

Allegheny County Council

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

4:00 PM

Conference Room 1

Committee on Budget and Finance

*Paul Klein, Chair; Sam DeMarco, Nick Futules, Bob Macey, Chuck Martoni, Sue Means
and John Palmiere, Members.*

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:05.

Invited Guests:

William D. McKain, CPA, County Manager or Designee(s)

Mary C. Soroka, Director, Budget and Finance or Designee(s)

Mr. McKain was present from the Office of the County Manager.

Ms. Soroka was present from the Department of Budget & Finance.

Mr. Barker and Ms. Roka were present from the Office of County Council.

II. Roll Call

Members Present: 4 - Bob Macey, Sue Means, John Palmiere and Paul Klein

Members Absent: 1 - Chuck Martoni

Members Phone: 2 - Sam DeMarco and Nick Futules

Members 1 - DeWitt Walton

Non-Members:

III. Approval of Minutes

[10879-18](#)

Motion to approve the minutes of the Committee on Budget and Finance meeting held on November 14, 2018.

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

IV. Agenda Items

Ordinances

[10810-18](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing the tax levy upon all real property subject to taxation within the limits of Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

At the request of the Chair, the clerk read the title of the bill.

The Chair noted that a typographical error in the bill had been identified and corrected.

Mr. McKain agreed with the Chair's assessment, noted that the County's millage rate for 2019 would remain unchanged at 4.73, and that this rate would allow for a balanced budget and the provision of all necessary County services.

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

Resolutions

[10838-18](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, adopting an Operating Budget pursuant to Article IV, §2 and Article VII, §4 of the Home Rule Charter, by setting forth appropriations to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of Allegheny County and for meeting debt charges for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2019.

Sponsors: Council Member Klein

At the request of the Chair, the clerk read the title of the bill.

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

[10839-18](#) Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, adopting a Capital Budget pursuant to Article IV, §2 and Article VII, §4 of the Home Rule Charter by setting forth appropriations to pay the expenses for capital expenditures during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2019.

Sponsors: Council Member Klein

At the request of the Chair, the clerk read the title of the bill.

In response to a question from Ms. Means, Mr. McKain noted that the roads and slope stabilization appropriations should be adequate to provide for remediation of any reasonably foreseeable landslides in 2019.

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

[10840-18](#) Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, adopting the Grants Budget, Special Accounts Budget, and Agency Fund Budget, by setting forth appropriations to pay said expenses during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2019.

Sponsors: Council Member Klein

At the request of the Chair, the clerk read the title of the bill.

In response to a question from Ms. Means, Ms. Soroka noted that the Special Accounts budget had risen by approximately \$2 million from 2018-19, and the Grants budget had risen by roughly \$79 million in the same time period. Ms. Soroka highlighted some of the more significant new grant revenues.

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

V. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:16.