

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

4:00 PM

Conference Room 1

Committee on Government Reform

Bethany Hallam, Chair; Liv Bennett, Sam DeMarco, Nick Futules, Paul Klein, Bob Palmosina and Anita Prizio; Members

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 pm.

Invited Guests:**II. Roll Call**

Members Present: 9 - Olivia Bennett, Nick Futules, Robert Palmosina, Anita Prizio, Bethany Hallam, Jack Betkowski, John Palmiere, Bob Macey and Tom Duerr

Members Absent: 1 - Paul Klein

Members Phone: 3 - Sam DeMarco, Suzanne Filiaggi and Michelle Naccarati-Chapkis

III. Approval of Minutes

[12740-23](#)

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2023 meeting of the Committee on Government Reform.

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

IV. Agenda Items**Ordinances**

[12561-23](#)

An Ordinance directing that a referendum question regarding the amendment of the Home Rule Charter of Allegheny County - in order to amend Article III, §6(a), an existing provision relating to seeking multiple County elected offices simultaneously - be placed on the November 7, 2023 General Election ballot.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr

A motion was made by Palmosina, seconded by Futules, that this matter be Returned Without Recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Members Yes: 5 - Bennett, Futules, Palmosina, Prizio and Hallam

Members Absent: 1 - Klein

Members Yes Phone: 1 - DeMarco

Members 6 - Betkowski, Palmiere, Filiaggi, Macey, Duerr and Naccarati-Chapkis
Non-Member:

[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

A motion was made by Member Bennett and seconded by Member Hallam to

waive the 48 hour rule so that a Committee Member could offer an amendment that is known as Duerr 1. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Member Bennett and seconded by Member Hallam to offer amendment Duerr 1. It passed the committee with Member Futules voting No.

Members Yes: 5 - Bennett, Futules, Palmosina, Prizio and Hallam

Members Absent: 1 - Klein

Members Yes Phone: 1 - DeMarco

Members 6 - Betkowski, Palmiere, Filiaggi, Macey, Duerr and Naccarati-Chapkis
Non-Member:

[12709-23](#)

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 requirements and prohibitions relating to the County’s searchable public database of campaign finance reports and certain forms of coordinated campaign expenditures, and clarifying existing law relating to penalties for violations.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr

A motion was made by Bennett, seconded by Hallam, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Members Yes: 5 - Bennett, Futules, Palmosina, Prizio and Hallam

Members Absent: 1 - Klein

Members Yes Phone: 1 - DeMarco

Members 6 - Betkowski, Palmiere, Filiaggi, Macey, Duerr and Naccarati-Chapkis
Non-Member:

V. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:52 pm.