

Allegheny County Council

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Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 11, 2009

5:00 PM

Conference Room 1

Committee on Economic Development & Housing

Mike Finnerty, Chair; Jim Burn, Joan Cleary, John DeFazio, Matt Drozd, Nick Futules, Amanda Green, Bob Macey, and Jan Rea - Members

I. Call to Order

Summary: *The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.*

Invited Guests:

Jim Flynn, County Manager or Designee

Dennis Davin, Director, Economic Development or Designee

Summary: *Invited Guests Present: Jim Flynn, County Manager; Mike Pehur, Project Finance Coordinator for Economic Development, representing Director Dennis Davin*

Recognized Attendees: Angelo Taranto, Urban Redevelopment Authority

Council Staff Present: Jared Barker, Jennifer Liptak

II. Roll Call

Roll Call: Present: Matt Drozd, Nick Futules, Amanda Green Hawkins, Jan Rea, and Michael Finnerty
Absent: Jim Burn, Joan Cleary, John DeFazio, and Bob Macey

III. Agenda Items

Resolutions

4893-09 A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny extending the duration of time for the exemption of certain taxes within a specified geographic area designated as a Keystone Opportunity Zone within the Township of Neville, Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: *Chairman Finnerty invited Mike Pehur, Project Finance Coordinator for the Department of Economic Development, to the table. Mr. Pehur provided the committee with description of the bill. Mr. Pehur explained that the bill proposes a time extension of the Keystone Opportunity Zone project within Neville Township.*

Action: *A motion was made by Drozd, seconded by Green Hawkins, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried unanimously.*

Enactment No: 14-09-RE

4894-09 A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny extending the duration of the time for the exemption of certain taxes within a specified geographic area designated as a Keystone Opportunity Zone within the City of Duquesne, Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: *Mr. Pehur provided the committee with description of the bill. Mr. Pehur explained that the bill proposes a time extension of the Keystone Opportunity Zone project within the City of Duquesne.*

Action: A motion was made by Rea, seconded by Drozd, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

Enactment No: 15-09-RE

4895-09 A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny extending the duration of time for the exemption of certain taxes within a specified geographic area designated as a Keystone Opportunity Zone within the City of McKeesport, Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: *Mr. Pehur provided the committee with description of the bill. Mr. Pehur explained that the bill proposes a time extension of the Keystone Opportunity Zone project within the City of McKeesport.*

Action: A motion was made by Futules, seconded by Green Hawkins, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

Enactment No: 16-09-RE

4896-09 A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny extending the duration of time for the exemption of certain taxes within a specified geographic area designated as a Keystone Opportunity Zone within the Township of West Deer, Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: *Mr. Pehur provided the committee with description of the bill. Mr. Pehur explained that the bill proposes a time extension of the Keystone Opportunity Zone project within the Township of West Deer.*

Action: A motion was made by Drozd, seconded by Rea, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

Enactment No: 17-09-RE

4897-09 A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny extending the duration of time for the exemption of certain taxes within a specified geographic area designated as a Keystone Opportunity Zone within the City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: *Mr. Pehur provided the committee with description of the bill. Mr. Pehur explained that the bill proposes a time extension of the Keystone Opportunity Zone project within the City of Pittsburgh. Mr. Pehur requested that the committee consider an amendment to exhibit "A" of the bill. Mr. Angelo Taranto from the URA was invited to the table by Chariman Finnerty to explain the amendment. Mr. Taranto explained the amendment was needed because two (2) of the parcels included in the original exhibit "A" are currently occupied. He stated that only unoccupied parcels can be included in a KOZ.*

A Motion to amend the bill by replacing the original exhibit "A" with the proposed amended exhibit "A" was made by Council Member Drozd and seconded by Council Member Futules. The motion was carried unanimously.

Action: A motion was made by **Futules**, seconded by **Drozd**, that this matter be Amended and Affirmatively Recommended as Amended. The motion carried unanimously.

Enactment No: 18-09-RE

IV. Adjournment

Summary: *The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.*