

# AGENDA

**Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council for  
Tuesday, April 2, 2002 at 5:00 p.m., in the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Gold Room of the  
Allegheny County Courthouse, 436 Grant Street, Pittsburgh,  
Pennsylvania, 15219**

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**I. Call to order**

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. Roll Call**

**IV. Proclamations**

0716-02 Recognizing and proclaiming the week of April 1 – April 7, 2002 as “Community Development Week” in Allegheny County. *(Sponsored by Council Member Fawcett)*

0699-02 Nominations of candidates and appointment of an individual to serve as Council Member to fill the vacancy currently existing in Allegheny County Council District 6.

**V. Presentation of Appointments by the Chief Executive**

**VI. Addresses and Remarks**

State Senator Jane Orié will provide Council with a 15 minute “Legislative Update” on Mental Health Issues. *(Sponsored by Council Member Rea)*

**VII. Public Comment On Agenda Items**

**VIII. Unfinished Business**

0698-02 Motion to override Chief Executive Jim Roddey’s veto of Council Bill No. 0627-02, entitled, “An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing for the development and implementation of a system of firewalls to be placed on inmate used computers at the Allegheny County Jail.” *(Sponsored by Council Member Schwartz)*

### **Committee on Appointment Review**

- 0661-02 Communication from Chief Executive Jim Roddey introducing his recommendation of Ronald J. Beinlich for reappointment to the Allegheny County Land Preservation Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2004.
- 0662-02 Communication from Chief Executive Jim Roddey introducing his recommendation of Kenneth L. Kuiros for reappointment to the Authority for Improvements in Municipalities for a term to expire on December 31, 2005.

### **Committee on Budget & Finance**

- 0671-02 Resolution regarding approval of the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority financing of the cost of improvements to the Washington & Jefferson College pursuant to the provisions of the Municipality Authorities Act, as amended. ***(Second Reading) (Submitted by County Manager)***
- 0672-02 Resolution authorizing Inter-Departmental budget transfer No. 1. ***(Second Reading) (Submitted by County Manager)***
- 0673-02 Resolution authorizing Inter-Departmental budget transfers 2-28. ***(Second Reading) (Submitted by County Manager)***
- 0674-02 Resolution amending the Grants Budget for 2002 (Submission # 07 -02). ***(Second Reading) (Submitted by County Manager)***
- 0675-02 Resolution amending the 2002 Capital Budget for Allegheny County. ***(Second Reading) (Submitted by County Manager)***
- 0677-02 Ordinance requiring the County of Allegheny to create and implement a Homestead Exemption Program which exempts from property taxes the first \$10,000 of assessed value on all residential property within Allegheny County. ***(Second Reading) (Sponsored by Council Members Fontana & Fitzgerald)***
- 0678-02 Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 78, approved November 27, 2001, entitled, “An Ordinance providing for the establishment of the tax levy upon all real property subject to taxation within the limits of Allegheny County for calendar year 2002”, by reducing the levy of taxes on all real property subject to taxation within the limits of Allegheny County from 4.72 mills to 4.69 mills. ***(Second Reading) (Sponsored by Council Members Fontana & Fitzgerald)***

## **Committee on Human Services**

- 0669-02 Ordinance requesting County Council's approval for the Health Department to accept the recommendations made by the Board of Health at their March 6, 2002 meeting to adopt a Rule and Regulation Article II "Tobacco Regulation for Substance Abuse Prevention." This regulation implements an enforceable system to prevent the illegal sale of cigarettes, and other tobacco-related products to any individual under the age of eighteen. ***(Second Reading) (Submitted by County Manager)***
- 0670-02 Ordinance requesting County Council's approval for the Health Department to accept the recommendations made by the Board of Health at their March 7, 2002 meeting to adopt revisions to Rule and Regulation Article X, "School Health Immunization." ***(Second Reading) (Submitted by County Manager)***

## **IX. New Business**

- 0700-02 Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Administrative Code of Allegheny County to provide for the applicability of a Merit Hiring System to the offices of all elected officers and officials. ***(First Reading) (Sponsored by Council Members Fitzgerald & Martoni) (Refer to Special Committee on Row Office Review)***
- 0701-02 Ordinance authorizing use of the Model Airplane Field on Bull Pen Road in North Park. ***(First Reading) (Submitted by County Manager) (Refer to Committee on Public Works)***
- 0702-02 Ordinance prohibiting inmates of the Allegheny County Jail from having access to the Internet. ***(First Reading) (Sponsored by Council Member Schwartz) (Refer to Committee on Administrative Services)***
- 0703-02 Ordinance providing for an automatic appeal for all property owners who had their 2001 assessed property values lowered as a result of a formal appeal but received a 2002 assessed valuation value higher than that established by the Property Assessment Appeals Board based on the 2001 appeal, and requiring that these appeals be heard prior to any other 2002 appeals. ***(First Reading) (Sponsored by Council Member Schwartz) (Refer to Committee on Administrative Services)***
- 0704-02 Resolution authorizing and directing the Allegheny County Treasurer to include with the 2002 tax bills a notice of Allegheny County's enactment of a Homestead Exemption which will be in place for tax year 2003, and an application for participation in the program. ***(First Reading) (Sponsored by Council Member Fitzgerald) (Refer to Committee on Budget & Finance)***

- 0705-02 Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Ordinance No. 78 of 2001, enacted on December 11, 2001, which established the County of Allegheny's tax levy upon all real property subject to taxation within the limits of the County of Allegheny for calendar year 2002 by changing the millage rate from 4.72 mills to 4.56 mills. ***(First Reading) (Submitted by County Manager) (Refer to Committee on Budget & Finance)***
- 0706-02 Resolution of the County of Allegheny awarding the Sale of Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series B of 2002, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Eighty Million Dollars (\$80,000,000) Pursuant to Resolution No. 11-02, Bill No. 0688-02, Enacted March 19, 2002. ***(First Reading) (Submitted by County Manager)***
- 0707-02 Motion of the Council of Allegheny County petitioning the U.S. Congress and Administration to recognize the outstanding work being done locally and nationally by the Community Development Block Grant program, and of its vital importance to the community and to people who live in its lower income neighborhoods. ***(Sponsored by Council President Simms)***
- 0708-02 A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budgets for 2002 (Submission # 08-02). ***(First Reading) (Submitted by County Manager) (Refer to Committee on Budget & Finance)***
- 0709-02 Ordinance Amending the Administrative Code, Article III, Legislative Branch, Section 301.03, Councilmatic Districts, by replacing the existing sub-section (B) , Reapportionment of Council Districts, with a new sub-section (B). ***(First Reading) (Sponsored by Council Member Fitzgerald) (Refer to Committee on Administrative Services)***
- 0710-02 Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing a donation of 30 computers, monitors, and ancillary equipment to the Carnegie Science Center for use in the National Robotics Engineering Consortium Workshop. ***(First Reading) (Sponsored by County Manager) (Refer to Committee on Administrative Services)***
- 0711-02 An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the disposition of a county-owned vehicle to the Borough of Whitaker for use by their Public Works Department. ***(First Reading) (Sponsored by Council Member Jabbour) (Refer to Committee on Public Works)***
- 0712-02 Ordinance requiring the approval of Allegheny County Council on all matters regarding County revenues or Grant funding being used for alternative correction facilities. ***(First Reading) (Sponsored by Council Member Gastgeb) (Refer to Committee on Budget & Finance)***
- 0713-02 Motion of the Council of Allegheny County to adopt the legal description of districts for Allegheny County Council for the purpose of reapportioning County Council based on the Federal Decennial Census of 2000. ***(Sponsored by Council Member Fontana)***

- 0714-02 Ordinance setting forth certain measures relative to property assessment and appeals. (First Reading) *(Sponsored by Council Member Price) (Refer to Committee on Administrative Services)*
- 0715-02 Communication from Chief Executive Jim Roddey returning with his veto Bill No. 0651-02, entitled, "Resolution amending Resolution No. 04-02, approved February 14, 2002, entitled, "A Resolution providing for an immediate extension of the date allowing individual property owners to appeal their assessment." by extending the final date of appeal for the 2002 County tax year from May 31<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, in order to allow taxpayers more time to appeal individual property assessments."

**X. Public Comment on General Items**

**XI. Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 19, 2002.

**XII. Adjournment**

*Detailed copies of all proposed legislation contained in this agenda can be viewed or obtained from the Chief Clerk, Office of the County Council, Room 119, Allegheny County Courthouse, 436 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, PA, 15219.*