national cooperative contract purchasing services to its members through joint powers agreements that leverage the aggregate buying power of its members nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Ameresco, Inc., through the cooperative purchase process conducted by Equalis Group via the CCOG, was awarded a contract with the Ohio Department of Development to assist with the distribution of funds through the EEP; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 9.48(B)(2) allows municipal corporations as political subdivisions to participate in joint purchasing programs operated by or through national or state associations of political subdivisions so competitive bidding is hereby waived.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the City of Euclid, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That the Director of Planning and Development is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Ameresco, Inc., 640 Lakeview Plaza Blvd., Suite J, Worthington, Ohio 43085, for the design, supply, and completion of energy upgrades at various public sites in an amount not to exceed \$535,386.00.

Section 2: The City will advance the funds for the project and be reimbursed up to \$500,000.00 by the Ohio Department of Development per the terms of the grants and the local match of \$35,386.00 will be derived from the General Fund and Permanent Capitol Improvement Funds.

Section 3: That this purchase is made at pricing available through Equalis Group and is therefore exempt from the competitive bidding process.

Section 4: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 5: That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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Clerk of Council

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President of Council

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Approved:

Effective:

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Mayor

Ordinance No.

By – Mayor Holzheimer Gail

An ordinance authorizing the Chief of Police of the City of Euclid to enter into contract with Baycom, 2040 Radisson Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin 54302 for the purchase of twenty-three (23) Panasonic Toughbooks, in an amount not to exceed \$93,794.00, for use by the Euclid Police Department ("EPD").

WHEREAS, the EPD needs to upgrade their MDTs and replace the current ones with updated software in order to be LEADS compliant by October 2024; and

WHEREAS, the EPD would like to purchase 23 Panasonic Toughbooks and these MDTs are public sector specific; and

WHEREAS, the funds for the purchase of the 23 Panasonic Toughbooks will be from American Rescue Plan Act funds; and

WHEREAS, Baycom is the main distributor for these Panasonic MDTs, this is State of Ohio cooperative contract pricing and competitive bidding is therefore waived.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the City of Euclid, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That the Chief of Police of the City of Euclid is hereby authorized to enter into contract with Baycom, 2040 Radisson Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin 54302 for the purchase of twenty-three (23) Panasonic Toughbooks, in an amount not to exceed \$93,794.00, for use by the Euclid Police Department.

Section 2: That this purchase is made at pricing available through the State of Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Program and competitive bidding is therefore waived.

Section 3: Funds to pay for this expenditure are to be derived from American Rescue Plan Act funds (ARPA).

Section 4: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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Approved:

Effective:

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Mayor

(034-24)

Resolution No.

By – Mayor Holzheimer Gail

A resolution supporting the application for the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant, a federally funded program offered through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), that if awarded could provide funding directly to the Euclid Fire Department to help hire "front line" firefighter/paramedics.

WHEREAS, the goal of SAFER is to enhance fire departments' abilities to comply with staffing, response and operational standards established by the National Fire Protection Association; and

WHEREAS, the Euclid Fire Department would apply for the SAFER grant to hire four (4) firefighter/paramedics as the positions are open due to retention and attrition, which are high priorities for the grant; and

WHEREAS, FEMA has allocated \$360 million for the SAFER program to fire departments around the United States and if a SAFER grant is awarded to the City of Euclid, FEMA would pay 100% for the salaries and benefits for a three-year period.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the City of Euclid, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That this Council supports the Administration's application for the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant, a federally funded program offered through FEMA.

Section 2: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3: That this resolution shall take immediate effect.

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Mayor