

# **Allegheny County Council**

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## **Agenda Synopsis**

**Tuesday, December 20, 2005**

**5:00 PM**

**Regular Meeting, Fourth Floor, Gold Room**

## **County Council**

*Rich Fitzgerald, President; Chuck Martoni, Vice-President; Joan Cleary,  
John DeFazio, Dave Fawcett, Ron Francis, Brenda Frazier, Vince Gastgeb,  
Jay Jabbour, Edward Kress, Rich Nerone, Doug Price, Jan Rea, William  
Russell Robinson, and Eileen Watt*

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

*15 Members present*

**V. Proclamations/Certificates**

**2259-05** Proclamation recognizing and commending Ruth Byrd-Smith for her significant contributions to providing minority, women and disadvantaged businesses with opportunities for growth and development.

**Presented**

**2260-05** Proclamation commending and congratulating Mr. Frank Mihalovich for his 25 years of distinguished public service with Brentwood Emergency Medical Services.

**Read**

**2257-05** Certificates of Achievement awarded to high school student winners Allison Keller; Beth Linder; Corey Antonelli; Ehtan Pitts; Kimberly Franczak; Maria Fusco; Ashley Kilp; Christopher Bahur; David Chen; Jillian Garber; Lindsay Scatena; Mitch Moser; Ryan Wetson; and Tony Jackson; and Grand Prize winner Ryan Bloom, in recognition of their artistic ability in the Allegheny Places Comprehensive Plan "What is Your Favorite Place?" contest.

**Read**

**2258-05** Proclamation recognizing and honoring Allegheny County Black Elected Officials Alberta Thompson, District Justice for the Borough of Wilkinsburg; Arnold Flowers, Councilman for the Borough of Rankin; Carl Lewis, Councilman for the Borough of Wilkinsburg; Dorothy Kelly, Councilwoman for the Borough of Homestead; Pauline Abdullah, Mayor of the Borough of Braddock; Sala Udin, Councilman for the City of Pittsburgh; Wilbert Young, Mayor of the Borough of Wilkinsburg; Alex Mathews, Board Member for the School District of Pittsburgh; Blanche Coley, Tax Collector for the Borough of Wilkinsburg; Demont Lee Coleman, Mayor of the Borough of Rankin; Evelyn Benzo, Councilwoman for the Borough of Braddock; and Tanya Smith, Board Member for the Woodland Hills School District for their outstanding public service and for providing opportunities for African Americans through access to government.

**Read**

- 2262-05** Certificate of Achievement awarded to South Fayette High School Boys' Golf Team for winning the 2005 WPIAL Division II Boys' Golf Championship, a title which they have won for the past four consecutive years.

**Presented**

- 2254-05** Proclamation recognizing and congratulating Head Football Coach Jim Render, Upper St. Clair High School, for his 35 years of coaching, obtaining his 300th win and for his numerous conference, district and state honors.

**Presented**

- 2256-05** Certificate of Achievement awarded to Upper St. Clair High School's 2005 Girls' Golf Team for winning the WPIAL Golf Championship and the 2005 Boys' Golf Team for winning the WPIAL Division I Championship.

**Presented**

- 2261-05** Certificate of Achievement awarded to Schenley High School Boys' Soccer Team for winning the 2005 City League Championship.

**Presented**

- 2267-05** Certificate of Achievement awarded to Carrick High School Girls' Volleyball Team for winning the 2005 City League Championship.

**Read**

- 2268-05** Certificate of Achievement awarded to Sewickley Academy Boys' Soccer Team for winning the 2005 WPIAL Class A Boys' Soccer Championship.

**Read**

- 2270-05** Certificate of Achievement awarded to Quaker Valley High School Girls' Tennis Team for winning the 2005 WPIAL Class AA Girls' Team Tennis Championship.

**Read**

- 2255-05** Certificate of Achievement awarded to Pine-Richland High School's 2005 Girls' Soccer Team and Girls' Volleyball Team for winning both the WPIAL and State Championship.

**Presented**

- 2271-05** Certificate of Achievement awarded to Plum High School Boys' Soccer Team for winning the 2005 WPIAL Class AAA Boys' Soccer Championship.

**Presented**

**2272-05** Certificate of Achievement awarded to Taylor Allderdice High School for winning the City League Championship in Golf, Girls' Tennis, Girls' Soccer and Cross Country.

**Presented**

**2269-05** Certificate of Achievement awarded to South Park High School Boys' Soccer Team for winning both the 2005 WPIAL and PIAA Class AA Boys' Soccer Championship.

**Read**

## **VI. Public Comment On Agenda Items**

## **VII. Approval of Minutes**

**2264-05** Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on November 15, 2005.

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

## **VIII. Presentation of Appointments**

**2263-05** Appointment - Approving the appointment of Lois M. Cain to serve as a Member of the Accountability, Conduct and Ethics Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2007.

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

## **IX. Unfinished Business**

### **Special Committee on Government Reform - Second Reading**

**2234-05** Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing the parameters under which the County administration may enter into discussions regarding the cooperation of the City of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County in the performance and exercise of certain governmental functions, defining "intergovernmental cooperation," and providing for the adoption of ordinances to enter into intergovernmental cooperation agreements pursuant to the General Local Government Code, 53 P.S. § 2301 et. seq. (hereinafter the "Code").

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

**Votes:** Yes: 15 - Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Francis, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Kress, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Price, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson, Council Member Watt and President Fitzgerald

**2235-05** An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the County to enter into a purchasing Services Agreement with the City of Pittsburgh under the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Act for the purpose of jointly cooperating in the performance and exercise of certain governmental functions in the area of providing purchasing services.

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

**Votes:** Yes: 14 - Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Francis, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Kress, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Price, Council Member Robinson, Council Member Watt and President Fitzgerald  
Noes: 1 - Council Member Rea

**2127-05** Motion Expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County urging the Allegheny Regional Asset District (ARAD) to revise its internal operating procedures to allow for the consideration of applications for discretionary funding for entities that provide a broad range of services vital to the quality of life for residents of the County.

*Amended*

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

**Votes:** Yes: 10 - Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Kress, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Robinson, Council Member Watt and President Fitzgerald  
Noes: 4 - Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Francis, Council Member Frazier and Council Member Price  
Not present: 1 - Council Member Rea

**2244-05** Motion expressing the sense of Council of Allegheny County supporting the efforts of United States Representative Michael Doyle to preserve Medicaid benefits for Americans through House Bill 4223, the "Medicaid Preservation Act of 2005."

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

**Votes:** Yes: 10 - Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Robinson, Council Member Watt and President Fitzgerald  
Noes: 4 - Council Member Francis, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Price and Council Member Rea  
Abstentions: 1 - Council Member Kress

### **Committee on Budget and Finance - Second Reading**

**2236-05** A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special

Accounts Budgets for 2005 (Submission #20-05).

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

**Votes:** Yes: 15 - Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Francis, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Kress, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Price, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson, Council Member Watt and President Fitzgerald

### **Executive Committee - Second Reading**

**2252-05** A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing program guidelines for Allegheny County's Public Art Program, as established under Ordinance No. 39-05.

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

**Votes:** Yes: 15 - Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Francis, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Kress, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Price, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson, Council Member Watt and President Fitzgerald

**2208-05** Motion of the Council of Allegheny County to continue the services of Attorney John Cambest to provide legal advice, representation and consultation to County Council.

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

**Votes:** Yes: 12 - Council Member Cleary, Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Kress, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Rea, Council Member Robinson, Council Member Watt and President Fitzgerald  
Noes: 3 - Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Francis and Council Member Price

**2101-05** Motion Expressing the Sense of Allegheny County Council Urging the Allegheny County Police to establish a street level drug and firearm interdiction unit based upon the City of Pittsburgh Police Department's Impact Squad, and to endeavor to increase their level of assistance to local municipal police departments throughout the County.

*Not on original agenda*

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

## **X. Liaison Reports**

*None*

## **XI. New Business - Ordinances & Resolutions**

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

- 2266-05** Motion of the Council of Allegheny County re-establishing the Budget Transfer Committee in accordance with Section 805.03 of the Administrative Code.  
**A motion was made that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.**

### **XIII. Notification of Contracts**

- 2265-05** Communication from County Manager Jim Flynn submitting a summary of Executive Actions relating to Contracts for the month of November, 2005.  
**A motion was made that this matter be Received and Filed. The motion carried unanimously.**

### **XIV. Public Comment on General Items**

### **XV. Adjournment**