

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, May 1, 2007

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Rich Fitzgerald, President; Chuck Martoni, Vice-President; Jim Burn, Susan Caldwell, Joan Cleary, John DeFazio, Matt Drozd, Dave Fawcett, Mike Finnerty, Brenda Frazier, Vince Gastgeb, William E. Lestitian, Bob Macey, Jan Rea, and William Russell Robinson - Members

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I. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:0 PM

II. Pledge of Allegiance**III. Silent Prayer or Reflection****IV. Roll Call**

Roll Call: Present: Council Member Burn, Council Member Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Lestitian, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Absent: Council Member Gastgeb

V. Proclamations/Certificates

3188-07 Proclamation proclaiming May 6-12, 2007 as “National Nurses Week” in Allegheny County and expressing gratitude to our nation's registered nurses.
Presented

3189-07 Proclamation recognizing and honoring Mr. Robert P. Imperata upon the momentous occasion of his retirement as Vice-President of VisitPittsburgh.
Presented

3191-07 Proclamation recognizing Dr. Thomas A. Lesniewski for being named the 2007 Pennsylvania Middle Level Principal of the Year.
Will be presented at a later date
Withdrawn

3193-07 Proclamation recognizing and thanking Ms. Amanda Platt, a student at Shaler Area Intermediate School, for her fundraising efforts which helped the Allegheny County Sheriff's Office purchase several bulletproof police dog vests.
Presented

3195-07 Proclamation congratulating Mr. Bruce Closson upon being inducted into the Southwestern Pennsylvania Wrestling Hall of Fame.
Will be presented at a later date
Withdrawn

3196-07 Certificate of Achievement awarded to Ms. Lorren Kezmoh, a Brentwood High School junior, for winning first place in the 68th Annual Pittsburgh Regional Science and Engineering Fair.

Presented

- [3198-07](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Schenley High School Boys' Basketball Team for winning both the 2007 City League and State Class AAAA Boys' Basketball Championships.

Presented

- [3199-07](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Oliver High School Boys' Basketball Team for winning the 2007 City League Class AAA Boys' Basketball Championship.

Presented

- [3200-07](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Westinghouse High School Girls' Basketball Team for winning the 2007 City League Girls' Basketball Championship.

Presented

- [3201-07](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to both the Allderdice High School Boys' Swim Team and Girls' Swim Team for winning the 2007 City League Swimming Championships.

Read

- [3202-07](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to the 2007 Jewish Sports Hall of Fame of Western Pennsylvania honorees at their 25th Silver Anniversary Dinner on April 29, 2007.

Read

- [3203-07](#) Certificate of Recognition awarded to the Allegheny County Police Officer retirees at their 75th Anniversary Dinner on May 12, 2007.

Read

- [3204-07](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to the 2007 Nellie Leadership Awardees honoring community leaders by Three Rivers Youth.

Read

- [3205-07](#) Proclamation congratulating the Pennsylvania One Call System upon its 35th anniversary and proclaiming Wednesday, April 25, 2007 "Pennsylvania One Call Day" in Allegheny County.

Read

- [3206-07](#) Certificate of Recognition awarded to the Meals on Wheels Volunteers in Glassport, Pennsylvania on the occasion of the organization's 30th Anniversary Celebration.

Read

3207-07

Certificate of Recognition awarded to Ms. Catherine Turkaly upon the momentous occasion of her 100th Birthday Celebration.

Read

3208-07

Certificate of Achievement awarded to Mr. Anthony J. Nee for earning the rank of Eagle Scout, scouting's most distinguished honor.

Read

3209-07

Proclamation proclaiming April 27, 2007 for Your Sister's Project as "A Nation Can Rise No Higher than Its Women Community Celebration Day" in Allegheny County.

Read

3210-07

Certificate of Recognition awarded to Mr. Avishy Moshenberg and Mr. Daron Christopher for their service to Allegheny County Council as 2007 Spring Interns.

Read

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes

3184-07

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 4, 2007.

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

VIII. Presentation of Appointments

3168-07

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Collin Lynch to serve as a member of Allegheny County Citizens' Election System Advisory Panel for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

3169-07

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Suzanne Broughton to serve as a member of Allegheny County Citizens' Election System Advisory Panel for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

3170-07

Appointment - Approving the appointment of David Eckhardt to serve as a member of Allegheny County Citizens' Election System Advisory Panel for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

3171-07 Appointment - Approving the appointment of Janet Jai to serve as a member of Allegheny County Citizens' Election System Advisory Panel for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

3172-07 Appointment - Approving the appointment of Celeste Taylor to serve as a member of Allegheny County Citizens' Election System Advisory Panel for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

3174-07 Appointment - Approving the appointment of Inna Jean Marton to serve as a member of Allegheny County Citizens' Election System Advisory Panel for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

3179-07 Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Dr. Katherine D. Seelman for appointment to the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

3180-07 Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Chris Weis for appointment to the Allegheny County Mental Health/Mental Retardation Advisory for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

3181-07 Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Mary E. Clemons for appointment to the Children Youth and Families Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

3182-07 Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Monica R. Fisher for appointment to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council of Allegheny County for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

3183-07 Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of John W. Inks, Jr. for appointment to the Plumbing Advisory Board of Allegheny County for a term to expire on December 31, 2008.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

IX. Unfinished Business

Committee on Budget and Finance - Second Reading

3149-07

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2007 (Submission #07-07).

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

Votes: Yes: 14 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Lestitian, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Absent: 1 - Council Member Gastgeb

Committee on Public Works - Second Reading**3062-07**

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, changing the official name of the South Tenth Street Bridge, within the City of Pittsburgh, to the Philip Murray Bridge.

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

Votes: Yes: 14 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Lestitian, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Absent: 1 - Council Member Gastgeb

Committee on Health & Human Services - Second Reading**3152-07**

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny amending Ordinance 16782 and Article XXI of the Allegheny County Health Department's Rules and Regulations, Article XXI, Air Pollution Control, revising Air Pollution Control Regulations and adding to State Implementation Plan for SIP Revision 58 relating to Solid Waster Incineration Units.

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

Votes: Yes: 14 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Lestitian, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Absent: 1 - Council Member Gastgeb

3154-07

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, urging the United States Congress to approve House Resolution 676, the United States National Health Insurance Act, establishing the United States National Health Insurance Program to provide all individuals residing in the United States and in U.S. territories with free health care that includes all medically necessary care, such as primary care, and prevention, prescription drugs, emergency care, and mental health services.

A motion was made that this matter be Amended and Passed for Chief Executive Signature. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 12 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Lestitian, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Abstentions: 2 - Council Member Drozd and Council Member Rea
Absent: 1 - Council Member Gastgeb

X. Liaison Reports

XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

3185-07 An Ordinance Of The County Of Allegheny, Commonwealth Of Pennsylvania Authorizing The Conveyance of the County Of Allegheny's Interest In A Parcel To TPG Associates.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing

3186-07 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Division 2, entitled "County Government Operations," by creating a new Article 208, entitled "Impact Analysis Program," in order to establish a policy of providing for disseminating information about proposed projects having community impacts to community and private-sector groups when the County provides capital funding through a direct appropriation, a subsidy or deferment of taxes, or a bond project.

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance

3187-07 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to amend the Code of the County of Allegheny, Division 1, by the addition of a new §5-203.08, requiring that all County authorities delineated within the Administrative Code make information pertaining to their budgets available to the public on their respective websites.

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform

3190-07 A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Designating May 19, 2007, as "Child Passenger Safety Day" in Allegheny County.

Second reading waived

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

Votes: Yes: 12 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Lestitian, Council Member Macey, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Absent: 1 - Council Member Gastgeb
Not present: 2 - Council Member Caldwell and Council Member Fawcett

3192-07

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly to enact "Right to Work" legislation in the Commonwealth and to provide for severance arrangements for all Pennsylvanians, in the event that their employer terminates their employment for reasons other than performance.

Referred to the Special Committee on Government Reform

3194-07

Resolution approving a project and the financing thereof by the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority on behalf of Waynesburg College and declaring such project as desirable for the health, safety, and welfare of the people in Southwestern Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing

XII. New Business - Motions**3197-07**

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County authorizing Allegheny County Council to conduct a public hearing, pursuant to the Tax Increment Financing Act of July 11, 1990, P.L. 465 No. 113, to afford interested parties an opportunity to express their views on the proposed Tax Increment Financing Plan for the Northfield Site Phase One (1) Project in Findlay Township, Allegheny County. Pursuant to Council's Rules, the Council President shall appoint a Presiding Officer for the hearing.

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

XIII. Public Comment on General Items**XIV. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM