

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, August 24, 2021

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Patrick Catena - President; Bob Macey - Vice President; Tom Baker, Olivia Bennett, Samuel DeMarco, III, Tom Duerr, Nick Futules, Bethany Hallam, Cindy Kirk, Paul Klein, John Palmiere, Robert Palmosina, Anita Prizio, DeWitt Walton and Paul Zavarella - Members

I. Call To Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Silent Prayer or Reflection

IV. Roll Call

Council Members Present: 10 - Bennett, Catena, DeMarco , Duerr, Futules, Klein, Palmosina, Prizio, Walton and Zavarella

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Phone: 4 - Baker, Hallam, Macey and Palmiere

V. Proclamations/Certificates

[11959-21](#) Proclamation recognizing the mayor of Bridgeville Borough, Betty Copeland for receiving the 2021 Pennsylvania Mayor of the Year award.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr and Council Member Catena

[11960-21](#) Proclamation recognizing the efforts of many to get the new Brentwood Borough building opened after 18 months of construction.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

[11961-21](#) Proclamation recognizing Dan Gimiliano for his service to our county and upon the momentous occasion of his 98th birthday.

Sponsors: Council Member DeMarco

[11962-21](#) Proclamation recognizing Ed and Janet Henke upon the momentous occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

[11963-21](#) Certificates of Achievement presented to the 2021 Circle of Courage Awardees.

Sponsors: Council Member Baker

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes

[11965-21](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the May 25, 2021 regular meeting of Council.

A motion was made by Bennett, seconded by DeMarco , that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[11966-21](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2021 regular meeting of Council.

A motion was made by Bennett, seconded by DeMarco , that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

VIII. Presentation of Appointments

[11943-21](#) Approving the appointment of Colleen Lizzi to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

[11944-21](#) Approving the appointment of Liz Spence to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

[11945-21](#) Approving the appointment of Amy Giammattei to the Friends of the Park for Hartwood Acres for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

[11946-21](#) Approving the appointment of Pam Konopasek to the Friends of the Park for Hartwood Acres for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

[11947-21](#) Approving the appointment of Carrie Classen to the Friends of the Park for Hartwood Acres for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

[11948-21](#) Approving the appointment of Allison Burgan to the Friends of the Park for Hartwood Acres for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

[11949-21](#) Approving the appointment of Betsie Mozurak to the Friends of the Park for Hartwood Acres for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

[11950-21](#) Approving the appointment of Sanford Leuba to the Friends of the Park for Harrison Hills Park for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Hallam

[11951-21](#) Approving the appointment of Susan Goughler to the Friends of the Park for Harrison Hills Park for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Futules

[11952-21](#) Approving the appointment of Dan Smith to the Friends of the Park for Harrison Hills Park for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Futules

[11953-21](#) Approving the appointment of Donna Smith to the Friends of the Park for Harrison Hills Park for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Futules

[11954-21](#) Approving the appointment of Nicholas Svitek to the Friends of the Park for Harrison Hills Park for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Futules

[11955-21](#) Approving the appointment of Sharon Svitek to the Friends of the Park for Harrison Hills Park for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Futules

[11956-21](#) Approving the appointment of Michael Mallon to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2024.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

[11957-21](#) Approving the appointment of Charles N. Davis, Jr. to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2024.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

[11958-21](#) Approving the appointment of Jake Milofsky to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

[11964-21](#) Approving the appointment of Richard O. Kernick to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to expire on August 24, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

IX. Unfinished Business

Committee on Economic Development & Housing - Second Reading

[11940-21](#) A Resolution providing for a program of temporary exemption from County real property taxes for improvements, including repairs, construction, or reconstruction, made on industrial, commercial or business property in a Deteriorated Area in the Borough of Etna, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to the Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance Act, Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 72 §4722 et seq.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 11 - Bennett, Catena, DeMarco , Duerr, Futules, Kirk, Klein, Palmosina, Prizio, Walton and Zavarella

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Yes Phone: 4 - Baker, Hallam, Macey and Palmiere

X. Liaison Reports

XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

[11967-21](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Administrative Code of Allegheny County, Article 903, entitled “Formal Procurement Process,” §5-901.03.02, entitled “Purchases over \$30,000,” in order to establish a more transparent process for providing public notice of requests for proposals.

Sponsors: Council Member Hallam, Council Member Prizio, Council Member Bennett, Council Member Palmosina and Council Member Catena

[11968-21](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Administrative Code of Allegheny County through the creation of a new Article 1300, entitled “Election Practices,” and a new §5-1300.01, entitled “Audit Watchers,” in order to establish a uniform policy governing public observation of Commonwealth-mandated election audits.

Sponsors: Council Member DeMarco and Council Member Catena

[11969-21](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Administrative Code of Allegheny County through the creation of a new Article 1300, entitled “Election Practices,” and a new §5-1300.03, entitled “Voting Machine Testing,” in order to establish a uniform policy allowing for public observation of voting machine testing procedures.

Sponsors: Council Member DeMarco and Council Member Catena

[11970-21](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Administrative Code of Allegheny County through the creation of a new Article 1300, entitled “Election Practices,” and a new §5-1300.02, entitled “Election Facility Video Recording,” in order to establish a uniform policy allowing for public review of all video taken within facilities used to store, maintain, or evaluate election equipment or conduct counts, audits, processing, or other activities relating to

ballots cast in any election.

Sponsors: Council Member DeMarco and Council Member Catena

XII. New Business - Motions

[11971-21](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County authorizing the President of Council to conduct public hearings, pursuant to §801.05 of the Administrative Code on Thursday, October 14, at 5 pm, Tuesday, October 19, at 5 pm, and Thursday, October 21 at 5 pm in the Gold Room of the Allegheny County Courthouse.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmosina

A motion was made by Palmosina, seconded by Bennett, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[11972-21](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County amending and supplementing the Rules of Council, Article IV, Rule B, in order to establish a uniform mechanism for the consideration of written motions.

Sponsors: Council Member Futules, Council Member Prizio, Council Member DeMarco and Council Member Kirk

XIII. Notification of Contracts

[11973-21](#) Communication summarizing approved Executive actions for July, 2021.

A motion was made by Duerr, seconded by DeMarco, that this matter be Received and Filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

XIV. Public Comment on General Items

XV. Adjournment

Prior to adjournment (but after all agenda items were addressed), the President announced that the Council would be conducting an executive session to discuss litigation-related matters, and that he would re-convene and adjourn the meeting on Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. in the Gold Room, 4th Floor, Allegheny County Courthouse.