

# **Allegheny County Council**

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## **Agenda Synopsis**

**Tuesday, June 6, 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, Rich Nerone, 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**

*15 Members Present*

**V. Addresses & Presentations****Presentation from Representatives of the Accountability, Conduct and Ethics Commission****VI. Proclamations/Certificates**

**2608-06** Certificate of Achievement congratulating Ms. Amanda Lohman for becoming the first diving champion ever at Upper St. Clair High School, earning the Gold Medal in the 2006 WPIAL Class AAA Diving Championship and for earning 5th place in the PIAA State AAA Diving Championship.

**Presented**

**2609-06** Certificate of Achievement honoring the Bethel Park High School Girls' Varsity Swimming/Diving Team upon earning 1st place in the 2006 WPIAL Class AAA Championship.

**Presented**

**2610-06** Proclamation honoring Tom Wahl and Jim Coffield for their heroic efforts which helped save the life of 12-year old Sam Nicholson and thanking them for their quick and reflexive action.

**Presented**

**2611-06** Proclamation congratulating Tri-Community South EMS upon receipt of a three-year accreditation by the Commission for the Accreditation of Ambulance Services and recognizing their dedication and commitment to serving the communities of Bethel Park, South Park and Upper St. Clair.

**Presented**

**2614-06** Certificate of Achievement congratulating Oakland Catholic High School Girls' Swimming Team for winning the 2006 WPIAL Class AA Championship.

**Presented**

**2615-06** Certificate of Achievement awarded to Allderdice High School's Girls' and Boys' Swimming Teams for earning 1st place in the 2006 City League Championship.

**Read****2618-06**

Certificate of Achievement awarded to Pine-Richland High School Girls' Gymnastics Team for winning first place in the 2006 WPIAL Gymnastics Championship.

**Presented****2619-06**

Proclamation recognizing Suzanne C. Goetz for her unparalleled dedication and commitment to serving the Boys and Girls Club of Western Pennsylvania and for her efforts in helping restore the community of Millvale.

**Read****2620-06**

Certificates of Achievement recognizing students from Deer Lakes, Riverview, Highlands and Springdale Middle/High School for their nominations as 2006 Outstanding Young Citizens and further recognizing the Gold Medalists.

**Presented****2621-06**

Certificate of Achievement congratulating the Deer Lakes High School students that won first place in the Heinz Foundation Cultural Communications Alliance Program contest.

**Presented****2622-06**

Proclamation congratulating Mr. John Young upon his retirement as Manager of the Bail Agency of Allegheny County after 32 years of service.

**Presented****2627-06**

Proclamation recognizing the week of May 21-27, 2006 as National Public Works Week and expressing appreciation to Allegheny County's Department of Public Works for their efforts in improving the overall quality of life in this region.

**Presented****2623-06**

Certificate of Achievement awarded to Rogers C.A.P.A. Middle School Choruses for their outstanding vocal and musical abilities, earning numerous awards locally and nationally.

**Presented****2624-06**

Proclamations congratulating Dennis L. Veraldi, Acting Chief Executive Officer, Jason A. Fincke, Chief of Staff, and William T. McArdle, Chief of Police and Security Services upon their retirement from the Port Authority of Allegheny County.

**Presented**

- [2625-06](#) Certificate of Achievement congratulating the Port Authority upon receiving the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for their Fiscal Year 2006 Operating and Capital Budgets.  
**Presented**
- [2626-06](#) Proclamation recognizing and commending Mr. Jim Behers and Chief Christopher T. Kelly for their efforts to help domestic violence survivors and the seniors in Allegheny County through their Cell Phone Collection Program.  
**Presented**
- [2572-06](#) Certificate of Achievement applauding the Allderdice High School Girls' Basketball Team for winning the 2006 City League Championship.  
**Read**
- [2612-06](#) Certificate of Achievement recognizing Mr. Andrew P. Armstrong upon earning the rank of Eagle Scout, scouting's most distinguished honor.  
**Read**
- [2613-06](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Schenley High School's Girls' and Boys' Track Teams, and the Boys' Volleyball Team for earning 1st place in the 2006 City League Championship.  
**Read**
- [2616-06](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Shady Side Academy Boys' Swimming Team for winning the 2006 WPIAL Class AA Championship.  
**Read**
- [2617-06](#) Certificate of Achievement congratulating North Allegheny High School Boys' Swimming Team for winning the 2006 WPIAL Class AAA Championship.  
**Read**
- [2634-06](#) Proclamation honoring Sergeant Ryan Hanford, Sergeant Richard Klein and Patrolman Robert Lang for their heroic actions of leading Rachel Carson Hall residents to safety after a fire broke out in a sixth-floor apartment.  
**Read**
- [2628-06](#) Proclamation recognizing Bishop Donald Wuerl's contributions to the Pittsburgh community and thanking him for his commitment to serving those in need before he fills the position of Archbishop in Washington, D.C.  
**Read**
- [2629-06](#) Certificates of Recognition awarded to Lieutenant Kenneth L. Robinson, Sergeant

Robert J. Clark, Detectives Donald G. Stritmatter, Gary J. Talent, Thomas D. Wolfson, and Senior Patrolmen James M. Hasara, Patrick R. Parks, John M. Schur, and Andrew F. Brody upon their retirement from the Allegheny County Police Department.

**Read**

**2630-06**

Proclamation recognizing the 2006 YWCA's Tribute to Women Honorees, including Sarah B. Campbell, Barbara Luderowski, Debora S. Foster, The Honorable Cheryl L. Allen, Dr. Barbara K. Mistick, Dr. Joann V. Narduzzi, Carolyn D. Duronio, Esq. and Miss Jane Holmes.

**Read**

**2631-06**

Proclamation declaring May 18, 2006 as "Take Your Father to School Day" in Allegheny County and commending the Pittsburgh Board of Education for emphasizing the importance of a father's involvement in his children's education.

**Read**

**2632-06**

Proclamation thanking Healthy Start for sponsoring the "Working with Diverse Populations Symposium" and for bringing attention to behavioral health issues that affect multicultural populations.

**Read**

**2633-06**

Proclamation proclaiming June 3, 2006 as "Mentoring Awareness Day" in Allegheny County and commending the efforts of The Mentoring Partnership of Southwestern Pennsylvania and Turtle Creek Valley MH/MR, Inc.

**Read**

**2635-06**

Proclamation recognizing the Pittsburgh Black Nurses in Action and honoring ten local African American nurses who have earned their Doctorate in Nursing.

**Read**

## **VII. Approval of Minutes**

**2598-06**

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County approving the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of Council held on May 2 and May 17, 2006.

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

## **VIII. Public Comment On Agenda Items**

## **IX. Unfinished Business**

### **Committee on Budget and Finance - Second Reading**

**2591-06**

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special

Accounts Budget for 2006 (Submission #04-06).

**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 Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald  
Abstentions: 1 - Council Member Drozd

## **X. Liaison Reports**

*Dave Fawcett announced an Election Board Meeting*

## **XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions**

**2599-06** An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania authorizing acceptance of a donation of personal property for use by the County.  
**Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform**

**2600-06** Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Ordinance No. 54-05, which established the parameters under which the County administration may enter into discussions regarding the cooperation of the City of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County in the performance and exercise of certain governmental functions, to clarify County policy on the pursuit of intergovernmental cooperation with the City of Pittsburgh.  
**Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform**

**2601-06** An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing County policy on funding the use of private homes or businesses as polling places in order to assure compliance with the requirements of Act 45 of 2006, the Voter Accessibility Act.  
**Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform**

**2602-06** An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Part 2, Article 203 of the Administrative Code, by adding a new § 5-203.07 to provide for the explicit extension of the County's policies for participation by disadvantaged business enterprises to the County Authorities recognized in §5-203.01 of the Administrative Code.  
**Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform**

**2603-06** An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, granting authority to the County of Allegheny to convey its interest in one (1) parcel of property situated in the Borough of Braddock that is jointly owned by the County of Allegheny, Borough of Braddock and the Woodland Hills School District to the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County.  
**Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing**

**2604-06** A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Resolution No. 24-05, which created a policy requiring that County authorities, agencies, and boards receiving funding from the County's adopted annual budget(s) provide information to the County annually regarding budget priorities, information on the cost effectiveness and success of programs being pursued, and tying any requests for increased allocations to those priorities and programs, to include an annual presentation to Council discussing the implementation of such priorities and the continuing function of any authority or board.

**Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance**

**2605-06** A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, urging the Chief Executive to explore the use of renewable energy sources, specifically solar energy, invest in photovoltaic technology and consider procurement practices that give preference to sustainable energy sources, systems, products and designs within Allegheny County.

**Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform**

**2606-06** A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny authorizing pursuit of a Tax Increment Financing plan in Mount Lebanon Municipality, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

**Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing**

**2607-06** A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2006 (Submission #05-06).

**Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance**

**2638-06** An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending portions of Article 207 to clarify the rules and regulations of, and provide requested guidance to, the Board of Property Assessment Appeals and Review and to make the rules and regulations consistent with a base year valuation system of real property assessment.

*This bill was introduced from the floor and did not appear on the original agenda. A motion was approved to have this bill placed on the agenda.*

**Referred to the Special Committee on Property Assessments**

## **XII. New Business - Motions**

**2637-06** Motion of the Council of Allegheny County canceling the Regular Meeting of Council currently scheduled for July 11, 2006, and rescheduling that Regular Meeting for July 12, 2006.

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

**2639-06**

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County requiring that representatives of the Sports and Exhibition Authority and Department of Economic Development be required to attend a meeting of the Committee on Economic Development and Housing in order to provide full information on the source(s) of any state capital funding to be advanced for the purpose of beginning site acquisition for a new multi-purpose arena, together with a complete disclosure of the intended uses, proposed repayment methods and schedules, and other terms attendant to the advance of state funding.

*Motion made from the floor, not on the original agenda.*

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

**XIII. Notification of Contracts****XIV. Public Comment on General Items****XV. Adjournment**