

Allegheny County Council

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Agenda Synopsis

Tuesday, July 1, 2025

5:00 PM

Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room

County Council

Patrick Catena - President; Jack Betkowski, Jordan Botta, 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

Due to President Catena's participation by telephone and Vice President Palmiere's absence, Mr. Macey served as the presiding officer for this meeting.

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

Council Members 11 - Betkowski, Botta, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Macey,
Present: Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmosina and Prizio
Council Members 3 - Klein, Palmiere and Walton
Absent:
Council Members 1 - Catena
Phone:

V. Proclamations/Certificates[13586-25](#)

A proclamation recognizing the 25th anniversary of the Allegheny County Music Festival.

Sponsors: Council Member Prizio, Council Member Macey and All Members of Council

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13587-25](#)

A proclamation honoring the unwavering service and impact of Estelle S. Campbell Boys & Girls Club upon its 25th Anniversary.

Sponsors: Council Member Botta

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13588-25](#)

A proclamation honoring Exercise Warehouse for 40 years of service to Allegheny County.

Sponsors: Council Member Botta

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13589-25](#)

A proclamation John Dinnocenzo on the occasion of his 100th birthday.

Sponsors: Council Member Naccarati-Chapkis

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13590-25](#)

A proclamation celebrating the 30th anniversary of Randyland and recognizing Randy Gilson's positive influence his work has had on Pittsburgh's cultural

identity, tourism and neighborhood revitalization.

Sponsors: Council Member Botta

This proclamation was read into the record.

[13591-25](#)

A proclamation congratulating VisitPITTSBURGH on its 90th anniversary and its enduring service, stewardship and innovation in promoting our region.

Sponsors: Council Member Botta and All Members of Council

This proclamation was read into the record.

VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items

VII. Approval of Minutes

[13592-25](#)

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2025 regular meeting of Council.

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

VIII. Presentation of Appointments

IX. Unfinished Business

Committee on Economic Development & Housing - Second Reading

[13580-25](#)

A Resolution approving a project for the benefit of Duquesne University of the Holy Spirit, a Pennsylvania non-profit corporation (the "**University**"), to be financed by the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority (the "**Authority**") by the issuance of the Authority's taxable and/or tax-exempt revenue bonds, in one or more series, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$145,000,000 (the "**Bonds**"), provided that the taxing power of the County of Allegheny, Pennsylvania (the "**County**") shall not be obligated in any way with respect to the Bonds, and declaring the financing of such project as desirable for the health, safety, and welfare of the people in the County.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 11 - Betkowski, Botta, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmosina and Prizio

Council Members Absent: 3 - Klein, Palmiere and Walton

Council Members Yes Phone: 1 - Catena

Committee on Public Works - Second Reading[13560-25](#)

An Ordinance authorizing the County of Allegheny (the “County”) through its Department of Public Works and Law Department to acquire by condemnation a permanent right-of-way in fee simple and a temporary construction easement over one (1) parcel of land identified by the Allegheny County Department of Real Estate as Block & Lot #0374-H-00176-0000-00, being required for the Greensburg Pike (Penn Avenue Extension) (County Road No. 3139-01) Lateral Support Project (the “Project”) located in Township of Wilkins, Allegheny County, and to take such further action as may be necessary under applicable law, including but not limited to the Eminent Domain Code.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

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

Council Members Yes: 11 - Betkowski, Botta, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmosina and Prizio

Council Members Absent: 3 - Klein, Palmiere and Walton

Council Members Yes Phone: 1 - Catena

X. Liaison Reports**XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions**[13593-25](#)

An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to allow Lazarus S1 LLC to use certain County-owned real and personal property in connection with filming a television series referred to as “Parallax” which will premiere on AppleTV+.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

This bill was referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Job Creation.

XII. New Business - Motions[13594-25](#)

Motion of the Council of Allegheny County pulling Bill No. 13470-25, *An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, directing that a referendum question regarding the amendment of Article III, §5(b) of the Home Rule Charter of Allegheny County, which establishes term limits for a single elected County official, be placed on the November 4, 2025 General Election ballot; and further amending Article III, §5(b) and Articles 201, 301, and 401 of*

the Administrative Code of Allegheny County, contingent upon the passage of the referendum question, from committee for an immediate and final vote.

Sponsors: Council Member Grzybek

A motion was made by Council Member Grzybek, seconded by Council Member Hallam, that this matter be Held until the July 8, 2025 regular meeting of Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Council Members Yes: 10 - Botta, Embrescia, Filiaggi, Futules, Grzybek, Hallam, Macey, Naccarati-Chapkis, Palmosina and Prizio

Council Members No: 1 - Betkowski

Council Members Absent: 3 - Klein, Palmiere and Walton

Council Members Yes 1 - Catena
Phone:

XIII. Notification of Contracts

XIV. Public Comment on General Items

XV. Adjournment