



April 17, 2023
Regular Meeting
7:30 PM

Cleveland Heights City Hall
Council Chambers
40 Severance Cir
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

MEETING MINUTES

1) Meeting called to order by Council President

Start Time: 7:33pm

2) Roll Call of Council Members

Present: Boyd, Cobb, Cuda, Hart, Larson, Mattox

Excused: Russell

Absent: None

3) Excuse absent members

Councilwoman Russell is excused for tonight's meeting

4) Amendments to the Agenda (if necessary)

Motion to amend agenda to remove RES 065-073 from tonight's agenda:

Craig Cobb

Seconded: Anthony Mattox Jr.

Yes: Janine Boyd, Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Melody Joy Hart, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr.

No: None

Motion to amend the agenda to include RES 074-2023 to first readings

only: Craig Cobb

Seconded: Gail Larson

Yes: Janine Boyd, Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Melody Joy Hart, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr.

No: None

5) Poet Laureate

Siaara Freeman

Rachel Bernstein from Heights Arts spoke a little about Heights Arts' Poet Laureate program. Recognized previous Poet Laureate and introduced the new Poet Laureate.

Ray Bernstein read a poem and introduced the new Poet Laureate

Siaara Freeman read a poem as the new Cleveland Heights-University Heights Poet Laureate

6) Proclamations for the Lutheran East Basketball Team

Presented by Mayor Seren and County Council Vice-President Cheryl Stephens

Proclamations were presented to Lutheran East Basketball team from both Mayor Seren and County Council Vice President Cheryl Stephens

7) Communications from the Mayor

Request permission to bid project #23-06—SSO Control of CH-35, CH-45 and CH-49 (Fairmount and Coventry)

Motion to approve: Craig Cobb

Seconded: Anthony Mattox Jr.

Yes: Janine Boyd, Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Melody Joy Hart, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr.

No: None

8) Report of the Clerk of Council

Nothing to report

9) Public Comment - Agenda Items only

(Note: Persons wishing to speak must register in advance. A 3-minute time limit applies. Council President reserves the right to reduce time limit based on the volume of business on the agenda. Comments unrelated to the agenda may be made after Committee Reports)

No agenda item comments

10) LEGISLATION

Note: The title for each piece of legislation contains a parenthetical reference to the Council Committee within which the subject matter of the legislation falls. Council Committees are abbreviated as follows: (AS)-Administrative Services; (COTW)-Committee of the Whole; (CRR)-Community Relations and Recreation; (F)-Finance; (HB)-Housing and Building; (MSES)-Municipal Services and Environmental Sustainability; (PD)-Planning and Development; (PSH)-Public Safety and Health. See Resolution 97-2022 for a list of Council Committee subject matter areas.

a. First Readings – Consideration of Adoption Requested

ORDINANCE NO. 058-2023(F): *First Reading*. An Ordinance amending Section 177.02, “Current Funds”, of Chapter 177 – Accounting Funds - Part One, Administrative Code, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights to establish a “NOPEC Fund” within the Special Revenue Funds; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Motion to adopt: Melody Joy Hart

Seconded: Gail Larson

Yes: Janine Boyd, Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Melody Joy Hart, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr.

No: None

LEGISLATION PASSED

ORDINANCE NO. 059-2023(MSES): *First Reading*. An Ordinance authorizing all actions necessary to accept Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) 2023 Energized Community Grant; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Motion to adopt: Janine Boyd

Seconded: Anthony Mattox Jr.

Yes: Janine Boyd, Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Melody Joy Hart, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr.

No: None

LEGISLATION PASSED

ORDINANCE NO. 060-2023(PD): *First Reading*. An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to convey an easement to the City of Cleveland for the installation of a water line between Cedarbrook Road and Tullamore Road as part of the Cedar Lee Meadowbrook Development; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Motion to adopt: Anthony Mattox Jr.

Seconded: Janine Boyd

Yes: Janine Boyd, Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Melody Joy Hart, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr.

No: None

RESOLUTION NO. 061-2023(COTW): *First Reading.* A Resolution appointing Councilmember Janine Boyd to the Doan Brook Watershed Partnership Board of Trustees; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by President Hart

Motion to adopt: Melody Joy Hart

Seconded: Gail Larson

Yes: Janine Boyd, Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Melody Joy Hart, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr.

No: None

b. First Readings Only

RESOLUTION 062-2023(MSES): *First Reading.* A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Wade Trim, Inc. of Ohio, for construction administration and resident observation services relating to control of sanitary sewer overflows CH-12, CH-17, CH-26 and CH-28; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

READ INTO THE RECORD

RESOLUTION NO. 063-2023(MSES): *First Reading.* A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Wade Trim, Inc. of Ohio, for professional design engineering services relating to control of sanitary sewer overflows CH-27 and CH-51 along Quilliams Road and Atherstone Road; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become

immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

READ INTO THE RECORD

RESOLUTION NO. 064-2023(MSES): First Reading. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with R₂O for professional design services relating to control of sanitary sewer overflows CH-36 and CH-37 along North Park Boulevard; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

READ INTO THE RECORD

ORDINANCE NO. 074-2023(COTW): First Reading. An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Tempest Inc. for the Recreation Center - North Ice Rink Reconstruction Project, and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance take effect immediately as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

READ INTO THE RECORD
SENT TO COMMITTEE (COTW)

c. Second Readings

RESOLUTION NO. 049-2023(PD): Second Reading. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Cuyahoga County for funding through the HOME Program for the City's affordable housing programs through April 30, 2025; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to adopt: Anthony Mattox Jr.

Seconded: Gail Larson

Yes: Janine Boyd, Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Melody Joy Hart, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr.

No: None

LEGISLATION PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 050-2023(PD): Second Reading. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to submit the Community Development Block Grant entitlement application for the year beginning January 1, 2023; and

declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to adopt: Anthony Mattox Jr.

Seconded: Janine Boyd

Yes: Janine Boyd, Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Melody Joy Hart, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr.

No: None

LEGISLATION PASSED

ORDINANCE NO. 051-2023(F): Second Reading. An Ordinance amending Section 177.02, "Current Funds", of Chapter 177 – Accounting Funds - Part One, *Administrative Code*, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights to establish an "Indigent Drivers Interlock and Alcohol Monitoring Fund" within the Special Revenue Funds; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to adopt: Melody Joy Hart

Seconded: Gail Larson

Yes: Janine Boyd, Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Melody Joy Hart, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr.

No: None

LEGISLATION PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 052-2023(MSES): Second Reading. A Resolution authorizing participation in the ODOT Cooperative Purchasing Program for road salt for the 2023-24 winter season; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to adopt: Janine Boyd

Seconded: Craig Cobb

Yes: Janine Boyd, Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Melody Joy Hart, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr.

No: None

LEGISLATION PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 054-2023(HB): Second Reading. A Resolution expressing this Council's support of Ohio Senate Bill 36 which requires

that prospective owner-occupants and specified non-profit housing organizations be permitted to match winning bids at Sheriff's Sales for the purchase of one- to four-unit foreclosed residential properties; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Discussion: Brief explanation of SB 36 from Councilmember Cuda.

Motion to adopt: Tony Cuda

Seconded: Craig Cobb

Yes: Janine Boyd, Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Melody Joy Hart, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr.

No: None

LEGISLATION PASSED

11) Committee Reports

Public Safety and Health Committee: Update from meeting 4/17.

12) Public Comment - General

(Note: Persons wishing to speak must register in advance. A 3-minute time limit applies. Council President reserves the right to reduce time limit based on the volume of business on the agenda.)

Speakers

Paul Volpe	Citizen	SAG and Severance Center
Harriet Applegate	Citizen	Severance Center
Robert Brown	Citizen	Severance Center

13) Old Business

None

14) New Business

None

15) Council Member Comments

(Note: Council comments should directly relate to the business of the City of Cleveland Heights, rather than personal reflection or commentary. A maximum 3-minute time limit applies, but the Council President may reduce time limit based on the volume of business on the agenda, the time of evening, or other similar factors.)

Gail Larson: Community events update; Earth week events update

16) Council President's Report

17) Adjournment

8:36pm

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: MAY 1, 2023

APPROVED 5/15/2023



Melody Joy Hart
President of Council



Addie Balester
Clerk of Council