

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, May 5, 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

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM

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

V. Proclamations/Certificates

4823-09 Certificates of Achievement honoring the North Catholic High School Boys' Basketball Team for winning the WPIAL Class AA Championship.

Presented

4824-09 Certificates of Achievement honoring the North Catholic High School Girls' Basketball Team for winning the WPIAL Class A Championship.

Presented

4825-09 Certificates of Achievement honoring CCAC South's Baseball Team for winning the WPCC and PCAA Championships.

Presented

4826-09 Certificate of Recognition honoring the graduates of the Message Carriers of Pennsylvania Inside/Outside Program.

Presented

4827-09 Certificate of Achievement honoring Michael Spak for reaching the Eagle Scout ranking.

Presented

4828-09 Certificates of Achievement honoring the Hampton High School Boys' Basketball Team for winning the WPIAL Class AAA Championship.

Presented

4829-09 Certificates of Achievement recognizing Daniel Capp, William Morrill and Joseph Vaerewyck of Troop 646 for reaching the Eagle Scout ranking.

Read

4830-09 Certificate of Recognition honoring George Carvin and Brandon Bonwell from Troop 23 for reaching the Eagle Scout ranking.
Read

4831-09 Certificate of Recognition honoring George Carvin and Brandon Bonwell from Troop 23 for reaching the Eagle Scout ranking.
Read

4832-09 Proclamation commemorating the career of Bob Yeager of Glassport for his years of dedication to the community.
Read

4833-09 Proclamation recognizing the Mayor of the City of Duquesne, the Honorable Phillip T. Krivacek, for receiving the 2008-2009 Joseph A. James Memorial Excellence in Local Government Achievement Award.
Read

4834-09 Certificate of Recognition celebrating the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Switalski.
Read

4835-09 Certificate of Recognition celebrating the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Urbanek.
Read

4836-09 Proclamation honoring the one year anniversary of the Harrison Hills Environmental Learning Center in Natrona Heights.
Read

4837-09 Proclamation celebrating the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Blawnox Athletic Association.
Read

4838-09 Certificate of Recognition honoring Henry Walther for reaching the Eagle Scout ranking.
Read

4839-09 Certificate of Recognition honoring Lawrence Lennon for being named the 2008 Engineer of the Year by the Engineers' Society of Western Pennsylvania.
Read

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes

4818-09 Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on April 7, 2009.

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

VIII. Unfinished Business

Committee on Appointment Review - Second Reading

4691-09 Appointment - Approving the appointment of Lorina W. Wise to serve as a member of the following Authorities: Allegheny County Industrial Development Authority, Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority, Allegheny Higher Education Building Authority and the Residential Finance Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

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

4693-09 Appointment - Approving the reappointment of Dr. Walter Goldburg to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

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

4705-09 Appointment - Approving the reappointment of John W. Inks, Jr. to serve as a member of the Plumbing Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2011.

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

Committee on Budget and Finance - Second Reading

4811-09 A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2009 (Submission #06-09).

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 Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member McCullough, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Absent: 1 - Council Member Gastgeb

Committee on Public Safety - Second Reading

4751-09 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the disposition of a county-owned vehicle to the Spring Garden Fire Company, Reserve Township Station 240, for use in providing emergency services.

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 Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member McCullough, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Absent: 1 - Council Member Gastgeb

4745-09 A Resolution authorizing the Allegheny County Police Training Academy to apply for and to accept a grant from the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission (MPOETC) and agreeing to adhere to all rules, regulations and training standards established by MPOETC.

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 Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member McCullough, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Absent: 1 - Council Member Gastgeb

IX. Liaison Reports

X. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

4820-09

An Ordinance amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Division 1, entitled "Administrative Code," Article 203, entitled "County Authorities," through the creation of a new Section 5-203.10 governing lobbying activities by the County's authorities.

Second Reading Waived

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

Votes: Yes: 3 - Council Member Drozd, Council Member McCullough and Council Member Rea
Noes: 11 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Absent: 1 - Council Member Gastgeb

4821-09

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the County to lease certain real estate located in White Oak Park to the United States Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (the "FAA").

Referred to the Committee on Parks

4840-09

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Division 5, Administrative Code, Article 210, entitled, "Assessment Standards and Practices", by adding a new subsection §5-210.04A, entitled "Revision and Equalization of Base Year Market Values; Periodic Countywide Reassessments", providing for a methodology to equalize base year values on a triennial basis and to establish a time frame for countywide reassessments.

Referred to the Committee on Government Reform

XI. New Business - Motions

4822-09

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County amending the Rules of Council for Allegheny County Council to clarify the Rules pertaining to decorum in Council's meetings.

Referred to the Executive Committee

XII. Public Comment on General Items

XIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM