

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, January 17, 2006

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Rich Fitzgerald, President; Chuck Martoni, Vice-President; Jim Burn, Joan Cleary, John DeFazio, Matt Drozd, Dave Fawcett, Mike Finnerty, Brenda Frazier, Vince Gastgeb, Jay Jabbour, Rich Nerone, Jan Rea, William Russell Robinson, and Eileen Watt - Members

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

15 Members Present (One by Phone)

V. Proclamations/Certificates

2286-06 Proclamation recognizing and commending William E. Strickland, Jr., recipient of the 2005 Citizen Leadership Award from the International Economic Development Council.

Presented

2287-06 Proclamation recognizing January 13, 2006 as AMBER Alert Awareness Day and commending the Pennsylvania State Police for their efforts in creating, implementing and administering the Pennsylvania AMBER Alert Plan.

Presented

2290-06 Certificate of Achievement awarded to St. Bonaventure School football team for winning the 2005 Catholic Diocesan Championship.

Presented

2291-06 Certificate of Achievement awarded to Perry Traditional Academy Football Team for winning the 2005 City League Championship.

Will be presented at a later date

Withdrawn

2288-06 Proclamation congratulating Duane J. Norton upon his retirement as a WPIAL and PIAA District 7 Official Representative.

Presented

2333-06 Certificate of Achievement awarded to West Mifflin Area High School Football for winning the Big 7 AAA Conference Championship.

Will be presented at a later date

Withdrawn

2334-06 Certificate of Achievement awarded to McKeesport High School Football Team for winning both the WPIAL and PIAA Class AAAA Championship.

Will be presented at a later date

Withdrawn**2325-06**

Certificate of Achievement awarded to Duquesne City High School Football Team for winning the 2005 WPIAL Class A Championship.

Presented**2326-06**

Certificate of Achievement for South Park High School Football Team for winning both the WPIAL and PIAA Class AA Championship.

Read**2289-06**

Proclamations commending the 2006 Spirit of King Award sponsors for honoring the lifetime achievements of Dr. Eugene Lloyd Youngue, Jr. and Mr. Everett Emory Utterback.

Read**2298-06**

Proclamation congratulating Harry and Raye Coffey on their 50th wedding anniversary and declaring January 15, 2006 as Harry and Raye Coffey Day in Allegheny County.

Read**2301-06**

Proclamation recognizing and commending WQED Multimedia for producing The War That Made America, an original dramatic documentary which brings to life the French and Indian War.

Read**VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items****VII. Approval of Minutes****2297-06**

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of Council held on December 6 and December 20, 2005.

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

VIII. Presentation of Appointments**2292-06**

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Paul Dern to serve as a member of the Council of Friends Organization (Boyce Park) for a term to expire on January 17, 2008.

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

2293-06

Appointment - Approving the reappointment of Richard J. Mackey to serve as a member of the Council of Friends Organization (Boyce Park) for a term to expire on January 17, 2008.

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

2294-06

Appointment - Approving the reappointment of Wendy G. Guy to serve as a member of the Council of Friends Organization (Boyce Park) for a term to expire on January 17, 2008.

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

2295-06

Appointment - Approving the reappointment of Angie Kazmeraski to serve as a member of the Council of Friends Organization (Boyce Park) for a term to expire on January 17, 2008.

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

2296-06

Appointment - Approving the reappointment of David A. Vento to serve as a member of the Council of Friends Organization (Boyce Park) for a term to expire on January 17, 2008.

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

2304-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Paul M. King for reappointment to the Allegheny County Board of Health for a term to expire on January 6, 2010.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2305-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Lidia Comini-Turzai, M.D. for reappointment to the Allegheny County Board of Health for a term to expire on January 6, 2010.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2306-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Dr. Lee Harrison for reappointment to the Allegheny County Board of Health for a term to expire on January 6, 2010.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2307-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Al Ahmed for appointment to the Allegheny County Board of Health for a term to expire on January 6, 2010.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2308-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Karen Wolk Feinstein for reappointment to the Parks and Recreation Commission of Allegheny County for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2309-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his

recommendation of Richard L. Shaw for reappointment to the Allegheny County Airport Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2310-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Representative Thomas L. Stevenson for reappointment to the Allegheny County Airport Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2311-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Richard Stanizzo for reappointment to the Allegheny County Airport Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2312-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Duane T. Ashley for reappointment to the Parks and Recreation Commission of Allegheny County for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2313-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Joe Natoli for reappointment to the Parks and Recreation Commission of Allegheny County for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2314-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Lynn L. Heckman for reappointment to the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2008.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2315-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Mark C. Schneider for appointment to the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2316-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of George Fechter for reappointment to the Allegheny County Community College Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2011.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2317-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Jerry Fedele for reappointment to the Allegheny County

Community College Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2011.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2318-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of James M. Edwards for reappointment to the following Authorities: Allegheny County Industrial Development Authority, Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority, Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority, and the Residential Finance Authority, for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2319-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of John C. Brown, Jr. for reappointment to the following Authorities: Allegheny County Industrial Development Authority, Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority, Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority, and the Residential Finance Authority, for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2320-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of John J. Petrolas for reappointment to the Authority for Improvements in Municipalities for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2321-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Doris Carson Williams for reappointment to the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for a term to expire on May 23, 2010.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2322-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Constance L. Yarris for reappointment to the Regional Asset District Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

IX. Unfinished Business

Committee on Economic Development - Second Reading

2281-06

A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny adopting and authorizing financing of a project by the Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority on behalf of The Children's Home of Pittsburgh as desirable for the health, safety, and welfare of the people in Allegheny County.

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

Votes: Yes: 14 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson, Council Member Watt and President Fitzgerald
Not present: 1 - Council Member DeFazio

2282-06

A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to develop a tax increment financing project plan for a proposed TIF District to include portions of the Market Stanwix / Downtown Triangle Redevelopment Area #44 and designating a representative from the County to participate in the development of a tax increment project plan for this proposed TIF District.

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

Votes: Yes: 13 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Abstentions: 1 - Council Member Watt
Not present: 1 - Council Member DeFazio

X. Liaison Reports

None

XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

2299-06

An Ordinance authorizing the extension of the term of Ordinance No. 04-04-OR, enacted February 17, 2004, allowing the Department of Public Works to take certain actions on behalf of County Council with respect to the issuance of highway occupancy permits, the grant of certain licenses, rights of entry and easements, and the amicable acquisition of certain real estate affecting County public work projects and other matters for calendar years 2006 and 2007.

Referred to the Committee on Public Works

2300-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the County Manager to enter into agreement with the South Park Boxing, Inc. for the continued use of Exhibit Building #11 in South Park.

Referred to the Committee on Parks

2302-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Article 903, § 5-903.02. of the Administrative Code providing for the Purchasing Officer, as head of the Division of Purchasing and Supplies, to create a policy which establishes a 3% government-wide procurement goal for participation by small business concerns owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans.

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform**2303-06**

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and reforming Article 210 of the Administrative Code entitled "Assessment Standards and Practices" to eliminate unnecessary and superfluous clauses that may otherwise impede the orderly administration of a "Base Year" system of property assessment.

Second Reading Waived

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

Votes: Yes: 11 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

Abstentions: 1 - Council Member Watt

Not present: 3 - Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Fawcett and Council Member Nerone

2324-06

An Ordinance repealing the Rules and Regulations of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation as established by Ordinance on January 1, 1977 and amended by Ordinance on June 14, 1982 to aid in the preservation of County property and promoting and preserving the public health, safety and welfare in the parks owned and maintained by the County of Allegheny, and replacing such Rules and Regulations with Parks Department Regulations.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety

2327-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing a 50% fee reduction on park facility rentals and alcohol permit applications for veterans through March 31, 2006;

Referred to the Committee on Parks

2329-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing long term rental rates for Exhibit Buildings located within South Park.

Referred to the Committee on Parks

2330-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to facilitate the reporting and recording of information by contractors operating within Allegheny County.

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform

2323-06

Resolution authorizing an Amendment and Supplement to Amended and Restated Cooperation Agreement between the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County and Related Action

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development**2332-06**

Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, requesting the County Controller to oversee an examination of the books, accounts, and records of all Allegheny County authorities through the contracting of an independent auditor.

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform**2335-06**

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for the creation of an Allegheny County Women's Commission in order to identify and remedy any inequitable treatment of female candidates for appointment to County Boards, Authorities and Commissions.

Not on original agenda. Motion approved to place on agenda.

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform**XII. New Business - Motions****XIII. Notification of Contracts****2331-06**

Communication from County Manager Jim Flynn submitting a summary of Executive Actions relating to contracts for the month of December, 2005.

A motion was made that this matter be Received and Filed. The motion carried unanimously.

XIV. Public Comment on General Items**XV. Adjournment**