

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Wednesday, November 5, 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 Present: 14 - Betkowski, Botta, Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton
Council Members Absent: 1 - Naccarati-Chapkis

V. Allegheny County Government Review Commission Oaths

The oath of office was administered to Rohit Acharya, Matthew Barron, William D. McKain, Evan Frazier, Gretchen E. Moore, Mark Foerster, Robert Vescio, and Michael J. Withereby by the Honorable Susan Evashavik DiLucente, President Judge, Fifth Judicial District Court of Common Pleas.

VI. Proclamations/Certificates

[13703-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing Melvin "Mel" Weinstein for his contributions to Kennedy Township and to the enhancement of the wellbeing of its citizens.

Sponsors: Council Member Catena

This proclamation was held.

[13704-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing Dwight Boddorf upon his selection to the Veteran Fellows Program at the Hoover Institution/ Stanford University.

Sponsors: Council Member Futules

This proclamation was presented.

[13705-25](#)

Certificates of Recognition presented to the 2025 Shining Star Gala Awardees.

Sponsors: Council Member Filiaggi

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13706-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing and honoring members who work hard to honor veterans with the Veterans Day Parade, which will take place on Saturday, November 8, 2025.

Sponsors: Council Member Embrescia

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13707-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing Andrew Nigut as the 2025 Veterans Day Parade Grand Marshal.

Sponsors: Council Member Embrescia

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13708-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing Cinnamon Coprich as a role model of civic engagement, whose tireless dedication to others embodies the true spirit of community leadership.

Sponsors: Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13709-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing Frank W. Dermody for his decades of exemplary service to the people of Allegheny County and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Sponsors: Council Member Futules

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13710-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing the Pittsburgh Equality Center on the occasion of its 2025 Pittsburgh Equality Gala.

Sponsors: Council Member Botta

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13711-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing the Three Rivers Rowing Association upon the occasion of its 40th Anniversary.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13712-25](#)

A proclamation proclaiming November 10, 2025 as "United States Marine Corps Day" in Allegheny County in honor of its 250th Anniversary.

Sponsors: Council Member Catena and All Members of Council

This proclamation was read into the record.

VII. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VIII. Approval of Minutes

[13713-25](#)

Motion to approve the minutes of the October 7, 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

[13700-25](#) Approving the appointment of The Honorable Allegheny County Councilman Paul Klein to the Carnegie Library Board for a term to be effective through December 31, 2028.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This nomination was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

[13701-25](#) Approving the appointment of Damon Young to the Carnegie Library Board for a term to be effective through December 31, 2028.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This nomination was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

[13702-25](#) Approving the appointment of The Honorable Brandon Markosek to the Allegheny County Housing Authority Board for a term to be effective through December 31, 2028.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This nomination was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

X. Unfinished Business

Committee on Budget and Finance - Second Reading

[13670-25](#) A Resolution ratifying certain year-end transfers pursuant to Section 805.03 of the Administrative Code

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 14 - Betkowski, Botta, Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton

Council Members Absent: 1 - Naccarati-Chapkis

[13671-25](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2025 (Submission #01-25).

Sponsors: Chief Executive

A motion was made by Council Member Palmosina, seconded by Council Member Palmiere, that this matter be Passed for Chief Executive Signature. The

motion carried by the following vote:

Council Members Yes: 14 - Betkowski, Botta, Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton

Council Members Absent: 1 - Naccarati-Chapkis

Committee on Public Safety - Second Reading

[13669-25](#) An Ordinance Amending § 205 of the Allegheny County Code on the Use of Solitary Confinement in Allegheny County Jail to Allow for the Use of Leg Shackles on Hospital Runs.

Sponsors: Citizens of Allegheny County

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

Council Members Yes: 2 - Betkowski and Walton

Council Members No: 12 - Botta, Catena, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Palmiere, Palmosina and Prizio

Council Members Absent: 1 - Naccarati-Chapkis

XI. Liaison Reports

XII. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

[13714-25](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania urging the United States Congress to End the Costly and Disastrous Federal Shutdown and Fast Track Funding for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), to Prevent Additional, Unnecessary Hardship this Fall and Winter

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Mr. Walton moved to waive the second reading of this bill, Mr. Grzybek seconded, and the motion failed with Mr. Betkowski, Mr. Botta, Mr. Futules, Mr. Grzybek, Ms. Hallam, Mr. Klein, Ms. Prizio and Mr. Walton voting in favor, Mr. Embrescia, Ms. Filiaggi, Mr. Macey, Mr. Palmiere, Mr. Palmosina, and Mr. Catena voting against, and Ms. Naccarati-Chapkis absent.

This bill was referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services.

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 Hallam, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.