Allegheny County Council

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Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 12, 2007 5:30 PM

Conference Room 1

Committee on Public Works

Bob Macey, Chair; Jim Burn, Vince Gastgeb, Chuck Martoni, and William Robinson - Members

I. Call to Order

Summary: The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM

Invited Guests:

Jim Flynn, County Manager or Designee Tom Donatelli, Director, Public Works

Summary: Invited guests in attendance: Derek Uber for Jim Flynn, Mr. Donatelli

Council staff in attendance: John Mascio and Jared Barker

II. Roll Call

Roll Call: Present: Vince Gastgeb, Chair Bob Macey, and Council Member Rich Fitzgerald Absent: Jim Burn, William Robinson, and Member Chuck Martoni

III. Approval of Minutes

3601-07 Motion to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2007 Public Works Committee

Meeting.

Action: A motion was made by Gastgeb, seconded by Council Member Fitzgerald, that

this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. Agenda Items

Ordinances

An Ordinance authorizing the extension of the term of Ordinance No. 04-06-OR,

enacted February 21, 2006, allowing the Department of Public Works to take certain actions on behalf of County Council with respect to the issuance of highway occupancy permits, the grant of certain licenses, rights of entry and easements, and the amicable acquisition of certain real estate affecting County public work projects and other matters for calendar years 2006 and 2007.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: The Chair asked Mr. Donatelli to provide a summary of the bill. Mr. Donatelli said that

the bill would extend the term of Ordinance No. 04-06-OR which authorizes the Department of Public Works to undertake certain permitting and right of way

acquisitions on its own, without additional authorizing legislation.

Action: A motion was made by Gastgeb, seconded by Council Member Fitzgerald, that

this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

An Ordinance authorizing the County of Allegheny (the "County") to acquire an

aerial easement for and accept ownership of, the bridge structure and abutments of the Duquesne Flyover Ramp which is to be constructed between Route 837

and North Linden Avenue in the City of Duquesne (the "City").

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary:

The Chair asked Mr. Donatelli to provide a summary of the bill. Mr. Donatelli said that the bill would authorize the County acquisition of an aerial easement and accept the ownership of the bridge structure and abutments of the Duquesne Flyover Ramp.

He said that the County and the City of Duquesne is endeavoring to cooperate in the design and construction of a new flyover ramp to be constructed between PA Route 837 and North Linden Avenue in the City of Duquesne and that the project funding would be provided by the Federal Highway Administration, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the City and/or its agents, and these entities shall pay all costs incurred in connection with the design, construction and related items.

He said that the City of Duquesne will take ownership of the ramps, end walls and roadway leading to the bridge structure from Route 837, and the ramps, end walls and roadway leading from the bridge structure to North Linden Avenue.

He also said that the City will provide and be responsible for snow and ice removal for all of the road surfaces including the road surfaces on the bridge structure; all routine maintenance and paving for all roadway surfaces including the road surfaces on the bridge structure. He said that the City will also be responsible for maintenance and utilities for all lighting, signage and signalization related to the project.

Action:

A motion was made by Gastgeb, seconded by Council Member Fitzgerald, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

V. Adjournment

Summary: The meeting adjourned at 5:45 PM