

Allegheny County Council

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Regular Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, March 20, 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**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Silent Prayer or Reflection**
- IV. Roll Call**
- V. Proclamations/Certificates**

[3096-07](#) Certificate of Recognition awarded to Mr. Ron Pint for his volunteer work with Allegheny County's Home Delivered Meals Program and to all the drivers that volunteer for the Plum Senior Center.

Sponsors: Susan Caldwell, John DeFazio and Dave Fawcett

[3099-07](#) Certificate of Recognition awarded to Mr. Joe Catanese for serving as Field Judge in the 2006 PIAA Class AAA Championship Football Game.

Sponsors: Bob Macey, John DeFazio and Dave Fawcett

[3101-07](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to the North Allegheny High School Girls' Gymnastics Team for earning 1st Place in the 2007 WPIAL Girls' Gymnastics Championship.

Sponsors: Jan Rea, John DeFazio and Dave Fawcett

To be read into the Record

[3102-07](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to St. Gabriel Girls' Basketball Team for winning the 2007 Pittsburgh Diocesan Championship.

Sponsors: Joan Cleary, Rich Fitzgerald, John DeFazio and Dave Fawcett

To be read into the Record

[3103-07](#) Proclamation awarded to Jefferson United Presbyterian Church upon the momentous occasion of their 150th Anniversary.

Sponsors: Joan Cleary, John DeFazio and Dave Fawcett

To be read into the Record

[3104-07](#) Proclamation recognizing Ms. Alexa Coughenour, a Thomas Jefferson High School sophomore, for her selfless volunteer work with the Jubilee Soup Kitchen.

Sponsors: Joan Cleary, John DeFazio and Dave Fawcett

To be read into the Record

[3105-07](#) Certificate of Achievement awarded to Mr. Russell Faust for earning the rank of Eagle Scout, scouting's most distinguished honor.

Sponsors: William E. Lestitian, John DeFazio and Dave Fawcett

To be read into the Record

[3106-07](#)

Certificate of Achievement awarded to Phil Sorrentino, a South Allegheny Middle/Senior High School senior, for earning the PIAA Class AA Individual Wrestling Championship and to James Fleming, a West Mifflin Area High School senior, for earning the WPIAL Class AAA Individual Wrestling Championship two consecutive years in a row.

Sponsors: Bob Macey, John DeFazio and Dave Fawcett

To be read into the Record

[3107-07](#)

Proclamation honoring the Twin Rivers Council of Governments upon their 30th Anniversary.

Sponsors: Bob Macey, John DeFazio and Dave Fawcett

To be read into the Record

[3108-07](#)

Proclamation recognizing and congratulating Mr. Tim Moran upon his retirement from the IBEW Local 29 as a Business Manager.

Sponsors: Michael Finnerty and John DeFazio

To be read into the Record

[3109-07](#)

Proclamation recognizing March 8, 2007 as "World Kidney Day" in Allegheny County and commending the National Kidney Foundation of the Alleghenies for their work towards raising awareness of chronic kidney disease.

Sponsors: Brenda Frazier, Rich Fitzgerald, John DeFazio and Dave Fawcett

To be read into the Record

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes

[3093-07](#)

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 20, 2007.

VIII. Unfinished Business

Committee on Appointment Review - Second Reading

[3029-07](#)

Appointment - Approving the reappointment of Donald F. Smith, Jr. to serve as a Member of the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for a term to expire on May 23, 2011.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Legislative History

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| 2/6/07 | County Council | Referred |
| 2/15/07 | Committee on Appointment Review | Held in Committee |
| 3/13/07 | Committee on Appointment Review | Affirmatively Recommended |

3030-07

Appointment - Approving the reappointment of David Y. Miller to serve as a Member of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2009.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Legislative History

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| 2/6/07 | County Council | Referred |
| 2/15/07 | Committee on Appointment Review | Held in Committee |
| 3/13/07 | Committee on Appointment Review | Affirmatively Recommended |

3048-07

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Andrew P. Russell to serve as a Member of the Community College of Allegheny County Board of Directors for a term to expire December 31, 2012.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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| 2/20/07 | County Council | Referred |
| 3/13/07 | Committee on Appointment Review | Affirmatively Recommended |

3049-07

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Elayne Arrington to serve as a Member of the Community College of Allegheny County Board of Directors for a term to expire December 31, 2011.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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| 2/20/07 | County Council | Referred |
| 3/13/07 | Committee on Appointment Review | Affirmatively Recommended |

3050-07

Appointment - Approving the reappointment of Dr. Edith Laura Shapira to serve as a Member of the Sports and Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County for a term to expire December 31, 2009.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Legislative History

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| 2/20/07 | County Council | Referred |
| 3/13/07 | Committee on Appointment Review | Affirmatively Recommended |

Committee on Economic Development & Housing - Second Reading**3044-07**

A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny adopting and authorizing financing of a project by the Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority on behalf of UPMC as desirable for the health, safety, and welfare of the people in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Legislative History

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| 2/20/07 | County Council | Referred |
| 3/13/07 | Committee on Economic Development & Housing | Affirmatively Recommended |

3045-07

Resolution authorizing pursuit of a Tax Increment Financing plan in Findlay Township, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Legislative History

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| 2/20/07 | County Council | Referred |
| 3/13/07 | Committee on Economic Development & Housing | Affirmatively Recommended |

3046-07

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 of Western Pennsylvania ("CEM") as desirable for the health, safety, and welfare of the people in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Legislative History

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| 2/20/07 | County Council | Referred |
| 3/13/07 | Committee on Economic Development & Housing | Affirmatively Recommended |

IX. Liaison Reports**X. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions****3090-07**

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the acceptance of a donation of personal property from the Dayle Kendall.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

3091-07

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania authorizing the use of County Land by the North Hills Council of Governments for the purpose of using a parcel of property in North Park as a Leaf Composting Area.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

[3094-07](#)

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," Chapter 210, entitled "Authorities," by the creation of a new Article VI, governing the dissolution of existing County authorities.

Sponsors: Jan Rea and Vince Gastgeb

[3095-07](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Division 1 of the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Article 1013, §5-1013.09, entitled "Standards of Conduct," to include language that prohibits individuals who practice law on behalf of the County in County offices which receive federal funding from seeking independently elected office in a partisan election without first resigning his or her position.

Sponsors: Vince Gastgeb and Jan Rea

[3097-07](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, by the creation of a new Division 9, entitled "Housing," as well as a new Chapter 905, entitled "Fair Housing," to provide for nondiscriminatory housing practices within the County.

Sponsors: Brenda Frazier

[3092-07](#)

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2007 (Submission #05-07).

Sponsors: Chief Executive

[3098-07](#)

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly to enact procedures for dissolving authorities created in whole or in part by Allegheny County pursuant to the terms of statutes other than the Municipality Authorities Act, 53 P.S. §5601 et. seq.

Sponsors: Jan Rea and Vince Gastgeb

XI. New Business - Motions

[3100-07](#)

Motion Expressing the Sense of Allegheny County Council commending and supporting the City of Pittsburgh for introducing Bill No. 2007-1112 that would establish a program for identifying and registering vacant properties; determine the responsibilities of owners of such buildings and to speed the rehabilitation of vacant buildings and encouraging every municipality within Allegheny County to adopt a similar program.

Sponsors: Matt Drozd

XII. Notification of Contracts

XIII. Public Comment on General Items

XIV. Adjournment