

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Patrick Catena - President; Bob Macey - Vice President; Tom Baker, Olivia Bennett, Samuel DeMarco, III, Tom Duerr, Nick Futules, Bethany Hallam, Cindy Kirk, Paul Klein, John Palmiere, Robert Palmosina, Anita Prizio, DeWitt Walton and Paul Zavarella - Members

I. Call To Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Silent Prayer or Reflection

IV. Roll Call

Council Members Present: 14 - Baker, Bennett, Catena, DeMarco , Duerr, Futules, Hallam, Kirk, Klein, Macey, Palmiere, Prizio, Walton and Zavarella
Council Members Absent: 0
Council Members Phone: 1 - Palmosina

V. 2022 Comprehensive Plan and Budget Address by the Chief Executive

VI. Proclamations/Certificates

[12043-21](#) Proclamation declaring October 2021 as “Breast Cancer Awareness Month,” and commending the efforts of A Glimmer of Hope Foundation and NSABP Foundation, Inc., and we encourage all citizens to join in activities that will increase awareness of what Americans can do to prevent and control breast cancer.

Sponsors: Council Member Kirk

The proclamation was presented.

[12046-21](#) Certificates of Achievement presented to the **2021 Pittsburgh’s 50 Finest.**

Sponsors: Council Member Baker

The proclamation was presented.

[12047-21](#) Proclamation recognizing the American Cancer Society and the 2021 Real Men Wear Pink of Pittsburgh candidates for helping to create a world free from the pain and suffering of breast cancer.

Sponsors: Council Member Baker

The proclamation was presented.

[12049-21](#) Proclamation declaring Tuesday, October 12, 2021 as National Diaper Need Awareness Day in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Baker

The proclamation was presented.

[12050-21](#) Proclamation recognizing and thanking the Pink Pamper in their efforts to help women

diagnosed with cancer.

Sponsors: Council Member Baker

The proclamation was read into the record.

[12051-21](#) Proclamation congratulating *Keith T. Winter and Claire B. Winter* upon the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

The proclamation was read into the record.

[12052-21](#) Proclamation recognizing Marilyn A. Jenkins upon her retirement from the Allegheny County Library Association.

Sponsors: Council Member Baker

The proclamation was read into the record.

[12053-21](#) Proclamation declaring Saturday, October 16, 2021 to be “*Adeline’s Angels Day*” in Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Baker

The proclamation was read into the record.

[12054-21](#) Proclamation honoring the life, memory and legacy of Gregory Peter Pesanski.

Sponsors: Council Member Futules

The proclamation was read into the record.

VII. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VIII. Approval of Minutes

[12041-21](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2021 regular meeting of Council.

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

[12042-21](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the July 6, 2021 regular meeting of Council.

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

IX. Presentation of Appointments

[12034-21](#) Approving the appointment of Joe Downing to the Friends of the Park for Hartwood Acres for a term to expire on October 12, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Bennett

This bill was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

[12035-21](#) Approving the re-appointment of Derek Uber to the Allegheny County Housing Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2025.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

[12036-21](#) Approving the re-appointment of Mary Ann Eisenreich to the Community College of Allegheny County Board of Trustees for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

[12037-21](#) Approving the re-appointment of William T. Cagney to the Community College of Allegheny County Board of Trustees for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

[12038-21](#) Approving the appointment of Joseph Angelelli to the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

[12039-21](#) Approving the appointment of Amrita Chhetri to the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.

X. Unfinished Business

Committee on Appointment Review - Second Reading

Ms. Kirk moved to pull appointments 11916-21 through 11922-21 (inclusive) from committee and place them on the agenda. Mr. Macey seconded, and the motion passed with Mr. Baker, Mr. DeMarco, Mr. Futules, Ms. Kirk, Mr. Macey, Mr. Palmiere, Mr. Pamosina, Mr. Walton, Mr. Zavarella, and Mr. Catena voting in favor, and Ms. Bennett, Mr. Duerr, Ms. Hallam, Mr. Klein, and Ms. Prizio voting against.

[11904-21](#) Approving the appointment of Carolyn Savikas to the Friends of the Park for South Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Klein

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

[11905-21](#) Approving the appointment of Jason Fincke to the Friends of the Park for South Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Walton

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

[11906-21](#) Approving the appointment of Angela Sue Zemba to the Friends of the Park for South Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr

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

[11907-21](#) Approving the appointment of Bernadette Fincke to the Friends of the Park for South Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr

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

[11908-21](#) Approving the appointment of Edward Eichenlaub to the Friends of the Park for South Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr

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

[11910-21](#) Approving the appointment of David Buchewicz to the Friends of the Park for South Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

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

[11911-21](#) Approving the appointment of James Converse to the Friends of the Park for South Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

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

[11912-21](#) Approving the appointment of Thomas Woods to the Friends of the Park for South Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

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

[11915-21](#) Approving the appointment of Leslie Brueggman to the Friends of the Park for

South Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Palmiere

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

[11974-21](#)

Approving the appointment of Gail Scott to the Friends of the Park for Hartwood Acres Park for a term to expire on August 31, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio

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

[12027-21](#)

Approving the appointment of Heather Murphy to the Friends of the Park for South Park for a term to expire on September 28, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Duerr

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

[11916-21](#)

Approving the appointment of Gerard Aufman, Jr. to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member DeMarco

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

Council Members Yes: 14 - Baker, Bennett, Catena, DeMarco , Duerr, Futules, Hallam, Kirk, Klein, Macey, Palmiere, Prizio, Walton and Zavarella

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Yes Phone: 1 - Palmosina

[11917-21](#)

Approving the appointment of Kenneth Allshouse to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Baker and Council Member Kirk

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

Council Members Yes: 14 - Baker, Bennett, Catena, DeMarco , Duerr, Futules, Hallam, Kirk, Klein, Macey, Palmiere, Prizio, Walton and Zavarella

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Yes Phone: 1 - Palmosina

[11918-21](#)

Approving the appointment of Lawrence Steckel to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Kirk

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

Council Members Yes: 14 - Baker, Bennett, Catena, DeMarco , Duerr, Futules, Hallam, Kirk, Klein, Macey, Palmiere, Prizio, Walton and Zavarella

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Yes Phone: 1 - Pamosina

[11919-21](#) Approving the appointment of Michael Carroll to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Kirk

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

Council Members Yes: 14 - Baker, Bennett, Catena, DeMarco , Duerr, Futules, Hallam, Kirk, Klein, Macey, Palmiere, Prizio, Walton and Zavarella

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Yes Phone: 1 - Pamosina

[11920-21](#) Approving the appointment of Heidi Fornalczyk to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Kirk

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

Council Members Yes: 14 - Baker, Bennett, Catena, DeMarco , Duerr, Futules, Hallam, Kirk, Klein, Macey, Palmiere, Prizio, Walton and Zavarella

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Yes Phone: 1 - Pamosina

[11921-21](#) Approving the appointment of Nancy Furbee to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Kirk

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

Council Members Yes: 14 - Baker, Bennett, Catena, DeMarco , Duerr, Futules, Hallam, Kirk, Klein, Macey, Palmiere, Prizio, Walton and Zavarella

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Yes 1 - Palmosina
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[11922-21](#) Approving the appointment of Barbara Gaertner to the Friends of the Park for North Park for a term to expire on July 6, 2024.

Sponsors: Council Member Kirk

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

Council Members Yes: 14 - Baker, Bennett, Catena, DeMarco , Duerr, Futules, Hallam, Kirk, Klein, Macey, Palmiere, Prizio, Walton and Zavarella

Council Members Absent: 0

Council Members Yes 1 - Palmosina
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XI. Liaison Reports

XII. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

Mr. Klein moved to add Bill Nos. 12055-21, 12056-21, 12057-21, and 12058-21 to the agenda, Mr. Macey seconded, and the motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

[12055-21](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing the tax levy upon all real property subject to taxation within the limits of Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Budget & Finance.

[12056-21](#) A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, adopting an Operating Budget pursuant to Article IV, §2 and Article VII, §4 of the Home Rule Charter, by setting forth appropriations to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of Allegheny County and for meeting debt charges for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Budget & Finance.

[12057-21](#) Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, adopting a Capital Budget pursuant to Article IV, §2 and Article VII, §4 of the Home Rule Charter by setting forth appropriations to pay the expenses for capital expenditures during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Budget & Finance.

[12058-21](#) Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, adopting the Grants Budget, Special Accounts Budget, and Agency Fund Budget, by setting forth appropriations to pay said expenses during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Budget & Finance.

XIII. New Business - Motions

Ms. Bennett withdrew Bill No. 11941-21 (previously introduced on July 13, 2021), and added Bill No. 12059-21 to the agenda.

[12044-21](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County urging the Allegheny County Health Department to consider the implementation of mask mandates for indoor gatherings within Allegheny County at any time(s) at which the County's COVID-19/SARS-CoV-2 transmission rate becomes "moderate" (as defined by the Centers for Disease Control), and strongly encouraging County residents and employers to facilitate vaccination to the greatest extent possible.

Sponsors: Council Member Bennett

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

[12045-21](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly to enact House Bill 1393/Senate Bill 845 with all deliberate speed in order to help protect Pennsylvanians against the potential for inadvertent overdoses of the synthetic opioid fentanyl.

Sponsors: Council Member Hallam

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

[12059-21](#) Motion of the Council of Allegheny County urging school districts within Allegheny County to include culturally responsive teaching perspectives in their curriculum as a means of providing students with an additional tool for undertaking the holistic analysis of social, governmental, and private institutions, as well as cultural, economic, and other factors that shape the world in which they live.

Sponsors: Council Member Bennett

This bill was referred to the Committee on Education.

XIV. Notification of Contracts

[12048-21](#) Communication summarizing approved Executive Actions for September, 2021.

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

XV. Public Comment on General Items

XVI. Adjournment

A motion was made by Walton, seconded by Macey, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.