

EUCLID CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 5, 2022

**This regular Council Meeting was held on Monday, December 5, 2022
at 7:00pm in the Euclid Municipal Center Council Chambers.
President Charlene Mancuso, presided.**

Council President Mancuso

0:10

Good evening and welcome to the Euclid city council meeting and is December 5, 2020. If able, please rise and join me in the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Thank you. Madam Clerk, would you take the roll?

Clerk Laboda

0:37

Tanner, here. Tolton, here. Epps, here. Jarosz, here. McIntosh, here. Wojtila, - -, Jukic, here, Steele, here. Mancuso, here.

Council President Mancuso

0:50

Can I have a motion to excuse Councilman Wojtila? So moved by Councilwoman Steele. Second by Councilman Jarosz.

All in favor, "Aye."

Thank you. Do we have any communications?

Clerk Laboda

1:02

No communications

Council President Mancuso
and **Council Minutes**

Clerk Laboda

November 7, 2022. Council minutes.

Council President Mancuso

1:09

Thank you. And we will go to the Administrative Reports in Communication. And we will go to Director Sweeney.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Law Director Sweeney

1:16

Thank you, Madam Chair. I have a couple of messages from the Mayor. The Mayor sends her regrets for not being able to be here tonight, she has at an out of state family funeral. She asked that I share our thanks to all who helped put together the holiday lighting ceremony that was held last Friday. Thank you to the service department for all their work and getting the lights and the decorations up thanks to Laura Kidder and the Shore Cultural Centre staff for hosting and thanks to our community partners who helped us that night and a special thanks to Dan and Barb Grisay of South Lake Shore who donated the beautiful Christmas tree. Thank you to Lake Shore Christian Church for the free hot cocoa. Thank you to Maria's Family Restaurant for the chicken noodle soup. And thank you to all the community groups, residents, city departments providing the life size holiday cards at Triangle Park. I think this is our third year doing that. So please if you have some time, take a walk through Triangle Park and look at all the homemade holiday cards lifesize holiday cards. Also, the Euclid orchestra holiday concert is Sunday, December 11. At three o'clock at the Shore Cultural Centre. Tickets can be purchased ahead of time or at the door and the holiday Pops concert also includes dancing from the Lake Shore Dance students. I also have a message from Director Knecht, our service department employees are on overtime until Saturday picking up leaves. Please put them on the tree lawn or you can put them in your garbage cans. Please remove any sticks or any debris nothing but leaves should be in the piles or they're going to cause damage to our trucks and that did happen. We had a couple trucks that were out of service. There are currently 11 sections of leaf pickup. We have already gone through six sections, and we hope to get through sections seven through nine this week. Those sections include Babbitt to 250th, East 222nd to Babbitt and then 200 to 222. Also, please be aware crews are working on dead end streets. We have separate trucks that handle the dead end streets because they need the smaller trucks to be able to turn around. And there is a truck on the north side and on the south side. Those are on the different schedule than the regular leaf pickup. And any other questions you can direct to me or Director Knecht tomorrow. We also have announcements from Director Grogan Myers.

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

3:42

Thank you. Good evening Council. One brief update. As you heard in a previous Director's report, the city had applied to the County Planning Commission for an active transportation plan. This is a plan to develop paths that support people who do not drive a car to and from work to community assets, parks, playgrounds as well as commercial districts. We received word late last week that we were one of the recipients of a community planning grant to develop the active transportation plan for the city. This is very early on but wanted to share this good news. We will continue to work together both City Council and the administration beginning early next year in the development of that plan. Thank you.

Law Director Sweeney

4:25

And Chief Meyer.

Police Chief Meyer

4:28

Thank you, Director Sweeney, members of council, members of the audience. Just a reminder that every Friday evening, we'll be having PAL basketball that's every Friday from 6 to 9pm. And that's held at the Panther Fieldhouse. That's for middle school students 6/8 grades, they can enjoy basketball pizza and hanging out with Euclid officers. You can sign up at the door or you can go to the EPD social media page. Additionally skating with first responders, that's going to be held at CE Orr ice arena and that's going to be on Saturday, December 10, from 2 to 4pm. And that will be through the Euclid Recreation Department is offering free admission and free scrape sorry skate rental. During this first responders ice skating event, join Euclid officers, Euclid firefighters and Richmond heights police officers on the ice. I will do it. Thank you.

Law Director Sweeney

5:20

That completes Administration reports. Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

5:23

Thank you. We will now go to **Committee Documentation**. And I will go to Councilman Jarosz.

Councilman Jarosz

5:34

Thank you, Madam Chair like to make a motion to accept the committee documentation for Board of Control, November 14, and November 21 of 2022.

Council President Mancuso

5:42

Thank you. Do I have a second? So moved by Councilwoman McIntosh. All in favor, "Aye."

Thank you. We will now go to our **Committee of the Whole** for **Legislative** matters only Anyone wishing to speak on any item on our agenda this evening. Please come to the podium, give us your name, address and try to keep your comments to five minutes or less.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - LEGISLATIVE MATTERS ONLY

Council President Mancuso

6:20

The the idea of this particular committee of the whole is to address anything we have on the agenda tonight. Only items on the agenda. Do you have, is the green light on your microphone, sir. Look at the bottom of the microphone. There's a green light if you push it on the bed? No, no on the microphone itself. There you go.

Architect for proposed Adult Daycare

6:47

I bet that's better. There you go. So I'm an architect. I'm here to talk about the proposed approval for the adult daycare center in the shopping center on Euclid Avenue. The proposal has been approved by planning it's supported by planning. I'm here with the tenant and also the director of the proposed site. We're simply seeking your approval as required by your code to put this adult daycare center in the shopping center on Euclid Avenue. Mr. Simon Hussain, who's the owner, as you know, has worked hard at developing this whole plaza. It was empty, you know a few years ago and he's since been able to put in a child daycare a Cleveland Foodbank is in there, the there's a furniture store moving in and out of there already another restaurant, and he's working hard to develop a center. And this this is just an addition to kind of round out the center. I think they'd be one small space after this that will be vacant. But it's a good addition of community, as I said, planning is in support this. And we're simply here tonight as a hopefully a not a rubber stamp but just looking for your approval to put this as required by the city's code. If I'm here to answer questions, Sarita here is the director and also the tenant. I'm sure she'll be happy to answer questions also.

Council President Mancuso

8:25

Thank you, sir. If we need her to answer questions, we will ask her to speak when we get to that on the agenda. Next speaker please. Seeing none, we will then go on to our legislative agenda. Madam Clerk, please read the first agenda item into the record.

LEGISLATION

Clerk Laboda

8:49

Ordinance 145-22. An emergency ordinance amending ordinance number 132-2022, To change the funding source from 310 Capital Improvement Fund to the 510 water reclamation account 510-571-53103, vehicle equipment parts for the purchase of one pipe Hunter 44418 Single Axle jet trailer for use in the streets and sewers department in the amount not to exceed \$75,618.75.

Council President Mancuso

9:32

Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilwoman Steele, seconded by Councilwoman Jukic.

All in favor, "Aye."

And we're gonna go to Director Sweeney.

Law Director Sweeney

9:41

Thank you, Madam Chair. This piece was passed by Council at the last meeting and the Fund for this expenditure was indicated at 310 Capital Improvement. It really should have been the 510 water reclamation account so we are asking council to amend the last piece to change the funding source.

Council President Mancuso

10:03

Thank you. Questions from Council? Councilman Epps.

Councilman Epps

10:10

Thank you, to Director Sweeney. Was it just an error in the change for it? Or was there a reason why we needed to switch five?

Law Director Sweeney

10:17

Madam Chair to the Councilman, it appears to be an error, the fact sheet said 510. The legislation said 310. Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

10:25

Thank you. Any further discussion? Seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilman Tolton. Second by Councilman Epps

All in favor, "Aye."

I entertain a motion to suspend the rules to forego the second and third reading. So moved by Councilwoman McIntosh, second by Councilwoman Steele.

All in favor, "Aye."

Those opposed? One.

Madam Clerk, please call the roll on the merits of the ordinance.

Clerk Laboda

10:52

Tolton, Yes. Epps, Yes. Jarosz, Yes. McIntosh, Yes. Jukic, Yes. Steele, Yes. Tanner, Yes. Mancuso, Yes.

Ordinance passes.

Council President Mancuso

11:03

Thank you, Madam Clerk, please read the second agenda item into the record.

Clerk Laboda

11:07

Ordinance 140-22. An ordinance authorizing the sale of permanent parcel number. 641-27-094, vacant land at 21531 Miller Avenue from the Euclid Land Bank to Janine Nemecek for the amount of \$1 as authorized by ordinance, ordinance numbers, 98-2010 and 101-2011.

Council President Mancuso

11:38

Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilwoman Steele. Second. Councilman Epps.

All in favor, "Aye."

Thank you. We will go to Director Grogan-Myers.

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

11:49

Thank you, Madam Chair to Council. This piece of legislation proposed to sell the vacant land at 21531 Miller Avenue currently owned by the city's land reutilization program to Janine Nemechek, who is the property owner to the immediate West. And they are, She's the owner occupant of the property. She is proposing to fence in the property as well as looking at doing an addition to her home pending the approval which is the reason for the \$1 purchase price as well as the requirement for a lot consolidation plat to be prepared and submitted to the city prior to transfer. And it is also noted that the transfer and the consolidation occur within six months pending your approval. Happy to answer any questions but the Planning and Zoning Commission has reviewed this item and has recommended its passage.

Council President Mancuso

12:38

Thank you. Council discussion. Seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilwoman Steele. Second by Councilwoman Jukic.

All in favor, "Aye."

I'll entertain a motion to suspend the rules and forego the second and third reading. So moved by Councilwoman McIntosh, second by Councilman Jarosz.

All in favor, "Aye."

Those opposed? One

Madam Clerk please call the roll and the merits of the ordinance.

Clerk Laboda

13:10

Epps, Yes. Jarosz, Yes. McIntosh, Yes. Jukic, Yes. Steele, Yes, Tanner, Yes. Tolton, Yes. Mancuso, Yes.

Ordinance passes.

Council President Mancuso

13:23

Thank you. Madam Clerk, please read the third agenda item into the record.

Clerk Laboda

13:28

Resolution 141-22. A resolution granting a conditional use permit pursuant to section 1359.03 D4 of the consolidated, I'm sorry of the codified ordinances of the City of Euclid to Sarita Clay to operate a

Daycare facility at 25811 Euclid Avenue in a U4 local retail use district permanent parcel 648-22-001.

Council President Mancuso

14:05

A correction is to operate in adult daycare facility at 25811 Euclid Avenue. So we're all on the same page. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilman Epps, second by Councilwoman Steele.

All in favor, "Aye."

And we will go to Director Grogan-Myers.

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

14:25

Thank you, Madam Chair. This resolution pertains to the approval of a conditional use permit to operate an adult daycare in the Euclid Richmond shopping center, as presented before the Planning and Zoning Commission on the November 15 agenda. This was recommended for approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission. The facility will be open 6am to 6pm, is expected to have six to eight employees, and projected to have up to 40 clients and again these are adult, this is an adult daycare facility so it's 40 adult clients this Still, this proposal still requires the review of the city's building official and fire prevention Bureau to make sure that the building is suitable and meets the needs of the Ohio building code and fire prevention official and their approvals are required as part of that, in determining the maximum occupancy and safety of the facility. As noted previously, the architect and the tenant Miss Clay are here. Should you have any questions, but as previously noted, the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended the approval of the conditional use permit. Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

15:33

Thank you. Council. Would you like to suspend the rules and hear from the tenant? A motion to suspend the rules by Councilman Epps, second by Councilman Tolton. We have Mrs. Clay, Miss clay, could you come to the microphone here and just give us your name and address. There's a green button on the bottom of your

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

16:03

So my name is Sarita clay, you want me to spell it to know. And the facility is at 25811 Euclid Avenue.

Council President Mancuso

16:12

Okay. Council discussion. Any questions? Councilman Tanner.

Councilman Tanner

16:19

Thank you, Madam Chair. This is adult daycare only then?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

Yes.

Council President Mancuso

16:25

Other discussion?

Councilman Epps

16:30

Thank you, Madam Chair, to the applicant. I just have a couple of questions. And I think this is a good opportunity for my colleagues to be able to ask questions about what your plans are. Are you familiar with the with the number of senior facilities that are right there in that same area?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

16:46

Yes. Well, a little bit. I know there's nothing that's that, that's close to that one. I know there's one out out here actually. Adult Day Center, is that what your asking me?

Councilman Epps

16:56

As far as adult daycare you are aware of Hilltop and Euclid Hill villa which are senior?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

17:03

Oh, the senior? Oh, yes.

Councilman Epps

17:05

If you could talk to me a little bit about your plans to you as far as to how you plan on bringing these clients in.

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

17:14

Okay, so the way that I'm going to bring the client standard would be through developmental disabilities. So that's the way I'm doing that. So they will, you know, is like a portal that we will go on. And you know, we will apply for the client, which make it better for us. So that way, we don't have to actually fish for the client. So that's the way I'll be doing it.

Councilman Epps

17:32

Gotcha. And you have you already had the point in your process where you already have the relationship with them. And you already set and ready to go? When you expecting to open?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

17:39

So right now the application is they have my application. So it takes like about about 30 days because they pretty backed up because a lot of people trying to open up adult day centers. So I'm looking to get it open. Probably the end of January, beginning of February.

Councilman Epps

17:55

And to to that comment to Director Grogan Myers, the does that that fall in line with the other inspections that need to happen from the city

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

18:07

Madam Chair, to the Councilman, yes, they all work together. The The first step would really be for the building department to take a look at any occupant change of occupancy issues. Fire prevention bureau would work with that as well, and then work in coordination with the other inspections that need to occur.

Councilman Epps

18:22

So then is it this step that needs to happen in order for that to happen.

Planning & Development Director Grogan-Myers

18:27

Madam Chair, Councilman, that is correct. This is the first step we always take care of zoning first, because zoning looks at the building code looks at the structure itself. The zoning code says whether or not the use can operate in that space. So pending your approval, that's what we kicked off the remaining inspections and approvals.

Councilman Epps

18:44

And but it will not come back to city council again after that. This is the approval not just for the zoning or the zoning piece is with the approval that we're given for the the exception.

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

18:52

Madam Chair to the Councilman, that is correct.

Councilman Epps

18:55

Okay, thank you. I appreciate you being here for my colleagues to be able to ask their questions as well. And so I'll defer to my colleagues at this time. Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

19:03

Thank you. Other discussion? Councilman Tolton.

Councilman Tolton

19:08

Thank you, Madam Chair to Miss Miss Clay, Right? Okay. Okay. There's a couple of quick questions. Because when I called earlier I got information that wasn't necessarily going to be people with disabilities so let me ask this question first, are you serving food they're also?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

19:29

No, it will it will not be food. they'll be bringing their own lunches, we'll be open from 6am to 6pm. So they will be bringing their lunches and

Councilman Tolton

19:37

Okay. Okay. So since it since they have some of these cognitive issues, is there any type of training or training or security also so people won't, you know, get out and get lost? You know, that kind of thing?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

19:50

Yeah. So my staff is fully trained. We have to in order for me to even open up the center. I have to have a DOO. So that's the one who's you know, running a facility I will be there with them. And so we deal with developmental disabilities, they only expect you to have at least a DOO and a worker. So they you have to do the background check on the actual worker, but then the DOO requires them to have bachelor's degree. So the individuals that are hired, they both have social work degrees, and they both have the training because they have to take that train and it's, you know, in its annually, we have to do that. And, and developmental disabilities, they, you know, they guidelines changes all the time. So they have different classes that we all have to take.

Councilman Tolton

20:33

And have you looked at any other properties within the city?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

20:38

I have, but you know, what, It seemed like it you know, they weren't equipped for that. And I love this one property that was out, what was it in Beachwood? And the guy was like, No, we can't do it here. But it was already an adult day center there before. What was that adult day center name? It was shut down during COVID.

Councilman Tolton

21:05

what was it located in? Was it located in a retail spot? That one you're talking about in Beachwood?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

21:11

Where they had like office spaces and things like that? So, but it was like, you know, it was retail stuff around it, but more so like the office spaces and stuff.

Councilman Tolton

21:21

Okay, I just I just have some issues with it being it I'm glad you looked at Euclid to want to bring your business. Yeah, I would definitely appreciate that. I just have kind of a issue with these kinds of things being put in retail establishments, you know, when we really trying to build our retail footprint up again? Yeah, that you know, it's kind of taking that space where maybe something and go to retail, we may have you had a standard, I looked at some. Today, I looked at some other adult daycares around the county, most of those have standalone type buildings. So they will not interfere with anything like that. But it seems like again, you know, you're you're meeting the state code requirements and things like that. But you're my concern, again, was just safety. And I think you answered that. So..

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

22:02

And then we definitely me as a business owner, definitely safety is my first, you know, that's my first priority is safety, because I have a transportation business as well. So you know, I'm like real, I'm by the book with everything. So I want to make sure that everybody is staying safe. So we will be we will be picking them up sometimes. And then there'll be getting dropped off. So it's not like they will be in the parking lot. You know, we just we're going to have them safe. Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

22:28

Any other discussion? Councilwoman Steele?

Councilwoman Steele

22:31

Thank you, Madam Chair. Just have a couple of questions. Yeah. Thank you. Thank you for coming out tonight to answer our questions. Yes. So you're offering the your services for the Developmental Disabilities disabled? So my question is how many adults per worker?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

22:50

So it Okay, so it's five clients to a worker?

Councilwoman Steele

22:53

Okay, yes, you're gonna have at least 40? I know, the need is really in demand in demand right now. And what type of you said you're going to have training? Because a lot of these adults, some of them have more severe problems, yes, than others. So what type of trainings are you going to have? And some of them, as you said, you are going to offer them they have to bring their own lunches. (yes.) But they, they're not going to have any snacks or anything for them.

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

23:21

So that's the that's what I'm thinking now. Because, you know, so many people have allergies. So we if we do stuff like that during like the holidays, or something like that, or we, you know, we take them out. If I if we do have something that at the facility, I would definitely have, you know, like, the parents let us know what kind of allergies they have. So that way, you know, we can give them a substitute. So say, for example, they're allergic to pink, well, I'm not gonna have anything with peanuts, but I'm just saying, you know, they are, we will have something to substitute that.

Councilwoman Steele

23:51

So the training programs that you're going to offer these adults, I'm sure there's a wide range of trainings and ages. How are you going to maintain that plus, keeping them safe? And are you wait, far as though the my workers is?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

24:05

So first of all, before they start? Well, a lot of so when I start hiring more people, once we get more clients in, we will have trainers at the office, and they will have to take those trainers online? Oh, I see. Yeah. And DODD, they have all that stuff that they you have to take that and they have to we have to print that stuff out. Keep it in the files.

Councilwoman Steele

24:28

Okay. But as far as for the not the residents, but the clients that you're going to serve? Are you going to do you have any programs for work, you know, for them to actually get into the workforce.

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

24:41

So that that will be something that I will have to add on right now. We're just doing so I know what you're saying far as like the they have centers that does that. Right now. I'm just trying to start off first and then add that as we go. Okay. Thank you. Absolutely.

Council President Mancuso

24:56

Councilwoman McIntosh.

Councilwoman McIntosh

24:58

Thank you, Madam Chair. Um, thank you for joining us this evening. I just have a couple questions. The first one being, is this the first facility of this nature that you've owned and operated? (Yes.) And how many years experience do you have working with this type of population with developmental disabilities?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

25:17

I have, well my brother, I took care of him before he passed. So 11 years.

Councilwoman McIntosh

25:26

11 years? And is there? I know it's adults. (Yes.) What? Is there an age range for adults? Like, is there any like, you're going up to senior age or?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

25:41

Well, right now, you know, I wouldn't mind doing seniors as well. So we, you know, we'll probably do not once I have to see how it goes, once thing, things, you know, get started. But I'll say maybe, I mean, as far as we can probably go, because I mean, I'm not gonna discriminate what you know.

Councilwoman McIntosh

26:00

And then you mentioned that you have a transportation business, too. Will you be kind of combining those efforts and using your transportation company to transport your clients?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

26:13

Yeah, I may do that. Because I do I did transportation? Well, I haven't done it in a while with developmental disabilities, but I have the certification with them. So I can, you know, the clients that they give us, I can actually transport them as well.

Councilwoman McIntosh

26:25

Gotcha. And then you also said that you have certifications to run a facility? (Yes.) What is the certification?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

26:34

So what they require me to have, if you don't have a bachelor's degree, you have to have at least either it's at least five years experience. It can be what you know, a family member or someone that you just took care of. And they want proof of that, which I have the 11 years of it. So what my brother having, you know, developmental disability. So that was the requirements for that.

Council President Mancuso

26:56

Thank you. (You're welcome.) Other discussion? Councilman Epps.

Councilman Epps

27:02

Thank you. Um, two more quick things. The first question is for Director Myers, do we have something in place for adult daycare centers similar to as we have with daycare facility, as far as with some sort of require in some sort of outdoor recreational space or anything to that nature?

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

27:19

Madam Chair to the Councilman. So in speaking with the zoning Commissioner, that applies to youth day care or child daycare, and then anything that would be required as far as like an outdoor space or anything like that, through the state requirements, we would enforce as part of the code, which is also included in there. But the requirement for an outdoor space focuses on a child daycare.

Councilman Epps

27:40

Okay, and it for maybe this is Director Sweeney, and not you but there is that something that this Council could put in place or no?

Law Director Sweeney

27:49

Madam Chair to the Councilman, I wouldn't put it in place for this applicant, if you want to look at the code going forward on something like that. That would require a code change, because there's nothing in the code that requires outdoor space for adult daycares.

Councilman Epps

28:03

And there's nothing we can do as far as contingency to put in place for this to say, hey, we would support this if

Law Director Sweeney

28:11

I would, I would not only because that's not the code right now. So for future applicants, if council wants to take a look at that and make a code change, that could be an option.

Councilman Epps

28:21

Gotcha. And the two more things One, was the ratio ratio for these adults with developmental disabilities. I heard your architect mentioned six to eight employees and up to 40 clients, what's the ratio? How does that play out?

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

28:37

So when you ask about the ratio, so like, how many so like I was explaining to you like, how many clients to want to one employee? Yes. So it's five clients to one employee.

Councilman Epps

28:49

Okay. So that's where you're getting your six days from? It will be service anywhere from 30 to 40. People. (Yeah.) And then the other question is, you are aware and I just want to make sure that you're aware this is a busy Plaza, it's getting busier every day. I was not blindsided, but it was

new information to me that it was people with adults with developmental disabilities, that was new information for me tonight. And I was concerned slightly prior to that, with that being said, what I mean what is the plan for like, what do they get outdoor time do they so

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

29:26

So they will be in a facility and then we, you know, we will have a calendar, we'll be doing something every day and we will take them out you know, rather Vista mall but it will not be in that parking lot. Because, you know, I want safety, you know, so we will take them out to different places like you know, brother Vista mall, the grocery store, and we have all this Yeah, we'll make sure that they stay but it won't be out there such as we thank You that which is my employees and myself.

Councilman Epps

29:53

Thank you and I definitely appreciate you man. A lot of times people don't come to this point. This is important.

Business Owner, Mrs Clay

29:57

You guys are asking some great questions and I appreciate that because the thing of it is like with me safety is first. Yeah. And even though there is that space, it's a, you know, that area is busy, we're gonna keep an eye on him, because I treat them as if they're marching children. I have children. So, you know,

Councilman Epps

30:14

I wish that we were in, I appreciate you saying that as well, our number one concern safety. And, you know, it's, unfortunately, we're not in a place where we can sit down and you know, barter back and forth like, Hey, if you're willing to do X, Y, and Z, I'm hearing from our law director that we cannot do that with this particular piece of legislation. And so further delay of this, to kick this down would mean nothing. And so with that being said, I'd like to ask my colleagues to join me in supporting us tonight.

Council President Mancuso

30:45

Thank you so much. Any other discussion? Seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilman Steele. Second by Councilman Tanner.

All in favor, "Aye."

Madam Clerk, please call the roll on the resolution.

Clerk Laboda

31:02

Jarosz, Yes. McIntosh, Yes. Jukic, Yes. Steele, Yes. Tanner, Yes. Tolton, No. Epps, Yes. Mancuso, Yes.
Resolution passes.

Council President Mancuso

31:19

Thank you very much for being here. (And thank you all.)

Business Owner, Mrs Clark

31:21

Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

31:26

Madam Clerk, please read the fourth agenda item into the record.

Clerk Laboda

31:31

Resolution 142-22. A resolution approving the fiscal year 2023 entitlement year proposed budget to be incorporated into the annual action plan under the Community Development Block Grant CDBG program of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, HUD, as recommended by the Citizens Advisory Committee of the city of Euclid, and authorizing the mayor to submit said annual action plan to HUD.

Council President Mancuso

32:09

Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin discussion. So moved by Councilman Tolton. Second by Councilman Jukic.

All in favor, "Aye."

And we go agenda Director Grogan-Myers.

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

32:19

Thank you, Madam Chair. Council, this legislation probably looks familiar. We pass this legislation once a year as part of the annual

budgeting process for the CDBG funds. As you may recall, some of the programs that are authorized under previous CDBG budgets include Park and playground improvements, health safety and weatherization programs. So you see, right now we're currently doing the furnace clean and repair program, certainly something that we continue to get the word out about. We have also done vinyl replacement, painting, roof repairs and replacements, as well as senior programs and youth programs. And finally, storefront renovation. So it covers a broad array of programs in previous years, and as you can see in the attached proposed budget for 2023. It carries on that tradition in covering a lot of different areas of the city and residents. I want to make sure to note that as being part of the annual process, we don't currently have the final HUD budget amount that will come to the city. This is a standard procedure for us to pass a budget and for the final number from the city to come in sometime next year. Unfortunately, it depends on when Congress can pass the CDBG budget. So that timeframe ranges widely. But what we do is we do this work now so that we're prepared when Congress does pass the the Housing and Urban Development CDBG budget. So what this does is this allows the administration to enter into agreements associated with the housing, fair housing activities as well. As you'll note in here, we talked about CDC or nonprofit housing services. The information will come out at a later date as far as through an RFP to provide services to the city for those various elements. But this allows the city's administration to move forward pending the approval of this budget. And I also want to make sure to note that this is part of a public process. So we have the Citizens Advisory Committee, I want to make sure to thank accounts person Tolton, who is a member of that committee, as well as the other committee members, former council people, residents who provide hours of their time every month to review the accomplishments that come in from the current year and continue to review the budget for the coming year. So this is a true community feedback. So you know, going forward pending your approval. The city will then draft and be prepared to submit what's called an annual action plan that outlines what the city is going to use the CDBG funds for annually. So the city will draft that annual action plan and have that ready when con As passes their budget, and then next year, the city will begin in partnership with the CAC developing the five year Consolidated Plan. Think of that as a mini master plan, if you will, for CDBG funds going forward. That plan will then start in 2024, where the previous five year plan is due to expire at the end of next year. So that's why we will begin that work. So just wanted to give you that as we look towards the future. I also want to be sure to thank our Community Development Manager Ed Chennock, who has guided us through this, he keeps us on the good side of the Housing and Urban Development Department, which as he can testify is not an easy task to undertake on a day to day basis. Happy to answer any questions you have. Before you tonight.

Council President Mancuso

35:44

Thank you. Discussion. Councilman Tolton.

Councilman Tolton

35:48

Thank you, Madam Chair, just real quick to the Director and to the audience. Again, this is just voting yay or nay on the recommendation from the city Citizens Advisory Committee has already been voted on. And granted, like you said with that it was a, you know, robust discussion that we had and those committee meetings. You know, we didn't always agree all the time. But I think we came down to, you know, a great final decision partially got the money for for the different programs in the city. So I would definitely urge my colleagues to sponsor this. That's it. Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

36:24

Thank you. Any other discussion? Councilwoman McIntosh.

Councilwoman McIntosh

36:31

Thank you, Madam Chair to Director Grogan Myers. I just want to I think I heard you correctly. But I may have been distracted. You mentioned an RFP? And could you just repeat what that RFP would be issued for out of this proposed budget? Would that be like the facility improvements parks and playgrounds, CDC Non-Profit Housing.

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

36:57

Madam Chair, the council woman, the RFP would be issued specifically for CDC, nonprofit housing services. Other line items within the budget may require an RFP or solicitation of proposals, but specifically what I was referencing was the CDC Non-Profit Housing Services.

Council President Mancuso

37:18

Other discussion. Seeing none. Did you have discussion Mr Epps? Did you did you have discussion? Okay, go ahead.

Councilman Epps

37:33

Thank you. And I was not in here. So excuse me if I asked this question. And the question was already asked. Is there anything we should know? That is not here about future planning for this particular is step? Is there anything that we should know additional?

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

37:49

Madam Chair to the Councilman, I do have a specific question. I don't want to spend time going through each one of the individual. There's there were applications that were proposed as part of the public services portion. So that's the senior programs. The city put forth projects as part of this. I'm happy to touch base on any of those if you have specific questions, but I didn't. I was trying to avoid taking up too much time this evening.

Councilman Epps

38:15

And as in and I'll email you with the specific question later, I was giving you an opportunity to say I will email you we can have that conversation offline. But is this going to require RFP?

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

38:27

Madam Chair to the councilman so the CDC Non- Profit Housing Services will require an RFP.

Councilman Epps

38:35

I'll email you my question. Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

38:37

Thank you. Any other discussion? Councilman Steele.

Councilwoman Steele

38:44

Thank you, Madam Chair, Director Grogan Myers. I do have a question about the neighborhood programs for your house. And I know that you had a committee and you guys did some extensive time with this. But can't the \$25,000 that's proposed in the budget for this? Is this. What?

That's such a small amount for that neighborhood programs just to overview, what is that going to be used for? Because that's such a small amount. Can you elaborate on that?

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

39:19

I'm sure the council person so it's specifically for fair housing services from the Fair Housing Center for rights and research. And just as a little bit of backroom, so the general management in the Fair Housing when you combine those two, that is part of the administrative percentage or the 20% cap, so we are tied to certain caps as part of HUD guidelines. So you'll note at the bottom underneath the total of \$1,027,000, that \$205,400 is 20% of that total. That's if you had the 25,000 plus the \$180,400. That's what gets you to the 205 400. And that's Part of that 20% cap for the Public Service total, we're capped at a 15% of total. And that's that \$154,050, which matches with the senior programs up above. So there are certain restrictions that the US Department of Housing and Urban Development places on the city as part of the CDBG program, and that's what helps to inform some of these numbers.

Councilwoman Steele

40:23

Thank you so much.

Council President Mancuso

40:25

Other discussion? Seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilman Steele, seconded by Councilman McIntosh.

All in favor, "Aye."

Madam Clerk, would you call the roll on the resolution?

Clerk Laboda

40:39

Macintosh, Yes. Jukic, Yes. Steele, Yes. Tanner, Yes. Tolton, Yes. Epps, Yes. Jarosz, Yes. Mancuso, Yes.

Resolution passes.

Council President Mancuso

40:54

Thank you. Madam Clerk, please read the fifth agenda item into the record.

Clerk Laboda

40:59

Resolution 143-22. A resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Euclid or her designee to apply except and expend Cuyahoga County supplemental grant CDSO program funds in an amount up to \$50,000. For the purpose of playground improvements at Heritage Park, in the city of Euclid.

Council President Mancuso

41:27

Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin the discussion. So moved by Councilman Steele, second by Councilman Tolton.

All in favor, "Aye."

And we go again to Director Grogan Myers.

Planning & Zoning Director Grogan-Myers

41:38

Thank you, Madam Chair. This legislation supports the city administration and the Department of Planning and Development submitting an application to the county for CDSG funds. These, as you'll recall and note in the legislation are derived from casino revenue funds, and specifically created to establish this grant program, which allows a little bit more flexibility. So it mirrors a lot of the CDBG requirements, but doesn't place the geographic limitations that CDBG can place depending on the project. In previous years, you might recall we have done sidewalk replacements as part of this program using funds awarded by this program, as well as the continued to plan to Hero park trail improvements. So that's just a brief bit of background so we can apply for up to \$50,000 in support of a project. Previously, we had applied for Ohio Department of Natural Resources funds to support the construction or reconstruction of the Heritage Park playground on East 193rd Street that was next up in the playground improvement program inventory that we are working off of to improve the city's recreational offerings. Unfortunately, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources wrote and said we were not awarded this year, it was a very competitive program as the program's funding was cut by about 50%. So it got extremely competitive. That said, we are blessed and fortunate to have the CDBG dollars we have here and the commitment to continue the playground Improvement Program, which was also included in the parks and playground budget in the previous piece of legislation. This playground or excuse me, this application seeks to supplement those CDBG dollars or leverage those dollars, so that hopefully we can do more with our always shrinking budget or budget that is always facing additional demands. So we're requesting your support in submitting an application for \$50,000 in support of this playground replacement

application with the hopes that we can move forward with Heritage Park leveraging our CDBG dollars.

Council President Mancuso

43:47

Thank you. Council discussion. Councilman Tanner.

Councilman Tanner

43:53

Thank you, Madam Chair. So basically, this \$50,000 fund is actually supplement the funds that we didn't get from the other state.

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

44:04

Madam Chair to the Councilperson, it's to supplement the CDBG dollars that we are allocating towards parks and playgrounds. So the hope is that we're able to mix the CDBG with the CDSG to be able to carry out this project as planned.

Council President Mancuso

Councilman Jarosz.

Councilman Jarosz

44:19

Thank you, Madam Chair. I think it might have been the ODNR grant that we apply for where I'm a little fuzzy but have we recently in the last couple of years, done playground, equipment and Heritage Park resists something that's been neglected for a while.

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

44:42

Madam Chair to the Councilperson, don't know the exact date of the playground equipment. But as part of the summer 2021 inventory of the park playgrounds, we went through and all the city on Park playgrounds were rated and the Heritage Park playground is rated very poor. It's one of four playground center rated as such, we're currently replacing tungsten Park as part of this year's budget next year's budget would include Heritage Park. And then we also have harmony and Mavic parks remaining in the very poor category. So this is standing and meeting the city's commitment to replacing these parks and we're always looking for outside grant funds to help us leverage these very limited dollars.

Councilman Jarosz

45:22

Okay, thank you. And in no way does this, you know, not getting ODNR so now we're supplementing, etc. What's the work that's taking place at Hero park that's, you know, all those funds are where they're needed to be and there's no this money is to replace taken from somewhere else is that correct?

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

45:41

Madam Chair to the Councilman, so there's, this is not replacing funds from anywhere else. Hero Park is already partially funded. We're actually waiting on another ODNR grant application. We're waiting to hear back on that as we speak. But no, this is completely separate from other awards.

Council President Mancuso

45:56

Thank you very much. Other discussion?

Councilman Epps

46:02

Thank you just want to say that definitely support this and doing this for Heritage Park, I think with in, we always should think big picture and with the talking about are already had the program in place for trying to shore up the housing stock in that area as well. It makes sense for there to be a decent playground there as well. And so whatever it takes to make sure that we can shore up playgrounds on the South side of town, so that they look like playgrounds all over our community is always going to be something I'm gonna support. So thank you.

Council President Mancuso

46:29

Thank you. Any other any other discussion? Did you want?

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers

46:33

If I if I may piggyback. Thank you, Madam Chair. I wanted to make sure to acknowledge your point, Councilman Epps. I think that this is something that we've demonstrated in the planning and development department a history of building off of these playground improvements, to continue a conversation with the community. So I wanted to make sure to note that that's something that we continue to do. Hero Park is a great example

where the park playground has been replaced, but we're also having the conversation and working on executing the trail. We had a wonderful public meeting earlier this summer. So we remain that that committed to every park as we've replaced the playground, excuse me, first and then continue that community conversation.

Council President Mancuso

47:12

Any other discussion? Seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilman Tolton. Second by Councilwoman Steele.

All in favor, "Aye."

Thank you. Madam Clerk, please call the roll on the resolution.

Clerk Laboda

47:27

Jukic, Yes. Steele, Yes. Tanner, Yes. Tolton, Yes. Epps, Yes. Jarosz, Yes. McIntosh, Yes. Mancuso, Yes.

Resolution passes.

Council President Mancuso

47:41

Thank you. Madam Clerk, please read the six agenda item into the record.

Clerk Laboda

47:45

Ordinance 144-22. An ordinance enacting chapter 768 video surveillance systems for apartment complexes of the business regulation and taxation code of the codified ordinances of the city of Euclid to require apartment complexes to install video surveillance systems and provide access to the Euclid Police Department.

Council President Mancuso

48:13

Thank you. I'll entertain a motion for passage to begin the discussion. So moved by Councilman Tanner, second by Councilwoman Steele.

All in favor, "Aye."

And we are going to think of Law Director Sweeney.

Law Director Sweeney

48:25

Thank you, Madam Chair to council. I'm not sure if any Council saw the news at the end of October in the city of Richmond heights. They passed

an ordinance similar to this or we're passing we're hoping to pass an ordinance similar to theirs, where they implemented these video surveillance cameras in their apartment complexes a year ago. So the news outlets were revisiting this piece from them a year later and how it has worked. So this request came to me at the same time from both the mayor detective bureau and prosecutor's office that especially between the detective bureau prosecutor's office that it would be super helpful if they did have camera systems at the exterior of apartment complexes, the bigger complexes to assist with solving some crimes and preventing crimes. So this came from multiple sources, and we're hoping to get this in to safety committee. At that committee meeting. We will have some data hopefully from Richmond heights will have those articles to share with you and the detective bureau and prosecutor's office will be there to talk about this. Thank you. Thank you, Chief

Police Chief Meyer

49:37

I think that yeah, it's a it's just another tool and I think it's a another kind of added protection for the residents who live in these apartment complexes. Additionally it will help us we have a lot of particularly auto thefts or catalytic converter thefts or you know other crimes and crimes against persons that are committed in these in these parking lots. And this would just give us another tool to assist in those investigations. And I think too, because I think part of legislation is that they have to post that these are monitored areas and, and hopefully folks will take note, or will learn over time. And then once the word gets out that, you know, they're heavily video surveil.

Council President Mancuso

50:25

Council, Councilman Epps.

Councilman Epps

50:28

And thank you to the administration for bringing this legislation forward. I do think, as the Chief just mentioned, this is something that will and the main thing I see when it being a tool for police, but also the the extra layer of protection that it gives to residents and folks who are coming and going from work all hours of the morning or hours of the night, and should have an expectation that someone is doing something to do to cover them in regards to safety. And so, you know, I introduced legislation a couple of years ago, to pilot an offering up my work as a pilot for the air as a location for the pilot for putting up cameras. And I was speaking at one of the largest complexes we have as the place to pilot that in which is the old Willow arms and the current you put apartments. This is something that I believe is a way for us to be

proactive. Obviously, we need to make sure we look at all the do's and don'ts and check through you know, all the legalities surrounding it, what are the implications of our actions and moving in this direction. But I think that this, this is, these are the types of tools that I like to be able to support, this is something that's clear, you're gonna put cameras out, you're gonna see when these things happen. It's gonna allow officers to do just as you said, to help with this crime, but mainly to deter crime. And if it makes someone's day better, because now they don't get knocked upside the head or robbed because someone now sees that someone else is watching, then we're now we're doing something in regards to safety. So I definitely look forward to the conversation in the safety committee in regards to this. And just wanted to make sure that I put on the record that just as I proposed a couple of years ago for us to do and offer my ward, I have those complexes here. So definitely bring them on. If I could end with a question to Director Sweeney though, is this going to be us putting these in? Or is it just require that they have to and give us the access? For the record?

Law Director Sweeney

52:22

Madam Chair to the Councilman, it will require apartment complexes with 50 units or more to have these we had internal discussions is is 100 units. It's 50 units. What is it? We landed on? 50? We'll also have stats from Kate as to which complexes those are I believe there's 29, did we say about 29 complexes that have 50 units or more? I think there were 21 complexes that were 100 or more. So we thought B will be more inclusive with the 50 units will have crime stats from those 50 units as well. We didn't feel that it made sense to do this to the small apartment complexes that are only three or four six units. All right. And I also just want to point out I'm sorry to finish to finish your question. We are mandating, they install, they give us access. And make sure the video is legible, and they retain the video for a certain amount of time.

Councilman Epps

53:21

Gotcha. And just want to point out, as you mentioned, that you're going to have all these things at that meeting, whatever you can get to us before that meeting would be great. We get here we have a packet in front of us, which is great. We have the information. But we don't have time to go through all of that. So if we could not get it the same day. That would be great.

Law Director Sweeney

Absolutely.

Council President Mancuso

53:36

Other discussion Council Tanner.

Councilman Tanner

53:40

Thank you, Madam Chair. This is to Director Sweeney. Is there a mandate after legislation passes to let the apartments know how long they have to get the cameras install?

Law Director Sweeney

53:53

Madam Chair to Councilman Tanner, we put six months in?

Councilman Tanner

53:57

Okay. And is there a stipulation of what areas have to be monitored?

Law Director Sweeney

54:01

Madam Chair to the Councilman exteriors of the doors, entrance and exits doors of the buildings, and we also thought parking lot entrances and exits would be helpful to with car thefts.

Council President Mancuso

54:15

Councilman Jarosz.

Councilman Jarosz

54:16

Thank you, Madam Chair. There is a Safety Committee meeting scheduled for December 14, we could get this on that agenda. So I'd like to make a motion to send this ordinance to the Safety Committee.

Council President Mancuso

54:29

Thank you. Is there a second? So moved by Councilman Epps. Any discussion on the motion only? Seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to close debate. So moved by Councilwoman Steele, seconded by Councilwoman McIntosh.

All in favor, "Aye."

Madam Clerk, please call the roll on sending this legislation to the Safety Committee.

Clerk Laboda

54:53

Steele, Yes. Tanner, Yes. Tolton, Yes. Epps, Yes. Jarosz, Yes. McIntosh, Yes. Jukic, Yes. Mancuso, Yes.

Ordinance is sent to Safety Committee.

Council President Mancuso

55:07

Thank you. We are now at the portion of our meeting to have the second **Committee of the Whole**, for anyone who wishes to speak to the good of the city. See none, we will then go to **Councilmans Comments** and who starts tonight? Oh, Councilwoman Steele. You get to start Councilmans comments.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilwoman Steele

55:36

Thank you, Madam Chair. I just want to wish everyone Happy Holidays, stay safe, stay healthy. So a lot of things happening. As you know, crime is happening higher, higher now. So just watch your surroundings when you're driving, when you're coming home. And just have a wonderful, wonderful holiday. Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

56:00

Thank you, Councilman Tanner.

Councilman Tanner

56:04

Thank you, Madam Chair. As Director Dan stated, that the city is still picking up leaves in Ward one. If you happen to have extra leaves are in ward that are bothering you. Please get in contact with me. Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

56:19

Thank you, Councilman.

Councilman Tolton

56:21

Nothing for me.

Council President Mancuso

56:23

Thank you, sir. Councilman Epps.

Councilman Epps

56:25

Thank you, Madam Chair. I also want to say happy holidays to everyone. And remind folks as a reiteration that was mentioned tonight, we are still collecting leaves for folks between Babbitt and 260, if you are one of the 11 areas and sections that are still on the list to be collected, so keep that in mind. And then I also want to for my colleagues, council president as well as folks at home as well, I am going to be going to have a procedure tomorrow morning at Cleveland Clinic main campus and regards to some of the same things that I've been dealing with of late and recently. So just ask for everyone's prayers. And to keep that in mind for these upcoming meetings that we have scheduled. I'm hoping that I'll be back up and running within a week. But if that is not the case, I just want to make sure that I point that out and let everyone know that that is happening tomorrow. So I appreciate all your prayers and well wishes. I believe that is everything. All right. Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

57:30

Thank you. Councilman Jarosz.

Councilman Jarosz

57:32

Thank you, Madam Chair. Next Wednesday, we will be having a Safety Committee meeting of which this will be the primary agenda item. Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

57:42

Thank you, Councilman McIntosh.

Councilwoman McIntosh

57:44

Thank you, Madam Chair. Just wanted to really reiterate, gratitude from personal gratitude for everyone who was involved in the holiday lighting event on Friday, it was really wonderful. always feels like you're in the middle of a Hallmark movie. It's adorable. And I'm always very grateful for the opportunity to participate. And want to thank my colleagues, Ward, one Councilman and Ward six councilman for slinging some soup with me on Friday for the first shift. And of course, Tolton, you're good. And I think John was there the whole time. So thanks to everybody involved in that it was really, really fun and nice way to give back. Everybody was really happy about the soup and the cocoa and everything about it. And then I also want to inform residents and community members that this Wednesday, December 7, we'll be holding a sustainability and parks committee meeting here in council chambers at 6:30pm. That's this Wednesday, the seventh. And the agenda items are an update on the playground improvements, which we discussed or touched upon this evening, Heritage Park and then the two others, as well as some sustainability updates. We did engage a consultant earlier this year, I believe, and we have a very lengthy report to to condense down into some digestible tidbits, and we'll go over those recommendations and an implementation discussion. And so those are the two agenda items for Wednesday, and I hope to see many of you there or please tune in. Thank you.

Council President Mancuso

59:32

Thank you, Councilman Jukic.

Councilwoman Jukic

59:35

Thank you, Madam Chair. No comments this evening.

Council President Mancuso

59:37

Thank you. And to finish up again. I would like to also say it was a it was really probably one of the best lighting ceremonies we've had here. And you do feel like you're in a Hallmark movie. I am giving kudos to the people who were slinging chicken soup. Every time I walked by we were changing of the guard. And it was kind of like our our task was was to support Shore's efforts and get council there. So we did that. I also receive several people as we were looking at the Christmas cards, ladies and gentlemen, that want to know why the council did not have its own Christmas card there. So just for next year, I mean, you get the big piece of wood and we need some talent. So I'm happy to get the wood. With

that, if there's nothing else to come before this group. I will ask for a motion to adjourn. So moved by Councilman Tolton and seconded by Councilman Tanner.

All in favor, "Aye."

We are adjourned.



Clerk of Council



Council President