

# Allegheny County Council

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## Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

## County Council

*Patrick Catena - President; Jack Betkowski, David Bonaroti, Mike Embrescia, Suzanne Filiaggi, Nick Futules, Daniel Grzybek, Bethany Hallam, Paul Klein, Bob Macey, Michelle Naccarati-Chapkis, John Palmiere, Robert Palmosina, Anita Prizio, and DeWitt Walton - Members*

**I. Call To Order**

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. Silent Prayer or Reflection**

**IV. Roll Call**

- Council Members Present:** 10 - Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmosina and Walton
- Council Members Absent:** 2 - Betkowski and Prizio
- Council Members Phone:** 3 - Bonaroti, Klein and Palmiere

**V. Nominations for Interim At-Large Member of Council**

*Ms. Filiaggi moved to appoint Mike Embrescia to the position of interim at-large member of Council, Mr. Futules seconded, and the motion passed with Mr. Bonaroti, Ms. Filiaggi, Mr. Futules, Mr. Grzybek, Mr. Klein, Mr. Macey, Ms. Naccarati-Chapkis, Mr. Palmiere, Mr. Palmosina, Mr. Walton and Mr. Catena voting in favor, Ms. Hallam abstaining, and Mr. Betkowski and Ms. Prizio absent.*

*Mr. Embrescia was then sworn in and took his seat, and was recorded as present in the roll call.*

**VI. Proclamations/Certificates**

[13397-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing Cynthia Carrow upon the occasion of her retirement from the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy after 51 years.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis

**This proclamation was presented.**

**VII. Public Comment On Agenda Items**

**VIII. Approval of Minutes**

[13398-25](#)

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2025 regular meeting of Council.

**A motion was made by Council Member Macey, seconded by Council Member Hallam, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

**IX. Presentation of Appointments**

[13318-24](#)

Recommending to the Chief Executive Dr. Terri Collin Dilmore to the Juvenile Detention Board of Advisors.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Grzybek

**This matter was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.**

[13319-24](#) Recommending to the Chief Executive Police Chief Jason Gagorik to the Juvenile Detention Board of Advisors.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Catena

**This matter was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.**

[13320-24](#) Recommending to the Chief Executive Maria Guido to the Juvenile Detention Board of Advisors.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Hallam

**This matter was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.**

[13321-24](#) Recommending to the Chief Executive Tanisha Long to the Juvenile Detention Board of Advisors.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Hallam

**This matter was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.**

[13390-25](#) Approving the appointment of Alan Shuckrow to the Accountability, Conduct, and Ethics (ACE) Commission for a term effective through February 11, 2030.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Filiaggi

**This matter was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.**

[13392-25](#) Approving the re-appointment of Colleen Lizzi to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to be effective through February 11, 2028.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Prizio

**This matter was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.**

[13393-25](#) Approving the re-appointment of Liz Spence to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to be effective through February 11, 2028.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Prizio

**This matter was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.**

[13394-25](#) Approving the appointment of Rick McClure to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to be effective through February 11, 2028.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Filiaggi

**This matter was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.**

## **X. Unfinished Business**

### **Assessment Practices - Second Reading**

[13276-24](#)

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 Assessment Appeals and Review,” §5-207.01, entitled “New Board of Property Assessment Appeals and Review created; purposes”, and Article 209, entitled “Office of Property Assessments,” §5-209.04, entitled “Responsibilities of the Office of Property Assessment,” in order to improve the objectivity and transparency of the assessment appeals process by fully separating administration of the assessment appeal process from staff within the Office of Property Assessments.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Macey and Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis

**This bill was held.**

**Committee on Economic Development & Housing - Second Reading**

[12952-24](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for the development of a complete streets plan by the Department of Economic Development, in cooperation with the Department of Public Works, no later than December 31, 2025.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis, Council Member Grzybek and Council Member Macey

**A motion was made by Council Member Macey, seconded by Council Member Filiaggi, that this matter be Passed for Chief Executive Signature. The motion carried by the following vote:**

- Council Members Yes:** 9 - Catena, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmosina and Walton
- Council Members Abstain:** 1 - Embrescia
- Council Members Absent:** 2 - Betkowski and Prizio
- Council Members Yes Phone:** 3 - Bonaroti, Klein and Palmiere

**Committee on Housing & Homelessness - Second Reading**

[13317-24](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 215, entitled “Boards, Commissions and Committees,” Article V, entitled, “Human Relations Commission” in order to bolster the ability of the Allegheny County Human Relations Commission in assuring all persons enjoy the full benefits of citizenship and are afforded equal opportunities for employment, housing, and use of public accommodation.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**A motion was made by Council Member Hallam, seconded by Council Member**

**Grzybek, that this matter be Passed for Chief Executive Signature. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Council Members Yes:** 10 - Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmosina and Walton

**Council Members Absent:** 2 - Betkowski and Prizio

**Council Members Yes Phone:** 3 - Bonaroti, Klein and Palmiere

**XI. Liaison Reports**

**XII. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions**

[13400-25](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, extending the County real estate tax discount deadline from March 31, 2025 to April 30, 2025, and the gross/face period deadline from May 1, 2025 to May 31, 2025.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Catena, Council Member Futules, Council Member Prizio, Council Member Hallam, Council Member Palmosina, Council Member Bonaroti, Council Member Embrescia, Council Member Filiaggi, Council Member Grzybek, Council Member Klein, Council Member Macey, Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis, Council Member Palmiere and Council Member Walton

*Ms. Naccarati-Chapkis moved to waive the second reading of this bill, Ms. Hallam seconded, and the motion passed with Mr. Betkowski and Ms. Prizio absent, Mr. Embrescia abstaining, and all other members voting in favor.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis, seconded by Council Member Palmosina, that this matter be Passed for Chief Executive Signature. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Council Members Yes:** 10 - Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmosina and Walton

**Council Members Absent:** 2 - Betkowski and Prizio

**Council Members Yes Phone:** 3 - Bonaroti, Klein and Palmiere

**XIII. New Business - Motions**

**XIV. Notification of Contracts**

[13399-25](#)

Communication summarizing approved Executive actions for the month of January, 2025.

**A motion was made by Council Member Macey, seconded by Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis, that this matter be Not Received and Filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

**XV. Public Comment on General Items**

**XVI. Adjournment**

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