

EUCLID CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SUMMARY FROM AUGUST 21, 2023

This regular Council Meeting was held on Monday, August 21, 2023
at 7:00pm in the Euclid Municipal Center Council Chambers.
Council President Charlene Mancuso, presided.

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FIRST GAVEL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Present: Tanner, Tolton, Epps, Jarosz, Hannum, Wojtila, Jukic, Steele, Mancuso

COMMUNICATIONS

None

COUNCIL MINUTES

Councilman Wojtila motioned to approve the Council Minutes from July 17, 2023, second by Councilman Jarosz. Vote was unanimous to approve minutes.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor's announcements:

- Thank you to Block Watch and Wednesdays on Porch meetings for invitations.
- Thank you to the Recreation Department and staff for putting on a fantastic Food Truck Feast.
- Welcome to 7 new Police Officers to the city.
- School is back in session. Please drive carefully.
- Many of the fire hydrants have been painted. Thank you to Jim Quirarte in the Housing Department for creating this program and the summer seasonal nuisance inspectors to complete this project. Thank you to college students, Mr. Capuzo and Mr. Grdina for their hard work this summer.
- The City along with the Akron-Cleveland Area Association of Realtors to put on a homebuyer class. This will be held Tues, Sept. 26th from 6:30 – 8:30.
- Labor Day is September 4th. City Hall will be closed. Council meeting will be Tuesday, September 5th. Want to recognize all of the workers and labor unions for their work.

Recreation Director Stephens announcements:

- Memorial Pool is closed for season. Indian Hills Spray Park is open until September – Mon thru Sat. 10am-5pm. Closed on Sundays.
- CEO Ice Arena is scheduled to open September 8th with a Hockey Tournament that weekend. Register for Learn to Skate online or in our office. Starts September 19.
- Recommend that residents check the calendar for changes to schedule at Ice Arena.

Planning and Development Director Grogan-Myers announcements:

- EDCOR has hired Lisa Creiger to be it's Executive Director. Starting Sept. 8th.
- City hosted Cleveland Restoration Society last Tuesday to share information about their Heritage Home Program.

Police Chief Meyer announcements:

- On Thursday, Aug 31 officers will be participating in the Community kickoff of the Peacekeepers Bootcamp at Euclid High School.
- Wednesday, Aug. 30, Kate McLaughlin will be attending the Ward 2 meeting.
- Sat. December 9th at the CE Orr Ice Arena, skate with your favorite police officer or firefighter. Free admission and free skate rental.
- Euclid officers will be attending a luncheon presented by the Cleveland Foundation tomorrow to introduce a program titled Justice Counts.

Assistant Fire Chief Anderson

- Saturday, Aug. 5th Euclid FD assisted American Red Cross and Lincoln Electric to install 232 smoke alarms in 79 homes in Ward 8.

COMMITTEE DOCUMENTATION

Councilman Wojtila made a motion to approve the Executive and Finance Committee meeting and the Board of Control minutes from July 10, 17, 24 & 31 and August 7, 2023. Councilwoman Steele seconded. Vote was unanimous to approve.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

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Four people discussed agenda items.

LEGISLATION

Item 1. Ordinance 080-23. 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.

Discussion by Councilpersons Steele and Epps.

Motion to close debate by Councilman Epps, second by Councilwoman Hannum.

Motion to suspend the rules to forego the second and third readings by Councilwoman Jukic, second by Councilman Wojtila. Vote was Tanner, Tolton, Jarosz, Hannum, Wojtila, Jukic, Steele – Yea. Epps – Nay.

Ordinance passed unanimously.

Permanent number 77-2023

Item 2. Ordinance 083-23. 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.

No discussion.

Motion to close debate by Councilman Tolton, second by Councilman Jarosz.

Motion to suspend the rules to forego the second and third readings by Councilman Wojtila, second by Councilwoman Hannum. Vote was Tanner, Tolton, Jarosz, Hannum, Wojtila, Jukic, Steele – Yea. Epps – Nay.

Ordinance passed unanimously.

Permanent number 78-2023

Item 3. Ordinance 081-23. 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.

Discussion by Councilpersons Epps, Steele, Tolton, Wojtila, Tanner, Jukic, Hannum and Jarosz.

Motion to close debate by Councilman Jarosz, second by Councilman Hannum.

Motion to suspend the rules to forego the second and third readings by Councilman Wojtila, second by Councilman Jarosz. Vote was Tanner, Tolton, Jarosz, Hannum, Wojtila, Jukic, Steele – Yea. Epps – Nay.

Ordinance passed unanimously.

Permanent number 79-2023

Item 4. Ordinance 078-23. An ordinance to amend Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2812, as amended, and the map and map designations, which map and map designations, as amended, form a part of Ordinance No. 2812, as it relates to and designates, U8 Office Building and U4 Neighborhood Retail and Services use districts relative to said property.

Discussion by Councilman Wojtila

Motion to close debate by Councilman Tolton, second by Councilman Jarosz.

Motion to send to third reading by Councilman Epps, second by Councilman Jarosz.

Motion to send to third reading passed unanimously.

Sent to Third Reading

Item 5. Ordinance 085-23. First Reading. An ordinance to amend Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2812, as amended, and the map and map designations, which map and map designations, as amended, form a part of Ordinance No. 2812, as it relates to and designates, U1 Single Family House, U2 Two Family House, and C-I Campus Institutional use districts relative to said property.

No discussion

Motion to close debate by Councilwoman Jukic, second by Councilman Jarosz.

Motion to send to third reading by Councilman Epps, second by Councilman Wojtila.

Motion to send to second reading passed unanimously.

Sent to Second Reading

Item 6. Ordinance 087-23. An ordinance authorizing the sale of Permanent Parcel Number 641-14-041, vacant land at 19000 Renwood Avenue, from the Euclid Land Bank, to Gail Robinson for the amount of One Dollar (\$1.00) as authorized by Ordinance Nos. 98-2010 and 101-2011.

No Discussion.

Motion to close debate by Councilwoman Steele, second by Councilman Tanner.

Motion to suspend the rules to forego the second and third readings by Councilman Tolton, second by Councilman Jarosz. Vote was Tanner, Tolton, Jarosz, Hannum, Wojtila, Jukic, Steele – Yea. Epps – Nay.

Ordinance passed unanimously.

Permanent number 80-2023

Item 7. Ordinance 088-23. An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Euclid to enter into a Purchase and Development Agreement and sell the properties at 19150 Genesee Road (649-01-009), 19229 Shawnee Drive (649-01-034), vacant lot on Shawnee Drive (649-01-037), 19191 Shawnee Drive (649-01-039), vacant lot on Shawnee Drive (649-01-040), 19256 Upper Valley Drive (649-01-083), and 20031 Hillcrest Drive (649-04-031) to Bequest Builders, LLC for the construction of new residential homes for \$1,500.00 per parcel.

Discussion by Councilpersons Tanner, Epps, Wojtila, Steele.

Motion by Councilman Epps to send to second reading, second by Councilman Tanner.

No Discussion.

Motion to close debate by Councilman Jarosz, second by Councilman Wojtila.

Vote was; Tanner, Epps, Steele – Yea. Mancuso, Tolton, Jarosz, Hannum, Wojtila, Jukic – Nay.

Motion to send to second reading fails.

Motion to suspend the rules to forego the second and third readings by Councilman Jarosz, second by Councilman Tanner. Vote was Tanner, Tolton, Jarosz, Hannum, Wojtila, Jukic, Steele – Yea. Epps – Nay.

Ordinance passed unanimously.

Permanent number 81-2023

Item 8. Resolution 086-23. A resolution approving and accepting the Euclid Avenue-Chardon Road Intersections Modification and Improvement Study as approved by the City of Euclid Planning and Zoning Commission as an official addendum to the City's 2017 Master Plan.

Discussion by Councilpersons Tolton, Epps, Steele, Wojtila.

Motion by Councilman Wojtila to send to second reading, second by Councilwoman Hannum.

Discussion by Councilpersons Epps and Hannum.

Motion to close debate by Councilman Epps, second by Councilman Wojtila.

Vote was; Epps, Hannum, Wojtila – Yea. Mancuso, Tanner, Tolton, Jarosz, Jukic, Steele – Nay.

Motion to send to second reading fails.

Motion to close debate by Councilwoman Steele, second by Councilman Jarosz.

Resolution passed unanimously.

Permanent number 82-2023

Item 9. Ordinance 084-23. An emergency ordinance amending Ordinance 14-2023 which makes the annual appropriation for all expenditures for the City of Euclid for the period ending December 31, 2023.

Discussion by Councilman Epps.

Motion to close debate by Councilman Wojtila, second by Councilman Jarosz.

Motion to suspend the rules to forego the second and third readings by Councilman Wojtila, second by Councilman Hannum. Vote was unanimous to forego the second and third reading.

Ordinance passed unanimously.

Permanent number 83-2023

Item 10. Ordinance 072-23. An emergency ordinance authorizing the Fire Chief of the City of Euclid to enter into a Fire Apparatus Maintenance Services Agreement with the Sutphen Corporation, 6540 Eiterman Road, Dublin, Ohio 43016, for onsite routine service work, preventative maintenance and repairs to the City of Euclid's fire apparatus for a period of 26 weeks in an amount not to exceed Sixty Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000.00).

Discussion by Councilpersons Wojtila, Tolton and Epps.

Motion to close debate by Councilman Steele, second by Councilman Jukic.

Motion to suspend the rules to forego the second and third readings by Councilman Tolton, second by Councilman Jarosz. Vote was Tanner, Tolton, Jarosz, Hannum, Wojtila, Jukic, Steele – Yea. Epps – Nay.

Ordinance passed unanimously.

Permanent number 84-2023

Item 11. Ordinance 082-23. An emergency ordinance authorizing the Mayor, as Ex-Officio Director of Public Safety of the City of Euclid, or her designee, to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$59,042.72 from the FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program, to the Euclid Fire Department (EFD) for three (3) large commercial dryers, one (1) for each firehouse.

Discussion by Councilpersons Wojtila, Steele and Epps.

Motion to close debate by Councilman Steele, second by Councilman Epps.

Motion to suspend the rules to forego the second and third readings by Councilman Epps, second by Councilman Steele. Vote was unanimous to forego the second and third reading.

Ordinance passed unanimously.

Permanent number 85-2023

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – PUBLIC PORTION

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There were eleven speakers.

COUNCILPERSONS COMMENTS


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Council President Mancuso asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Tanner motioned to adjourn, Councilman Tolton seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT



Clerk of Council



Council President

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