

# Allegheny County Council

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## Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, September 20, 2022

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

## County Council

*Patrick Catena - President; Olivia Bennett, Jack Betkowski, Samuel DeMarco, III, Tom Duerr, Suzanne Filiaggi, Nick Futules, 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**

Immediately after roll call, Mr. Walton moved to amend the agenda by adding a motion to hire additional staff in the Office of County Council. Mr. Macey seconded, and the motion passed with Mr. Duerr and Ms. Prizio voting in favor via telephone, and all other members voting present and voting in favor. The motion to hire, however, was not offered as a legislative item, and was instead made verbally under New Business - Motions.

- Council Members Present:** 14 - Bennett, Betkowski, DeMarco , Duerr, Filiaggi, Futules, Hallam, Klein, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmiere, Palmosina, Walton and Catena
- Council Members Absent:** 0
- Council Members Phone:** 1 - Prizio

**V. Proclamations/Certificates**

[12445-22](#) A proclamation congratulating and honoring Gail Shrott on the occasion of her retirement from Global Pittsburgh.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Bennett and Council Member Prizio

**This proclamation was presented.**

[12446-22](#) A proclamation welcoming the Global Clean Energy Action Forum hosted by US Department of Energy and Carnegie Mellon University to Pittsburgh.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Prizio

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

[12447-22](#) A proclamation recognizing and honoring The Children's Institute on the occasion of its 120th anniversary helping children.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Macey and All Members of Council

**This proclamation was presented.**

[12448-22](#) A proclamation recognizing the 20th Anniversary of Kennywood Park's Phantom Fall Fest.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Macey

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

[12450-22](#) A proclamation recognizing and honoring Bishop Ketlan Solak as the first black female to become Bishop in the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Walton

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

## VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

## VII. Approval of Minutes

## VIII. Presentation of Appointments

[12449-22](#) Approving the appointment of Timothy Sandstrom to the Friends of the Park for Boyce Park for a term to expire on September 20, 2025.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis

**This item was referred to the Committee on Appointment Review.**

## IX. Unfinished Business

## X. Liaison Reports

## XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions

[12451-22](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, repealing Chapter 475, Article V entitled "Senior Citizen Relief" of the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, and amending Chapter 475, Article VI entitled "Property Tax Relief Program," Section 475-40, to expand the definition of "Eligible Taxpayer" to include certain trusts and expand the definition of "Longtime Owner/Occupant" to include a property owner who has owned and occupied any dwelling place within Allegheny County as a principal residence and domicile for at least 10 consecutive years, amending Chapter 475, Article VI, Section 475-41.B to limit the real estate tax discount that may be received by an Eligible Taxpayer to \$650.00, and amending Chapter 475, Article VI, Section 475-42 to state that applications are to be submitted to the Office of the Treasurer and to provide for County Council to increase the maximum household income of an Eligible Taxpayer by Resolution if the same is raised by law of this Commonwealth.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Catena, Treasurer and Council Member Macey

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

[12452-22](#) An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Section 5207.08 of the Administrative Code of Allegheny County to extend the time period for the filing of real property tax assessment appeals in Allegheny County for Tax Year 2022 only until November 30, 2022.

**Sponsors:** Council Member Walton and Council Member Macey

**This bill was referred to the Special Committee on Assessment Practices. While this committee has not been established at the time of referral, the referral is not inconsistent with the Rules of Council, Article I, Rule C.2.ii.a., and the referral will be deemed completed at such time as the Special Committee on Assessment Practices is established.**

[12453-22](#)

An Ordinance of the Council of the County of Allegheny ratifying amendments to the Allegheny County Health Department's Rules and Regulations, Article XV, "Plumbing and Building Drainage."

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

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

[12454-22](#)

An Ordinance of the Council of the County of Allegheny ratifying amendments that revise Part G, "Methods," including §§2107.01 through 2107.20, and other related sections of the Allegheny County Health Department Rules and Regulations, Article XXI, "Air Pollution Control."

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

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

[12455-22](#)

An Ordinance of the Council of the County of Allegheny ratifying amendments that revise §2105.21, "Coke Ovens and Coke Oven Gas," §2109.01, "Inspections," and §2101.20, "Definitions," of the Allegheny County Health Department Rules and Regulations, Article XXI, "Air Pollution Control."

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

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

[12456-22](#)

An Ordinance of the Council of the County of Allegheny ratifying an amendment that adds §2105.08, "Additional RACT Requirements for Major Sources of Nitrogen Oxides and Volatile Organic Compounds For the 2015 Ozone NAAQS," to the Allegheny County Health Department Rules and Regulations, Article XXI, "Air Pollution Control."

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

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

[12457-22](#)

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2022 (Submission #04-22).

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

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

## **XII. New Business - Motions**

**Mr. Walton verbally moved to hire three new staff members in the Office of**

County Council, Mr. Macey seconded, and the motion passed with Ms. Hallam voting against, Ms. Prizio voting in favor via telephone, and all other members in attendance and voting in favor.

**XIII. Notification of Contracts**

**XIV. Public Comment on General Items**

**XV. Adjournment**

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