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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, April 7, 2015

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

John DeFazio, President; Nicholas Futules, Vice President; Tom Baker; Barbara Daly Danko; Jim Ellenbogen, Mike Finnerty; Amanda Green Hawkins; Heather Heidelbaugh; Ed Kress; Bob Macey; Chuck Martoni, Sue Means; John Palmiere; Jan Rea and William Russell Robinson - Members

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I. Call To Order**I. Call To Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:05PM.

II. Pledge of Allegiance**III. Silent Prayer or Reflection****IV. Roll Call**

Council Members Present: 14 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Heidelbaugh, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Phone: 1 - Danko

[8899-15](#) Motion to add bill 8851-15 to the agenda
Passed

V. Proclamations/Certificates

[8871-15](#) Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2014-2015 Chartiers Valley High School boys' basketball team for winning the WPIAL Class AAAA boys' basketball championship.

Sponsors: Council Member Finnerty and Council Member Means

[8872-15](#) Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2014-2015 Pittsburgh Obama Academy girls' basketball team for winning the City League girls' basketball championship.

Sponsors: Council Member Green Hawkins and Council Member Robinson

[8873-15](#) Proclamation recognizing the April 11, 2015 Martha's Run and the Martha Fund in honor of Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation Martha Dixon, a Mt. Lebanon native who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

Sponsors: Council Member Means, Council Member Baker, Council Member Danko, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Council Member Green Hawkins, Council Member Heidelbaugh, Council Member Kress, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Palmiere, Council Member Rea and Council Member Robinson

[8874-15](#) Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2014-2015 Seton-La Salle Catholic High School girls' basketball team for winning the WPIAL Class AA girls' basketball championship.

Sponsors: Council Member Ellenbogen

[8875-15](#) Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2014-2015 Pittsburgh Allerdice High School boys' basketball team for winning the City League boys' basketball championship.

Sponsors: Council Member Baker and Council Member Danko

[8876-15](#) Proclamation congratulating Dr. Edward M. Sorr, ophthalmologist and first associate physician of the Everett & Hurite Ophthalmic Association, upon the occasion of his retirement after 40 years of dedicated service to the community.

Sponsors: Council Member Danko

[8877-15](#) Proclamation naming April 7, 2015 as "National Service Recognition Day" in Allegheny County and encouraging residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our county.

Sponsors: Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Council Member Kress, Council Member Martoni and Council Member Palmiere

[8878-15](#) Proclamation welcoming Shen Yun Performing Arts to Allegheny County and Pittsburgh's Benedum Center for the Performing Arts on April 25-26, 2015.

Sponsors: Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Council Member Kress, Council Member Martoni and Council Member Palmiere

[8879-15](#) Certificates of Achievement awarded to the middle and high school students that participated in the Entrepreneurship Youth 2015 iPitch Google Competition held on March 28, 2015.

Sponsors: Council Member Green Hawkins

[8880-15](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Mr. Benjamin David Hooper of Boy Scout Troop 184 upon earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sponsors: Council Member Martoni

[8881-15](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Mr. Kevin Alexander Rasmussen of Boy Scout Troop 184 upon earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sponsors: Council Member Martoni

[8882-15](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Mr. William Joseph Boehner of Boy Scout Troop 4 upon earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sponsors: Council Member Means

[8883-15](#) Proclamation congratulating The Honorable Harold Berkoben upon the occasion of his retirement after 58 years of dedicated service to the Borough of Whitehall.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

[8884-15](#) Proclamation naming the month of April 2015 as "Autism Awareness Month" in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Rea, Council Member Baker, Council Member Danko, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Council Member Green Hawkins, Council Member Heidelbaugh, Council Member Kress, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Means, Council Member Palmiere and Council Member Robinson

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

Five Speakers attended and spoke on agenda items. For additional information, please contact the Chief Clerk at 412-350-6490.

VII. Approval of Minutes

[8885-15](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County held on March 10, 2015

Passed

VIII. Presentation of Appointments

[8859-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Eva Bednar to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2017.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred

[8860-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Kurt Kondrich to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2017.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred

[8861-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Dorothy Antonelli to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred

[8862-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Chester Babst to serve as a member of

the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred

[8863-15](#)

Approving the reappointment of Daniel K. Bricmont to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred

[8864-15](#)

Approving the reappointment of David Cannon to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred

[8865-15](#)

Approving the reappointment of Jeanne Clark to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred

[8866-15](#)

Approving the reappointment of Steven Hvozdoch to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred

[8867-15](#)

Approving the reappointment of Mark Jeffrey to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred

[8868-15](#)

Approving the reappointment of Robert Orchowski to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred

[8869-15](#)

Approving the reappointment of Joe Osborne to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December

31, 2015.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred

[8870-15](#)

Approving the reappointment of John Palmiere to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred

IX. Unfinished Business

[8851-15](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing Screaming Spirit Productions LLC to use certain County owned real and personal property in connection with filming a television series.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Passed

Council Members Yes: 15 - Baker, Danko, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Heidelbaugh, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

Council Members 0

Absent:

Committee on Appointment Review - Second Reading

[8830-15](#)

Approving the reappointment of Robert Macey to serve as a member of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2018.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Passed

Council Members Yes: 12 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

Council Members No: 3 - Danko, Heidelbaugh and Means

Council Members 0

Absent:

[8831-15](#)

Approving the appointment of Paul Barkowitz to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2017.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Passed

Council Members Yes: 15 - Baker, Danko, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Heidelbaugh, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

Council Members 0
Absent:

[8832-15](#) Approving the appointment of Jaimie Kopicko to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2017.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Passed

Council Members Yes: 15 - Baker, Danko, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Heidelbaugh, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

Council Members 0
Absent:

[8834-15](#) Approving the appointment of Reverend Dr. Darryl Canady to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Juvenile Detention Board of Advisors for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Passed

Council Members Yes: 15 - Baker, Danko, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Heidelbaugh, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

Council Members 0
Absent:

Committee on Economic Development & Housing - Second Reading

[8496-14](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the conveyance of the County of Allegheny's interest in two (2) vacant parcels located on Sprage Street in Wilmerding Borough known respectively as Block 545-N, Lot 108 and Block 546-A, Lot No. 20 to Robert J. Comunale.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

The motion to amend was made by Amanda Green Hawkins and passed unanimously by Council.

Amended and Passed for Chief Executive Signature

Council Members Yes: 15 - Baker, Danko, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Heidelbaugh, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

Council Members 0
Absent:

[8837-15](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny approving a project for the benefit of Point Park University to be financed by the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority by the issuance of the Authority's tax-exempt and/or taxable revenue obligations to be issued in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of \$12,000,000, provided that the taxing power of the

County of Allegheny, Pennsylvania, shall not be obligated in any way with respect to the obligations, and determining that the purpose of the financing will be to benefit the health and welfare of the citizens of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Passed

Council Members Yes: 15 - Baker, Danko, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Heidelbaugh, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

Council Members 0

Absent:

X. Liaison Reports

XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

[8886-15](#) An Ordinance of the Council of the County of Allegheny ratifying amendments to Allegheny County Health Department Rules and Regulations, for purposes of establishing a Food Grading System, pursuant to Section 12011 of the Local Health Administration Law, 16 P.S. §12001 et seq.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred by Chair

[8887-15](#) An Ordinance of the Council of the County of Allegheny ratifying amendments to Allegheny County Health Department Rules and Regulations pursuant to Section 12011 of the Local Health Administration Law, 16 P.S. §12001 et seq.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred by Chair

[8888-15](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2015 (Submission #04-15).

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred by Chair

[8889-15](#) A Resolution of the County Council of Allegheny County approving an amendment to the Clinton Industrial Park Phase I and II Tax Increment Financing Plan and authorizing related actions.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Referred by Chair

[8890-15](#) A Resolution of the County Council of Allegheny County creating the Clinton Commerce Park Phase II Tax Increment Financing District and authorizing related actions.

Sponsors: Chief Executive
Referred by Chair

[8891-15](#) A Resolution of the County Council of Allegheny County creating the McClaren Road Tax Increment Financing District and authorizing related actions.

Sponsors: Chief Executive
Referred by Chair

XII. New Business - Motions

[8892-15](#) Pulling Bill No.8228-14, a Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly to enact a with all deliberate speed an act authorizing the governing bodies of counties of the second class to provide by ordinance for the implementation of tax provisions to allow for a property tax freeze for qualifying senior citizens, from committee for an immediate and final vote.

Sponsors: Council Member Heidelbaugh
Defeated

Council Members Yes: 5 - Baker, Green Hawkins, Heidelbaugh, Means and Robinson

Council Members No: 9 - DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Palmiere and Rea

**Council Members
Absent:** 0

**Council Members Not
present:** 1 - Danko

[8893-15](#) Motion authorizing Allegheny County Council to conduct a public hearing, pursuant to the Tax Increment Financing Act of July 11, 1990, P.L. 465 No. 113, to afford interested parties an opportunity to express their views on the proposed amendment to the Tax Increment Financing Plan, Clinton Industrial Park Phase 1, located in the Township of Findlay, Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Green Hawkins
Passed

Council Members Yes: 14 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Heidelbaugh, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members
Absent:** 0

**Council Members
Phone:** 1 - Danko

[8894-15](#) Motion authorizing Allegheny County Council to conduct a public hearing, pursuant to the Tax Increment Financing Act of July 11, 1990, P.L. 465 No.

113, to afford interested parties an opportunity to express their views on the proposed Clinton Commerce Park Phase II Tax Increment Financing District, located in the Township of Findlay, Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Green Hawkins

Passed

Council Members Yes: 14 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Heidelbaugh, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Phone: 1 - Danko

[8895-15](#) Motion authorizing Allegheny County Council to conduct a public hearing, pursuant to the Tax Increment Financing Act of July 11, 1990, P.L. 465 No. 113, to afford interested parties an opportunity to express their views on the proposed McClaren Road Tax Increment Financing District located in the Township of Findlay, Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Green Hawkins

Passed

Council Members Yes: 14 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Heidelbaugh, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Phone: 1 - Danko

XIII. Notification of Contracts

[8896-15](#) Summary of Executive Actions for all Departments from 3-1-15 through 3-31-15 to be received and filed
Received and Filed

XIV. Public Comment on General Items

None

XV. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:14 PM