

No. 18-07-OR

Bill No. 2991-07

## AN ORDINANCE

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the razing of vandalized and unsafe structure in Harrison Hills Parks and South Park

**Whereas**, Section 701.06 (A) of the Administrative Code provides that the County may raze or demolish of any County-owned Buildings in a manner approved by Ordinance; and

**Whereas**, the County is the owner of a deteriorating vandalized building in Harrison Hills Park known as The Ekas Homestead, a barn on McConkey Road in South Park and an abandoned house behind the Round Barn on Corrigan Drive in South Park; and

**Whereas**, the aforementioned County property has reached an age and condition where it is a hazard and liability; and

**Whereas**, the Director of the Allegheny County Parks Department has requested that the building be removed or demolished; and

**Whereas**, the Controller has determined that the aforementioned buildings have no value and are a liability in their present condition; and

**Whereas**, the local fire company desires to participate in a training exercise utilizing the Ekas homestead structure as a controlled burn.

***The Council of the County of Allegheny hereby enacts as follows:***

### **Section 1. Incorporation of Preamble**

The provisions set forth in the preamble to this Ordinance are incorporated by reference in their entirety herein.

### **Section 2. Authorization to Raze or Demolish The Ekas Homestead in Harrison Hills Park**

A. Pursuant to Section 701.06(A) of the Administrative Code, County Council does hereby authorize the Director of the Allegheny County Parks Department or his designee to take whatever action necessary to accomplish the demolition, razing or destruction by controlled burn or otherwise of the buildings in Harrison Hills Park known as The Ekas Homestead, the barn on McConkey Road in South Park and the house behind the Round Barn on Corrigan Drive.

**Section 3.** The County Manager or his designee is authorized to take any and all further action as may be necessary or proper to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

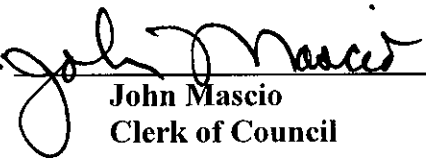
**Section 4. Severability.** *If any provision of this Ordinance shall be determined to be unlawful, invalid, void or unenforceable, then that provision shall be considered severable from the remaining provisions of this Ordinance which shall continue in full force and effect.*

**Section 5. Repealer.** *Any prior Resolutions or Ordinances or part thereof conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as the same affects this Ordinance.*

Enacted in Council, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007.

Council Agenda No. 2991-07.

  
Rich Fitzgerald  
President of Council

Attest:   
John Mascio  
Clerk of Council

Chief Executive Office June 11, 2007.

Approved:   
Dan Onorato  
Chief Executive

Attest:   
Donna Beltz  
Executive's Secretary


### **SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION**

This legislation would give the County Manager or his designee the authority to demolish, raze or permit the destruction of the premises by fire of the building located in Harrison Hills Park known as The Ekas Homestead in South Park, the abandoned barn on McConkey Road and the house behind the Round Barn on Corrigan Drive in South Park. The Controller has determined that the buildings in question have no value to Allegheny County and constitutes a liability and hazard to the public in their present condition.

**MEMORANDUM**

**OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER**

TO: John Mascio  
Chief Clerk

FROM: James M. Flynn, Jr.   
County Manager

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL

DATE: January 18, 2006

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RE: Proposed Ordinance

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Attached is an Ordinance authorizing the razing of vandalized and unsafe structure in Harrison Hills Parks and South Park

The Allegheny County Law Department has reviewed this legislation prior to submitting it to Council.

Please place this on the next agenda for County Council approval.

Thank you.