Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, January 10, 2012

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Jim Burn, Barbara Daly Danko, John DeFazio, Matt Drozd, Jim Ellenbogen , Mike Finnerty, Nick Futules, Vince Gastgeb, Amanda Green Hawkins, Heather Heidelbaugh, Bob Macey, Chuck Martoni, John Palmiere, Jan Rea, and William Russell Robinson - Members

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I. Call To Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Silent Prayer or Reflection

IV. Roll Call

Roll Call: Present: President Burn, Council Member Daly Danko, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Green Hawkins, Council Member Heidelbaugh, Council Member Macey, Vice-President Martoni, Council Member Palmiere and Council Member Russell Robinson
Absent: Council Member Rea

V. Proclamations/Certificates

6683-12 Proclamation congratulating the University of Pittsburgh upon its 225th anniversary.

Presented

6684-12 Proclamation honoring the 14th Annual Summit Against Racism hosted by the Black and White Reunion.

Presented

6685-12 Certificates of Achievement honoring the University Prep football team for winning the 2011 Pittsburgh City League Championship.

Held

6686-12 Proclamation honoring Charles V. "Chuck" Wagner, Jr. upon his retirement after 50 years of coaching football.

Presented

6687-12 Certificates of Achievement honoring Clairton High School football team for winning the 2011 WPIAL and PIAA Class A Championships.

Presented

6688-12 Certificates of Achievement honoring the Montour High School football team for winning the 2011 WPIAL Class AAA Championship.

Presented

6689-12 Certificates of Achievement honoring the Upper St. Clair High School boys' golf team for winning the WPIAL Division I Championship.

Presented

6690-12 Certificates of Achievement honoring the Upper St. Clair High School boys' soccer team for winning the WPIAL Class AAA Championship.

Presented

6691-12 Certificates of Achievement honoring the Upper St. Clair High School girls' soccer team for winning the WPIAL Class AAA Championship.

Presented

6692-12 Certificates of Achievement awarded to the North Allegheny Senior High School football team for winning the WPIAL Quad A Championship.

Read

6693-12 Proclamation congratulating The University School upon its 100th anniversary.

Read

6694-12 Proclamations honoring Dr. Edna Beatrice Chappell McKenzie and Monsignor Charles Owen Rice for their lifelong contributions to our region and for posthumously receiving 2012 Spirit of King Awards.

Read

6695-12 Certificate of Achievement honoring Timothy Joseph Peck of Boy Scout Troop 180 for earning his Eagle Scout ranking.

Presented

6696-12 Certificate of Achievement honoring Eric Michael Horn of Boy Scout Troop 4 for earning his Eagle Scout ranking.

Read

6697-12 Certificate of Recognition honoring the 100th birthday of Ms. Mary Snyder.

Read

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes

6698-12 Motion to approve the Minutes of the December 19, 2011 Regular Meeting of Council.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Presentation of Appointments

6682-12 Approving the reappointment of Timothy J. Moury to serve as a Member of the

Accountability, Conduct and Ethics Commission for a term to expire on January 10, 2017.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

IX. Unfinished Business

Special Committee on Parks and Public Works - Second Reading

6671-12 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania permitting the Pittsburgh Botanical Garden (formerly the Horticultural Society of Western Pennsylvania) to use County owned real property located within Settlers Cabin Park.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed for Chief Executive Signature. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 13 - President Burn, Council Member Daly Danko, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Green Hawkins, Council Member Heidelbaugh, Vice-President Martoni, Council Member Palmiere and Council Member Russell Robinson
Absent: 1 - Council Member Rea
Not present: 1 - Council Member Macey

Committee on Budget and Finance

6672-12 Resolution of the County of Allegheny authorizing the issuance of tax and revenue anticipation notes in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed $175,000,000; providing for the date, interest rate, maturity date and place of payment in respect of the notes; accepting a proposal for the purchase of the notes; providing for the security of the notes; authorizing the proper officers to execute and deliver the notes; authorizing and directing the preparation, certification and filing of the proceedings with the Department of Community and Economic Development; appointing a paying agent and registrar; approving a form of note; and repealing inconsistent resolutions.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed for Chief Executive Signature. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 13 - President Burn, Council Member Daly Danko, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Green Hawkins, Council Member Heidelbaugh, Vice-President Martoni, Council Member Palmiere and Council Member Russell Robinson
Absent: 1 - Council Member Rea
Not present: 1 - Council Member Macey

Enactment No: 01-12-RE

X. Liaison Reports

XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

6699-12 A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly and Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to enact a statewide property tax reassessment moratorium with all due speed and, in the process, to safeguard the economic stability and prosperity of the residents of the Commonwealth by providing the predictability and equity that exist with regard to property ownership in every other state.

Referred to the Committee on Government Reform

6700-12 A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2012 (Submission #12-1).

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance

6701-12 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing the tax levy upon all real property subject to taxation within the limits of Allegheny County.

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance

6702-12 A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, adopting an Operating Budget pursuant to Article IV, §2 and Article VII, §4 of the Home Rule Charter, by setting forth appropriations to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of Allegheny County and for meeting debt charges for the fiscal year begun January 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2012.

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance

XII. New Business - Motions

6703-12 Motion of the Council of Allegheny County urging the Allegheny County Property Assessment Appeals and Review (PAAR) Board to amend its rules to clearly establish the appeal procedures to be followed in order to ensure equity for the taxpayers in the event that comparable sales data is limited or unavailable, and to provide clear explanations of the methodology employed in setting the assessed value that is the subject of an appeal.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing

XIII. Notification of Contracts

XIV. Public Comment on General Items

XV. Adjournment