

Allegheny County Council

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Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, September 9, 2014

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

John DeFazio, President; Nicholas Futules, Vice President; Tom Baker; Barbara Daly Danko; Jim Ellenbogen, Mike Finnerty; Amanda Green Hawkins; Heather Heidelbaugh; Ed Kress; Bob Macey; Chuck Martoni, Sue Means; John Palmiere; 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****V. Proclamations/Certificates**

[8467-14](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Mr. James Knepper Jr. of Boy Scout Troop 905 upon earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sponsors: Council Member Baker

To be read

[8468-14](#) Proclamation congratulating the Neil Armstrong Middle School and George Washington Elementary School of the Bethel Park School District for earning the 2012-2013 Governor's Award for Excellence in Academics.

Sponsors: Council Member Means

To be read

[8469-14](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Mr. Noah Adams of Boy Scout Troop 150 upon earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sponsors: Council Member Rea

To be read

[8470-14](#) Proclamation congratulating Dr. Gail D. Edwards for earning the 2014 Pittsburgh Circle of Courage Award in Education.

Sponsors: Council Member Robinson

To be read

[8471-14](#) Proclamations honoring the 2014 Faith in Action Awardees sponsored by the NAACP Pittsburgh Chapter.

Sponsors: Council Member Green Hawkins and Council Member Robinson

To be read

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items**VII. Approval of Minutes****VIII. Presentation of Appointments**

[8458-14](#) Approving the reappointment of Tammy Firda to serve as a member of the Council of Friends Organization (Round Hill Park) for a term to expire on September 9, 2016.

- Sponsors:** Council Member Macey
- [8459-14](#) Approving the appointment of Tonya B. Johnson to serve as a Member of the Accountability, Conduct and Ethics Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2015.
- Sponsors:** Council Member DeFazio
- [8465-14](#) Approving the reappointment of Carrie Noll to serve as a member of the Council of Friends Organization (White Oak Park) for a term to expire on September 9, 2016.
- Sponsors:** Council Member Macey

IX. Unfinished Business

Committee on Budget and Finance - Second Reading

- [8428-14](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2014 (Submission #10-14).
- Sponsors:** Chief Executive
- Legislative History**
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| 8/19/14 | County Council | Referred by Chair to the Committee on Budget and Finance |
| 8/27/14 | Committee on Budget and Finance | Affirmatively Recommended |

- [8444-14](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2014 (Submission #11-14).
- Sponsors:** Chief Executive
- Legislative History**
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| 8/26/14 | County Council | Referred by Chair to the Committee on Budget and Finance |
| 9/3/14 | Committee on Budget and Finance | Affirmatively Recommended |

Committee on Government Reform - Second Reading

- [8376-14](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, supporting the display of the National Motto, "In God We Trust" to be displayed above a replication of the Bill of Rights and to be hung in a prominent location in the Gold Room of the Allegheny County Courthouse.
- Sponsors:** Council Member Means, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Palmiere, Council Member Kress, Council Member Heidelbaugh and Council Member Baker
- Legislative History**
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| 7/1/14 | County Council | Referred by Chair to the Committee on Government Reform |
| 8/28/14 | Committee on Government Reform | Amended and Affirmatively Recommended as Amended |

Committee on Economic Development & Housing - Second Reading[8426-14](#)

A Resolution of the Council of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, made pursuant to the Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance Act ("LERTA"), Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 72, § 4722 et seq. (1995), as amended, providing for: a program of temporary exemption from increases in Allegheny County Real Property Taxes, for specified time periods, resulting from improvements made by an owner of property located within a specific geographic area within the City Of Pittsburgh, County Of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, previously determined to be a deteriorated area; establishing a schedule for exempting increases in Allegheny County property taxes resulting from such improvements; and prescribing the requirements and procedures by which an owner of property located within the deteriorated area can secure the temporary exemption resulting from such improvements.

Sponsors:

Chief Executive

Legislative History

8/19/14	County Council	Referred by Chair to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing
9/2/14	Committee on Economic Development & Housing	Amended and Affirmatively Recommended as Amended

[8445-14](#)

A Resolution of the Council of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, made pursuant to the Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance Act ("LERTA"), Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 72, § 4722 et seq. (1995), as amended, providing for: a program of temporary exemption from increases in Allegheny County Real Property Taxes, for specified time periods, resulting from improvements made by an owner of property located within a specific geographic area within the Bloomfield area of the City Of Pittsburgh, County Of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, previously determined to be a deteriorated area; establishing a schedule for exempting increases in Allegheny County property taxes resulting from such improvements; and prescribing the requirements and procedures by which an owner of property located within the deteriorated area can secure the temporary exemption resulting from such improvements.

Sponsors:

Chief Executive

Legislative History

8/26/14	County Council	Referred by Chair to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing
9/2/14	Committee on Economic Development & Housing	Affirmatively Recommended

[8446-14](#)

A Resolution of County of Allegheny approving amendments to the Riverplace-City Center of Duquesne Tax Increment Financing Plan and Riverplace-City Center of Duquesne Tax Increment Financing District and authorizing a new Tax Increment Financing project within the Tax

Increment Financing District and related actions.

Sponsors:

Chief Executive

Legislative History

8/26/14	County Council	Referred by Chair to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing
9/2/14	Committee on Economic Development & Housing	Affirmatively Recommended

X. Liaison Reports

XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

[8472-14](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the conveyance of the County of Allegheny's interest in the four parcels known as Block 643-B Lot # 207, Block 643-B Lot # 209, Block 643-B Lot # 215, and Block 643-B Lot # 217 ("the Properties") located in the Borough of Wall, East Allegheny School District, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to George Mrjenovich.

Sponsors:

Chief Executive

[8473-14](#)

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2014 (Submission #12-14).

Sponsors:

Chief Executive

XII. New Business - Motions

[8474-14](#) Pulling Bill No.8125-14, an Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Administrative Code of Allegheny County, Article 301, encompassing County Council generally, through the creation of a new §5-301.07, describing the "oath of office" taken by any person holding the office of member of Allegheny County Council with additional language to support the adherence to County law, from committee for an immediate and final vote.

Sponsors:

Council Member Heidelbaugh

[8475-14](#)

Pulling Bill No.8183-14, an Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Administrative Code of Allegheny County, Article 311, entitled "Official Actions of County Council," §5-311.04, entitled "Consideration," in order to clarify the requirement that all ordinances and resolutions be acted upon in either the affirmative or negative within 90 days of submittal, from committee for an immediate and final vote.

Sponsors:

Council Member Heidelbaugh

[8476-14](#)

Pulling Bill No.8223-14, an Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Administrative Code of

Allegheny County, Article 203, entitled "County Authorities," §5-203.02, entitled "Appointments to County authorities," in order to render the procedure to be followed when appointing individuals to serve on the governing boards of the enumerated County authorities consistent with applicable law, from committee for an immediate and final vote.

Sponsors:

Council Member Heidelbaugh

8477-14

Pulling 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

8478-14

Pulling Bill No. 8189-14 amending Article II of the Rules of Council for Allegheny County Council through the creation of a new Section F.11., in order to provide a standardized rule governing participation in all standing committee, from committee for an immediate and final vote.

Sponsors:

Council Member Heidelbaugh

8479-14

Pulling Bill No. 8230-14, amending Article II of the Rules of Council for Allegheny County Council through the creation of a new Section F.5., in order to encourage committee meeting participation by adjusting the rule governing quorums at committee meetings, from committee for an immediate and final vote.

Sponsors:

Council Member Heidelbaugh

8480-14

Pulling Bill No. 8231-14, amending Article II of the Rules of Council for Allegheny County Council through the creation of a new Section F.11., in order to provide a standardized rule governing participation by telephone in all committees of Council, from committee for an immediate and final vote.

Sponsors:

Council Member Heidelbaugh

XIII. Public Comment on General Items

XIV. Adjournment