

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

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

V. Proclamations/Certificates

- 4639-09** Proclamation honoring the Pittsburgh Steelers for winning a record-breaking sixth Super Bowl world championship.
Presented
- 4640-09** Proclamation commending Santonio Holmes for his MVP performance in Super Bowl XLIII.
Withdrawn
- 4641-09** Proclamation commending James Harrison's performance through the 2008 NFL regular season and post season, as well as Super Bowl XLIII.
Withdrawn
- 4642-09** Proclamation celebrating the 40th anniversary of Manchester Craftsmen's Guild.
Presented
- 4643-09** Proclamation honoring Ms. Bev Smith's career and achievements in the broadcasting industry.
Presented
- 4644-09** Proclamation celebrating Black Horizons' 40th Anniversary.
Presented
- 4645-09** Proclamation recognizing and honoring New Pittsburgh Courier as one of the most historical publications produced in Allegheny County's history.
Presented
- 4646-09** Proclamation recognizing American Urban Radio Networks for hosting the 35th

Annual SBN Sports Network Black College All-American Weekend.

Presented

4647-09

Certificate of Achievements recognizing John Cochran, John Miller, Michael Gabriel and William Leger of BSA Troop 248 for earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

Read

4648-09

Certificate of Achievement recognizing Christopher J. Cain of BSA Troop 338 for earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

Read

4649-09

Certificate of Recognition celebrating the 100th birthday of Ms. Jennie Boyer of West Mifflin.

Read

4650-09

Proclamation honoring the Milton Hershey School's 100th Anniversary.

Read

4653-09

Proclamation commending Mike Tomlin, coach of the Pittsburgh Steelers, for leading the team to a Super Bowl victory.

This proclamation was introduced from the floor. It was not on the original agenda.

Read

4654-09

Proclamation honoring Ben Roethlisberger, quarterback of the Pittsburgh Steelers, and his performance in Super Bowl XLIII.

This proclamation was introduced from the floor. It was not on the original agenda.

Read

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes

4633-09

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on January 20, 2009.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Unfinished Business

Committee on Budget and Finance - Second Reading

4592-09

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2009 (Submission #02-09).

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

Votes: Yes: 14 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, 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
Absent: 1 - Council Member Finnerty

Committee on Parks - Second Reading

4587-09

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing use of the County's South Park BMX Track facilities.

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

Votes: Yes: 14 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, 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
Absent: 1 - Council Member Finnerty

4589-09

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approving the use of certain County-owned real property, namely the McConnell farm house located in WHITE OAK PARK, by Mon-Yough Community Services, Inc., for training of clients, and interpretive, education program for visitors.

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

Votes: Yes: 14 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, 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
Absent: 1 - Council Member Finnerty

4590-09

An Ordinance authorizing the County of Allegheny to grant a revocable license to Duquesne Light Company to replace its North-Wildwood electric power line in the southeast section of North Park.

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

Votes: Yes: 14 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, 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
Absent: 1 - Council Member Finnerty

Committee on Economic Development & Housing - Second Reading

4591-09

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny adopting the East Liberty Gateway Tax Increment Financing Plan presented by the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and authorizing related agreements.

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

Votes: Yes: 13 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Futules, Council Member Gastgeb, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Noes: 1 - Council Member McCullough
Absent: 1 - Council Member Finnerty

Committee on Health & Human Services - Second Reading

4588-09

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania approving the disposition of personal property as set forth in a purchase offer memorandum dated October 31, 2008, from Administrative Resources, Inc. to the County of Allegheny.

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

Votes: Yes: 14 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, 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
Absent: 1 - Council Member Finnerty

IX. Liaison Reports

X. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

4628-09

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the short-term use of County owned real property by the Western Pennsylvania Humane Society.

Referred to the Committee on Parks

4629-09

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the Allegheny County Sheriff's Office to accept a donation of personal property by the Pittsburgh campus of the International Academy of Design and Technology.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety

4630-09

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, requiring and authorizing a review of the Allegheny County Clerk of Courts, Prothonotary, Register of Wills and Recorder of Deeds, as well as the former Offices of the Jury Commissioners and Coroner under the terms of Chapter 225 of the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances and Article 1201 of the Administrative Code of Allegheny County.

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance

- 4631-09** Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Section 5-1007.11 of the Allegheny County Code to provide for a waiver of the residency requirement for certain positions or classifications of employees.
Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services
- 4638-09** 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.
Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance
- 4632-09** A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2009 (Submission #03-09).
Referred by Chair to the Committee on Budget and Finance

XI. New Business - Motions

- 4634-09** Motion of the Council of Allegheny County approving an Allegheny County Council Policy Governing Access to Public Records.
Referred to the Executive Committee
- 4635-09** Motion of the Council of Allegheny County pulling Bill No. 3677-08, establishing an annual Roberto Clemente Day in Allegheny County, from committee for an immediate final vote.
Withdrawn
- 4636-09** Motion of the Council of Allegheny County urging the Chief Executive and County Manager to evaluate, with all deliberate speed, the feasibility of replacing the County's entire vehicle fleet in order to modernize and improve its efficiency and cost-effectiveness while simultaneously improving its environmental soundness and providing an economic stimulus to local dealers of American-built vehicles.
A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:
Votes: Yes: 10 - Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Futules, Council Member Gastgeb, Green, Council Member Martoni, Council Member McCullough, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Noes: 3 - Council Member Cleary, Council Member Ellenbogen and Council Member Macey
Absent: 1 - Council Member Finnerty
Not present: 1 - Council Member Burn
- 4637-09** Motion of the Council of Allegheny County urging the General Assembly and Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to proceed with the legalization

of a limited number of video poker machines at bars, private clubs, taverns and other establishments, provided that such legalization generates revenue both for tuition stabilization and for Counties and municipal governments in which the legalized poker machines are located.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

XII. Public Comment on General Items

XIII. Adjournment