

# Allegheny County Council

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## Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, February 20, 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**

**Council Members** 15 - Betkowski, Bonaroti, Catena, DeMarco , Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein,  
**Present:** Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton  
**Council Members** 0  
**Absent:**

**V. Proclamations/Certificates**

[12942-24](#)

A proclamation recognizing Chief James Etherington for his 30 years of dedicated service to law enforcement.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Prizio

**This item was read into the record.**

[12943-24](#)

Certificates of Recognition presented to the 2023 Highland Volunteer Fire Department.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Filiaggi

**This item was read into the record.**

[12944-24](#)

Certificates of Recognition presented to the 2024 Mt. Lebanon Residents Academy participants.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Grzybek

**This item was read into the record.**

**VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items**

**VII. Approval of Minutes**

[12945-24](#)

Motion to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2024 regular meeting of Council.

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

**VIII. Presentation of Appointments**

**IX. Unfinished Business**

**Committee on Assessment Practices - Second Reading**

[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

**This bill was held.**

[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

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

**Council Members Yes:** 14 - Betkowski, Bonaroti, Catena, DeMarco , Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina and Prizio

**Council Members No:** 1 - Walton

**Council Members Absent:** 0

[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

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

**Council Members Yes:** 14 - Betkowski, Bonaroti, Catena, DeMarco , Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina and Prizio

**Council Members No:** 1 - Walton

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Committee on Budget and Finance - Second Reading**

[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 Palmosina

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

**Council Members Yes:** 13 - Betkowski, Bonaroti, Catena, DeMarco , Filiaggi, Futules, Hallam, Klein, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton

**Council Members Abstain:** 2 - Grzybek and Macey

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**Committee on Economic Development & Job Creation - Second Reading**

[12939-24](#) 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 Pittsburgh, County of Allegheny (“County”), Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to the Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance Act, Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 72 §4722 et seq.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

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

**Council Members Yes:** 14 - Betkowski, Bonaroti, Catena, DeMarco , Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Prizio and Walton

**Council Members No:** 1 - Hallam

**Council Members Absent:** 0

**X. Liaison Reports**

**XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions**

**XII. New Business - Motions**

**XIII. Notification of Contracts**

[12946-24](#)

Communication summarizing approved Executive actions for the month of January, 2024.

**A motion was made by Council Member Macey, seconded by Council Member Palmiere, that this matter be Received and Filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

#### **XIV. Public Comment on General Items**

#### **XV. Adjournment**

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