

# Allegheny County Council

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## Regular Meeting Agenda

**Tuesday, May 20, 2008**

**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, Jim Ellenbogen, Mike Finnerty, Nick Futules, Vince Gastgeb, Amanda Green, Bob Macey, Chuck McCullough, 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**
- V. Proclamations/Certificates**

4036-08 Proclamation recognizing the Allegheny County Controller's Office for earning the AIIM Best Practices Award.

**Sponsors:** Michael Finnerty, Rich Fitzgerald, Chuck Martoni, Amanda Green, Jim Burn, Vince Gastgeb, Matt Drozd, William Russell Robinson, Bob Macey, Joan Cleary and Nick Futules

4037-08 Certificate of Recognition honoring CCAC students Michele Lowe and Neily Rosko for being named to the All-Pennsylvania Academic Team.

**Sponsors:** Chuck Martoni and William Russell Robinson

4038-08 Proclamation declaring May 18-24, 2008 "Public Works Week" in Allegheny County.

**Sponsors:** Bob Macey, Rich Fitzgerald, Chuck Martoni, Joan Cleary, Amanda Green, Vince Gastgeb, Matt Drozd, William Russell Robinson, Michael Finnerty and Nick Futules

4063-08 Certificate of Achievement congratulating the St. Louise de Marillac JV and Varsity Cheerleading Teams for winning the Diocesan championship.

**Sponsors:** Chuck McCullough

4039-08 Proclamation declaring May 11-17, 2008 "Women's Health Week" in Allegheny County.

**Sponsors:** Joan Cleary, Amanda Green and Jan Rea

4040-08 Certificate of Achievement recognizing BSA Troop 228 scout Cameron Norkiewicz, who recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout.

**Sponsors:** Vince Gastgeb

*To be entered into the Record*

4041-08 Proclamation congratulating Bob Baburich for being named the 2008 Chalfant Citizen of the Year by the "Woodland Progress."

**Sponsors:** Chuck Martoni

*To be entered into the Record*

4042-08 Proclamation congratulating Joseph Sauter for being named the 2008 Turtle Creek Citizen of the Year by the “Woodland Progress.”

Sponsors: Chuck Martoni

*To be entered into the Record*

4043-08 Certificates of Achievement recognizing BSA Troop 321 scouts Joseph Weinzierl and Chris Willson, who recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sponsors: Matt Drozd

*To be entered into the Record*

4045-08 Certificate of Achievement honoring CCAC-North Campus hockey player Aaron Nolte for being ranked number one in regular season goals by the American Collegiate Hockey Association- Division 3.

Sponsors: Chuck Martoni and William Russell Robinson

*To be entered into the Record*

4047-08 Proclamation recognizing Leadership Pittsburgh, Inc. as it celebrates its 25th anniversary.

Sponsors: Bob Macey, Rich Fitzgerald, Chuck Martoni, Amanda Green, Jim Burn, Vince Gastgeb, Matt Drozd, William Russell Robinson, Joan Cleary, Michael Finnerty and Nick Futules

*To be entered into the Record*

4049-08 Certificate of Recognition honoring the fifth grade students at the Ellis School, who recently visited County Council as part of their Environmental Unit.

Sponsors: Rich Fitzgerald

*To be entered into the Record*

4050-08 Certificate of Recognition congratulating Earl and Ann Carlson of Elizabeth, who recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Sponsors: Bob Macey

*To be entered into the Record*

4051-08 Certificate of Recognition congratulating George and Carole King of Forward, who recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Sponsors: Bob Macey

*To be entered into the Record*

4052-08 Certificate of Achievement recognizing Seton-La Salle freshman Pietra Bruni for winning first place in the senior biology division of the Pittsburgh Regional Science and Engineering Fair.

Sponsors: Joan Cleary

*To be entered into the Record*

[4054-08](#) Certificate of Recognition honoring Angeline Rose Baroni of Bridgeville, who recently celebrated her 100th birthday.

Sponsors: Michael Finnerty

*To be entered into the Record*

[4055-08](#) Certificates of Recognition commending the 2008 Allegheny County Police retirees.

Sponsors: Vince Gastgeb, Michael Finnerty, Rich Fitzgerald, Chuck Martoni, Joan Cleary, Amanda Green, Jim Burn, Matt Drozd, William Russell Robinson, Bob Macey, Jim Ellenbogen and Nick Futules

*To be entered into the Record*

[4056-08](#) Certificate of Recognition honoring the 50th anniversary of the Gateway Clipper Fleet.

Sponsors: Amanda Green, Rich Fitzgerald, Chuck Martoni, Vince Gastgeb, Joan Cleary, Matt Drozd, William Russell Robinson, Bob Macey, Michael Finnerty, Jim Ellenbogen and Nick Futules

*To be entered into the Record*

[4057-08](#) Certificate of Recognition celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Manchester Youth Development Center.

Sponsors: Amanda Green

*To be entered into the Record*

[4058-08](#) Proclamation recognizing Esther Micosky, who was honored by the Borough of Tarentum as a distinguished business owner, and declaring May 20, 2008 as "Esther Micosky Day" in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Jim Burn

*To be entered into the Record*

## **VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items**

## **VII. Approval of Minutes**

[4048-08](#) Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of Council held on April 1 and April 15, 2008.

## VIII. Unfinished Business

### Committee on Budget and Finance - Second Reading

[3794-08](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Division 4, entitled "Finances," by the creation of a new Article 490 entitled "Financing Fees," in order to establish a process for reviewing the County's fees for certain financing activities.

**Sponsors:** William Russell Robinson

**Legislative History**

3/4/08	County Council	Referred
3/11/08	Committee on Budget and Finance	Held in Committee
5/13/08	Committee on Budget and Finance	Affirmatively Recommended

[3960-08](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Pennsylvania, authorizing the incurrence of nonelectoral debt by the issuance of its General Obligation Bonds, Series C-61, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$53,435,000 ("C-61 Bonds" or the "Bonds").

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Legislative History**

5/6/08	County Council	Referred
5/13/08	Committee on Budget and Finance	Affirmatively Recommended

[3972-08](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2008 (Submission #07-08).

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Legislative History**

5/6/08	County Council	Referred
5/13/08	Committee on Budget and Finance	Affirmatively Recommended

### Committee on Parks - Second Reading

[3905-08](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing acceptance of cherry trees through the Sakura (Cherry Blossom) Project, in association with the Japanese Association of Greater Pittsburgh.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Legislative History**

4/15/08	County Council	Referred
5/13/08	Committee on Parks	Affirmatively Recommended

[3967-08](#)

An Ordinance authorizing the County of Allegheny to convey excess real estate located on the Montour Trail to adjacent landowners

Sponsors: Chief Executive

[Legislative History](#)

5/6/08	County Council	Referred
5/13/08	Committee on Parks	Affirmatively Recommended

**Committee on Economic Development & Housing - Second Reading**[3971-08](#)

A Resolution approving a Project for the benefit of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC) to be financed by the Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority (the "Authority") by the issuance of the Authority's tax-exempt or taxable bonds, a portion of which may be issued as commercial paper, to be issued in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount not in excess of \$350,000,000, provided that the taxing power of the County of Allegheny, Pennsylvania, shall not be obligated in any way with respect to the Bonds (hereinafter defined), 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

[Legislative History](#)

5/6/08	County Council	Referred by Chair
5/15/08	Committee on Economic Development & Housing	Affirmatively Recommended

**IX. Liaison Reports****X. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions**[4033-08](#)

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

[4053-08](#)

An Ordinance of the Allegheny County Council amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Division 4, entitled "Finances," by creating a new Chapter 280, entitled "Housing Choice Voucher Program" and a new §280-1 in order to establish a mechanism for recovering taxes owed by landlords participating in the program.

Sponsors: Jim Burn

[4035-08](#)

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny approving certain Inter-Departmental Transfers in the Operating Budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2008 and ending December 31, 2008.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

4059-08

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, urging the President of the United States and the Congress of the United States to reject the recent Pentagon decision to award a \$40 Billion defense contract to a foreign entity for the construction of the United States Air Force mid-air refueling tankers and urging the Congress to investigate this decision.

Sponsors: Michael Finnerty and Jim Burn

4060-08

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, urging the General Assembly and the United States Congress to push for additional funding for research to discover a cure for life-threatening food allergies.

Sponsors: Jan Rea, William Russell Robinson and Chuck Martoni

4062-08

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, declaring Council's intention to eliminate funding to the Fifth Judicial District of Pennsylvania within the next seven-year period and urging the General Assembly to carry-out its constitutionally-mandated and court-ordered responsibility to fund the Fifth Judicial District, as mandated by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

Sponsors: Matt Drozd

**XI. New Business - Motions****XII. Public Comment on General Items****XIII. Adjournment**