

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Patrick Catena - President; Jack Betkowski, Jordan Botta, 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 14 - Botta, Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey,

Present: Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton

Council Members 1 - Betkowski

Absent:

V. Nominations for Interim District 13 Member of Council

Mr. Futules nominated Jordan Botta to serve as the interim District 13 member of Council. Mr. Botta's nomination was approved with Mr. Embrescia, 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, and with Ms. Hallam and Ms. Prizio voting against.

Mr. Botta was sworn into office, took his seat, and was marked as present for the meeting.

VI. Proclamations/Certificates

Mr. Macey moved to amend the agenda to include an additional proclamation. Ms. Naccarati-Chapkis seconded, and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote. The proclamation was assigned Bill Number 13549-25, and appears below.

[13536-25](#)

Sponsors: Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis, Council Member Embrescia, Council Member Betkowski, Council Member Filiaggi, Council Member Catena, Council Member Palmiere, Council Member Futules, Council Member Macey, Council Member Palmosina and Council Member Grzybek

This proclamation was presented.

[13537-25](#)

A proclamation proclaiming the week of May 18-24, 2025 as National Emergency Medical Services Week in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Filiaggi, Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis and All Members of Council

This proclamation was presented.

[13538-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing the heroic actions of Justin Karolski.

Sponsors: Council Member Filiaggi

This proclamation was presented.

[13539-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing the heroic actions of Joy Manesiotis.

Sponsors: Council Member Filiaggi

This proclamation was presented.

[13540-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing Quinton Garland on being named an Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship recipient.

Sponsors: Council Member Grzybek

This proclamation was presented.

[13541-25](#)

A proclamation declaring May 23, 2025 as Teen Mental Health Awareness Day in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Hallam

This proclamation was presented.

[13549-25](#)

A proclamation proclaiming May 2025 as "Older Americans Month" in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Macey and All Members of Council

This proclamation was presented.

[13542-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing the 100th Anniversary of planetariums but especially our very own in Allegheny County, the Buhl Planetarium.

Sponsors: Council Member Macey and All Members of Council

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13543-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing the 2025 Castle Shannon Borough Community Day and the grand opening of Hamilton Park.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13544-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing the 2025 Memorial Day Celebration at the City of Clairton.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13545-25](#)

A proclamation celebrating the 100th birthday of Vervaine Mains.

Sponsors: Council Member Macey

This proclamation was read into the record.

VII. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VIII. Approval of Minutes

[13546-25](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2025 regular meeting of Council.

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

IX. Presentation of Appointments

X. Unfinished Business

Committee on Appointment Review - Second Reading

[13478-25](#) Approving the re-appointment of Elizabeth Fishback to the Community College of Allegheny County (CCAC) Board of Trustees for a term to be effective through April 22, 2031.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Committee on Assessment Practices - Second Reading

[13497-25](#) 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, Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis and Council Member Grzybek

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

Council Members Yes: 12 - Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina and Prizio

Council Members No: 1 - Walton

Council Members 1 - Botta

Abstain:

Council Members 1 - Betkowski

Absent:

Committee on Parks - Second Reading

[13472-25](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing Community Specialists Corporation to continue to use real property in the County's South Park as a Respite and Wellness Center for healthcare workers and first responders.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 13 - Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton

Council Members 1 - Botta

Abstain:

Council Members 1 - Betkowski

Absent:

[13473-25](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing Hundred Acres Manor, Inc. to continue to use real property located in the County's South Park to conduct their annual Hundred Acres Manor Haunted House attraction.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 13 - Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton

Council Members 1 - Botta

Abstain:

Council Members 1 - Betkowski

Absent:

[13502-25](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the use of the parking facilities at Hartwood by the United States Golf Association for parking for the U.S. Open Golf Tournament.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 13 - Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton

Council Members Abstain: 1 - Botta

Council Members Absent: 1 - Betkowski

13503-25

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to allow Rare Leo Productions, LLC to use certain County-owned real and personal property in connection with the filming a motion picture.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 13 - Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton

Council Members Abstain: 1 - Botta

Council Members Absent: 1 - Betkowski

13531-25

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the grant of a temporary license agreement to Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership for the purpose of staging a food festival known as “Picklesburgh” and related activities on the Roberto Clemente (Sixth Street) Bridge from 9 a.m. on Monday July 7, 2025, to 4 p.m. on Monday July 14, 2025 and the Andy Warhol (Seventh Street) Bridge from 9 a.m. on Monday, July 7, 2025, to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, July 15, 2025.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 13 - Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton

Council Members Abstain: 1 - Botta

Council Members Absent: 1 - Betkowski

13532-25

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to allow Hershey Production LLC to use certain County-owned real and personal property in

connection with the filming a motion picture.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 13 - Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton

Council Members 1 - Botta

Abstain:

Council Members 1 - Betkowski

Absent:

XI. Liaison Reports

XII. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

13547-25

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 City of Pittsburgh, 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

This resolution was referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Job Creation.

13548-25

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 City of Pittsburgh, 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

This resolution was referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Job Creation.

XIII. New Business - Motions

XIV. Notification of Contracts

XV. Public Comment on General Items

XVI. Adjournment

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