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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, May 23, 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: 13 - Bennett, DeMarco , Duerr, Filiaggi, Futules, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio, Walton and Catena

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Phone: 2 - Betkowski and Hallam

V. Proclamations/Certificates

[12685-23](#)

A proclamation declaring May 23, 2023 as Teen Mental Health Awareness Day in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Bennett

This proclamation was presented.

[12686-23](#)

A proclamation recognizing Dr. Timothy Wagner for being named 2023 Pennsylvania's Principal of the Year.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr

This proclamation was presented.

[12687-23](#)

A proclamation recognizing Shaler Hampton EMS for being awarded the 2023 Pennsylvania EMS Agency of the Year.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

This proclamation was presented.

[12688-23](#)

A proclamation congratulating Harley Hartley for being named a South Hills Area School Districts Association award recipient.

Sponsors: Council Member Catena and Council Member Palmosina

This proclamation was read into the record.

[12689-23](#)

A proclamation congratulating Point Pleasant upon the occasion of being awarded the U.S. News & World Report 2023-2024 Best Independent Living Award.

Sponsors: Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis

This proclamation was read into the record.

[12690-23](#)

A proclamation recognizing and congratulating Patrick Bennett on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sponsors: Council Member Macey

This proclamation was read into the record.

[12691-23](#)

A proclamation recognizing and congratulating Daniel Snyder on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sponsors: Council Member Macey

This proclamation was read into the record.

[12692-23](#)

A proclamation recognizing and congratulating Brandon Graham on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sponsors: Council Member Macey

This proclamation was read into the record.

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes

[12693-23](#)

Motion to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2023 regular meeting of Council.

A motion was made by Council Member Macey, seconded by Council Member Klein, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[12694-23](#)

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2023 regular meeting of Council.

A motion was made by Council Member Macey, seconded by Council Member Duerr, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

VIII. Presentation of Appointments

IX. Unfinished Business

Committee on Appointment Review - Second Reading

[12649-23](#)

Approving the appointment of Phyllis J. Anderson to the Allegheny County Conservation District Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

A motion was made by Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis, seconded by Council Member Macey, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Council Members Yes: 13 - Bennett, DeMarco , Duerr, Filiaggi, Futules, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio, Walton and Catena

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Yes Phone: 1 - Betkowski

Council Members No Phone: 1 - Hallam

[12666-23](#) Approving the appointment of Lilas Soukop to the Friends of the Park for South Park for a term to expire on May 9, 2026.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

A motion was made by Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis, seconded by Council Member Macey, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Committee on Government Reform - Second Reading

[12345-22](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Administrative Code of Allegheny County, Article 1009, entitled "Personnel Policies," through the creation of a new §5-1009.09, entitled "Non-salaried Employee Pay," in order to establish a uniform policy governing the payment of County employees.

Sponsors: Council Member Hallam, Council Member Prizio, Council Member Betkowski and Council Member Bennett

This bill was held until the next regular meeting of Council.

[12607-23](#) An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, repealing all existing provisions of the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 220, entitled "Campaign Finance Reports and Statements," replacing them with new provisions in order to establish updated campaign finance regulations for all candidates for County elected office, and making related amendments to Article 1013 of the Administrative Code of Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr and Council Member Macey

Mr. Klein moved to waive Article II, Rule N.1.ii. of the Rules of Council (relating to notice of proposed amendments), Mr. Macey seconded, and that motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Duerr moved to adopt Amendment Duerr 1 to Bill No. 12607-23, Ms. Bennett seconded, and the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Council Member Duerr, seconded by Council Member Klein, that this matter be Passed for Chief Executive Signature as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Council Members Yes: 12 - Bennett, Duerr, Filiaggi, Futules, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio, Walton and Catena

Council Members No: 1 - DeMarco

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Yes Phone: 1 - Hallam

Council Members No Phone: 1 - Betkowski

[12608-23](#)

An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending and supplementing the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 220, entitled “Campaign Finance Regulations,” in order to clarify the permissible uses of campaign funds by candidates for County elected office.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr and Council Member Macey

Mr. Macey moved to adopt amendment Duerr/Prizio 1 to Bill No. 12608-23, Ms. Bennett seconded, and the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Council Member Klein, seconded by Council Member Bennett, that this matter be Passed for Chief Executive Signature as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Council Members Yes: 13 - Bennett, DeMarco , Duerr, Filiaggi, Futules, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Pamosina, Prizio, Walton and Catena

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Yes Phone: 1 - Hallam

Council Members No Phone: 1 - Betkowski

[12609-23](#)

An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 220, entitled “Campaign Finance Reports and Statements,” in order to establish a schedule for filing campaign finance reports by all candidates for Allegheny County elected office and to require publication of such reports in a searchable database that is accessible by the public.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr and Council Member Macey

This bill was held until the next regular meeting of Council.

[12681-23](#)

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County urging the General Assembly to enact, with all deliberate speed, the provisions of S.B. 400, introduced on April 26, 2023, and providing for the institution of a semi-open Primary Election voting process in the Commonwealth.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr

A motion was made by Council Member Hallam, seconded by Council Member Bennett, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

X. Liaison Reports

XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

[12695-23](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for the development of a climate action plan by the Allegheny County Department of Sustainability no later than July 1, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

This bill was referred to the Committee on Sustainability & Green Initiatives.

[12696-23](#) An Ordinance approving the sale of the County's interest in a parcel of property located at 83 Union Avenue, North Versailles, PA 15137 and identified as Block and Lot 0458-H-00002, for the sale price of \$3,300.00 to Royal Penn Realty Group LLC.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing.

[12697-23](#) A Resolution providing for a program of temporary exemption from County real property taxes for improvements, including repairs, construction, or reconstruction, made to an industrial, commercial or business property in a deteriorated area in the City of Pittsburgh, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to the Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance Act, Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 72 §4722 et seq.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing.

[12698-23](#) A Resolution providing for a program of temporary exemption from county real property taxes for improvements, including repairs, construction, or reconstruction, made on industrial, commercial or business property in a deteriorated area in the City of Clairton, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to the Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance Act, Pa. Stat. Ann. Tit. 72 §4722 et seq.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Housing.

XII. New Business - Motions

XIII. Notification of Contracts

XIV. Public Comment on General Items

XV. Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member Duerr, seconded by Council Member DeMarco , that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.