

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, August 29, 2006

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Rich Fitzgerald, President; Chuck Martoni, Vice-President; Jim Burn, Susan Caldwell, Joan Cleary, John DeFazio, Matt Drozd, Dave Fawcett, Mike Finnerty, Brenda Frazier, Vince Gastgeb, Bob Macey, Rich Nerone, 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**

All Members present (one by phone)

V. Proclamations/Certificates

[2749-06](#) Proclamation recognizing and thanking Mr. John L. Kovach, Jr. for his lifelong achievements and public service.

Presented

[2750-06](#) Proclamation honoring Mr. John L. Kovach, Jr. for his dedication and commitment to helping create South Park's "By the Dawn's Early Light Flag Retirement Plaza."

Presented

[2751-06](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Michael Andrew Baird for achieving the honorable rank of Eagle Scout.

Read

[2752-06](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Michael Hartung upon earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

Read

[2753-06](#) Proclamation honoring the life of Ms. Madelyn Hairston Giddens and celebrating the momentous occasion of her 90th birthday.

Read

[2754-06](#) Proclamation honoring and remembering the life of Mr. Lester James Cain, Jr., for his longtime commitment to children and families in the community.

Read

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items**VII. Presentation of Appointments**

[2744-06](#) Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Timothy H. Johnson for appointment to the Retirement Board

of Allegheny County for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2745-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Eddie Edwards, Jr. for appointment to the Allegheny County Port Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2008.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

VIII. Unfinished Business

Committee on Economic Development & Housing - Second Reading

2718-06

Resolution approving a Project for the benefit of Carnegie Mellon University to be financed by the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority by the issuance of the Authority's University Revenue Bonds (Carnegie Mellon University) Series 2006 to be issued in aggregate principal amount not in excess of \$165,000,000, provided that the taxing power of the County of Allegheny, Pennsylvania, shall not be obligated in any way with respect to the Bonds, and determining that the purpose of the financing will be to benefit the health and welfare of the citizens of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, and constituting the elected official approval required by Section 147 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

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 Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Abstentions: 1 - Council Member Fawcett

2719-06

A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny amending the tax increment financing plan for the Waterfront Tax Increment Financing District, and authorizing related actions.

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

Votes: Yes: 15 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

IX. Liaison Reports

None

X. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

2746-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, requiring that the Community College of Allegheny County (CCAC) undertake an immediate audit of its financial and other activities for the purposes of fully disclosing to the public the condition of the College and creating corrective action plans, where warranted.

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance

2747-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances to include a new Chapter 271, entitled "Allegheny County Contractor Web Site."

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform

2748-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Division 1 of the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances to include a new Section 5-905.04, entitled "Allegheny County Professional Services Review Committee Reporting Obligations."

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance

XI. New Business - Motions**2755-06**

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County expressing the sense of Council of Allegheny County condemning predatory lending practices and supporting Pennsylvania HB 967 which would provide Pennsylvania homeowners protection from various unfair practices in the business of residential mortgage lending and supporting SB 101 which would offer consumer protection against payday loans.

Held

XII. New Business - Communications**2756-06**

Communication from Council Member William Russell Robinson, Chairman of the Council's Committee on Budget and Finance, submitting his schedule for the preparation of the 2007 County Budget.

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

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