

Allegheny County Council

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Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 27, 2006

4:30 PM

Conference Room I

Committee on Parks

Joan Cleary, Chair; Jim Burn, Susan Caldwell, Matt Drozd, Mike Finnerty, and Jan Rea - Members

I. Call to Order

Summary: *The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM*

Invited Guests:

Jim Flynn, County Manager or Designee

Andy Baechle, Director, Parks

Summary: *Invited Guests Present: Derek Uber for Mr. Flynn; Mr. Baechle*

Council Staff Present: John Mascio and Jared Barker

II. Roll Call

Summary: *President Rich Fitzgerald was present Ex-Officio*

Roll Call: Present: Matt Drozd, Jan Rea, Joan Cleary, and Council Member Rich Fitzgerald

Absent: Jim Burn, Susan Caldwell, and Michael Finnerty

III. Approval of Minutes

2545-06 Motion to approve the Minutes of the April 12, 2006 Parks Committee Meeting.

Action: **A motion was made by Rea, seconded by Council Member Fitzgerald, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.**

IV. Agenda Items**Ordinances**

2537-06 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Ordinance #2-01, authorizing the County Manager to amend Agreement #43724 with the Borough of White Oak whereby the Borough of White Oak wished to be removed from the Agreement.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: *Mr. Baechle provided the committee with a summary of the bill. He said that the bill would permit the amendment of a lease for the land on which the White Oak Animal Safe Haven animal shelter is operated. He said that the shelter operates within White Oak Park under the terms of a lease originally entered by the County and White Oak Borough in 2001.*

He said that the original parties to the lease were the County and White Oak Borough, but the Borough has expressed a desire for the lease to be between the County and the shelter itself. He said that this is a more typical structure for the lease of County property within the parks and that the proposed alteration would alter only the name of the party renting the property, and would not change any of the substantive terms of the lease.

He said that he saw no down side to doing this.

Mr. Drozd asked Mr. Baechle to provide the committee with an update on the progress of the county obtaining 501C3 status. Mr. Baechle said that they were making progress on this and that he would provide that information. Ms. Rea said that maybe Council should pass a Sense of Council Motion regarding this.

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

V. Adjournment

Summary: *The meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM*