

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, August 18, 2020

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Patrick Catena - President; Bob Macey - Vice President; Tom Baker, Olivia Bennett, Samuel DeMarco, III, Tom Duerr, Nick Futules, Bethany Hallam, Cindy Kirk, Paul Klein, John Palmiere, Robert Palmosina, Anita Prizio, DeWitt Walton and Paul Zavarella - Members

I. Call To Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Silent Prayer or Reflection

IV. Roll Call

Council Members Present: 6 - Catena, Macey, Palmosina, Prizio, Walton and Zavarella

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Phone: 8 - Baker, Bennett, DeMarco , Duerr, Futules, Hallam, Klein and Palmiere

V. Proclamations/Certificates

[11578-20](#) Proclamation congratulating Darcy Joan Urbank and Paul Johannes Battisti upon their 50th wedding anniversary.

Sponsors: Council Member Hallam

[11579-20](#) Certificate of recognition presented to Alexandra Alder for her efforts to raise money for those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic

Sponsors: Council Member Baker

[11580-20](#) Certificate of achievement presented to Reverend Dr. William H. Curtis upon reaching a milestone of 23 years as Senior Pastor at Mount Ararat Baptist Church in Pittsburgh, PA

Sponsors: Council Member Bennett

[11581-20](#) Certificate of achievement presented to James Teti of Boy Scout Troop 53 upon receiving the Eagle Scout Award.

Sponsors: Council Member Macey

[11582-20](#) Certificate of achievement presented to Chase Nicomatti of Boy Scout Troop 53 upon receiving the Eagle Scout Award.

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[11583-20](#) Certificate of achievement presented to Kenneth Pierce, Jr. of Boy Scout Troop 53 upon receiving the Eagle Scout Award.

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[11584-20](#) Certificate of achievement presented to Kevin Kupecz of Boy Scout Troop 53 upon receiving the Eagle Scout Award.

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[11585-20](#) Certificate of achievement presented to Anthony Geffert of Boy Scout Troop 53 upon receiving the Eagle Scout Award.

Sponsors: Council Member Macey

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes

[11569-20](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2020 regular meeting of Council.

A motion was made by Zavarella, seconded by Prizio, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[11570-20](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2020 regular meeting of Council.

A motion was made by Macey, seconded by Palmiere, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

VIII. Presentation of Appointments

IX. Unfinished Business

Committee on Budget and Finance - Second Reading

[11564-20](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2020 (Submission #06-20).

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 6 - Catena, Macey, Palmosina, Prizio, Walton and Zavarella

Council Members 1 - Hallam

Abstain:

Council Members 0

Absent:

Council Members Yes 8 - Baker, Bennett, DeMarco , Duerr, Futules, Kirk, Klein and Palmiere

Phone:

X. Liaison Reports

XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

[11571-20](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances through the creation of a new Division 9, entitled "Conduct," and a new Chapter 910, entitled "Chokeholds and Strangleholds," in order to prohibit the use of certain types of force against individuals within Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Bennett, Council Member Prizio and Council Member Hallam

[11572-20](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Administrative Code of Allegheny County, Article 705, entitled "Naming Rights," through the creation of a new §5-705.05, entitled "Adopt A Grove program," in order to establish a Countywide "Adopt A Grove" program for groves located within the County Parks.

Sponsors: Council Member Hallam and Council Member Bennett

[11573-20](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Administrative Code of Allegheny County, Article 909, entitled "Revenue-Producing Contracts," through the creation of a new §5-909.05, entitled "Revenue-Producing Contracts Relating to the Allegheny County Jail," in order to prohibit contracts that generate County revenues derived in whole or in part from inmates housed at the Allegheny County Jail.

Sponsors: Council Member Hallam and Council Member Bennett

[11574-20](#) An Ordinance authorizing the County of Allegheny in conjunction with the Department of Public Works and the Law Department to acquire by condemnation certain real property located within one of the parcels included in the Campbell's Run Road Bridge No. 6 Project located in the Township of Robinson and the Township of Collier and to take such further action as may be necessary under applicable law, including but not limited to the Eminent Domain Code.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

[11575-20](#) An Ordinance authorizing the County of Allegheny ("**County**"), in conjunction with the Department of Public Works and the Law Department, to convey by special warranty deed two parcels of land, described as (1) 12,989 square feet of land being all of Block and Lot Number 375-C-185; and, (2) 13,986 square feet of land being all of Block and Lot Number 375-C-191, both parcels of land being situate in the Borough of North Braddock, Allegheny County, to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ("**Commonwealth**") acting through its Department of Transportation ("**PennDOT**").

Sponsors: Chief Executive

[11576-20](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts

Budget for 2020 (Submission #07-20).

Sponsors: Chief Executive

XII. New Business - Motions

[11586-20](#)

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County requesting that Block Communications, the Newspaper Guild of Pittsburgh, and all other unions representing employees of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette resume negotiations immediately, in order to resolve their current labor impasse without resorting to unilaterally imposed conditions of employment or a work stoppage.

Sponsors: Council Member DeMarco , Council Member Baker, Council Member Bennett, Council Member Catena, Council Member Duerr, Council Member Futules, Council Member Hallam, Council Member Kirk, Council Member Klein, Council Member Macey, Council Member Palmiere, Council Member Palmosina, Council Member Prizio, Council Member Walton and Council Member Zavarella

Mr. DeMarco moved to add Bill No. 11586-20 to the agenda, Ms. Hallam seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

XIII. Notification of Contracts

[11577-20](#)

Communication summarizing approved Executive actions for the month of July 2020.

A motion was made by Macey, seconded by Palmosina, that this matter be Received and Filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

XIV. Public Comment on General Items

XV. Adjournment