

Allegheny County Council

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Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 10, 2008

4:30 PM

Conference Room I

Committee on Parks

***Joan Cleary, Chair; Jim Burn, Matt Drozd, Jim Ellenbogen, Mike Finnerty, Nick
Futules, Bob Macey, and Jan Rea - Members***

I. Call to Order

Summary: *The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM*

Invited Guests:

Jim Flynn, County Manager or Designee

Andy Baechle, Director, Parks

Summary: *Invited guests in attendance: Mr. Flynn and Mr. Baechle*

Recognized attendees: Clarence Hopson, Public Works

Council staff in attendance: John Mascio and Jared Barker

II. Roll Call

Roll Call: Present: Matt Drozd, Michael Finnerty, and Chair Joan Cleary

Absent: Jim Burn, Jim Ellenbogen, Nick Futules, Bob Macey, and Jan Rea

III. Approval of Minutes

3898-08 Motion to approve the Minutes of the February 13, 2008 Parks Committee Meeting.

Action: **A motion was made by Finnerty, seconded by Chair Cleary, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.**

IV. Agenda Items**Ordinances**

3887-08 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Division 1, entitled "Administrative Code," through the creation of a new Article 705, entitled "Parks," in order to provide a mechanism for exploring and accomplishing the privatization of one or more of the County Parks.

Sponsors: Matt Drozd

Summary: *Mr. Drozd provided the committee with a summary of the bill. He said that the bill would grant authority to the County Manager to create a policy for establishing public-private partnerships within Allegheny County Parks.*

He said that the policy would include provisions for public-private partnerships for the operation of one or more County Parks, as well as for operation of individual sites or services.

Mr. Baechle said that the Parks Department is already in the process of establishing some private/public partnerships for some parks, and may extend that. Mr. Drozd said that he would like to hold the bill and meet with Mr. Baechle to discuss this. Mr. Baechle agreed to that.

Action: Held in Committee

V. Adjournment

Summary: *The meeting adjourned at 4:40 PM*