

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, March 17, 2009

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

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM

II. Pledge of Allegiance**III. Silent Prayer or Reflection****IV. Roll Call**

Roll Call: Present: Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Council Member Gastgeb, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member McCullough, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

V. Proclamations/Certificates

4707-09 Proclamation recognizing Giant Eagle, Incorporated for their environmentally conscious business practices.

Presented

4708-09 Certificates of Recognition honoring members of the Swissvale and Wilkinsburg Police Departments for their efforts in the line of duty.

Presented

4709-09 Proclamation recognizing Educating Teens about HIV/AIDS, Inc. for their efforts in designating March 2009 as an HIV/AIDS awareness month.

Presented

4710-09 Certificates of Achievement honoring students for their participation in the Power of Youth in Government program.

Presented

4711-09 Certificate of Achievement recognizing Carter Redwood for his first-place finish in the August Wilson Monologue Contest.

Presented

4712-09 Proclamation recognizing the community outreach of Bon-Ami Temple No. 49.

Read

4713-09 Proclamation honoring Fred Honsberger for his 30 years at KDKA Radio.

Read

- [4714-09](#) Certificate of Recognition honoring D. Raja for receiving the 2009 Carnegie Science Entrepreneur Award.
Read
- [4715-09](#) Certificates of Recognition honoring the members of the Pleasant Hills Volunteer Fire Company for their 2009 appointments.
Read
- [4716-09](#) Certificate of Recognition commending Scott Kunz's 20 years of service with the Pleasant Hills Volunteer Fire Company.
Read
- [4717-09](#) Certificate of Recognition honoring the 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Bialobok.
Read
- [4718-09](#) Certificate of Recognition honoring the 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Petrow.
Read
- [4719-09](#) Certificate of Recognition honoring the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Piekut.
Read
- [4720-09](#) Certificate of Recognition commending Cliff McElrath, Sr. for his 50 years of service to the McKeesport Volunteer Fire Company No. 3.
Read
- [4721-09](#) Proclamation recognizing the retirement of Lee Albacker from the Pleasant Valley Volunteer Fire Company.
Read
- [4722-09](#) Proclamation recognizing the 100th anniversary of the founding of Pleasant Valley Volunteer Fire Company.
Read
- [4723-09](#) Certificate of Achievement honoring Patrick Michael Carroll for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.
Read

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes

- 4690-09** Motion approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on February 17, 2009.
A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Presentation of Appointments

- 4691-09** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Lorina W. Wise for appointment to the following Authorities: Allegheny County Industrial Development Authority, Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority, Allegheny Higher Education Building Authority and the Residential Finance Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2012.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

- 4692-09** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Victor H. Diaz for reappointment to the following Authorities: Allegheny County Industrial Development Authority, Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority, Allegheny Higher Education Building Authority and the Residential Finance Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2013.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

- 4693-09** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Dr. Walter Goldberg for reappointment to the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

- 4694-09** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Louis A. Naugle for reappointment to the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

- 4700-09** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of David P. Mazzocco for reappointment to the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

- 4701-09** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Kate Tomayko for reappointment to the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

- 4702-09** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his

recommendation of Chester R. Babst, III for reappointment to the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

4703-09

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of James T. Cobb for reappointment to the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

4704-09

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of John M. Daley for appointment to the Plumbing Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2011.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

4705-09

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of John W. Inks, Jr. for reappointment to the Plumbing Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2011.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

4706-09

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Peter Czuczman for reappointment to the Authority for Improvements in Municipalities for a term to expire on December 31, 2013.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

IX. Unfinished Business

Committee on Budget and Finance - Second Reading

3854-08

An Ordinance amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Division 1, entitled "Administrative Code," Article 808.B, "Rental Vehicle Taxation," in order to provide consistency with regard to exemptions from the County tax on the rental of certain motor vehicles within the County and the exemptions from taxes imposed by the Commonwealth on such rentals.

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

Votes: Yes: 15 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Council Member Gastgeb, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member McCullough, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

4661-09

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2009 (Submission #04-09).

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 Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Council Member Gastgeb, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member McCullough, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

X. Liaison Reports

XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

4695-09 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny authorizing the County to enter into an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with the City of Pittsburgh under which the County will provide purchasing and procurement services on behalf of the City.

Referred to the Committee on Government Reform

4696-09 An Ordinance Of The County Of Allegheny, Commonwealth Of Pennsylvania, Authorizing The Conveyance of The County Of Allegheny's Interest In A Parcel To The American Ukrainian Citizens Club.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing

4697-09 An Ordinance authorizing the development of certain portions of County owned property known as the Kane Regional Center-Ross and the transfer of the County's interest in such property to the developer in phases through deed or ground lease

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing

4724-09 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, through the creation of a new Chapter 491, entitled "Investment Policy," in order to provide for divestiture of certain County investments in companies doing business with state sponsors of terrorism.

Referred to the Committee on Government Reform

4725-09 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, through the creation of a new Chapter 492, entitled "Contract Policy," in order to establish a County policy for contracting with companies doing business with state sponsors of terrorism.

Referred to the Committee on Government Reform

4726-09 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, §5-905.04, entitled "Allegheny County Professional Services Review Committee Reporting Obligations," to clarify the ongoing reporting obligation of the Professional

Services Review Committee.

Referred to the Committee on Government Reform

4727-09

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 435, entitled "Minority Business Enterprise Program," through the creation of a new §435-13, entitled "Allegheny County Contract Reporting Obligations," in order to establish a requirement for reporting the M/W/DBE status of parties to contracts with Allegheny County.

Referred to the Committee on Government Reform

4698-09

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the 2009 Capital Budget for Allegheny County.

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance

4699-09

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2009 (Submission #05-09).

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance

XII. New Business - Motions

4728-09

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County pulling Bill No. 4162-08, governing lobbying activities by the County's authorities, from committee for an immediate final vote.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion failed by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 5 - Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member McCullough and Council Member Rea
Noes: 10 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

4729-09

Motion Expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County supporting the Employee Free Choice Act, which would authorize the National Labor Relations Board to certify a union as the bargaining representative when a majority of employees voluntarily sign authorizations designating that union to represent them, provide for first contract mediation and arbitration, and establish meaningful penalties for violations of a worker's freedom to choose a union.

Referred to the Committee on Government Reform

XIII. Notification of Contracts

4730-09

Communication from County Manager Jim Flynn submitting a summary of Executive Actions relating to contracts for the months of December, 2008 and January, 2009.

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

XIV. Public Comment on General Items

XV. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM