

# Allegheny County Council

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved

Wednesday, February 18, 2015

4:00 PM

Conference Room 1

## Committee on Government Reform

*John DeFazio-Chair*

*Members: Barbara Daly Danko, Jim Ellenbogen, Mike Finnerty, Nick Futules, Amanda Green Hawkins, Ed Kress, Charles Martoni, & Sue Means*

**I. Call to Order**

*The meeting was called to order at 4:03.*

**Invited Guests: William D. McKain, CPA-County Manager or Designee**

*Mr. Barker and Mr. Szymanski were present from the Office of County Council.*

**II. Roll Call**

**Members Present:** 6 - DeFazio, Michael Finnerty, Nick Futules, Ed Kress, Chuck Martoni and Barbara Danko

**Members Absent:** 2 - Jim Ellenbogen and Amanda Green Hawkins

**Members Phone:** 1 - Sue Means

**Members** 1 - Bob Macey

**Non-Members:**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

[8803-15](#)

Motion to approve the minutes of the Government Reform Committee of Allegheny County Council held on January 28, 2015

**Passed**

**IV. Agenda Items**

**Ordinances**

[7976-14](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Administrative Code of Allegheny County, Article 207, entitled "New Board of Property Appeals Assessment and Review," §5-207.06, entitled "Rules and regulations for appeals," in order to establish a mechanism for electronic and/or regular mail filing of appeals.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Kress and Council Member Macey

*At the request of the Chair, the clerk read the title of the bill.*

*Mr. Kress explained his intent in drafting the ordinance, noting that the concept was to render it more convenient to file assessment appeals, and indicating that he would like to amend the bill such that it applies only to filing electronically, rather than filing and submission of evidence.*

*Mr. Kress and Ms. Danko discussed efforts undertaken to date with regard to apprising the administration of the bill's provisions.*

*Mr. Finnerty, the Chair, Mr. Macey and Ms. Danko discussed issues relating to the effective date of the ordinance.*

*The Members discussed the merits of obtaining additional information prior to releasing the bill.*

**Held in Committee**

Enactment No: 10-15-OR

**V. Adjournment**

*The meeting adjourned at 4:16.*