

**EUCLID CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 17, 2020**

The Euclid City Council meeting was held on Monday, August 17, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. using virtual meeting abilities via Zoom. President Mancuso presided.

Good evening and welcome to the Euclid City Council meeting, on this Monday, August 17, 2020. We are conducting this meeting electronically which is permissive per the Ohio State legislator's passage of House Bill 197 Amendment G -0351-2. I'm going ask Councilman Wojtila to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Thank you, sir.

Madame Clerk, would you please take the roll of the Council members?

Members Present: Caviness, Epps (late) Jarosz, McIntosh, Wojtila, Jukic, Gorshe, Mancuso

Thank you can I have a motion to excuse Councilman Moore and Councilman Epps. So moved by Councilwoman McIntosh or Caviness; seconded by Councilwoman Jukic

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

Thank you very much. The first thing we have is our communications, Madame Clerk.....

Others Present: Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail, Law Director Sweeney, Planning and Development Director Holody, Assistant Service Director Finotti, Community Projects Manager Allison Lukacsy-Love and Council Clerk Allen.

COMMUNICATIONS

Clerk Allen – Yes, thank you Council President, we have communications for ZLP Hospitality Group, LLC dba Floods Urban Seafood at 25911 Euclid Avenue, Euclid, Ohio 44132.

President Mancuso – Thank you very much and I, we will start with our Law Director Sweeney.....

Director Sweeney – Thank you Madame Chair, this, this applicant is in Councilman Epps's Ward. I know he's not hear yet, but I want to tell you so full disclosure about our e-mail conversation. Sargent Arriza did run this applicants information, she has no criminal record at all, I did send her my typical letter to please contact me so I can give her the zoom information so she could log-on to the meeting and then I also gave her Councilman Epps's information to contact him. I have a feeling that the address that is provided is an old address and she doesn't reside at that location so I haven't gotten the letter back but we've not heard from her, I also tried sending an e-mail just based on something I found on one of our databases and that did kick back, so I'm not aware that she has received our letter. Councilman Epps originally asked if we could hold a hearing just based on her not contacting Councilman Epps, and I told him that I would not do that, I do not recommend that it is not, you know whether to issue a liquor

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permit or not it's not because the person didn't call the councilman. There's no other reason not to award this permit to this, this company and this particular gal who's head of the LLC so and he did understand that he said okay, so at this time I don't think there should be an objection to issuing this liquor permit.

President Mancuso – Thank you. Any other discussion? Councilwoman Caviness.....

Councilwoman Caviness – Thank you Madame Chair. To Director Sweeney, and to my colleagues as well, I did take a moment to drive by Floods Urban Seafood on Warrensville if I'm not mistaken and it was crowded on night, it seems like they serve fantastic food and they're very popular, it was very nice and neat on the outside, it seems like a great place. My concern well my question was when I drove by the 25911 Euclid Avenue site which is in the plaza, I wondered if they would extend their restaurant over to the vacant space next to them and that was one concern or one question I wanted to ask and also because it's right next to a daycare, and they're serving seafood, I wondered about them contacting the daycare in case any child may have a seafood allergy and just the smell of it can, could make them ill, so those were the two questions that I did have which did not pertain to the liquor license but I just had those questions.

President Mancuso – Thank you. Any other questions? Seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to receive this without objection. So moved by myself, we need a second, Councilwoman Caviness. Madame Clerk please call the role.

Clerk Allen – Roll call –

Yes: Jarosz, McIntosh, Wojtila, Jukic, Gorshe, Caviness, and Mancuso

There will be no hearing.

President Mancuso – Thank you.

Council Clerk – Thank you.

COUNCIL MINUTES

President Mancuso – Now we'll move on to council minutes. Are there any council minutes.

Clerk Allen – No none at this time.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

President Mancuso – Thank you. We'll now move on to Administrative Reports and Communications and Mayor Gail.....

Mayor Holzheimer Gail – Thank you Madame Chair, good evening everyone I hope everyone is doing well just a couple of announcements and items to bring to your attention. The first of which, I want to thank our Faith in the City Group, they will be, have worked, been working hard to bring some Covid testing to Euclid and they will be helping with and hosting a Covid testing event this Friday, August 21st from 9:00 AM until noon. This will be in the CE Orr Ice Rink parking lot so it is a drive up or walk up testing. It is being conducted by Metro Health and the Cuyahoga County Board of Health. Preregistration is required, that's

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available through the Board of, Cuyahoga County Board of Health website or by phone, we do have information about that on our web site, and I would encourage, anyone interested to sign up quickly I know the, several of those do fill up, so again information is on our web site. I do want to thank our Faith in the City Group, for bringing, discussing this issue and helping to make this happen. If you have not filled out your Census, please take a few minutes to do that the 2020 Census is wrapping up and we are only at about 61% response rate and that's really critical because the Census helps determine so many things for our communities, much of our Federal funding, several of the service programs, how many congressional represent, representatives we have for Ohio all depends on an accurate count, so you're able to do it, it's easy, it's confidential and it's very quick. You can complete it online by going to my2020Census.gov or by calling 844-330-2020, and you can respond by mail, the census has been impacted of course by Covid typically they will be sending out census representatives to your house if you have not responded or to your apartment, the libraries been working to make sure people are aware of it, but we have really, there has not been able to do the door to door canvassing, I do understand there will be some folks starting to come and following up on people who have not completed the Census but please it's really important that all Euclid residents are counted and that we get an accurate count. We do have information on our web site about that as well, it is confidential, your information is not shared, but it's really important for our community, for our county and for our state that we make sure everybody is counted so again my2020census.gov or please give us a call if we can help with that as well. I'm very happy to announce that we have, will be having lateral police entry exams in a police officer lateral entry test offered for the City of Euclid process. If you are a police officer OPADA certified, have two years fulltime or three years part-time experience you can apply to join the best department around. Application packets are available at the Euclid Police Department, they will be, they need to be submitted the week of August 31 through September 4th, and we do have positions open that we are looking to fill. The Fire Department as well is doing a regional entrance exam and so they're working with eight other Eastside Communities all going to be putting on a test together with Tri-C, that written exam will take place October 6th and applications will be available beginning on August 31st through October 2nd they will be available here at City Hall so please if you are interested in learning more about, becoming a firefighter paramedic or if you are police officer or knows somebody who would be interested in joining our police department for please give us a call and again information about both of those are available or will be available on our web site. I do want to congratulate the fire department, they received a grant from the FEMA the assistance to firefighters grant, and we will be bringing legislation to council at the next meeting to officially accept this but it's really focused on, improving the health and wellness of our firefighters so it will include, adding new exercise and fitness equipment at our fire stations, that has not been purchased I don't think since 2001, it includes health screenings including cancer screenings, it includes some training for pure fitness trainers and the over time that goes with that as well as some other health and safety things, so really important to our firefighters there is a small match and so look forward for legislation on that at our next council meeting. The police department will be having an event this coming Friday, August 21st from 9 to 11 at Dunkin Donuts it will be outside, Euclid Police Department staff will be working, will be wearing masks and they will also be working with the Safe Communities staff so it's about do not drink and drive and at Dunkin Donuts, it's "I do not donut drink and drive" so again if you want to come out and see them please wear a mask they will be following social distance measures and are asking people to take the pledge to not drink and drive so an important initiative there. The Service Department has a computer round up this month throughout the month of August, there is a bin available at the service garage which is at 25200 Lakeland Boulevard you can drop off old

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computer equipment there and my last announcement is just a reminder that Labor Day, City Hall will be closed so our meeting will not be Monday, September 7th, it will be Tuesday, September 8th and with that Madame Chair I will turn it back over to you.

President Mancuso – Thank you. We will now go to Committee Documentation and our first committee was the City Program and Recreation committee held on 8/3/20 since Councilman Epps is not yet with us, we will have him present his committee summary at next month's meeting. We can then go on to the Business Development, City Planning and Housing Committee held on 8/5/20 and Chairman Jarosz.....

Councilman Jarosz – Thank you Madame Chair, as mentioned there was a Business Development, City Planning and Housing committee meeting held on 8/5 of this year. The meeting agenda items were as followed item one, ordinance 057-20 an ordinance enacting Chapters 1701 registration of property managers of the building on housing code of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Euclid to require the registration of rental property managers who do business in the city. Two was land bank pricing policy discussion and three was appointment of sale and inspection discussion. Administrative staff present were Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail, Assistant to the Mayor Kristal Grida, Law Director Kelley Sweeney and Planning and Development Director Johnathan Holody. Committee members present were Councilpersons McIntosh, Moore, Gorshe, Wojtila also attending was Councilpersons Epps and Caviness. Issue one discussed enacting Chapter 1701 registration of property managers to require the registration for rental property managers who do business in the city, the committee reviewed and discussed the purpose of this legislation there are several questions surrounding its potential efficacy in meeting residents' concerns and even the city's ability to legally enforce such legislation, in the end the committee decided to not move forward with this legislation and that it should remain in committee it was suggested that it may be better to review existing ordinances and make changes where appropriate rather than drafting a whole series of completely new ordinances. Item 2; land bank pricing policy was reviewed in the context of their original purpose and prior reviews. While the committee reviewed all pricing and at levels there was a specific focus on lots over 5,000 square feet being offered to potential developers for a dollar. We revisited the incentive pricing and discussed how lot were, where a new home is built and then purchased will bring in significantly more dollars over many years the city through income taxes and local spending, new construction can also improve housing values and neighboring properties and enhance the look and feel of neighborhoods. This more than offsets any incentives being offered to developers. We also discussed the encouraging, the encouraging momentum we are now seeing with this program, the committee may address pricing later but for now the committee is comfortable with the pricing, current pricing structure. Lastly, we discussed the deceased point of sale inspection, real estate brokers and several studies seem to suggest that point of sale inspections may hinder home sales and overall home prices, the rationale for maintaining the point of sale inspections is to help assure the quality of the, Euclid's Housing stock. The committee was left unconvinced on roughly both arguments and therefore suggested no actions be taken at this time, however this topic will remain on the committee's radar for future debate. There were not actions taken.

President Mancuso – Thank you. And then on 8/10/2020 we had an Executive and Finance Committee meeting with two agenda items; one was the budget update and the second was a proposal by the tax department. The first agenda item under the update, Director Smith reviewed our year to date receipts and disbursements and discussed general fund balance through the end of the month July 2020 our Tax Administrator Caplick discussed current municipal

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tax information which included monthly income tax comparisons from 2017 to July 2020. Director Smith then reviewed our current receipt of gasoline excise tax in comparison to estimates for the year through June 2020, these funds have been significantly decreased, approximately 15.72% and will impact the city's ability to repave our streets as we had planned. Under the first issues there was no action taken as this is our monthly information to keep council informed and updated. On our second issue we decided after hearing the proposal from our tax department that we were going to have at least 1 to 2 more E and F meetings scheduled to address the proposal to improve the collection for the city, tax collection for the city. The committee members had additional information they requested to be discussed at upcoming meetings, there was also a request to have RITA, RITA representation at the next meeting early days. Committee members were provided with two future dates to consider for the next E and F meetings, both of which have been confirmed. And that's it for our Committee meetings and I will turn it over to Councilwoman Caviness.....

Councilwoman Caviness – Thank you Madame Chair, I move to receive and accept the following committee documentations: The Board of Control dated 7/20, 7/27, 8/3 and 8/10/2020; the Business Development City Planning and Housing Committee held on 8/5/2020 and the Executive and Finance Committee held on 8/10/2020.

President Mancuso – Thank you and do I have a second? So moved from Councilwoman Gorshe.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous
Any opposed? n/a

Motion passes. Thank you. We will now go to our Committee of the Whole for Legislative Matters and these, these e-mails that were sent in will be read into the record by our Council Clerk, any of the questions that our viewers may have will be answered at the time we are addressing the specific legislation, so that you're given a more concise and complete answer. So with that I will turn it over to Council Clerk Allen, would you read into the record what we've received?

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR LEGISLATIVE MATTERS ONLY

Clerk Allen – Thank you Council President. I received an e-mail on Monday August 17th at 9:18 am from Inez Bottoson, 19101 Euclid Avenue, #404, Euclid Ohio 44117. I would like the city to keep this Ordinance, I feel this is for safety concerns in the city. Residents should know if someone has a violent record and could be easily traced if there is a crime in the area. And this is in regards to Ordinance 088-20 on the agenda this evening.

President Mancuso – Thank you.

Clerk Allen – The next one that I received is, was received Monday, August 17th at 5:18 pm from Alisa Boles, at 35 East 202 Street. Good evening, and this is in regards to item number 4 and 11. Good evening, some comments and questions about items 4 and 11. Item 4 - The Council President should recuse herself from all matter pertaining to the Boardwalk project. She signed one of the easements as a trustee for her beach club, though she told the public she had no part in the easements. Despite the Law Director's claim that there is an exception to ethics laws for where there is a benefit to the public, she has yet to explain why the exception to the exception does not apply here, that being a conflict of interest due to the Council President getting a unique benefit the

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rest of the public is not getting, in this case erosion protection that other property owners have to pay thousands upon thousands for. Item 11 - Rental bikes and scooters have become popular, but they do not tend to operate as planned, nor consistent with best practices. You see rental bicycles for example in downtown Cleveland, but there are no bike helmets available to wear. The same goes for the rental scooters. Also, there are laws in Cleveland, as in Euclid, that prohibit bike-riding on sidewalks in business districts, yet people ride the bikes and e-scooters all the time on the sidewalks in Cleveland. What thought has gone into enforcing these safety rules? Thank you. Alisa Boles.

Clerk Allen – And the next one that I received is, was received today, Monday, August 17th at 4:49 pm and this is from Mohammad Abdallah he's the attorney of the office at 700 West St. Clair Avenue, Suite 400, Cleveland, 44113. There's a comment on Ordinance 092-20 also on the agenda this evening. Good afternoon, Please be advised that the undersigned represents Mickhal Garrett. With respect to Euclid proposed Ordinance #092-20, we would like to offer the following comment in support of the legislation on behalf of Mr. Garrett, his family, and the Justice 4 Aniya Foundation: With the enactment of an ordinance (Ord # 092-20) allowing for honorary street naming within the City of Euclid, it is our hope that a path will be available to honor past or current residents of the City of Euclid. In the case of Aniya Garrett, the goal is to not only honor the memory of Aniya Garrett, whose life was lost due tragic circumstances, but to also bring awareness to child abuse. Mr. Garrett and his Justice 4 Aniya Foundation are committed to continuing to bringing awareness to child abuse across our region and the country. Children's Lives Matter and must be protected at all costs. Mr. Garrett, while not currently a resident of the City of Euclid, has extensive family members that are residents and his late, beloved daughter Aniya was also a resident of the City upon her untimely death. While naming a street after an individual is meant to honor that person, consideration has also been given to the effect that a name change could cause to residents. Thus, an honorary name change would allow for the same goal to be met with no actual effect on any residents' addresses. The City of Cleveland has a similar ordinance allowing for honorary names, and while they currently placed a moratorium on the ordinance, it is meant only for a short period for a review of the ordinance's requirements for granting an honorary name. Mr. Garrett, his family, and the Justice 4 Aniya Foundation sincerely hope that the City of Euclid and Council consider and pass this ordinance, not only for Aniya's memory and for child abuse awareness, but to also provide an avenue for other such individuals and causes deserving of an honorary street naming within the City of Euclid. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Clerk Allen – Council President that is all I've received in regards to the legislation tonight.

LEGISLATION

President Mancuso – Okay, thank you very much. We will now move on to the Legislative portion of our meeting. Madame Clerk would you please read the first agenda item into the record.

1. Resolution 81-2020 (068-20) Purchase of 445 East 200th Street for Day Care location ppn 641-16-011, 090, 091

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A resolution granting a Conditional Use Permit pursuant to Section 1359.03(d)(4) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Euclid, to Denidrea Bailey, potential purchaser, to operate a day care facility at 445 East 200th Street, on a total of three (3) parcels, one of which is in a U4 – Retail or Wholesale Store District, and two (on Tracey Avenue) in a U2- Two Family House District, Permanent Parcels 641-16-011, 090, & 091.

President Mancuso – Thank you. This is our second reading I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilwoman Gorshe; seconded by Councilman Jarosz.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

And we will go to Director Holody to begin the discussion.....

Director Holody – Thank you Madame Chair, members of council. You will recall that this item was first heard at your last council meeting at that time there was some questions regarding the plans for this daycare and their compliance with a piece of legislation that was also being considered at the last council meeting concerning vehicle impact barriers, since the last council meeting we've reviewed the plans with the fire prevention bureau and they have found that the plans do in fact comply with the recently passed legislation concerning the impact barriers, so this item is ready for your approval just as a reminder this item was reviewed and recommended for approval by the planning and zoning commission and in addition to this new daycare will bring 10 to 12 new employees here to the City of Euclid. I'll be happy to answer any questions that you might have.

President Mancuso – Thank you. Discussion by my colleagues? We do have Ms. Hayes here if we need to ask her any further questions. Do we have any further discussion? Councilwoman Caviness.....

Councilwoman Caviness – Thank you are you referring to Ms. Bailey?

President Mancuso – Or, Ms. Bailey, I'm sorry.

Councilwoman Caviness – Okay, okay, alright, thank you Council President. I just have a question for Law Director Sweeney and this is in regards to the impact barriers the bollards, it looks like they're going to have about nine bollards up according to the sketch that we received. Would it be important to put the fact that they have, that they're installing bollards or impact barriers when a play area is close to a parking lot with that be important to put in the, amend the legislation to add that so that we could use it for future reference for other daycares, or no? Councilwoman....

President Mancuso – Director Sweeney.....

Director Sweeney – Thank you, Madame Chair to the councilwoman. I don't think that we need to do that for this piece because we know that her plan is in compliance and it has been.....

Councilwoman Caviness – Okay

Director Sweeney – approved by the whole building team and the fire prevention. We do have that Fire Prevention piece on the books now, so that is what will be in control going forward.

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Councilwoman Caviness – Okay, okay. Thank you.

Director Sweeney – Thank you.

President Mancuso – Any other discussion. Seeing none. I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilman Jarosz, seconded by Councilwoman Caviness. I will also entertain a motion to suspend the rules to forgo the third reading of this legislation. So moved by Councilwoman Gorshe; seconded by Councilwoman McIntosh.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous
Any Opposed: N/A

Madame Clerk would you please call the roll on the resolution.

Clerk Allen – Roll call –

Yes: McIntosh, Wojtila, Jukic, Gorshe, Caviness, Jarosz, Mancuso

Resolution Passes.

Thank you Madame Clerk would you please read the second agenda item into the record.

2. Ordinance 82-2020 (83-20) Sale of ppn 645-30-076 at 641 East 266th

An ordinance authorizing the sale of Permanent Parcel Number 645-30-076, vacant land at 641 East 266th Street, from the Euclid Land Bank, to Adam Metz, Property Improvement Specialist LLC, for the amount of One Dollar (\$1.00) as authorized by Ordinance Nos. 98-2010 and 101-2011.

President Mancuso – Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilwoman McIntosh; seconded by Councilman Jarosz.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

And we will go back to Director Holody to begin discussion.....

Director Holody – Thank you Madame Chair. Council will recall, that in January of 2019 Mr. Metz was approved for the purchase of four vacant lots from our land bank, he as I think many of you know successfully completed the construction of two new houses on two of those lots and has sold those properties and he's also in the process of beginning construction on the other two that were approved. This evening we are asking for approval to sell two additional parcels to Mr. Metz for new home construction, I think what, as was a very well, summarized earlier by Councilman Jarosz, new construction on these vacant lots will bring a new income taxes to the city. It'll increase spending from the new residents that move into the houses and then we also enjoy the effect of the new construction and increased value on the neighboring property owners by the lifting effect that this team in construction has on increasing the values surrounding them. So that's a, those are some of the reasons why new construction on land bank lots was so heavily emphasized in our recently adopted Master Plan and why we're so excited to see Mr. Metz bringing these two proposals before you this evening. I will also mention that just at our last P and Z meeting, Mr. Metz was reviewed and recommended for approval for the purchase of a third lot, which he hopes to, and we hope to bring before council at the next council meeting but with this I'd like to recommend the approval of

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this sale for this lot on 266th Street to support the construction of new housing and increased investment here in our community.

President Mancuso – Thank you sir. Before we go on with discussion, I believe Councilman Epps has joined us, and with that we will go on, welcome sir and that we will go on with discussion, questions for Director Holody. Councilman Wojtila.....

Councilman Wojtila – Thank you Madame Chair. Director Holody I had a question from one of the neighbors of the property that's in Ward 6 and do you know what the other houses have sold for that he built recently?

President Mancuso – Director Holody.....

Director Holody – Yes, the two that he recently built and sold were sold for between \$200 and \$210,000.

Councilman Wojtila – Thank you. And, and I guess one other point, both of these lots are over 5,000 square feet so the minimum lot size is 1200 is that correct also?

President Mancuso – Director Holody.....

Director Holody – I believe its 1200 or 1250, I'd have to look. Council did amend the minimum unit size for new construction housing about a year ago, and that is based on the lot size. That's something that we will review in detail with Mr. Metz during the ARB approval process and then also the building permit process.

Councilman Wojtila – One last question, is Mr. Metz planning to build the same size units here as he did on the previous applications?

President Mancuso – Director Holody.....

Director Holody – I don't believe that I've received detailed plans yet for these two lots, but I would imagine that with this lot on 266th Street, it is a corner lot so there is some additional arrangements that he may be able to consider, but I would say that there likely to be roughly the same size or perhaps slightly larger.

President Mancuso – Other discussion? Seeing none. I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilman Wojtila, seconded by Councilwoman McIntosh.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

I'll also entertain a motion to suspend the rules to forgo the second and third reading. So moved by Councilwoman McIntosh; seconded by Councilman Jarosz.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous
Any opposed: Your opposed, one opposed

Alright, Madame Clerk please call the roll on the merits of the ordinance.

Clerk Allen – Roll call –
Yes: Wojtila, Jukic, Gorshe, Caviness, Jarosz, McIntosh, Mancuso

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No: Epps

Ordinance Passes.

President Mancuso – Thank you very much, Madame Clerk would you please read the third agenda item into the record.

3. Ordinance 83-2020 (084-20) Sale of ppn 644-29-067 at 23314 Williams Ave. to Adam Metz, Property Improvement Specialist LLC

An ordinance authorizing the sale of Permanent Parcel Number 644-29-067, vacant land at 23314 Williams Avenue, from the Euclid Land Bank, to Adam Metz, Property Improvement Specialist LLC, for the amount of One Dollar (\$1.00) as authorized by Ordinance Nos. 98-2010 and 101-2011.

President Mancuso – Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilwoman Gorshe; seconded by Councilwoman Caviness.

All in favor

Yeas: Unanimous

Thank you and we will once again go to Director Holody to begin the discussion.....

Director Holody – Thank you Madame Chair. Again passage of this ordinance will bring new home construction to the City of Euclid, which will bring new income taxes, property taxes, spending and investment to the community. So we are supportive of this, I'll note that the lot that Mr. Metz recently presented to planning and zoning council is immediately adjacent to this property so with your approval of this item tonight, and again, approval of another item at the next council meeting we're really positioning Williams for some major investment on that street, which will be a very exciting to see.

President Mancuso - Thank you. Discussion by my colleagues? Councilwoman Gorshe.....

Councilwoman Gorshe – Thank you Madame Chair. Director, this happens to be in Ward 8 in a very small lot size, so is he looking to consolidate those lots if fortunate enough to get the other one and build a larger house, because a lot of those houses are on slabs over there, not necessarily with basements, what's the plan?

President Mancuso – Director Holody.....

Director Holody – Thank you the lot that he's proposing to purchase tonight on Williams is over 7,000 square feet so it's a unique configuration but it is a substantial in its size. Again it's a corner parcel so, it allows for some different arrangements in terms of the site plan, but at this time there's no plans that I'm aware of for adjusting the property boundaries so, we expect that Mr. Metz's final plans will include construction within the existing property boundaries and the lots are sufficient in terms of their size to support that.

Councilwoman Gorshe – Thank you very much, would you keep me apprised of what's going on with this and perhaps we can talk when you return, are you still on vacation or are you back?

President Mancuso – Director Holody.....

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Director Holody – I’m back, Madame Chair to the councilman, I’m back now and will be back in the office tomorrow and I know we’ve got a couple of things to catch up on Councilwoman Gorshe so we can go over this one.

Councilwoman Gorshe – Yeah, well, everybody deserves a vacation. So we’ll talk this week, thank you.

President Mancuso – Other discussion? Councilman Epps.....

Councilman Epps – Thank you. I just want to point out for the public and folks who are watching as well as for my colleagues to understand that when as you see me voting no on particular pieces of legislation like this, it, it’s not that I’m against new construction, it’s not that I’m against growth, definitely pro-growth, definitely excited that all this interest from this particular company is in Euclid and others as well in development, I just don't like the idea that we're selling those parcels to developers, we’re selling these homes for the low two hundreds and was selling them for a dollar when they’ve been here at city council, they’ve acknowledged they’ll pay more, I know that Councilwoman, Councilman Gorshe, I’m mean Councilman Jarosz and his committee are working on trying to reconfigure the land bank stuff, but in the meantime you know, they guys said he’d pay a \$1,000 and I’m just not going to support selling it for a \$1.00 when we can get a \$1,000. When we're making cuts in so many areas in our committing so for a matter of clarity and just making sure that folks aren’t thinking that I’m against growth and development, I wanted to make that point and that comment. Thank you.

President Mancuso – Thank you. Other discussion? Seeing none. I’ll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilman Epps, seconded by Councilwoman Jukic.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

Thank you. I’ll also entertain a motion to suspend the rules to forgo the second and third reading. So moved by Councilman Jarosz; seconded by Councilwoman Gorshe.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous
Those opposed: n/a

Madame Clerk please call the roll on the merits of the ordinance.

Clerk Allen – Roll call –
Yes: Jukic, Gorshe, Caviness, Jarosz, McIntosh, Wojtila, Mancuso
No: Epps

Thank you. Ordinance Passes.

President Mancuso – Thank you, Madame Clerk would you please read the forth agenda item into the record.

4. Ordinance 084-2020 (090-20) Smith Group services for the eastern portion of Phase II of the Euclid Waterfront Improvements Plan

An emergency ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Euclid or her designee to enter into a professional services agreement with SmithGroup

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for construction administration for the remainder of 2020 for the eastern portion of Phase II of the Euclid Waterfront Improvements Plan, in an amount not to exceed Ninety Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$90,000.00).

President Mancuso – Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilman Epps; seconded by Councilwoman Jukic.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

Thank you and we will go to Director Holody to begin the discussion.....

Director Holody – Thank you Madame Chair, members of council. You'll recall at our last council meeting, council authorized us to precede with Mark Haynes Construction on the next phase of improvements along our waterfront project approximately \$3.6 million dollars' worth of construction work, as in past waterfront improvement projects like to retain Smith Group JJR to serve as our construction, administrator and provide oversight on the construction project. We feel that this is important to ensure that the project is constructed properly it's a very technical project and Smith Group has been with us since the start of the project and they've got the expertise to ensure that our contractors are doing the work as it was designed. The, the contract that's before you this evening will take us through the end of this year, funding for the project will come from the Harbor Town Tif fund which, as a reminder those funds can only be used for these waterfront improvement projects and Smith Groups work will be overseen by our Waterfront Improvement Project Manager Allison Lukacsy-Love she'll administer Smith Groups contract and ensure coordination with Smith Group and Mark Haynes Construction. Passage is important this evening so that Smith Group can be present at the preconstruction kickoff meeting that's currently scheduled for the first week of September, as in past years we anticipate that a lot of the work will be taking place in the fall so we want to have our whole team in place so that construction can get under way and get off to the right start. I'll be happy to answer any questions that you might have.

President Mancuso – Thank you. Discussion by my colleagues. I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilman Jarosz, seconded by Councilwoman McIntosh.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

Thank you. I'll also entertain a motion to suspend the rules to forgo the second and third reading. So moved by Councilman Jarosz; seconded by Councilwoman McIntosh.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous
Any opposed: Seeing none.

Madame Clerk would you please call the roll on the merits of the ordinance.

Clerk Allen – Roll call –
Yes: Gorshe, Jarosz, McIntosh, Wojtila, Jukic, Mancuso
No: Caviness, Epps

Ordinance Passes.

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President Mancuso – Thank you, Madame Clerk please read the fifth agenda item into the record.

5. Ordinance 85-2020 (096-20) SAFEbuilt Ohio Contract renewal

An emergency ordinance authorizing the Mayor, or her designee, to enter into a professional services contract with SAFEbuilt Ohio, LLC for the provision of Certified Building Official services for a period of five years from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2025.

President Mancuso – Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilman Epps; seconded by Councilman Jarosz.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

And we will go to Special Assistant to the Mayor, Ms. Grida.....

Assistant to the Mayor - Mrs. Grida - Thank you so Madame Chair. Since 2015 most of you know we've had a relationship with SAFEbuilt, for our Certified Building Official services off and on through that time frame cause as you know we had our own CBO for just a short time. We have always had them available to us on a part-time basis but at this point we are ready to expand those services to fulltime. We were fortunate to have Certified Building Official Steve Vogel join us in November of 2019, also happy that he subscribes to our philosophy in regards to customer service, consistency with interpreting and applying the state code, and he also excels on the team approach which was so important for, you know, how we operate in the City of Euclid. He is licensed also in plan review so one of the additional benefits for us from a budget perspective and sort of a streamlining perspective is that he also can do all of our plan reviews, so we had prior, we had money in the budget for that when we moved that over to our Certified Building Official it does enable us to afford him at a full time level. So I also want to point out the reason why this came as an emergency, our current amendment for him expired on August 10th, we have been in negotiations and he will be ready to start full time with your approval on September 1st and that will go through December 31 of 2025. I thank you the council that did ask questions ahead of time, I hope I was thorough enough in the answer but I'm happy to answer any other questions this evening.

President Mancuso – Thank you. Before we go on I think we have to unless, I think we need to amend our ordinance to reflect and the last line of the first paragraph that it does go to, from September 1, 2020 through December 31 2025. So I will.....

Director Sweeney – Madame Chair. Thank you I wanted to make sure too cause the information I got was that it goes from September 1st to August 31st, 5 years. So.....

President Mancuso – Correct, so it should go through it went, so what I have is that it should go September 1, 2020 to December 31, 2025. That will be the amendment and I'll make a motion on that amendment, I need a second. So moved by Councilwoman Caviness. Any discussion on the amendment only. Councilman Epps.....

Councilman Epps – Thank you Council President. Can you explain that as to why, I mean that's a little more than five years what's the reason for that.

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Assistant to the Mayor, Mrs. Grida – Sure no problem. Yes I actually, we were negotiating a five year hourly price and then when we landed on the dollar amount they felt like it would be better to end at a calendar year so we can get back to like a January - December cycle, because we've had so many amendments we've been chopped up with that and so they were willing to extend it those few extra months.

President Mancuso – Okay, the other thing I have before I turn over to my other colleagues is that Councilwoman Gorshe wanted her name added, is that still. Okay and I will add my name also. Other discussion by my colleagues, Councilwoman Gorshe.....

Councilwoman Gorshe – Thank you Madame Chair and thank you to Mrs. Grida for bringing this up, I'm not usually for 5 year contracts, but the consistency with the same gentleman who knows our city and has kind of like a armed length employee to us, is definitely a good thing to do especially with all the building going on, we need consistency and we need that customer service, so thanks for bringing this up and I'm proud to sponsor this tonight.

President Mancuso – Alright we have an amendment on the floor and we have a second, and we've had no further discussion on the amendment. I need to call the role on the amendment. Madame Clerk.....

Clerk Allen – Roll call –

Yes: Caviness, Epps, Jarosz, McIntosh, Wojtila, Jukic, Gorshe, Mancuso

The amendment passes.

President Mancuso – Thank you, we will now go to discussion of the full ordinance and to Councilman Epps.....

Councilman Epps – Thank you, I actually am wondering if, is there a way that we can, amend this to actually specify this particular individual as the individual from SAFEbuilt, especially listening to Councilwoman Gorshe explain that the five year, she's comfortable with 5 years because of it being this particular individual is there a way we can specify that in the contract because if he's not technically an employee of ours as we're making the agreement with SAFEbuilt then they really could, natural disaster whatever the reason may be assign someone else, so if we're going to go 5 years I'd like it to be contingent upon it being the same individual as opposed, otherwise I would not be in support of it for 5 years. So is there a way we can do that?

President Mancuso – Ms. Grida.....

Assistant to the Mayor, Mrs. Grida – I did ask that question, an unfortunate we can't put his name in the legislation, we have had a longstanding relationship with SAFEbuilt and they have always been men and women of the their word, so they guarantee they will not pull Mr. Vogel from us as much as they can guarantee as much as you eluted to Councilman Epps. Also if something were to happen and we're assigned somebody else we also have a 30 day out so we can give a notice, we can cancel that contract, but it is not there policy to put specific names into the legislation, Mr. Vogel actually has several other cities that he's responsible for by September 1st he will be relieved of those duties so he's solely is to focus on Euclid so it sounds like their plan also supports this, should this pass this evening, I think you asked one other, oh, the other piece

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about the 5 years, just so you know, because I was toying with three or five year. I wanted to really just guarantee that price, it's a really good price, and I wanted to guarantee it for the five years cause I, I wasn't sure if there would be an increase if we only went for the three.

President Mancuso – Thank you.

Councilman Epps – Okay, and can I follow up. I appreciate you Ms. Grida for clarifying that because that was going to be the other thing was about how we can change that around, so I appreciate that, I do, I'm a little concerned about that piece but I think the price point is important as well so I am happy to support this tonight and I'd like my name added as well. Thank you.

President Mancuso – Madame Clerk, you have Councilman Epps name also? Thank you. Other discussion, Councilwoman Caviness.....

Councilwoman Caviness – Thank you Madame Chair. Just a point of information, I was interested in the integrity even though we've had a good relationship with SAFEbuilt for some time, but interested in their performance in other cities so I contacted the Muskegon City Hall in Michigan, and they are very pleased with SAFEbuilt, they have had a long standing relationship with me and actually have expanded their services with SAFEbuilt to include a vacant property registry and in with that registry they have to have vacant building owners, to show, to have their city taxes paid, utilities, fees paid and demonstrate a vacant and vacant investments to keep their structure in good condition and what they also require from the city and this is with SAFEbuilt involved, the owner has to pay a \$500 annual fee as long as that property is vacant and when the properties occupied they no longer have to pay the fee, and that fee goes up every year so it's \$500 the first year, \$1,000 the second year and it can go up to \$5,000 in the year, in the fifth year. So, I, I think with just with what they offered me the information, I questioned also the five year contract but one the Mayor stated that we have that 30 day out with the contract and also because SAFEbuilt seems to be a very reputable company and has worked very well with other cities. Thank you.

President Mancuso – Thank you.

Councilwoman Caviness – Oh, and I would love to have my added to it. Madame Chair.

President Mancuso – Council Clerk add Councilwoman Caviness also. Councilman Wojtila.....

Councilman Wojtila – Thank you Madame Chair. On the 6th amendment, I just noticed that in one of the recitals of representations it talks about a rate of \$115 dollars an hour that that went from February 6 to or February 11th to August 10th does that mean we actually have a reduction in the rate?

President Mancuso – Ms. Grida.....

Assistant to the Mayor, Mrs. Grida – It does, it does, we, we have been negotiating this for a while and we did get a reduction down to the current amount in the contract.

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Councilman Wojtila – Sounds good. Thank you.

President Mancuso – Other discussion. Seeing none. I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilman Wojtila; seconded by Councilwoman Jukic.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

I'll also entertain a motion to suspend the rules to forgo the second and third reading. So moved by Councilwoman Caviness; seconded by Councilwoman McIntosh.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous
Any opposed: seeing none.

Madame Clerk would you please call the roll on the merits of the ordinance.

Clerk Allen – Roll call –
Yes: Epps, Jarosz, McIntosh, Wojtila, Jukic, Gorshe, Caviness, Mancuso

Ordinance Passes as amended.

President Mancuso – Thank you very much, Madame Clerk would you please read the sixth agenda item into the record.

6. Ordinance 86-2020 (085-20) Cuyahoga County tax duplicate the assessments for criminal nuisance abatement

An emergency ordinance to certify as a lien on the Cuyahoga County tax duplicate the assessments for criminal nuisance abatement as provided in Chapter 529 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Euclid.

President Mancuso – Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilman Epps; seconded by Councilwoman Jukic.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

And we will go to Law Director Sweeney please to begin discussion.....

Director Sweeney – Thank you Madame Chair. As council's aware if we have one felony activity or two other misdemeanor nuisance activities or other types of nuisance activities we can declare a property a nuisance, if we have continued calls to that property we will fine that property owner an escalating scale starting at \$250.00. Should that invoice remain unpaid we then certify the lien. So that is what we have here today, we originally started with 13 nuisance declarations and we only have four invoices. So in those cases the property owners had abated the nuisance, moved tenants, started you know behaving themselves, there's no more nuisance activities at properties. You will see three residential properties on the list and then we do have the PlaMor and you will see that as significant dollars there as there have been a number of instances at that property and those nuisance invoices have remained unpaid. So I'm happy to answer any questions that you have.

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President Mancuso – Thank you. Other discussion by my colleagues? Seeing none. I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilwoman Jukic, seconded by Councilwoman Gorshe.

All in favor
Yeas: unanimous

I'll also entertain a motion to suspend the rules to forgo the second and third reading. So moved by Councilwoman Gorshe; seconded by Councilwoman, Councilman Jarosz.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous
Any opposed: One opposed.

Madame Clerk please call the roll on the merits of the ordinance.

Clerk Allen – Roll call –
Yes: Jarosz, McIntosh, Wojtila, Jukic, Gorshe, Caviness, Caviness, Epps, Mancuso

Ordinance Passes.

President Mancuso – Thank you, Madame Clerk would you please read the seventh agenda item into the record.

7. Ordinance 87-2020 (087-20) Cuyahoga County tax duplicate the assessments for the cutting of grass, weeds, and trees

An emergency ordinance to certify as a lien on the Cuyahoga County tax duplicate the assessments for the cutting of grass, weeds, and trees as provided in Sections 529.03 and 1755.28 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Euclid

President Mancuso – Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilwoman Jukic; seconded by Councilwoman Gorshe.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

And we will go back to Law Director Sweeney to begin discussion.....

Director Sweeney – Thank you Madame Chair. So council's aware that if any residents grass is higher than 6" we will issue a notice and post it on the door and give the property owner or resident 48 hours to cut the grass, if they do not cut the grass we then go do that for them and we do issue a ticket and an invoice for those grass charges. So the list that you have before you is 783 parcels for a total of \$174,900 and these are grass cuttings that have remained unpaid from July 1, of 2019 through June 30th of 2020. It is significant, significantly less than previous years and we are attributing that to the great billing of our Housing Department and getting those grass tickets paid.

President Mancuso – Thank you.

Director Sweeney – I can answer any other questions you might have.

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President Mancuso – Thank you. Discussion by my colleagues? Seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilwoman Caviness; seconded by Councilwoman McIntosh.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

I'll also entertain a motion to suspend the rules to forgo the second and third reading. So moved by Councilwoman Gorshe; seconded by Councilwoman McIntosh.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous
Any opposed: Seeing none.

Madame Clerk would you call the roll on the merits of the ordinance.

Clerk Allen – Roll call –
Yes: McIntosh, Wojtila, Jukic, Gorshe, Caviness, Epps, Jarosz, Mancuso

Ordinance Passes.

President Mancuso – Thank you, Madame Clerk would you please read the eighth agenda item into the record.

8. Ordinance 88-2020 (089-20) Cuyahoga County tax duplicate the assessments for demolition, including the costs of asbestos assessment, abatement and monitoring of properties

An emergency ordinance to certify as a lien on the Cuyahoga County tax duplicate the assessments for demolition, including the costs of asbestos assessment, abatement and monitoring of properties as provided in Chapter 1753 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Euclid.

President Mancuso – Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilwoman Jukic; seconded by Councilman Wojtila.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

And we will go again to Law Director Sweeney.....

Director Sweeney – Thank you Madame Chair. So these are seven properties that total approximately \$120,000 those figures are for asbestos assessment, asbestos abatement and demolition of these properties. We then put a lien on the property taxes and, and for all of these assessments that were discussing tonight those are due by September 14th, I certainly don't wait until the last minute to get those on, Barb already has some certified copies for me and we'll send those down, so I'll get those down to the County this week. Just to make sure that those assessments get on there. We also for this one add 5% administrative costs due to the, the _____.

President Mancuso – Your breaking up Law Director.

Director Sweeney – project. We get our funds from Cuyahoga County so the monies that we took these properties _____.

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President Mancuso – We're losing you again.

Director Sweeney – is from a Cuyahoga County grant back in _____

President Mancuso – Law Director Sweeney, we're, we're, we're losing you. Your voice. Mayor Gail.....

Mayor Holzheimer Gail – Thank you Madame Chair. I think what Director Sweeney was saying was these funds are made available originally through the County Demolition Fund, we do assess properties and that, those dollars do go back into a fund that's spent for future demolitions.

President Mancuso – Thank you.

Mayor Holzheimer Gail – So they're program funds that do, go back into this same type of activity.

President Mancuso – Thank you. Did you have anything else Law Director Sweeney? Are you back with us again? I don't think so. Okay, questions for my colleagues.

Director Sweeney – Okay, now I'm unmuted, okay, so sorry don't know what happened there just cut out. I think the Mayor I heard her tail end, I think she covered what I was trying to say about that_____, thank you.

President Mancuso – Okay, thank you, welcome back. Alright, discussion? Seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilwoman Jukic, seconded by Councilwoman Gorshe.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

I'll entertain a motion to suspend the rules to forgo the second and third reading. So moved by Councilman Jarosz; seconded by Councilwoman Caviness.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous
Those opposed: Seeing none.

Madame Clerk please call the roll on the merits of the ordinance.

Clerk Allen – Roll call –
Yes: Wojtila, Jukic, Gorshe, Caviness,

Councilman Epps – Point of order Madame Chair.

President Mancuso – Sir.

Councilman Epps – If, there's a question that I wanted to ask a question right now, or have I lost that opportunity? It's a quick question.

President Mancuso – I'm going to make an exception but yes you would have lost that opportunity. Go ahead.

Councilman Epps – Thank you, I appreciate it. I'm just curious as to how do we protect victims of Domestic Violence from being tagged on this nuisance for

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calling for help for themselves, is there a way that we have to filter to kind of streamline that part of the process for them?

President Mancuso – Law Director Sweeney.....

Councilman Epps – Thank you.

Director Sweeney – Madame Chair, we do not declare nuisance on any domestic violence situations, any domestic fighting anything that looks like that. We do have, we did amend our domestic violence in our nuisance code, we amended our nuisance code I don't know, maybe 2017 and I can give that draft amendment to the Councilman tomorrow, I'll make myself a note, were we removed domestic violence as a nuisance activity. So anything that smells like domestic, on any of these nuisance calls, we, we strike those.

Councilman Epps – Awesome, thank you and I appreciate that and thanks again Madame Chair. My vote is yes.

Council Clerk – Thank you.

President Mancuso – Go ahead Madame Clerk, finish.

Council Clerk –
Yes: Jarosz, McIntosh, Mancuso

Ordinance Passes.

President Mancuso – Thank you very much, Madame Clerk please read the ninth agenda item into the record.

9. Ordinance 89-2020 (095-20) levy assessments for the cutting of weeds and cleaning of vacant

An emergency ordinance to levy assessments for the cutting of weeds and cleaning of vacant lots as provided in Chapter 1113 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Euclid

President Mancuso – Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilwoman Gorshe; seconded by Councilwoman Jukic.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

We will then go on to Law Director Sweeney, once again to begin discussion.....

Director Sweeney - Thank you Madame Chair. So these are the cutting of vacant commercial lots, these are done by the Service Department. We did talk today in the Directors meeting and this has been going on for years, where the Service Department cut certain commercial lots and then our Housing or Nuisance Team cuts the residential lots, we will discuss after this assessment possibly merging and maybe our Nuisance Team in Housing takes over the so we don't necessarily have two pieces of legislation going forward. But basically there was 6 cuttings, I should say six parcels at a total of \$1800.00 that was done by the Service Department. Happy to answer any other questions you might have.

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President Mancuso – Thank you. Discussion by my colleagues? Seeing none. I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilman Jarosz, seconded by Councilman Wojtila.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

I'll also entertain a motion to suspend the rules to forgo the second and third reading. So moved by Councilwoman Gorshe; seconded by Councilwoman Caviness.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous
Any opposed: Seeing none.

Madame Clerk please call the roll on the merits of the ordinance.

Clerk Allen – Roll call –
Yes: Jukic, Gorshe, Caviness, Epps, Jarosz, McIntosh, Wojtila, Mancuso

Ordinance Passes.

President Mancuso – Thank you, Madame Clerk would you please read the tenth agenda item into the record.

**10. Ordinance 90-2020 (088-20) Repealing Chapter 555
“Registration of Felons”**

An ordinance repealing Chapter 555 “Registration of Felons” of the General Offense Code of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Euclid to no longer require the registration of felons who reside in the City of Euclid

President Mancuso – Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilwoman Gorshe; seconded by Councilwoman Caviness.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

Councilwoman Caviness do you want to start or would you like Director Sweeney to start?

Councilwoman Caviness – If you don't mind, Director Sweeney, I can defer to Director Sweeney.....

President Mancuso – Thank you, Director Sweeney would you begin.....

Director Sweeney – Thank you Madame Chair, and Councilwoman Caviness. So this whole chapter was passed in 1979 and if you look at the first paragraph which is declaration of purpose, you know it states why this was put into place and, and quickly it basically states that many serious crimes are committed in the city and we need to advise the police department of felons and arsonist that are coming into the city so we know where they are, we know who they are, we know where they are living, where they're working and get a photograph and fingerprints of them. Then Councilwoman Caviness brought this to my attention because someone was circulating a petition to get rid of two of the sections of the chapter, and then when I looked at the whole thing and I talked to Chief Meyer about this I thought this is a, this quite an outdated I can't even tell you the last

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time that this was enforced by the Police Department and it's really not necessary also in 1979 there wasn't the internet, you couldn't necessarily look up folks if you were so inclined to do that, and now we also have the Sex Offender Registration which that is mandated by law, that's something we cannot get rid of so that doesn't necessarily, it is covered in this but it's not in it, it's covered elsewhere. So because this is very outdated, because we don't enforce it, I don't see any point in having this chapter on our books and I'm happy to discuss further, I don't know how much further discussion is needed, I don't think it's necessary to go into committee but if council wants to do that, it's okay but just because it, you know, it's so outdated, potential constitutional issues there as well, I just don't think it's necessary anymore, but happy to discuss further.

President Mancuso – Thank you. Councilwoman Caviness.....

Councilwoman Caviness – Thank you Madame Chair. As Director Sweeney stated I did, it was brought to my attention from a petition that was being circulated on Facebook by the CEO of the National Association Advisory Council on policymaking of Northeast Ohio and I thought alright, you know one of our Council Goals for this year is to look at resolutions and ordinances and amend them or repeal them depending on today's standards and this one from 1979 just looked like a good one to me. This action was initially for 5, 55503 which was a filing a reporting and 55505 the person photographed and fingerprinted but as Director Sweeney stated when I brought it to her attention and she brought it to the Chiefs attention she thought, alright we don't have, we don't do this, the Chief said we haven't done this in a while so why not repeal the entire section, Chapter all together and according to the CEO of the National Association Advisory Council she stated in her comments when she was circulating the petition that this particular chapter adds to the racial discrimination in housing, education, policing and politics and it also supersedes our State Law requirements that only call for both sex and arson offenders to register with a municipality in which they reside. So both of them, both as I stated our Law Director and police department said let's repeal the entire ordinance and that's where we stand today now I do, did have some questions from persons about that, what will we replace it with, and as Director Sweeney stated we have a state law that requires certain things, we have a state law that requires sex and arson offenders to register. Now do, a question to Director Sweeney, Madame Chair, is do you think that we need to look at well, we could repeal this tonight but if we choose to, but do you think that we need to look at something to replace it with maybe verbiage from the State Ohio, State law Director Sweeney?

President Mancuso – Director Sweeney.....

Director Sweeney – Madame Chair to the Councilwoman, I certainly can look into something like this, I'm not aware of any other cities that have any kind of registration of, of any kind of folks besides the sex offenders, I'll look into the arson but if it's State Code, it's already there, I don't think we need to do anything with that.

Councilwoman Caviness – Okay, okay. Thank you. Well I would urge my colleagues to support the repeal of this Chapter 555 of our Code and for the registry of felons. Thank you.

President Mancuso – Thank you, other discussion? Councilman Epps.....

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Councilman Epps – Thank you I just would, like to first applaud the administration, Law Director Sweeney in particular, for swiftly, 100% being on board with supporting this, this isn't something that it's a clear cut as you said Director Sweeney, the fact that we can go on and Google on today's age, right while lying in the bed at home we a, there's no reason why we need to keep this on the books, I would like to have my name added to it as well and urge all my colleagues to support this tonight and not send it to committee. Thank you.

President Mancuso – Thank you as this is Councilwoman Caviness said one of our goals to review our ordinances and policies would all of council like to add their name to this? Show me, a show of hands. I think that's everybody. Okay Madame Clerk so it will be all of council. Is there any further discussion? Seeing none. I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilwoman Gorshe, seconded by Councilwoman Jukic.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

I'll also entertain a motion to suspend the rules to forgo the second and third reading.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous
Any opposed: Seeing none

Madame Clerk would you call the roll.

Clerk Allen – Roll call –
Yes: Gorshe, Caviness, Epps, Jarosz, McIntosh, Wojtila, Jukic, Mancuso

Ordinance Passes.

President Mancuso – Thank you, Madame Clerk would you please read the eleventh agenda item into the record.

11. Ordinance 091-20 - Amending Section 301.22 "Motorized Bicycle"

An ordinance amending Section 301.22 "Motorized Bicycle" and enacting sections 301.221 "Electric Scooter," 301.222 "Mobility Device," and 301.223 "Shared Mobility Device and Bicycle Vendor" of Chapter 301 "Definitions" and amending sections 371.01 "Code Application to Bicycles," 371.02 "Riding Upon Seats; Carrying Packages; Motorcycle Handle Bars; Helmets and Glasses," 371.03 "Attaching Bicycles, Motorcycles to Other Vehicles," 371.04 "Riding on Right Side of Roadway; Riding Abreast," 371.05 "Lights, Signal Devices, Brakes on Bicycles," 371.07 "Riding Bicycles on Controlled-Access Highways, Expressways, Etc.," 371.08 "Safe Riding Regulations for Bicycles," 371.09 "Parking; Locks," 371.10 "Registration of Bicycles Required; Reciprocal Agreements" of Chapter 371 "Bicycles and Motorcycles Generally" of the Traffic Code of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Euclid to provide for regulations concerning electric scooters and shared mobility devices

President Mancuso – Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilman Jarosz; seconded by Councilman Epps.

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All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

And I think that we have Director Holody who will begin discussion on this.....

Director Holody – Yes, Madame Chair, I can.....

Director Sweeney – You got it Jonathan? Okay.

Director Holody - begin discussion. Or I would defer to Kelley, if she would like to start it off.

Director Sweeney – Yeah, we, we were arm wrestling over who was taking this one.....

President Mancuso – Alright, I’m good, so you win. Go Director Sweeney.....

Director Sweeney – Thank you. Very briefly cause we would like this to go to committee as one of the residents brought up some questions earlier about some safety issues, we would like it to go to committee, we did talk at the Directors meeting about potentially Councilwoman Caviness’s Committee, but we are surprising her with that news this evening, but if she’s okay in taking it, but briefly I just want to give a little bit of background about this that, some information that Allison Lukacsy-Love and my Assistant Law Director Laura Rubadue have been on 100 conference calls with all these different cities and it’s Cuyahoga County, Cleveland Heights, Cleveland, Shaker Heights, us, South Euclid, University Heights and Lakewood all of these cities have worked collaboratively in an attempt to establish uniformed guidelines and regulations governing the usage of these devices for the benefit and ease of the user. Each municipality that ops into the agreement may direct where the rebalancing stations will be located within its boundaries, may further enact and enforce its own laws and regulations concerning traffic and public right away as they relate to these devices.. Establishing regulations for shared mobility devices is critical to ensuring health and safety, the well-being of the mobility riders, pedestrians and other users and the general public. So basically they’ve been on conference calls for months, working on these plans and contracts, the county’s kind of leading this, and then the cities are following suit and joining in if they feel that it’s a good fit for our city. So Cleveland Heights, their Law Department drafted some standard form regulations, I then plugged them in where they fit in our code and added new sections where necessary, so sorry Barb had, has such a mouthful tonight, but there’s a lot to this, so we would like it to go to committee and again we are recommending Councilwoman Caviness if she is willing to take it. Thank you.

President Mancuso – Thank you. Did you have anything to add Director Holody?

Director Holody – No, I think that was a great summary.

President Mancuso – Thank you. And discussion from my colleagues, shall we start with Councilwoman Caviness since we already used you.

Councilwoman Caviness – Thank you Madame Chair. I would be glad to take this on and I’m excited about hearing about it actually because I always wanted to use one of the devices downtown Cleveland so I did a little bit of research on the rebalancing but I’m not going to go into depth about it now if it’s going to committee I think it would be exciting to talk about. Thank you.

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President Mancuso – Thank you. Other discussion, Councilman Wojtila.....

Councilman Wojtila – Thank you, thank you Madame Chair. I understand that it's going to go to committee but real quick I have to ask this question in the fact sheet it talks about municipalities opting in and receiving a 15¢ per trip fee. What, what do we opt into?

President Mancuso – Director Sweeney.....

Director Sweeney – Thank you Madame Chair to the Councilman. A, a contract that's going to cover all the different cities. So the County's going to negotiate one contract and it's my understanding and the cities can opt into that contract. So we are getting good prices and not negotiating separately and directly with the, the manufacturers.

Councilman Wojtila – And I'm sure there's more than one manufacturer so.....

Director Sweeney – There are, yup correct, so I think the county's got two different vendors that they're looking at, I really have not been involved it's really been Allison and Laura, but I'm pretty sure they said there were two different vendors that the County's looking at.

Councilman Wojtila – Okay, thank you.

President Mancuso – Other discussion? Seeing none. We have a motion on the floor by Councilwoman Caviness to send this to committee, do we have a second? So moved by Councilwoman Gorshe. Any discussion on the motion only? Councilman Epps.....

Councilman Epps – Thank you Madame Chair, I will just echo the comments by Councilwoman Caviness, Chairwoman Caviness as a member of the Safety Committee I'm very, very, very excited intrigued about all of this as well. But I look forward to discussing it in committee. Thank you.

President Mancuso – Thank you. Any further discussion on the motion? Seeing none.

Madame Clerk please call the roll on sending this to the Public Safety Committee.

Clerk Allen – Roll call –

Yes: Caviness, Epps, Jarosz, McIntosh, Wojtila, Jukic, Gorshe, and Mancuso

Ordinance sent to the Safety Committee, Public Safety Committee.

President Mancuso – Thank you, Madame Clerk would you please read the twelfth agenda item into the record.

12. Ordinance 092-20 - Enacting Section 905.03 “Honorary Street Names”

An ordinance enacting Section 905.03 “Honorary Street Names” of Chapter 905 “Street Numbering” of the Streets, Utilities and Public Services Code of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Euclid to allow for honorary street names on the approval of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

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President Mancuso – Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilwoman Caviness; seconded by Councilman Wojtila.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

And we will go to Councilwoman Caviness to begin the discussion.....

Councilwoman Caviness – Thank you Madame Chair. About a year ago, Mr. Mickhal Garrett, the father of little Aniya Garrett, Aniya Day Garrett approached me about an honorary street named after his daughter and specifically East 228th off of Lakeshore. I then contacted Councilwoman McIntosh and she and I both met with Mr. Garrett and his attorney Mr. Abdallah, I'm sorry I have to look at the spelling in my head and we said that we would look into it, we brought it to Director Sweeney and, and here it is today and naturally it's taken a while but you know there's some debate as to whether or not this is something that we would like to do in the city especially considering the fact that at that time Cleveland put a moratorium, established a moratorium on, on the honorary street name but they established that moratorium in order to re-evaluate their requirements and conditions for on naming a street, now this does not take away the original street name it just signifies or identifies a designated street for that and East 228 was just, was chosen because it's near the apartments where the Aniyah lived and so that was the reason why that was chosen, it's a very short street as you know, and the sign would be placed above that so and within our the East 228th signs, and within this particular ordinance it does designate and state certain parameters that would, that we would follow in using and establishing an honorary street designation so in looking at all this it's quite involved and it's not something that I think can go to a second reading without some, some vetting. So my recommendation at this time is to send it because it is in regards to Chapter 905 a street numbering of the street utilities and public service code, my recommendation is for it to go to the Public Service & Utilities committee and I did ask Councilman Wojtila if he would be willing to accept it and he stated that he would. Thank you.

President Mancuso – Thank you. Do we have a second on that motion? So moved by Councilman Wojtila, any discussion on the motion only? Seeing none, Madame Clerk would you please call the roll on sending this to the Service Committee?

Clerk Allen – Roll call –

Yes: Epps, Jarosz, McIntosh, Wojtila, Jukic, Gorshe, Caviness, Mancuso

This ordinance will be sent to the Public Services and Utility Committee.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – PUBLIC PORTION

President Mancuso – Thank you, that completes our legislative section of our agenda, we will now move on to the second Committee of the Whole, the Public Portion and I will turn it over to our Council Clerk to read into the record those items which we have received this evening.

Clerk Allen – Thank you Council President, I received an e-mail at 12:58 pm on Sunday August 16th from The Webbers at 2070 Miami Road, Euclid, Ohio 44117. We are against the discussion of a RITA partnership with our tax department. The people have spoken and I believe this is an attempt to enter

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through the "back door!" We also don't like the idea of a partnership because Euclid has a history of failed partnership beginning with the shared tax..... Schools weren't supposed to come for more levies after they got their portion and the recreation department and sharing of high school pools. That was also failed. Respectfully, Sandra Webber.

President Mancuso – Thank you.

Clerk Allen – The next came in at 2:26 pm today August 17th. I am writing you to express my deep concerns, I'm sorry this is from Jermeka Jackson, 1485 East 248th Street. I am writing to you to express my deep concern with Ward 3's Councilman, Marcus Epps. On July 20th I reached out to Council via email requesting assistance and shared concerns for the residence at 1483 E. 248th St. Initially, Councilman Epps replied to my emails and scheduled two meetings, however, on two separate occasions he did not show-up.....

Councilman Jarosz – Madame Chair, point of order.

President Mancuso – Yes, Councilman Jarosz.....

Councilman Jarosz – I'm not sure this is appropriate if it's specifically about a member of council I'll leave it up to the Chairs decision but I don't, you know I think it's part of the rules to not have personal attacks vs. going in that direction.

President Mancuso – Thank you sir. Thank you so what we will do Councilman Epps is make this available to you on a personal level and we will go on with the next, the next reading.

Clerk Allen – The next one came in today at 3:50 pm, Monday August 17th. This is from Dana Showalter, at 2, I'm sorry, 326 East 241st Street. Mayor, Madam President, Council Members, Citizens All. Last week we heard of a new possible deal between the city and RITA. When the voters of Euclid turned this down it was mostly because of the voters of Euclid not wanting to deal with RITA. Saving the tax department was part of that but the vast majority didn't want RITA. Last week we heard that in May of this year, it was our tax department was the impetus for joining RITA, less than 40 minutes later we hear that, we've been talking about this since Feb of 2019. Less than 90 days from the voters saying they didn't want RITA, according to what was said, RITA was back on the table. 5 minutes later we again hear that it started in May of this year. We heard during the RITA vote, that it's the entire package or nothing, now we hear that 'ala carts' is available. Too many things are not adding up. For this Council to move forward on this at this time is foolish and voters in Euclid ARE watching closely in a year that many on Council are up for re-election Thank You Dana Showalter

President Mancuso – Thank you. Next.....

Clerk Allen – My next one comes in also today, Monday, August 17th at 4:14 pm from Barb Hatch, 924 East 237th. To administration and council, #1. I would like to know about the trash throughout the city. Are littering fines enforced in the city? I know our officers are already spread thin but can the Housing Department issue fines if they see people littering throughout the city? The amount of trash I see teenagers drop or people throwing garbage out of their car windows is ridiculous. #2. I want to show my support for the partnership between the tax department and Rita. I don't understand why anyone would be opposed to this if our very own Tax Department feels it is the way to go. The council people are that, the council people that we, that were opposed because

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they wanted to maintain our Tax Department now don't care what the Tax Department thinks is in the best interest of the city? Based on conversations I had with neighbors and trying to understand the process of going to Rita myself, I feel the reason it failed at the polls is because most people thought it was a new tax, or didn't pay their taxes and didn't want to get caught. I had two people tell me it was a new tax for RTA. This city needs money. This seems to be a win, win for everyone except those that don't want to pay taxes. Can we try this for a year and see what happens? I want more police and new roads. I love my city and want to see it move forward.

President Mancuso – Thank you, Mayor Gail did you want to respond to the, the fees, the trash fee's and littering.

Holzheimer Gail – Certainly. It, so we do have littering ordinances they are tricky to enforce primarily because the officer has to see the person littering. I will say I share this concern you know, tremendously, we got some pictures today of what Sims Park looked like after people where both drinking and having a party at the pavilion yesterday or over the weekend, I know we've all seen across our commercial districts and by the freeway a tremendous amount of littering and so, you know, it's up to all of us to do our own part, Keep Euclid Beautiful has continued to do small community clean up events and so there are a number of people that take, take it upon themselves to help us clean up our streets and I thank them very much for those efforts. I will certainly talk with the police department and ask them to keep a closer eye, I'm not sure whether we can, I don't believe we can ask our or even empower our Housing Inspectors I see Law Director Sweeney shaking her head because that is a criminal code, but we can look into alternate ways and I would ask everyone to do their part, I mean it's, I just, I mean it's just one of my pet peeves as well so I will talk with the police about that we do have signs, you know we're looking at do we have enough trash containers, there's other things we're doing but it's, you know again and I'll go on a tangent here for a minute I think Covid has brought us, made us aware of some issues and people are forgetting what it means to live in a community and be respectful of others and so we're seeing additional nuisance neighbor calls, we're seeing littering, we're seeing some criminal behavior that you know, we haven't seen before or you know maybe it's just a peek and I think that more people are home, more people are stressed because of Covid and I guess I would encourage everyone if you're looking for something to do outside, take a trash bag and some gloves along with you and help us. It really depends on each and every one of us to do our part, I think that you know, people are likely if they see other trash on the ground they're more likely to say okay I'll do it to not most, not everybody if they, if it's a nice clean street and people appreciate it, I think they're less likely to toss their garbage, that's not everybody of course but I think we can all, let's all do our part I appreciate the concern and I will talk with the police department.

President Mancuso – Thank you. Do we have more?

Clerk Allen – Yes, the next came in today, Monday August 17th at 5:04pm from Audrey and Victor Goodman, 20201 Glen Russ Lane. Good Evening Everyone, On August 19, 2020 this administration and Council will venture into waters that very well may have catastrophic repercussions for years to come. One of the main reasons for these ripples in the water is that under the guise of the pandemic, non in person or allowing citizens Zoom participation may very well be a violation of the Sunshine Laws. Oh, you will argue that citizens are

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allowed to write letters, but that in no way is real time participation; and it is an affront that you think so. Other surrounding communities, Willoughby, Highland Heights, Russell Township, East Cleveland and South Euclid, at least allow citizen Zoom participation. And Highland Heights is back to in person. This is a definite ruse to stop Euclidians from participating on an issue in real time that was fully resolved by ballot in November 2019. When Councilman Moore said "we got it wrong the last time," I hope he remembers that he was a no vote before a yes vote. And he still today is getting it wrong! We were appalled when Councilman Jarosz made a motion, seconded by Moore and condoned by the Council President that was in fact a violation of procedures. You cannot bring legislation to a committee and then return it to Council. You bring it to Council and then send it to committee for recommendation and back to Council. We wish to thank Councilwoman Jukic for the common sense to be the vote that defeated the motion. Let's look at the facts. The City has already decimated the tax department leaving only 3 people to run it; which makes the tax department unsustainable. And what a novel way to fix the problem by bringing in R.I.T.A. which has already been voted down and who during initial discussions last year stated publicly, and on the record, we could not buy a la carte services. Now, by some miracle, a la carte is available. You may believe that because of the pandemic, the people have limited or no recourse. But, whether now or in the future, the people will take action. We may not be able to undo the events you are bringing forward. But we may be able to remove the elected officials that have officially violated the vote of the people. As the saying goes, every action has a reaction. You may win this battle; but you may still lose the war.

President Mancuso – Thank you, any other?

Clerk Allen – Council President, I have one more.

President Mancuso – Okay.

Clerk Allen – Thank you, August 17th, today Monday at 5:29, I received an email from Alisa Boles at 35 East 202 Street. Good evening, this month marks the 100th anniversary of the Right to Vote for women in the United States. Check out the upcoming Euclid Observer for an article about historic elections of women in the City of Euclid. I would also like to encourage everyone to update their voter's registration if needed and to request their vote-by-mail ballot if desired as soon as possible. October 5th is the last day to register for November 3rd election. Ohioans can register to vote online as well as make updates to their existing voter registrations on the Ohio Secretary of State web site at <https://olvr.ohiosos.gov/>. To register online you will need to provide: Ohio driver's license or Ohio identification card number, your name, date of birth, address, last four digits of your Social Security number. In order to vote on November 3rd, registrations must be completed by October 5th. For more information about voting, visit VoteOhio.gov. Request your Vote-by-Mail application ASAP for the November 3, 2020 election. Ohio voters have until noon 3 days before the election, Saturday, October 31st, to submit an application to Vote-by-Mail. There is an additional step in the process that must be taken even sooner, which is to submit a request to have the application mailed to you. To be sure your vote counts, be sure to request your application right away on the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections (BOE) web site. Consider the time it will take to do the following: 1. request application to vote by mail, 2. wait to receive application to vote by mail, 3. complete and send application to vote by mail (BOE must receive by 10/31) and 4. Wait to

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receive ballot, 5. Complete ballot AND must be hand-delivered to BOE by 7:30 on Election Day, 11/3, by voter or a close family member OR must be postmarked by the night before Election Day, 11/2, and BOE must receive within 10 days. If you still need to register, or update your registration (i.e. change of name or address), then this process will take even longer. If you have access to a printer, you can print your own application and skip to step 3, but you still have to make sure to give yourself plenty of time to send in the completed application, get you ballot and return it by the deadline. A voter with a qualifying disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may vote remotely using the remote ballot marking system. Thank you, Alisa Boles.

President Mancuso – Thank you, do you have any more?

Clerk Allen – I do not believe so, let me just do a quick check, no Council President I have no further e-mails.

COUNCILMAN’S COMMENTS

President Mancuso – Thank you. We will then go to Councilman’s Comments and we will begin with Councilwoman McIntosh.....

Councilwoman McIntosh – Thank you Madame Chair, thanks to everybody’s who’s participating this evening. Thanks to the Mayor and resident who did comment on the litter problem that is not just in Euclid but is everywhere. I actually walked down Sims Park after receiving that e-mail this morning to check out the situation and help cleanup. The Downtown area and a majority of the park was nearly spotless except for that pavilion so I’m sure that the parks crew did a great job cleaning it up so thank you to, to everyone involved who was able to do that. And if anybody’s interested in joining Keep Euclid Beautiful they are more than welcome to contact me or of course, Chairperson Linda Beck who is part of the Mayor’s office. I also wanted to announce that the Euclid Hunger Center will be having a free fresh produce give a way next Monday, from 4 to 6 at Shore Cultural Centre there’s going to be 6,000 pounds of produce so if you are in need and you would like to pick up some produce be sure to bring your ID and also bring your own bags, which if you need reusable bags we probably still have some of the ones from the County. So get in touch with either myself or the Mayor’s office for those. I also wanted to, I came across free course today through the University of Akron, and you can find that on their website in I believe updates or news and it is a free 12 week course on racial equality and the law, it’s open to the general public and it’s Wednesday evenings from 5:30 to 6:30 so it’s an hour, an hours’ worth each week and you have to register by August 28th and I’ll be posting that link on my Council Facebook Page as well but News Channel 5 did make mention of that on August 14th so you can find the link through there or go to University of Akron website and to wrap up Sunshine Yoga at Memorial Park will be August 27th that’s at 6:00 pm near the community garden. So please consider joining and thank you and have a good night.

President Mancuso – Thank you, Councilman Wojtila.....

Councilman Wojtila – Thank you Madame Chair. Just to the Mayor, I think the Covid testing is actually going to be at City Hall on Friday, not the Ice Arena, have you heard anything about that?

President Mancuso – Mayor Gail.....

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Mayor Holzheimer Gail – So Councilman Wojtila thank you the original flyer did indicate City Hall the correct place is in the parking lot of CE Orr Ice Arena so I think a later flyer was corrected they were looking for spots that had a, you know, one way in and then another way out and it's during the day so we didn't want to use City Hall parking lot because there's cars there during the day, the courts fairly busy, and they needed access to for the workers, from the health workers' for restrooms so we will it will be set up in CE Orr Ice Arena parking lot.

Councilman Wojtila – So you should enter from Babbitt, exit 222?

Mayor Holzheimer Gail – Correct.

Councilman Wojtila – Alright, thank you cause when I called the number on that because I received a couple e-mails back and the person on the phone did say it was Euclid City Hall, so, so you're pretty sure it's at the Ice Arena.

Mayor Holzheimer Gail – Yeah, we will, we'll make sure the I think the Metro had that wrong initially we had them correct the flyer what, we better make sure that the workers either at Board of Health or Metro that are aware of that and we can have some signs at City Hall so that if people are you know, they come we'll direct them to the right spot.

Councilman Wojtila – Okay, thank you and then my last comment is on this Public Service Committee meeting, we are gonna combine it with the rate study that was conducted for the I call it Waste Water Treatment Plant, I'm not sure what the right name is, Water Reclamation Plant, so look forward to that in September and with that I'll say goodnight Madame Chair.

President Mancuso – Thank you. We will go onto Councilwoman Jukic.....

Councilwoman Jukic – Thank you Madame Chair. In related to Mayor Gail's introduction related to the Census, I have to admit that a Census worker come to my house over the weekend so I collected a stack of Census papers and did not complete them and there was a woman who came on Saturday and I was her first customer so to speak because she was not able to get in the apartments that are across the street from me and hearing that we all have a ___ return rate, and knowing how important it is, I wonder if there's something that we could do well as a city or a City Council or community or the library or whomever to try to help increase the census numbers cause it does appear that people like me who come to the very end of the process and have someone come to their home that a lot of people that they can't get to because of the security in the apartment buildings. So I just want to through out there for us to think about or if anyone has ideas of knows what _____ increase the response rate for our city. I don't know if anyone wants to comment on that?

President Mancuso – Mayor Gail.....

Mayor Holzheimer Gail – Thank you Councilwoman it's, you know, it's a great question I would say number one each of you as council members can be sharing with your networks the importance of filling it out, there are people who are skeptical and who are nervous about providing information. The census is a national requirement, I, there is a complete count committee that's being that's at the county level but our Euclid Library has been a main participant in that as I've been to some of the committee meetings, and the library is doing some outreach I believe they have another postcard, scheduled to go out they recently did a art contest, really to spread the word and to make sure everyone's aware, you know, I think what you can do and I will share the

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link, I'll share the, you know, basic information that you can send out to your networks and really encouraging people about the importance of everybody participating. It's, that's the way you know, Federal dollars are, are divided up to the County, to the City, to the State, many decisions about programs are made based on population, our block grant, you know is based on population and the number of congressional representatives we have, so people who are you know sharing our voice making sure our voices heard in Washington is depended on the number in the census, so I'll provide each of you with some information, if you can get it out there, and if somebody comes to your door you know, the people have not, please take the time to fill it out and answer it, I know we had a call today from somebody who's going to be working in the apartments and was asking for some assistance. The complete _____ committee and the census committee is also has you know, should be able to access so we've sent information out through the churches to property managers, to our apartment buildings. We're aware of it's probably another good step to do that again. So I will share some information with council that you guys could pass along, and just you know, for the next I think there's about 60 days left maybe, 50 days left, just make that a constant reminder to people that you're running into.

Councilwoman Jukic – Thank you Mayor.

Mayor Holzheimer Gail – Thank you.

President Mancuso – And we can move on to Councilwoman Gorshe.....

Councilwoman Gorshe – Thank you Madame Chair. First and foremost I'd like to offer my condolences to the Reese family on the passing of Richard, Richard Reese, Father and grandfather of our former Superintendent Reese and our EPD Officer Danny Reese, many condolences and thoughts and prayers to the family there. Mayor wanted to ask on the last meeting we were talking about RITA and we were talking about bringing the community in and looking at maybe doing something at Shore, some other places, we did look into other communities and how they're allowing participation with Zoom and so far the repository of information is Eastlake and Wickliffe to allow live participation, Willoughby does as well, East Cleveland does as well and South Euclid as well, Highland Heights actually has moved their City Council meetings to their community center and they're social distancing so they are a live and in person, what have we done since that meeting to ensure that our residents are able to speak at these meetings and be heard on their opinions on the subject matter at hand?

President Mancuso – Mayor Gail.....

Mayor Holzheimer Gail – Thank you Madame Chair. Residents are able to voice their opinion on any meeting that we have, right now that is either via e-mail or calling in to our Council Clerk, we have, we continue to look at ways that we can improve what we're doing and you know the council meetings we've seen it's difficult, you know we can't I think we can have a special public hearing and allow, you know there's ways to do that that you can allow people to call in you know it's difficult, the council, we have to still figure that out, you know I'm happy to continue to look at that. A committee meeting or a special public hearing might be an easier way to do that.

Councilwoman Gorshe – Okay, thank you for that, I'll be following up on that again on Wednesday. Thank you.

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President Mancuso – And we can now go on to Councilwoman Caviness.....

Councilwoman Caviness – Thank you Madame Chair. And Councilwoman Gorshe you stole my thunder. I was going to do the same thing I wanted to say that Audrey and Victor Goodman spent an extensive amount of time doing research on the city, our surrounding cities and how they're handling their virtual meetings, a lot of them are practicing social distancing, well Highland Heights is practicing social distancing as you mentioned Councilwoman Gorshe, with having their meetings in the Community Center, but some cities are also allowing their residents to join in on zoom meeting, I know one city that I contacted stated that they're using a webinar so that they can avoid some of the problems that people are having with persons invading the privacies of zoom so that's something that I would like for us to actually consider in order to bring our, our residents even more involved with our meetings so, I would like, I would like to have further discussion about that, but, and lastly I'd like to acknowledge two of my children so to speak for their accomplishments one is my son Stephen who was recently appointed as a member along with others to the Cuyahoga County Citizens Advisory Council on Equity, and that will be starting up soon and I'm exciting to find out what they will be discussing. I'm going to bug him a little bit about that and lastly, my daughter-in-law, Denise Monique received, recently received her Master's Degree for the Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences. So I'd like to congratulate her on that as well. And that's all for me tonight Madame Chair. Thank you.

President Mancuso – Councilman Epps.....

Councilman Epps – Thank you Madame Chair. Though I want to first thank Councilman Jarosz as though I really don't mind those types of comments, I think that it is healthy for residents to have the opportunity especially with folks feeling like their voice is stifled right now, I don't mind that type of thing, I was appreciative of Councilman Jarosz jumping in and you know just kind of keep up with the consistency that the Council President even affords herself on a regular basis and that's to make sure that we're not with, dealing with these personal attacks with council so I do appreciate that. I would also like to applaud Director Sweeney and everyone involved for addressing the domestic violence piece and the nuisance assessment piece as well as other communities did not do that and subsequently experienced some lawsuits and so that was a very proactive in doing so and was glad to hear that we had already tackled it before this legislation was even brought before City Council so I thank you and applaud you for that. I also wanted to point out to, what the resident was getting at as well as to some of you, I actually, my City Council phone, I lost it to our beautiful lake front, fishing with the boys at our pier, I've been without that phone now for about a week and that is nobody's fault but my own, I've been swamped with work this last week I believe that folks deserve an answer with that as well and that's the reason why I haven't even been able to go to a store to do that 20 hour days, with my kids actually working with me on some of those sites as well so I do apologize that resident knows that she can reach out to me, we've had back and forth conversations so I please encourage you to reach out again and anyone else you know you can always e-mail me as well as call our Council Clerk, Barb Allen who does have a way to get, a direct line to get in contact with me either way, so I always use that as an option to get in touch with me as well. I'm going to throughout a suggestion and it was said and mentioned, a lot of times in these meetings or with, when we're dealing with city business we refer to, or defer to other things that other communities

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around us are doing, in this particular instance all the communities we typically you know are comfortable with following the lead for are, are finding a way to include these residents into these meetings and I introduced legislation about maybe two months ago now that did just that was provide for resident participation in these Zoom meetings, and I would like to see if that can be brought up, back up again in lieu of all the discussion with this RITA, very decisive RITA debacle and I also want to point out that Councilwoman Gorshe, although I appreciate you asking the question about resuming these Zoom meetings, I don't feel that it's appropriate for these questions to be asked to the Mayor, I think that this is a Council issue, though I also feel it's not necessarily appropriate for, in the same regard that I feel it's not necessarily appropriate for Kristal Grida to even be hosting these meetings, this is a city council meeting and I think we need to watch the lines of separation of powers, so I want to make sure that I point that out as well, this is a conversation along that we should be discussing in E and F as a city council. So I wanted to point that out, I also want to suggest that we do, we've done recently with the deer issue that we're dealing with and we've done with a variety of issues in our city as well and that's a RITA survey, we keep talking about residents want and hypothetically guessing and assuming what residents want and their reasons for voting at the ballot box by addressing only the concerns of the residents organizing the referendum, I don't think that's appropriate considering the number of thousands of people who cast a vote on election day, we need to get an independent group or independent party to conduct a survey that asks the voters directly, what was your issues with RITA and what are our concerns with RITA especially if we're gonna continue to stop this, stifle their voice throughout this, throughout our own process and then I want to close by I experienced on Thursday a personal family situation that I was dealing with myself, and in which, anyone who knows me knows that my kids, I spend the majority of my time, free time with my kids, my kids are extremely important to me and I'll do anything when it comes down to my babies, and we had a family situation that went on and I just want to applaud our Euclid Police Officers for the way they handled the situation and in just in full disclosure one of the mothers of one of my children that lives in Akron she decided she was gonna use this as a way to embarrass me use the Euclid Police Department as a way to try to you know reach and poke me when it comes to an abuse situation that I was addressing with my son. Euclid Police were great in the way they handled the situation, they were very gracious in honoring all of the demands I had in order to protect my son from all the drama surrounding the situation and were able to get him returned back safety where he needed to be appropriately without any issues which is ultimately what I wanted in the first place. So I want to applaud the officers for the way that they handled that situation and I also just want to put in again Councilwoman McIntosh's comment about next Monday from 4 to 6 at the Hunger Center, free fresh produce give a way, with the Euclid Hunger Center ever at shore I want to make sure that folks know about that and I'll be posting it within my city, my e-mail outreach as well as on my social media with that I will say goodnight to you all. Thank you.

President Mancuso – Thank you, Councilman Jarosz.....

Councilman Jarosz – Thank you Madame Chair. I think a lot of people might be noticing the same thing because on my list of things to mention today was littering as well. It's really been apparent lately I was driving by Shore Centre one early morning and I was just shocked by the garbage there and I think

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that's a largely a reflection as maybe mentioned Covid is playing a part, but as also I think some civic pride that we can working on instilling to, because I think that's just a function of not caring. You know I think when people just park their cars and through their garbage out is because they don't care how it looks, so with that you know obviously partnering with Keep Euclid Beautiful makes sense I think some signage might make sense too, not the whole fine, etcetera but just hey this is part of your community please have pride in it, please pick up, might be helpful as well as a just take a look and you know a tally if you will of receptacles do we have enough where we want them, you know, do we, are we lacking in some instances, just make sure everybody has the opportunity cause it really is quite the eyesore and is very disheartening to see the amounts of trash that can accumulate pretty quickly although a lot of folks do a good job cleaning it up also want to mention had a chance to I'm not a golfer at all, but took my son and one of his cousins out to Briardale earlier this week, course was in great shape, it was very busy, we had lunch there at the club, that was great, very professional, very clean, very above board, it was absolutely packed I guess it's doing very well this year being open, however that being said it is absolutely true what they're saying about those cart _____, you know something down the road to maybe consider. Let's see what else do I have, one more thing, I know a lot of times, we'll get a call from a resident hey, my neighbors weeds are high or the grass is etcetera but I've been getting more, and more concerns about things in back yards and I know generally when I reach out to the Housing Department they say, well we can't go in the back yard. I wonder if it makes sense for us to explore a reason or explore this a little further and then maybe take a different tack it because when you're getting things such as my backyard abuts to another backyard and that backyard the grass is literally feet high, were seeing raccoons or seeing rats, or seeing vermin running around that obviously has an impact, on, on my property and I'd I don't think it's OK to say well don't do backyards. I think we gotta look into it a little bit more, there was somebody posting on Facebook where it literally the backyard that abutted their backyard was just full of animal waste. Just an amazing amount and what can you do about it, so I think there are some health and safety issues potentially in back yards, which we may want to look into our ability to address, just because I think you know that the back can be just as impacted if not more than in the front given the situation. So I think with that I will say goodnight.

President Mancuso – Thank you, did you want to respond to Councilman Jarosz, Law Director Sweeney?

Director Sweeney – Thank you Madame Chair. Councilman I appreciate that very much while we wouldn't routinely go in a back yard on a 6" grass cutting thing, we do absolutely have prosecution available to hand those type of cases with the tall grass, and with the vermin please let me know or let Kristal Grida know e-mail us any address's where there are issues and we can start the prosecution process. Thank you.

President Mancuso – Thank you and with that I think we've covered everybody. We do have an E and F meeting on this coming Wednesday the 19th where we will continue the RITA discussion, I believe we will have RITA representatives there at the meeting, I have a question for Law Director Sweeney where being asked about the various ways that people can participate. I need your view on this since we seem to follow your lead legally as to what we should be doing.

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Director Sweeney – Madame Chair to all council, I don't have the memo in front of me, but we are actually, we're in compliance with what the state legislature has said regarding the Sunshine Laws and the Open Meetings Act. We only have to make the meetings available to the public we are taking that extra step by allowing them to participate through e-mails or phone calls to their councilpersons or the Council Clerk, so we are, we are making efforts to you know make our meetings available, we don't have to let folks in on the Zoom meetings that is not required, you, you saw today that I got kicked off, obviously if we have 20 extra people, 30 extra people, 50 extra people on a Zoom meeting that potentially could cause problems with our transmission and we certainly don't want any councilmembers or any administration getting kicked off of meetings. I'm happy to circulate my memo again to all of council that they can pass that on and the House Bill information on to any of their constituents who are having issues with how we're conducting meetings but we are compliant with the Sunshine Laws.

President Mancuso – Okay, thank you. And if there is no other issues.....

Councilman Epps – Point of, point of order, Council President.

President Mancuso – Yes, Councilman Epps.....

Councilman Epps – Can you please, when I was done talking either you or Director Sweeney somebody to address the question or concern about why is the administration who is explain the reasons for why they have shut down these meetings and I also asked you about our E & F meeting we have coming up, adding the legislative, the legislation that I introduced a couple of months ago back into the conversation so that this is something that we can discuss there as well. Can you address.....

President Mancuso – I can respond thank you. Yes, first the E and F meetings and all of our meetings we are under the legal supervision of our Law Director who has to be accountable for everything we do in these meetings, so it isn't just administration, it isn't just council, it is all of us and at this point and all along the way we trust the person who is our legal representative, our Law Director. So it isn't just administration it isn't just council, it is all of us together and the plan was put together in that manner. As far as your piece that was in E and F, I have to tell you we've been pretty busy as you well know, E and F has met several, several times there are other pieces that should also come forward and as soon as I can get some daylight it will be back on, I assure you and with that I will ask for a motion to adjourn. So moved by Councilman Jarosz; seconded by Councilwoman McIntosh.

All in favor
Yeas: Unanimous

And goodnight ladies and gentlemen.

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