

# **Allegheny County Council**

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## **Agenda Synopsis**

**Tuesday, May 11, 2021**

**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:** 7 - Catena, DeMarco , Futules, Macey, Palmosina, Prizio and Zavarella

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Phone:** 7 - Baker, Bennett, Duerr, Hallam, Klein, Palmiere and Walton

**V. Proclamations/Certificates**

[11846-21](#) Recognizing the efforts of Ms. Laura Burdwood for her dedication in volunteering to make sure over 300 individuals received the COVID-19 vaccine.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Baker

[11847-21](#) Recognizing the efforts of Ms. Nikki Jaskiewicz for her dedication in volunteering to make sure over 300 individuals received the COVID-19 vaccine.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Baker

[11849-21](#) Recognizing and thanking Althea Worthy on her 20 years of dedicated volunteerism on behalf of North Hills Community Outreach.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Kirk and Council Member Baker

[11850-21](#) Recognizing and congratulating the Allegheny County Department of Public Works and its dedicated employees for successfully being granted accredited status by the APWA Accreditation Council for the fourth time.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Macey and All Members of Council

[11851-21](#) Honoring the life and memory on his passing of Robert "Skip" Daniels, a long-time resident of the Allentown neighborhood of Pittsburgh, who was a beloved family-man and extremely hard worker.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Bennett

[11852-21](#) Recognizing the service and efforts of the Town of McCandless police officers, David Machesny, Michael Cavaliere, Neal Corll, Carl Yeane, Richard Waite, Jason Evey and Eric Margolin for their brave acts in the line of duty.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Kirk

[11853-21](#) Congratulating Daniel Martin O'Brien for having met all the necessary requirements to advance to the rank of Eagle Scout.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Palmosina

[11854-21](#) Congratulating Oliver Louis Casadei for having met all the necessary requirements to advance to the rank of Eagle Scout.

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[11855-21](#) Congratulating Peter R. Lesnett for having met all the necessary requirements to advance to the rank of Eagle Scout.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Baker and Council Member Kirk

[11856-21](#) Congratulating Nathan A. Elway for having met all the necessary requirements to advance to the rank of Eagle Scout.

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[11857-21](#) Congratulating Adam J. Larson for having met all the necessary requirements to advance to the rank of Eagle Scout.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Baker and Council Member Kirk

[11858-21](#) Congratulating Christopher W. Coholich for having met all the necessary requirements to advance to the rank of Eagle Scout.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Baker and Council Member Kirk

[11859-21](#) Recognizing the week of May 9, 2021 through May 15, 2021 as National Police Week in Allegheny County.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Bennett, Council Member Baker, Council Member Catena, Council Member DeMarco , Council Member Duerr, Council Member Futules, Council Member Kirk, Council Member Macey, Council Member Palmiere, Council Member Zavarella and Council Member Palmosina

[11864-21](#) Recognizing Single Mom Defined for their dedication in creating a comprehensive resource directory for single mothers.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Bennett

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

## **VII. Approval of Minutes**

## **VIII. Presentation of Appointments**

## **IX. Unfinished Business**

### **Committee on Public Safety - Second Reading**

[11806-21](#) An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing policy for the County Police and providing for the creation of a working group to assist municipal police departments operating within Allegheny County in the

evaluation and potential acquisition of camera devices.

**Sponsors:** Council Member DeMarco , Council Member Catena, Council Member Kirk, Council Member Prizio, Council Member Macey, Council Member Futules and Council Member Bennett

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

**Council Members Yes:** 8 - Catena, DeMarco , Futules, Kirk, Macey, Palmosina, Prizio and Zavarella

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes Phone:** 6 - Baker, Bennett, Duerr, Klein, Palmiere and Walton

**Council Members No Phone:** 1 - Hallam

**X. Liaison Reports**

**XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions**

[11860-21](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2021 (Submission #04-21).

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**XII. New Business - Motions**

[11861-21](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County requesting that the General Assembly consider and enact legislation either to regulate certain entities that undertake real estate wholesale transactions through the creation of a licensure system and establishment of required disclosures relating to these transactions, or to statutorily authorize Allegheny County to do so, in order to provide protections to homeowners from undesired solicitation and its deleterious effects.

**Sponsors:** Council Member DeMarco and Council Member Macey

[11862-21](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County urging the Fifth Judicial District of Pennsylvania to evaluate and implement a mandatory diversion program with the goal of resolving eviction matters short of displacing large numbers of County residents from their homes.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Hallam and Council Member Bennett

**A motion was made by Hallam, seconded by Bennett, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Council Members Yes:** 3 - Catena, Palmosina and Prizio

**Council Members No:** 4 - DeMarco , Futules, Kirk and Macey

**Council Members** 1 - Zavarella  
**Abstain:**

**Council Members** 0  
**Absent:**

**Council Members Yes** 5 - Bennett, Duerr, Hallam, Klein and Walton  
**Phone:**

**Council Members No** 2 - Baker and Palmiere  
**Phone:**

### **XIII. Notification of Contracts**

[11863-21](#) Communication summarizing approved Executive actions for April, 2021.

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

### **XIV. Public Comment on General Items**

### **XV. Adjournment**

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