

# Allegheny County Council

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## Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

## County Council

*John DeFazio, President; Nicholas Futules, Vice President; Tom Baker; Jim Ellenbogen, Mike Finnerty; Amanda Green Hawkins; Heather Heidelbaugh; Terri Klein; Ed Kress; Bob Macey; Chuck Martoni, Sue Means; John Palmiere; Jan Rea and William Russell Robinson - Members*

*Copies of all proposed legislation contained in this agenda can be viewed or obtained from the Council Clerk, Office of County Council, Room 119 Courthouse, 436 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 Phone: 412-350-6490, or on Council's web site: [www.alleghenycounty.us/council](http://www.alleghenycounty.us/council).*

**I. Call To Order**

*The meeting was called to order at 5:04 PM.*

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. Silent Prayer or Reflection**

**IV. Roll Call**

**Council Members Present:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson  
**Council Members Absent:** 0  
**Council Members Phone:** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh

**V. Proclamations/Certificates**

[8905-15](#) Certificates of Achievement awarded to the editors, staff writers and sponsors of Baldwin High School’s student newspaper, The Purbalite, which earned a First Place Award in the annual judging of student newspapers by the American Scholastic Press Association.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Palmiere

[8906-15](#) Proclamations honoring Gary Rigdon, member of the Council of Friends of North Park and volunteer Robert Habegger for their significant contributions to North Park.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Rea

[8907-15](#) Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2014-2015 Vincentian Academy Girls’ Basketball Team for winning the PIAA and WPIAL Class A Girls’ Basketball Championships.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Rea

[8908-15](#) Proclamation recognizing Jameson’s Army for their dedication to raising awareness and funding for children and families affected by congenital heart defects and naming Friday, April 24, 2015 as “Jameson’s Army Day” in Allegheny County.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Baker

[8909-15](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Dusten Pisarcik of Boy Scout Troop 4 upon earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Danko

[8910-15](#) Proclamation naming Tuesday, April 28, 2015 as “Workers Memorial Day” in Allegheny County in remembrance of workers who have been injured or killed on the job.

**Sponsors:** Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Baker, Council Member Danko, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Council Member Green Hawkins, Council Member Heidelbaugh, Council Member Kress, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Means, Council Member Palmiere, Council Member Rea and Council Member Robinson

[8911-15](#) Certificates of Achievement presented to the top cadets of the West Mifflin Area High School Air Force Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps program.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Macey

[8912-15](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Coach Lance Maha of West Mifflin Area High School for being named the 2014-2015 Daily News Boys’ Basketball Coach of the Year.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Macey

[8913-15](#) Certificate of Achievement presented to seventh-grader Katlyn McElhinny of West Mifflin Area Middle School for winning the Top Blue Ribbon in the 2015 Edmentum Spring Academic Sprints Contest featuring Study Island.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Macey

[8914-15](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to the West Mifflin Area Middle School for winning the 2015 Edmentum Spring Academic Sprints Contest featuring Study Island in the Middle School Category by earning an average of 20 Blue Ribbons per student.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Macey

[8915-15](#) Proclamation honoring Senior Pastor Gary Mitrik, founder of the Greater Works Outreach Bible School, for his 40 years of dedicated service to the community.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Martoni

[8916-15](#) Certificate of Recognition presented to Mr. William “Ace” Adams upon the momentous occasion of his 86th birthday.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Palmiere

[8917-15](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Wyatt Burke Schueler of Boy Scout

Troop 329 upon earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Rea

## VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

## VII. Approval of Minutes

[8853-15](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on March 24, 2015  
**Passed**

## VIII. Presentation of Appointments

[8900-15](#) Approving the appointment of Brandon Coney to serve as a member of the following Authorities: Allegheny County Industrial Development Authority, Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority, the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority and the Residential Finance Authority, administered collectively through the Finance and Development Commission, for a term to expire on December 31, 2019.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Referred**

[8901-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Deborah Lange to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Conservation District Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2018.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Referred**

[8902-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Donald Newman to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Conservation District Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2018.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Referred**

[8903-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Thomas Sray to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Conservation District Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2018.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Referred**

[8904-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Michael Finnerty to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Conservation District Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

Referred

**IX. Unfinished Business**

**Committee on Appointment Review - Second Reading**

[8833-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Alice Paylor-Dais to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Juvenile Detention Board of Advisors for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes Phone:** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh

[8859-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Eva Bednar to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2017.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes Phone:** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh

[8861-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Dorothy Antonelli to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes Phone:** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh

[8863-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Daniel K. Bricmont to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on

December 31, 2015.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes Phone:** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh

[8864-15](#) Approving the reappointment of David Cannon to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes Phone:** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh

[8865-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Jeanne Clark to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes Phone:** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh

[8866-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Steven Hvozdoch to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh  
**Phone:**

[8867-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Mark Jeffrey to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh  
**Phone:**

[8868-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Robert Orchowski to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh  
**Phone:**

[8869-15](#) Approving the reappointment of Joe Osborne to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh  
**Phone:**

[8870-15](#) Approving the reappointment of John Palmiere to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes Phone:** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh

**Committee on Education - Second Reading**

[8773-15](#) Ordinance of the County of Allegheny authorizing the transfer of custody of certain County records to the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania to allow for their maintenance and preservation at no cost to the County under preservation guidelines established by the Society of American Archivists and for public access to these records at the Senator John Heinz History Center

Sponsors: Chief Executive

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Baker, DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes Phone:** 2 - Danko and Heidelbaugh

Enactment No: 13-15-OR

**X. Liaison Reports**

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

[8918-15](#) An Ordinance authorizing the County of Allegheny to transfer the entirety of Lowries Run/Mt. Nebo Road Loop/Roosevelt Road Extension, County Road Number 1190-02 to Ohio Township.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

**Referred by Chair**

Enactment No: 18-15-OR

**XII. New Business - Motions**

[8925-15](#) Expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County urging Congress to oppose "fast track" authority in its current form for the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP), and instead, urges the President and Congress to conduct fully transparent and inclusive legislative process for consideration of the TPP.



**Sponsors:** Council Member DeFazio

*Council President DeFazio introduced the motion which was not previously included on the agenda and requested that a vote be made immediatly on the motion.*

**Passed**

**Council Members Yes:** 11 - DeFazio, Ellenbogen, Futules, Green Hawkins, Finnerty, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Palmiere, Rea and Robinson

**Council Members Abstain:** 3 - Baker, Heidelbaugh and Means

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Council Members Yes Phone:** 1 - Danko

**8919-15**

Motion to pull Bill No.8228-14, a Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly to enact a with all deliberate speed an act authorizing the governing bodies of counties of the second class to provide by ordinance for the implementation of tax provisions to allow for a property tax freeze for qualifying senior citizens, from committee for an immediate and final vote.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Heidelbaugh

*The motion was deemed improper by the Chair, Mr. DeFazio on the basis that it was "dilatatory". The motion did not receive a vote.*

Enactment No: 18-15-OR

**8925-15, Motion urging Congress to oppose "fast track" authority for the TPP and urging Congress to conduct a fully transparent investigation**

*President DeFazio introduced the motion on the floor. The motion was seconded and was approved by the following votes: Yes: Danko, Ellenbogen, Finnerty, Futules, Green-Hawkins, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Palmiere, Rea, Robinson, DeFazio (12) Abstain: Baker, Heidelbaugh, and Means*

**XIII. Public Comment on General Items**

*Two speakers presented on non-agenda items.*

**XIV. Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 PM.*