

# Allegheny County Council

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## Agenda Synopsis

**Tuesday, August 19, 2008**

**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****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, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member McCullough, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald  
Absent: Council Member Gastgeb

**V. Proclamations/Certificates**

**4234-08** Proclamation honoring Fallen Marine Memorial Run founders Joe Wadlow and Jerry Vanasdale.

**Presented**

**4236-08** Proclamation recognizing Jean Bryant for her efforts in organizing the Miss Black Teen and Miss Black Princess pageants.

**Presented**

**4237-08** Certificates of Achievement recognizing 2008 Miss Black Teen winner Charmaine Clark and 2008 Miss Black Princess winner Jasmine Williams.

**Presented**

**4240-08** Proclamation honoring local business owner Brenda Franklin for her charitable efforts supporting local schools.

**Presented**

**4242-08** Certificate of Recognition congratulating William and Judith Alund on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

**Read**

**4243-08** Certificate of Recognition congratulating John and Lorraine Martinelli on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.

**Read**

**4244-08** Certificate of Recognition congratulating Frank and Phyllis Tignanelli on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

**Read**

**4245-08** Certificate of Recognition congratulating Donald and Maxine Weiler on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.  
**Read**

**4246-08** Proclamation welcoming the Pennsylvania Association of Councils of Governments (PACOG) to Allegheny County for the 2008 PACOG Conference.  
**Read**

**4247-08** Proclamation designating August 1, 2008 as “Minority Donor Awareness Day” in Allegheny County.  
**Read**

**4248-08** Certificate of Recognition congratulating John and Patricia Slinskey on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.  
**Read**

**4249-08** Certificate of Recognition congratulating William and Helen Barto on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.  
**Read**

**4250-08** Proclamation recognizing the Helmstadter family, who celebrated their 100th family reunion on July 4, 2008.  
**Read**

**4251-08** Certificate of Recognition celebrating the 100th birthday of Clara Mollica.  
**Read**

**4252-08** Certificate of Achievement congratulating West Mifflin Area High School Baseball Coach Jeff Kuzma for being named the WPIAL Baseball Coaches Association Class AAA Coach of the Year.  
**Read**

**4253-08** Proclamation celebrating the 60th anniversary of Whitehall Borough.  
**Read**

**4254-08** Certificate of Achievement congratulating Serra Catholic High School student Marla Tortorice for her award-winning science project, “The Bearing Capacity of Soil.”  
**Read**

**4255-08** Proclamation celebrating the 85th Annual “Slovak American Day,” held at Kennywood Park on July 17, 2008.

Read

**4256-08** Certificate of Recognition congratulating Thomas and Marlene Potemra on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Read

**4257-08** Proclamation celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Circolo Italo-Americano Corenese (CIAC) organization.

Read

**4258-08** Certificate of Achievement congratulating Cadet Sunny Amanda Menozzi upon the occasion of her graduation from the United States Military Academy at West Point.

Read

**4259-08** Certificate of Recognition celebrating the 20th anniversary of Synergy Financial Services.

Read

**4260-08** Certificate of Recognition congratulating Bernard and Mary Lou Lopretto upon the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Read

**4261-08** Proclamation celebrating the 18th anniversary of the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Read

**4262-08** Certificate of Recognition celebrating the 100th birthday of Ethel Gates.

Read

**4263-08** Proclamations recognizing Sharpsburg Borough Mayor Donald Ferraro and Sharpsburg Borough Council President Joseph Panza, Jr. for their many contributions to Sharpsburg Borough.

Read

**4264-08** Certificate of Recognition honoring Port Vue Police Officer John Thompson for the lifesaving efforts he demonstrated on June 27, 2008.

Read

**4265-08** Certificate of Recognition congratulating Alfred and Gwendolyn Lapsley upon the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Read

4266-08 Proclamation recognizing the 50th anniversary of St. Angela Merici Parish.

Read

4267-08 Certificate of Recognition congratulating George and Lucille Herget upon the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Read

4268-08 Certificate of Recognition congratulating Bernard and Betty Novak upon the occasion of their 65th wedding anniversary.

Read

4269-08 Proclamation congratulating the 2008 Local Government Academy interns as they complete their internships.

Read

4270-08 Proclamation welcoming the attendees of the 141st Pittsburgh Annual Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church to Allegheny County.

Read

## VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

## VII. Approval of Minutes

4213-08 Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of Allegheny County Council held on June 17, July 1, and July 8, 2008.

Passed

## VIII. Presentation of Appointments

4219-08 Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Gregory K. Peaslee for appointment to the Community College of Allegheny County Board of Directors for a term to expire on April 23, 2009.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

4220-08 Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Laurie Aronoff Mulvey for reappointment to the Community Services Advisory Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

4221-08 Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Jack Wise for reappointment to the Redevelopment Authority

of Allegheny County for a term to expire on May 23, 2013.

**Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review**

**4222-08**

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Jacques L Moye, Sr. for reappointment to the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2012.

**Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review**

**4223-08**

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Stuart Neil Fisk for appointment to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council of Allegheny County for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

**Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review**

**4224-08**

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of R. Lindsay Hargrove for appointment to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council of Allegheny County for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

**Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review**

**4225-08**

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Dr. William Geisler for appointment to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council of Allegheny County for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

**Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review**

**4226-08**

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of James M. Flynn for reappointment to the Allegheny County Board of Health for a term to expire on January 11, 2012.

**Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review**

**4227-08**

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of William B. Youngblood for reappointment to the Allegheny County Board of Health for a term to expire on January 11, 2012.

**Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review**

**4228-08**

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Rev. Ricky Burgess for reappointment to the Allegheny County Board of Health for a term to expire on January 11, 2012.

**Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review**

**4229-08**

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Donald Burke, M.D. for appointment to the Allegheny

County Board of Health for a term to expire on January 11, 2012.

**Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review**

**4230-08** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Ronald S. Graziano for reappointment to the Plumbing Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

**Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review**

**4231-08** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Thomas G. Bigley for reappointment to the Plumbing Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

**Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review**

**4232-08** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Charles L. Desmone for reappointment to the Plumbing Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

**Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review**

## **IX. Unfinished Business**

## **X. Liaison Reports**

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

**4238-08** An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Division 1, Part 11, entitled "Agenda Initiative and Voter Referendum," by deleting §5-1101.02.B(2) of the Administrative Code of Allegheny County in order to remove the statutory authorization for Council-originated Code amendment referenda contained therein.

**Referred to the Committee on Government Reform**

**4239-08** An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania directing that an amendment to the Home Rule Charter of Allegheny County be submitted by referendum question to the registered voters of the County on the 2009 Primary Election ballot.

**Referred to the Committee on Government Reform**

**4214-08** A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2008 (Submission #11-08).

**Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance**

**4215-08** A Resolution authorizing the issuance of a Tax and Revenue Anticipation Note in

the maximum principal amount of \$14,700,000; providing for the date, interest rate, maturity date, place of payment and prepayment provisions in respect of the note; accepting the proposal of The Bank of New York Mellon for the purchase and financing of the note; providing for the security of the note; authorizing the proper officers to execute and deliver the note; authorizing and directing the preparation, certification and filing of the proceedings with the Department of Community and Economic Development; providing for a paying agent; setting forth a form of note; and repealing inconsistent resolutions.

**Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance**

**4216-08**

A Resolution of the County Council of Allegheny County in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the Nursing Home Intergovernmental Transfer Program pursuant to the Commonwealth Agreement and the Cooperation Agreement; and granting authorization for any and all lawful actions necessary to effectuate Allegheny County's participation in said program.

**Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services**

**4217-08**

A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny authorizing pursuit of a Tax Increment Financing plan in Collier Township, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

**Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing**

**4218-08**

A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny exempting certain taxes within a specified geographic area designated as a Keystone Opportunity Expansion Zone within the Township of Harrison and the Borough of Brackenridge, Allegheny County.

**Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing**

**XII. New Business - Motions**

**4241-08**

Motion Expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County, urging the General Assembly and Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to withhold any public subsidy from the Pittsburgh Steelers and Continental Real Estate Companies to help build a \$12 million entertainment complex on the North Shore.

**Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing**

**XIII. Notification of Contracts**

**4235-08**

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

**Received and Filed**

**XIV. Public Comment on General Items**

**XV. Adjournment**