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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Patrick Catena - President; Jack Betkowski, David Bonaroti, Mike Embrescia, 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 Present:** 12 - Betkowski, Catena, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina and Walton
- Council Members Absent:** 1 - Bonaroti
- Council Members Phone:** 2 - Embrescia and Prizio

V. Proclamations/Certificates

[13462-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing Allegheny County Emergency Services.

Sponsors: Council Member Catena, Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis and All Members of Council

This proclamation was presented.

[13481-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing the retirement of K9 Woody from the Allegheny County Sheriff's Office.

Sponsors: Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis

This proclamation was held.

[13482-25](#)

A proclamation proclaiming April 7-13, 2025 as National Public Health Week in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Klein

This proclamation was presented.

[13483-25](#)

A proclamation proclaiming April 2025 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis and All Members of Council

This proclamation was presented.

[13484-25](#)

A proclamation declaring Saturday, April 12, 2025 to be "412Thrive Day" in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Filiaggi

This proclamation was presented.

[13485-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing the 2024-2025 Chartiers Valley Boys Basketball Team for winning the WPIAL Championship/

Sponsors: Council Member Catena

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13486-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing Community LIFE upon the occasion of its 25th Anniversary.

Sponsors: Council Member Macey

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13487-25](#)

A proclamation celebrating Gloria Jones upon the occasion of her 80th birthday.

Sponsors: Council Member Walton

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13488-25](#)

A proclamation declaring April 5, 2025 as "Happy Days" in Allegheny County and recognizing their unforgettable cast.

Sponsors: Council Member Catena and All Members of Council

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13489-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing Henry Joseph Ruskin on his project and the Eagle Scout Award.

Sponsors: Council Member Grzybek

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13490-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing Judge Mary Jane Bowes on being the recipient of the 2025 Judge Robert E. Dauer Award.

Sponsors: Council Member Grzybek

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13491-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing Judge Robert J. Colville on being the recipient of the 2025 Judge James R. McGregor Award.

Sponsors: Council Member Betkowski

This proclamation was read into the record.

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes

[13492-25](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2025 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

[13476-25](#) Approving the appointment of The Honorable President of Allegheny County Council Patrick J. Catena to the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority for a term to be effective through December 31, 2029.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This nomination was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

[13477-25](#) Approving the re-appointment of The Honorable Senator Jay Costa, Jr. to the Community College of Allegheny County (CCAC) Board of Trustees for a term to be effective through April 22, 2031.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This nomination was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

[13478-25](#) Approving the re-appointment of Elizabeth Fishback to the Community College of Allegheny County (CCAC) Board of Trustees for a term to be effective through April 22, 2031.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This nomination was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

[13479-25](#) Approving the re-appointment of Guillermo Velazquez to the Community College of Allegheny County (CCAC) Board of Trustees for a term to be effective through April 22, 2031.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This nomination was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

[13480-25](#) Approving the appointment of Doralee E. Brooks to the Community College of Allegheny County (CCAC) Board of Trustees for a term to be effective through April 22, 2031.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This nomination was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

IX. Unfinished Business

Committee on Appointment Review - Second Reading

[13419-25](#) Approving the appointment of Dr. Iulia Vann to the Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term effective through March 25, 2027.

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 a unanimous vote.

[13420-25](#) Approving the appointment of Vanessa Dodds to the Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term effective through March 25, 2027.

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 a unanimous vote.

[13421-25](#) Approving the appointment of Deborah Glover Jozwiak to the Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term effective through March 25, 2028.

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 a unanimous vote.

[13423-25](#) Approving the appointment of Dr. Donnesha Slider to the Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term effective through March 25, 2028.

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 a unanimous vote.

[13424-25](#) Approving the appointment of Emperatris Zeiss to the Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term effective through March 25, 2028.

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 a unanimous vote.

[13425-25](#) Approving the appointment of David Forsyth to the Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term effective through March 25, 2028.

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 a unanimous vote.

[13426-25](#) Approving the appointment of Keirston Parham to the Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term effective through March 25, 2028.

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 a unanimous vote.

[13427-25](#) Approving the appointment of Aeisha Carter to the Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term effective through March 25, 2028.

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 a unanimous vote.

[13428-25](#) Approving the appointment of Ken-Netta Fowlkes to the Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term effective through March 25, 2028.

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 a unanimous vote.

[13429-25](#) Approving the appointment of Rachel Flinner to the Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term effective through March 25, 2028.

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 a unanimous vote.

[13430-25](#) Approving the appointment of Genevra (Nev) Jones to the Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Advisory Board for a term effective through March 25, 2028.

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 a unanimous vote.

X. Liaison Reports

XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

[13494-25](#) An Ordinance of the Council of the County of Allegheny ratifying revisions to of the Allegheny County Health Department Rules and Regulation, Article XIX, "Medical

Services Fees.”

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

XII. New Business - Motions

[13495-25](#)

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly to Pass House Bill 453, recognizing the importance of emergency call takers, dispatchers, and supervisors by adding these individuals to the definition of “emergency responders,” with all deliberate speed.

Sponsors: Council Member Catena, Council Member Palmosina, Council Member Betkowski, Council Member Embrescia, Council Member Filiaggi, Council Member Futules, Council Member Grzybek, Council Member Hallam, Council Member Klein, Council Member Macey, Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis, Council Member Palmiere, Council Member Prizio and Council Member Walton

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

XIII. Notification of Contracts

[13493-25](#)

Communication summarizing approved Executive actions for the month of March, 2025.

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