

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, April 4, 2023

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Patrick Catena - President; Olivia Bennett, Jack Betkowski, Samuel DeMarco, III, Tom Duerr, Suzanne Filiaggi, Nick Futules, 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**

Council Members Present: 15 - Bennett, Betkowski, DeMarco , Duerr, Filiaggi, Futules, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio, Walton and Catena

Council Members Absent: 0

V. Proclamations/Certificates

[12642-23](#) A proclamation declaring April, 12, 2023 to be 412Thrive Day in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member DeMarco , Council Member Hallam, Council Member Duerr, Council Member Catena, Council Member Prizio, Ms. Bennett, Council Member Macey and Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis

This proclamation was read into the record.

[12643-23](#)

A proclamation recognizing Edgar Snyder and his longevity to helping others.

Sponsors: Council Member Macey

This proclamation was presented.

[12644-23](#)

A proclamation recognizing National Vietnam War Veterans Day.

Sponsors: Council Member DeMarco

This proclamation was read into the record.

[12645-23](#)

A proclamation recognizing Bethel Park Outstanding Citizen of the Year, Pamela Tiano.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr

This proclamation was read into the record.

[12646-23](#)

A proclamation recognizing Bethel Park Outstanding Citizen of the Year, Lisa Jenkins.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr

This proclamation was read into the record.

[12647-23](#)

A proclamation recognizing the Honorable Christine L. Donohue for being the recipient of the 2023 Judge Robert E. Dauer Award.

Sponsors: Council Member Catena and Council Member Macey

This proclamation was read into the record.

[12648-23](#) A proclamation recognizing County Executive, Rich Fitzgerald on being the recipient of the 2023 James R. McGregor Award.

Sponsors: Council Member Catena and Council Member Macey

This proclamation was read into the record.

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes

[12636-23](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2023 regular meeting of Council.

A motion was made by Mr. Macey, seconded by Ms. Bennett, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

VIII. Presentation of Appointments

IX. Unfinished Business

Committee on Parks - Second Reading

[12579-23](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the acceptance of the Allegheny Land Trust’s offer to donate forty-three (43) parcels of land located adjacent to the County’s North Park.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 15 - Bennett, Betkowski, DeMarco , Duerr, Filiaggi, Futules, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio, Walton and Catena

Council Members Absent: 0

[12630-23](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the continued use of a BMX bicycle facility in the County’s South Park by South Park BMX, Inc.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 15 - Bennett, Betkowski, DeMarco , Duerr, Filiaggi, Futules, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio, Walton and Catena

Council Members Absent: 0

[12631-23](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the continued use of real property in the County's Deer Lakes Park for purposes of farming by Beacom Farms.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 15 - Bennett, Betkowski, DeMarco , Duerr, Filiaggi, Futules, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio, Walton and Catena

Council Members Absent: 0

[12632-23](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the continued use of real property in the County's White Oak Park known as Angora Gardens by UPMC Western Behavioral Health at Mon Yough.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 15 - Bennett, Betkowski, DeMarco , Duerr, Filiaggi, Futules, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio, Walton and Catena

Council Members Absent: 0

X. Liaison Reports

XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

[12637-23](#) An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, directing that a referendum question regarding the amendment of Article III, §5(b) of the Home Rule Charter of Allegheny County, which places term limits on only the Chief Executive, be placed on the November 7, 2023 General Election ballot.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr and Council Member Filiaggi

This bill was referred to the Committee on Government Reform.

[12638-23](#) An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, directing that a referendum question regarding the amendment of Article III, §7(a) of the Home Rule Charter of Allegheny County, which establishes a per-meeting stipend pay structure for members of Council, be placed on the November 7, 2023 General Election ballot.

Sponsors: Council Member Macey

This bill was referred to the Committee on Government Reform.

[12639-23](#) An Ordinance of the Council of the County of Allegheny ratifying amendments to the Allegheny County Health Department's Rules and Regulations, Article II entitled "Needle Exchange Program."

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services.

[12640-23](#) Ordinance of the Council of the County of Allegheny ratifying amendments to the Allegheny County Health Department's Rules and Regulations, Article XXIII entitled "Universal Blood Lead Level Testing."

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services.

XII. New Business - Motions

[12641-23](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County expressing the opinion of Allegheny County Council regarding the Retirement Board of Allegheny County's ongoing review of potential alterations to the Board's ethical standards and/or best practices.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr

This bill was referred to the Executive Committee.

XIII. Notification of Contracts

XIV. Public Comment on General Items

XV. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Duerr, seconded by Mr. Palmiere, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.