

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, March 7, 2006

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Rich Fitzgerald, President; Chuck Martoni, Vice-President; Jim Burn, Susan Caldwell, Joan Cleary, John DeFazio, Matt Drozd, Dave Fawcett, Mike Finnerty, Brenda Frazier, Vince Gastgeb, Jay Jabbour, Rich Nerone, Jan Rea, and William Russell Robinson - Members

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I. Call To Order**II. Pledge of Allegiance****III. Silent Prayer or Reflection****IV. Roll Call**

14 Members Present

V. Nominations**2464-06**

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County to open nominations for the appointment of a representative to fill the vacancy that exists in Council District 7.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

2465-06

Motion to approve the appointment of Susan Caldwell to serve as a Member of Allegheny County Council to fill the vacancy that exists in Council District 7.

Floor Motion

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 12 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald

Absent: 1 - Council Member Rea

Not present: 2 - Council Member Caldwell and Council Member Nerone

VI. Proclamations/Certificates**2436-06**

Proclamation commending and congratulating the Department of Human Services Staff and Director Marc Cherna for receiving the 2005 Betsey R. Rosenbaum Award for Excellence in Public Child Welfare Administration.

Presented

2456-06

Proclamation recognizing and congratulating the McKeesport Kane Regional Center, Executive Director Dennis Biondo, Residential Care Coordinator Brenda Smith, Caseworker Christine Thomas and Recreational Therapist Elizabeth Guy for winning first place in the Quality Insights of Pennsylvania pain-management poster competition.

Presented

2457-06

Certificate of Achievement awarded to Oliver High School students Ashatae King, Mia King, Michael Degonish, Nicholas Fuchs, Sha'Quala Phillips, Yolanda

Jenkins, William Jackson, Donny Swarmer, Rich Satryan, and Sharrell Price, for graduating from the 2006 Power of Youth in Government Program.

Presented

2458-06

Certificate of Achievement awarded to Mari-Helena Harris, a student at Mt. Lebanon High School, for graduating from the 2006 Power of Youth in Government Program.

Read

2459-06

Certificate of Achievement awarded to Lamont Booker, Sasha Larue, Lowanda Bey, and Jerome Kelley, students sponsored by the House of David, for graduating from the 2006 Power of Youth in Government Program and thanking Chaperones Stephen Boyce, Paul Jackson, Harry C. Ward and Thaw Washington for their leadership and assistance.

Presented

2437-06

Proclamation recognizing Mr. Abe Salem for his spiritual leadership and dedication to the Beth Shalom Congregation and thanking him for enhancing the quality of life in Allegheny County.

Read

VII. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VIII. Approval of Minutes

2434-06

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 7, 2006.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

IX. Presentation of Appointments

2438-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Jerry Fedele for reappointment to the Allegheny County Community College Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2011.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2439-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Richard Jevon for appointment to the Allegheny County Mental Health/Mental Retardation Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2008.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2440-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Aurelia G. Carter for appointment to the Allegheny County

Mental Health/Mental Retardation Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2008.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2441-06

Communication from Chief Executive Dan Onorato submitting his recommendation of Dr. Helen Cahalane for appointment to the Children's Youth and Families Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2008.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2442-06

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Robert D. Dotts to serve as a member of the Council of Friends (Hartwood Acres) for a term to expire on March 7, 2008.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2447-06

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Joe Catanese to serve as a member of the Council of Friends (Deer Lakes) for a term to expire on March 7, 2008.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2443-06

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Mark O'Brien to serve as a member of the Council of Friends (South Park) for a term to expire on March 7, 2008.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

2452-06

Appointment - Approving the reappointment of William Capp to serve as a member of the Council of Friends (South Park) for a term to expire on March 7, 2008.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

2453-06

Appointment - Approving the reappointment of Bill Knause to serve as a member of the Council of Friends (South Park) for a term to expire on March 7, 2008.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

2454-06

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Diane Lally to serve as a Member of the Allegheny County Arts Board for a term to expire three years from the approval of this appointment.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

2451-06

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Janice Vinci to serve as a member of the Council of Friends (Settler's Cabin) for a term to expire on March 7, 2008.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

2455-06

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Billy Jackson to serve as a Member of the Allegheny County Arts Board for a term to expire three years from the approval of this appointment.

Referred to the Committee on Appointment Review

X. Unfinished Business**Committee on Appointment Review - Second Reading**

2368-06 Appointment - Approving the reappointment of Glenn R. Flickinger to serve as a member to the Allegheny County Industrial Development Authority, the Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority, the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority, and the Residential Finance Authority, all of which comprise the umbrella Authority that is the Finance and Development Commission, for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

2369-06 Appointment - Approving the reappointment of Marilyn Liggett to serve as a member to the Allegheny County Industrial Development Authority, the Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority, the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority, and the Residential Finance Authority, all of which comprise the umbrella Authority that is the Finance and Development Commission, for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

2376-06 Appointment - Approving the appointment of Timothy M. Hazel to serve as a member of the Property Assessment Appeals and Review Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

2413-06 Appointment - Approving the appointment of Erin Dalton to serve as a member of the Juvenile Detention Board of Advisors for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

2415-06 Appointment - Approving the appointment of Keith G. Kondrich to serve as a member of the Children Youth and Families Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2008.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

Committee on Economic Development - Second Reading

2420-06 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth Of Pennsylvania Authorizing The Chief Executive To Execute A Deed Conveying The County Of Allegheny's Interest In A Parcel Jointly Owned By The County Of Allegheny, Township of North Versailles and the East Allegheny School District To DeElla Greenley Love.

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

Votes: Yes: 14 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Absent: 1 - Council Member Rea

2370-06

A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny adopting and authorizing financing of a project by the Allegheny County Authority for Improvements in Municipalities on behalf of The Ellis School as desirable for the health, safety, and welfare of the people in Allegheny County.

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

Votes: Yes: 14 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Absent: 1 - Council Member Rea

2423-06

A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny authorizing pursuit of a Tax Increment Financing plan in Findlay Township, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

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

Votes: Yes: 14 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Absent: 1 - Council Member Rea

XI. Liaison Reports

Council Members DeFazio and Fawcett provided an update on the purchase of new voting machines for Allegheny County.

XII. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

2444-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing facility and recreational rates and fees for the use of County recreational and park facilities effective April 1, 2006.

Referred to the Committee on Parks

2445-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Agreement with the Mon Valley Drum and Bugle Corp for use of Exhibit Building #8 and #10 in South Park.

Referred to the Committee on Parks

2460-06

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Part 1, Article 101 of the Administrative Code, §5-101.03, to redefine

the term "candidate" within the Administrative Code.

Second Reading Waived

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

Votes: Yes: 13 - Council Member Burn, Council Member Caldwell, Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Finnerty, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Robinson and President Fitzgerald
Abstentions: 1 - Council Member Drozd
Absent: 1 - Council Member Rea

2446-06 A Resolution of the Council of the County of Allegheny authorizing pursuit of a Tax Increment Financing plan in Castle Shannon Borough, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development

2448-06 Resolution declaring the financing of a project by the Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority on behalf of Jefferson Regional Medical Center (formerly South Hills Health System) as desirable for the health, safety and welfare of the people in the County.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development

2449-06 Resolution declaring the financing of a project by the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority on behalf of Robert Morris University as desirable for the health, safety, and welfare of the people in the County.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development

2450-06 A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2006 (Submission #02-06).

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance

2463-06 A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the 2006 Capital Budget for Allegheny County.

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Finance

XIII. New Business - Motions

2461-06 Motion expressing the sense of Council of Allegheny County urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly to consider amending the New Home Construction Local Tax Abatement Act, 72 P.S. §§4754-1 through 4754-6, also known as Act 202.

Referred to the Special Committee on Property Assessments

2462-06 Motion of the Council of Allegheny County amending the language contained within Appointment No. 2263-05 pertaining to the term of Lois Cain, an

appointee to the Accountability Conduct and Ethics Commission.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

XIV. Notification of Contracts

2435-06

Communication from County Manager Jim Flynn submitting a summary of Executive Actions relating to contracts for the month of January, 2006.

A motion was made that this matter be Received and Filed. The motion carried unanimously.

XV. Public Comment on General Items

XVI. Adjournment