

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, December 5, 2006

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Rich Fitzgerald, President; Chuck Martoni, Vice-President; Jim Burn, Susan Caldwell, Joan Cleary, John DeFazio, Matt Drozd, Dave Fawcett, Mike Finnerty, Brenda Frazier, Vince Gastgeb, Bob Macey, Jan Rea, and William Russell Robinson - Members

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I. Call To Order**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

Junior Webelos of Cub Scout Pack 13 will present the colors and lead the Pledge of Allegiance

III. Silent Prayer or Reflection**IV. Roll Call**

Roll Call: Present: Council Member Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Phone: Council Member Burn

V. Proclamations/Certificates

[2908-06](#) Proclamation recognizing the administration and staff of the Kane Regional Care Center in Ross Township for their exemplary service during a temporary power outage.

Presented

[2909-06](#) Certificates of Achievement awarded to St. Bartholomew's Varsity Football Team for winning the 2006 Pittsburgh Diocesan Championship.

Presented

[2910-06](#) Certificates of Achievement awarded to Deer Lakes High School Student Council for their community service and efforts in hosting the annual Senior Citizen Holiday Luncheon.

Read

[2911-06](#) Proclamation honoring the Swissvale Auxiliary Police for their commitment to keeping the residents of Swissvale safe.

Read

[2912-06](#) Proclamation awarded to the Enterprise Zone Corp. of Braddock celebrating their 20th Anniversary and recognizing their contributions to economic development and job growth for the communities of Braddock, North Braddock, and Rankin.

Read

[2913-06](#) Certificate of Recognition celebrating the 86th birthday of Dr. Barbara Shore.

Read

- 2914-06** Proclamation recognizing Mr. Ralph J. Papa, President of Citizen's Bank, for earning the Fred E. Obley Award from the Amen Corner and Mr. Donald W. Ickert for his past service as President of the Amen Corner.
Read
- 2916-06** Certificate of Achievement awarded to Mr. Brian C. Riley for earning the rank of Eagle Scout, scouting's most distinguished honor.
Read
- 2917-06** Certificates of Achievement presented to the South Side Local Development Company awardees at their recognition ceremony held on November 21st, 2006.
Read
- 2921-06** Proclamation recognizing and joining in the celebration of the rededication of the Oakmont Carnegie Library.
Read

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Presentation of Appointments

- 2888-06** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Kathleen Musante DeWalt, Ph.D. for reappointment to the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2008.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review
- 2889-06** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Dr. Edward M. Barksdale, Jr. for reappointment to the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review
- 2890-06** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Ward Garner for reappointment to the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee for a term to expire on July 1, 2008.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review
- 2891-06** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Georgia C. Hernandez for reappointment to the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

- 2892-06** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Judith Thomas Horgan for reappointment to the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2008.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review
- 2893-06** 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, 2007.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review
- 2894-06** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Tamara Dudukovich for reappointment to the Community Services Advisory Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review
- 2895-06** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Cynthia Moore for reappointment to the Community Services Advisory Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review
- 2896-06** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Representative Harry Readshaw for reappointment to the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2011.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review
- 2897-06** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Deborah Beatty for reappointment to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council of Allegheny County for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review
- 2898-06** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Dara Ware Allen for reappointment to the Allegheny County Jail Oversight Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review
- 2899-06** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Scott Federbusch for reappointment to the Allegheny County Mental Health/Mental Retardation Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2008.
Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

- 2900-06** Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of James M. Flynn for reappointment to the Community College of Allegheny County Board of Directors for a term to expire on December 31, 2012.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

VIII. Unfinished Business

Committee on Budget and Finance - Second Reading

- 2882-06** An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing the tax levy upon all real property subject to taxation within the limits of Allegheny County.

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 Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

- 2874-06** A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2006 (Submission #13-06).

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 Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

- 2883-06** Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, adopting the Grants, Special Accounts, and Agency Fund Budgets, by setting forth appropriations to pay said expenses during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2007 and ending December 31, 2007.

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 Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

- 2884-06** Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, adopting a Capital Budget pursuant to Article IV, §2 and Article VII, §4 of the Home Rule Charter by setting forth appropriations to pay the expenses for capital expenditures during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2007 and ending December 31, 2007.

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 Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Noes: 1 - Council Member Drozd

2885-06

Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, adopting an Operating Budget pursuant to Article IV, §2 and Article VII, §4 of the Home Rule Charter, by setting forth appropriations to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of Allegheny County and for meeting debt charges for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2007 and ending December 31, 2007.

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 Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

Committee on Economic Development & Housing - Second Reading

2875-06

A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny adopting and authorizing financing of a project by the Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority (the "Authority") on behalf of The Center for Emergency Medicine ("CEM") as desirable for the health, safety, and welfare of the people in Allegheny County.

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 Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Not present: 1 - Council Member Macey

IX. Liaison Reports

Council Member Fawcett provided a summary of the last meeting of the Board of Elections

X. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

2901-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania directing that a referendum question amending Article III, Section 2 of the Allegheny County Home Rule Charter, pursuant to the Home Rule Charter and Optional Plans Law and Second Class County Charter Law, be placed on the May, 2007 Municipal Primary ballot.

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform

2902-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,

authorizing the acceptance of a donation of real property from the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy.

Referred to the Committee on Parks

2903-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to amend and supplement the Code of the County of Allegheny, Division 1, entitled "Administrative Code," §5-1013.09 entitled "Standards of Conduct," by creating a new §5-1013.09(R) to prohibit board members of the Allegheny County authorities from soliciting or accepting a gift, loan, reward, promises of future employment, benefit or consideration from certain parties.

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform

2919-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing an independent audit of the Allegheny County Port Authority Police and the Allegheny County Housing Authority Police preceding the consolidation of the existing County, Port Authority and Housing Authority Police forces into a single law enforcement entity.

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform

2920-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Division 2, entitled "County Government Operations," by the creation of a new Chapter 280, entitled "Allegheny County Police Department", and authorizing the consolidation of the existing County, Port Authority and Housing Authority Police forces into a single law enforcement entity.

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform

2904-06

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2006 (Submission #14-06).

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance

2905-06

Resolution authorizing the County of Allegheny to opt out of participating in a Tax Increment Financing District for the proposed "Washington Park Development" in the Municipality of Mt. Lebanon.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing

2906-06

A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny urging the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission to declare a moratorium on the acquisition of right-of-way properties until the Commission has identified a guaranteed funding source to cover the remaining costs of design and construction of the S.R. 51 to I-376 section of the Mon-Fayette Toll Road, and further urging the Governor to support such a moratorium.

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform

2915-06

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, urging the General Assembly to explicitly authorize Second Class Counties to consolidate existing County, Port Authority and Housing Authority Police forces into a single law enforcement entity.

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform

XI. New Business - Motions**2907-06**

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County re-establishing the Budget Transfer Committee in accordance with Section 805.03 of the Administrative Code.

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

XII. Public Comment on General Items**XIII. Adjournment**