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Meeting Agenda - Approved as Amended

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Patrick Catena - President; Jack Betkowski, David Bonaroti, Samuel DeMarco, III, Suzanne Filiaggi, Nick Futules, Daniel Grzybek, Bethany Hallam, Paul Klein, Bob Macey, Michelle Naccarati-Chapkis, John Palmiere, Robert Palmosina, Anita Prizio, and DeWitt Walton - Members

I. Call To Order**II. Pledge of Allegiance****III. Silent Prayer or Reflection****IV. Roll Call****V. Proclamations/Certificates**

[12903-24](#) A proclamation recognizing KDKA-TV's 75th Anniversary and their commitment to excellence in news, local programming and community service.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere and All Members of Council
To be presented.

[12904-24](#) A proclamation congratulating Gerald and Carol Zeman on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere
To be read into the record.

[12905-24](#) A proclamation welcoming Shen Yun Performing Arts to Allegheny County and Pittsburgh's Benedum Center for the Performing Arts on January 27-28, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Macey
To be read into the record.

[12906-24](#) A proclamation recognizing and congratulating Hunter Fitzpatrick Maher on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sponsors: Council Member Grzybek
To be read into the record.

[12907-24](#) A proclamation recognizing and congratulating Edward Mackenzie Vicente Conn on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere
To be read into the record.

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items**VII. Approval of Minutes**

[12913-24](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2023 regular meeting of Council.

[12914-24](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the January 2, 2024 regular meeting of Council.

VIII. Presentation of Appointments

During the January 23, 2024 regular meeting, Ms. Naccarati-Chapkis moved to amend the agenda to include the nomination of Rosalyn Guy-McCorkle to the position of County Solicitor, Mr. Walton seconded, and the motion passed unanimously via voice vote. This appointment was assigned Bill No. 12928-24, and appears below.

[12902-24](#) Approving the appointment of Barbara Griffin to the Allegheny County Jail Oversight Board for a term effective through December 31, 2026.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

[12908-24](#) Approving the appointment of Muhammad Ali Nasir (MAN-E) to the Allegheny County Jail Oversight Board for a term effective through December 31, 2026.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

[12909-24](#) Approving the appointment of Rob Perkins to the Allegheny County Jail Oversight Board for a term effective through December 31, 2026.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

[12910-24](#) Approving the re-appointment of Mark Foerster to the Allegheny County Housing Authority for a term effective through December 31, 2028.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

[12911-24](#) Approving the re-appointment of Mandy Steele to the Allegheny County Housing Authority for a term effective through December 31, 2028.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

[12912-24](#) Approving the appointment of Kyle Chintalapalli to the Redevelopment Authority for Allegheny County for a term effective through December 31, 2028.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

12928-24 Approving the appointment of Rosalyn Guy-McCorkle as Solicitor of Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

IX. Unfinished Business

X. Liaison Reports

XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

[12915-24](#) An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Article 209 of the Administrative Code of Allegheny County, entitled "Office of Property Assessments," §5-209.05, entitled "Chief Assessment Officer, duties and responsibilities," in order to establish a mechanism for ensuring continuity in the Chief Assessment Officer position.

Sponsors: Council Member Catena

[12916-24](#) An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 475, entitled "Taxation," by the creation of a new Article XII entitled "Volunteer Service Tax Credit Program" in order to establish a uniform program of Allegheny County real property tax incentives for certain volunteer service providers.

Sponsors: Council Member Catena and Council Member Grzybek

[12917-24](#) An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Administrative Code of Allegheny County, Article 207, entitled "New Board of Property Assessment Appeals and Review," §5-207.03, entitled "Qualifications of Board Members, appointment; terms: organization of Appeals Board, and §5-207.04, entitled "Compliance with County Procedures," in order to establish uniform training requirements for members of the Board and any hearing officers retained by the Board.

Sponsors: Council Member Filiaggi, Council Member Catena and Council Member Macey

[12918-24](#) An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Administrative Code of Allegheny County, Article 207, entitled "New Board of Property Assessment Appeals and Review," §5-207.06, entitled "Rules and regulations for appeals," in order to establish a uniform, expeditious process for rendering decisions regarding real property assessment appeals.

Sponsors: Council Member Filiaggi, Council Member Catena and Council Member Macey

XII. New Business - Motions

[12919-24](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County amending the Rules of Council, Article VII, entitled "Solicitor Contract Term," in order to provide for periodic requests and review of proposals for the position of County Council Solicitor.

Sponsors: Council Member Filiaggi

[12920-24](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County approving a cost of living adjustment (COLA) for Council staff members.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

[12921-24](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County approving updated leave policies for Council staff members.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

[12922-24](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County authorizing payment of invoices for extraordinary professional services rendered as a result of litigation involving Allegheny County Council as a party.

Sponsors: Council Member Catena

[12923-24](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County authorizing retention of the

services of the law firm of Frank, Gale, Bails & Pocrass, PC, to provide legal advice, representation and consultation to County Council.

Sponsors:

Council Member Palmiere

12924-24

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County authorizing continuation of the services of Dreamscape Video Productions to provide Council meeting video streaming and recording and other videography services to County Council through January 31, 2026.

Sponsors:

Council Member Palmiere

12925-24

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County urging the Chief Executive and Department of Human Services, in cooperation with the City of Pittsburgh and the nonprofit, unhoused persons, medical, business, and other communities, to explore how aspects of the model for delivery of services to unhoused persons in Houston, TX might be successfully carried over to Allegheny County.

Sponsors:

Council Member Catena

12926-24

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County opposing the Sale of U.S. Steel to Nippon.

Sponsors:

Council Member Walton, Council Member Prizio, Council Member Futules and Council Member Palmiere

XIII. Notification of Contracts

12927-24

Communication summarizing approved Executive actions for December, 2022.

XIV. Public Comment on General Items

XV. Adjournment