

Allegheny County Council

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Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 28, 2006

5:00 PM

Conference Room 1

Committee on Economic Development & Housing

Brenda Frazier, Chair; Jim Burn, Joan Cleary, John DeFazio, Matt Drozd, Dave Fawcett, Mike Finnerty, Bob Macey, and Jan Rea - Members

I. Call to Order

Summary: *The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM*

Invited Guests:

Jim Flynn, County Manager or Designee
Dennis Davin, Director, Economic Development
Bob Hurley, Deputy Director, Development & Business Development
Lynn Heckman, Deputy Director, Planning Division

Marilyn Gelzhiser, Manager, Planning Division
Leanne Doran, McCormick Taylor
Joe Bucovetsky, McCormick Taylor
Brandi Rosselli, McCormick Taylor
Keith Johnson, URS

Summary: *Invited Guests present: Mr. Flynn, Mr. Davin, Mr. Hurley, Ms. Heckman, Ms. Gelzhiser, Ms. Rosselli, and Mr. Johnson*

Recognized attendees: Darnell Moses, Economic Development; Don Goodman, Center for Emergency Medicine

Council Staff present: John Mascio and Jared Barker

II. Roll Call

Summary: *Non Committee Members in attendance: Council Members Gastgeb and Caldwell.*

Roll Call: Present: Chair Brenda Frazier, Jim Burn, Joan Cleary, Matt Drozd, Michael Finnerty, Bob Macey, Jan Rea, and Council Member Rich Fitzgerald
Absent: John DeFazio, and Dave Fawcett

III. Agenda Items

Resolution

2875-06 A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny adopting and authorizing financing of a project by the Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority (the "Authority") on behalf of The Center for Emergency Medicine ("CEM") as desirable for the health, safety, and welfare of the people in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: *Darnell Moses provided a summary of the bill.*

Mr. Burn asked what the difference was between this bill and the last hospital bond issue that was considered. Mr. Moses said that the other one was for a different medical system.

Mr. Burn asked if the purpose is to allow for funding without exposing the County to

liability. Mr. Moses said that was correct.

Mr. Don Goodman provided the committee with some background on the Center for Emergency Medicine. He said that they operate separately from UPMC and that they have several base sites throughout Allegheny County and surrounding communities where these helicopters will operate.

Mr. Finnerty asked if there was no impact to the County financially.

Mr. Moses said there was not.

Mr. Drozd asked how they interact with the County's 911 system. Mr. Goodman said that they work through the 911 system and EMS.

Mr. Macey asked where the helicopters will be maintained. Mr. Good said at the Allegheny County Airport.

Action: **A motion was made by Burn, seconded by Rea, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried unanimously.**

Discussion Topic:

The Department of Economic Development will give a presentation on the Allegheny Places Comprehensive Plan.

Summary: *Ms. Heckman provided the committee with some background on Allegheny Places. She said that the Municipal Planning code requires creation of the plan.*

Representatives from the Department of Economic Development provided a visual presentation of the plan.

Ms. Gelzhiser summarized public participation for the plan, and indicated that the next step would be to put that plan in place. She provided upcoming public meeting dates regarding the plan.

IV. Adjournment

Summary: *The meeting adjourned at 5:42 PM*