

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, January 6, 2009

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Rich Fitzgerald, President; Chuck Martoni, Vice-President; Jim Burn, Joan Cleary, John DeFazio, Matt Drozd, Jim Ellenbogen, Mike Finnerty, Nick Futules, Vince Gastgeb, Amanda Green, Bob Macey, Chuck McCullough, 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**

Roll Call: Present: Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Council Member Gastgeb, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member McCullough, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

V. Proclamations/Certificates

4550-09 Certificate of Recognition congratulating Joseph and Goldie Szarka on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Read

4551-09 Certificate of Recognition congratulating John and Barbara Hart on the occasion of their 55th wedding anniversary.

Read

4552-09 Certificate of Achievement recognizing BSA Troop 368 scout Daniel Cesnalis for earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

Read

4553-09 Certificate of Achievement congratulating Penn Hills Midget Football Teams, the Bantams, Braves and Indians for winning the Keystone Bantam League Championship, and for the Bantams win in the "Battle in Rocky Top" in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Read

4555-09 Proclamation recognizing Ronald G. Backer upon the occasion of his 30th anniversary with the Rothman Gordon Law Firm.

Read

4557-09 Certificate of Recognition congratulating David and Jessica Satler upon the arrival of Michael Elias Satler, the first baby born in Pittsburgh in 2009.

Read

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes**4556-09**

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on December 2, 2008.

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

VIII. Unfinished Business**Committee on Appointment Review - Second Reading****4440-08**

Appointment - Approving the reappointment of Jerry Y. Speer to serve as a member of the Property Assessment Appeals & Review Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2011.

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

IX. Liaison Reports**X. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions****4549-09**

An Ordinance authorizing the County of Allegheny to accept certain real estate/rights of way from Tech 21 Partners, LLC in connection with a Local-Public Agency Right of Way Acquisition Agreement for the widening of Warrendale-Bayne Road-Route 19 and Brush Creek Road-Thorn Hill Road in Marshall Township, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania and said Agreement.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing

4554-09

An Ordinance amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Division 5, entitled "Health and Sanitation," through the creation of a new Chapter 575, entitled "Restaurant Inspection Reporting," in order to provide a means of keeping the County's residents apprised of the results of Health Department inspections of restaurants located within Allegheny County.

Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services

4560-09

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 220, entitled "Campaign Finance Reports and Statements," through the creation of a new §220-10 governing reporting of certain campaign contributions and gifts to the Chief Executive or Members of Council.

Referred to the Committee on Government Reform

4561-09

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the disposition of a county-owned vehicle to the West Mifflin Area School District for use in its Junior ROTC Program.

Referred to the Committee on Public Works

XI. New Business - Motions**4545-09**

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County pulling Bill No. 4182-08, providing that the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County remit \$6.6 million in revenue received from the Pennsylvania Gaming Economic Development and Tourism Fund in 2008, and all future receipts from the Pennsylvania Gaming Economic Development and Tourism Fund to the County of Allegheny, from committee for an immediate final vote.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion failed by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 4 - Council Member Drozd, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member McCullough and Council Member Rea
Noes: 11 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

4547-09

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County pulling Bill No. 4339-08, clarifying the County's relation to the authorities designated as "County Authorities" within the Administrative Code, from committee for an immediate final vote.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion failed by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 4 - Council Member Drozd, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member McCullough and Council Member Rea
Noes: 11 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

4548-09

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County pulling Bill No. 4181-08, requesting that the Allegheny County Controller perform audits of the Sports and Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County, Port Authority of Allegheny County, Allegheny County Airport Authority and Allegheny County Sanitary Authority, from committee for an immediate final vote.

Withdrawn at the request of the sponsor

Withdrawn

4559-09

Motion Expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County urging the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to adopt an Early Voting Program for all Primary and General Elections held within the Commonwealth.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 12 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Ellenbogen, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Futules, Green, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Noes: 3 - Council Member Drozd, Council Member Gastgeb and Council Member McCullough

4562-09

Motion Expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County requesting the

Health & Human Services Committee to conduct an extensive inquiry into the alleged abuse of a resident at the Kane Regional Center in Glen Hazel, and to explore the feasibility of periodic employment background checks to insure the safety and well-being of Kane Center residents.

This Motion was introduced from the floor and was not on the original agenda

Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services

XII. Public Comment on General Items

XIII. Adjournment