

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

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BEFORE:

Patrick Catena	-	President, District 4
Robert J. Macey	-	District 9, Vice President
Samuel DeMarco, III	-	Council-At-Large
Bethany Hallam	-	Council-At-Large
Tom Baker	-	District 1
Cindy Kirk	-	District 2
Anita Prizio	-	District 3
Tom Duerr	-	District 5
John F. Palmiere	-	District 6
Nicholas Futules	-	District 7
Paul Zavarella	-	District 8
DeWitt Walton	-	District 10
Paul Klein	-	District 11
Robert Palmosina	-	District 12
Olivia Bennett	-	District 13

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IN ATTENDANCE:

Jared Barker - Director of Legislative Services
Jack Cambest - Allegheny County Council Solicitor
Ken Varhola - Chief of Staff
Sarah Roka - Budget Assistant

PRESIDENT CATENA: I'd like to call the meeting of Allegheny County Council to order. Please stand for the pledge of allegiance.

(Pledge of Allegiance.)

PRESIDENT CATENA: We'll now have a moment of silence.

(Silent prayer or reflection.)

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you. Please be seated. As a reminder to everyone on the phone, please mute your phones.

Jared, please take roll.

MR. BARKER:	Mr. Baker?
MR. BAKER:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Bennett?
MS. BENNETT:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. DeMarco?
MR. DEMARCO:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Duerr?
MR. DUERR:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Futules?
MR. FUTULES:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Hallam?
MS. HALLAM:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Kirk?
MS. KIRK:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Klein? Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Palmosina?
MR. PALMOSINA:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Prizio?
MS. PRIZIO:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Zavarella.
MR. ZAVARELLA:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	President Catena?
PRESIDENT CATENA:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	We have 14 members present at the

moment.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you. We'll have proclamations and certificates. These will all be read into the record. 11667-20.

MR. BARKER: A proclamation declaring November 13, 2020 to be Kindness Day in Allegheny County. Sponsored by Councilmember Baker.

PRESIDENT CATENA: 11668-20.

MR. BARKER: A Proclamation recolonizing the 50th anniversary of AAUW North Hills Pittsburgh. Also sponsored by Councilmember Baker.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you. We'll now have public comment on agenda items. As a reminder, this evening we got numerous comments that are very similar in nature. We're going to summarize those comments. They'll be entered verbatim, obviously, into the record, but for tonight's purposes they will be summarized. So does anyone have a problem with that?

Hearing none, thank you. We'll now move on.
Ken?

MR. VARHOLA: Thank you, Mr. President. Yes, during the course of the public comment sign up period we received seven comments discussing using police force --- reducing police funding for low income housing and other programs. Of those seven public comments three referenced the City of Pittsburgh budget, and four referenced the County budget. We also had eight people comment regarding the independent police review board. We had four people comment in support of the Department of Children's Initiatives in the 2021 budget. We had two discussed the support for eviction moratorium. Two discussed the types of candidates that should be considered for CCAC Board of Trustees, and two support an increase in funding for CCAC. We do have two non-agenda commenters, but I will wait them until the end.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you. As a reminder, everyone received these comments in their emails. Some comments went directly to our Chief of Staff, but he's emailed them all out to all Councilmembers at this point in time. So all Councilmembers do in fact have all of those emails and all of those comments, for the record. So thank you.

We'll now move on to approval of minutes, 11669-20.

MR. BARKER: Before proceeding, my understanding is that Mr. Klein is now present by phone. Mr. Klein?

MR. KLEIN: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Excellent.

11669-20. That's a motion to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2020 regular meeting of Council.

MR. PALMOSINA: Make a motion to approve.

MR. DEMARCO: Second.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded.
Is there any discussion?

Hearing none, all those in favor signify by saying
aye.

(Chorus of ayes.)

PRESIDENT CATENA: All those opposed?

Motion carries.

We'll now have presentation of appointments, 11666-
20.

MR. BARKER: Approving the appointment of Kimberly
Dunlevy to the Accountability, Conduct and Ethics
Commission for a term to expire on November 24, 2025.
Sponsored by Councilmember Macey.

PRESIDENT CATENA: That will go to the Committee on
Appointment Review.

We'll now go to unfinished business, Committee on
Appointment Review for the second reading. We have a
number of individuals on here that we're going to be
approving tonight. Does anyone object to doing these
candidates as a slate?

MS. HALLAM: I object to that, President Catena.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Okay. We'll do them individually
then. 11640-20.

MR. BARKER: Approving the appointment of Elizabeth
Fishback to the Community College of Allegheny County
Board of Trustees for a term to expire on December 31,
2024. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Ms. Hallam?

MISS HALLAM: Yes. So on November 18th the Committee
on Appointment Review met and affirmatively recommended
this appointment, so do I have a motion to approve that
recommendation?

MR MACEY: So moved.

MR. DUERR: Second.

MS. HALLAM: Do I have a second?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Who was the second?

MR. DUERR: Councilman Duerr.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you. Motion has been made
and seconded. Is there any discussion?

Hearing no discussion, all those --- all those in
favor signify by saying aye?

(Chorus of ayes.)

PRESIDENT CATENA: All those opposed?

MS. HALLAM: Opposed.

PRESIDENT CATENA: You get that, Jared?

MR. BARKER: I have all in favor other than Ms. Hallam. Correct?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Correct.

MS. HALLAM: Correct.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion carries. 11641-20.

MR. BARKER: Approving the reappointment of Floreda Taylor to the Juvenile Detention Board of Advisors for a term to expire on December 31, 2021. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Councilwoman Hallam?

MS. HALLAM: Yeah. So on November 18th the Committee on Appointment Review met and affirmatively recommended this reappointment. So do I have a motion to approve this reappointment?

MR. MACEY: So moved.

MR. DUERR: Second.

MS. HALLAM: Do I have a second?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded. Any discussion?

MR. FUTULES: Yes. Could you tell us the person's name?

MS. HALLAM: Floreda Taylor.

MR. FUTULES: Thank you.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

(Chorus of Ayes.)

PRESIDENT CATENA: All those opposed?

Motion carries.

11642-20.

MR. BARKER: Approving the reappointment of Ethel Cobb to the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2023. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Councilwoman Hallam?

MS. HALLAM: Sure. On November 18th the Committee on Appointment Review met and affirmatively recommended this reappointment. Do I have a motion to approve that recommendation?

MS. KIRK: So moved.

MR. MACEY: Second.

MR. FUTULES: Could we mentioned her name, please?

MS. HALLAM: Yeah. It is mentioned whenever it --- the original ordinance number --- or appointment number is

read. But if you need me to re-mention it I can do that for you for sure.

MR. FUTULES: We'd like the name for the record.

MISS HALLAM: It is in the record whenever Jared reads it.

MR. FUTULES: Verbally, by you.

MS. HALLAM: Okay.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion's been made and seconded. We're moving on. All those in favor signify by saying aye?

(Chorus of Ayes.)

PRESIDENT CATENA: All those opposed?

Motion carries.

11643-20.

MR. BARKER: Approving the reappointment of Dennis Floyd Jones to the Juvenile Detention Board of Advisors for a term to expire on December 31, 2021. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Councilwoman Hallam?

MS. HALLAM: Yes. On November 18th, 2020 the Committee on Appointment Review met and affirmatively recommended the reappointment of Dennis Floyd Jones, Ph.D. to the Juvenile Detention Board of Advisors for a term to expire on December 31st, 2021. Do I have a motion to approve that recommendation?

MR. MACEY: So moved, Macey.

MS. BENNETT: So moved, Liv.

MR. FUTULES: Second.

MS. HALLAM: Second.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you. Motion has been made and seconded. Any discussion?

Hearing none, all those in favor signify by saying aye?

(Chorus of Ayes.)

PRESIDENT CATENA: All those opposed?

Motion carries.

We'll now move on to the Committee on Budget and Finance for the second reading. 11634-20.

MR. BARKER: 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. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Mr. Palmosina?

MR. PALMOSINA: Thank you, Mr. President. The Budget and Finance Committee met on November 17th and affirmatively recommended this ordinance that retains a 4.73 mill rate of taxation on real property located within Allegheny County and subject to taxation. I move for approval.

MR. MACEY: Second.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded. Is there any discussion?

Hearing no discussion, all those --- or we'll do a roll call vote on this one, Jared.

MR. BARKER: On the motion to approve, Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Bennett?

MS. BENNETT: Ys.

MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco?

MR. DEMARCO: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Duerr?

MR. DUERR: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?

MR. FUTULES: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Hallam?

MS. HALLAM: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?

MS. KIRK: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?

MR. KLEIN: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?

MR. MACEY: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?

MR. PALMIERE: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmosina?

MR. PALMOSINA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Prizio?

MS. PRIZIO: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?

MR. WALTON: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Zavarella.

MR. ZAVARELLA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: President Catena?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ayes 15, nos 0. The bill passes.

PRESIDENT CATENA: 11636-20.

MR. BARKER: A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, adopting a Capital Budget pursuant to Article IV, Section 2 and Article VII, Section 4 of the Home Rule Charter by setting forth appropriations to pay the expenses for capital expenditures during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Councilman Palmosina?

MR. PALMOSINA: Thank you, President Catena. The Budget and Finance Committee met on November 17th and affirmatively recommended this resolution that establishes appropriations to pay for the County's capital projects, which include construction, structural engineering, certain feasibility studies and similar appropriations for the Port Authority and CCAC. I move for approval.

MS. HALLAM: President Catena ---.

MR. MACEY: Second.

MS. HALLAM: --- this is Councilwoman Hallam. Can I have the floor to introduce an amendment to this, please?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Yes. Hold on one second though. The motion has been made and seconded. I believe you have a --- you have an amendment to offer. So go ahead and summarize your amendment.

MS. HALLAM: Okay. Thank you very much. The amendment to the Capital Budget is \$250,000 to Court's technology upgrade. As we are going into, what, the tenth month now of this pandemic I think it's important that the Court have adequate technology to ensure transparency and access to Court proceedings, even when it is not safe for folks to be going in person to ensure that remote hearings are not held up or delayed any longer than they need to be. So this is \$250,000 to the Court's technology. \$125,000 of it is coming from lateral support projects, and \$125,000 of it is coming from rehabilitation projects. So I would like to move to approve this amendment.

PRESIDENT CATENA: So you're moving to amend. Is there a second?

MS. BENNETT: Second, Liv.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded. Is there any discussion?

Hearing no discussion, Jared, please take a roll call vote.

MR. BARKER: On the motion to amend,
Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: No.

MR. BARKER:	Ms. Bennett?
MS. BENNETT:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. DeMarco?
MR. DEMARCO:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Duerr?
MR. DUERR:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Futules?
MR. FUTULES:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Hallam?
MS. HALLAM:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Kirk?
MS. KIRK:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Klein?
MR. KLEIN:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Palmosina?
MR. PALMOSINA:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Prizio?
MS. PRIZIO:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Zavarella.
MR. ZAVARELLA:	No.
MR. BARKER:	President Catena?
PRESIDENT CATENA:	No.

MR. BARKER: Ayes 2, Nos 13. The bill --- the amendment fails.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Since the amendment has failed we're back to the original motion. Now take a roll --- is there any discussion on the original motion at this point in time that Councilman Palmosina has been moved and seconded?

Hearing no discussion, Jared, please take a roll vote on 11636-20.

MR. BARKER: On the motion to approve the bill, Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: Sorry was this --- this is the full budget we're putting on now?

MR. BARKER: Correct. This is the Capital Budget bill as not amended.

MR. BAKER: Sorry. Okay. Then yes.

MR. BARKER:	Ms. Bennett?
MS. BENNETT:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. DeMarco?
MR. DEMARCO:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Duerr?
MR. DUERR:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Futules?
MR. FUTULES:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Hallam?
MS. HALLAM:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Kirk?
MS. KIRK:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Klein?
MR. KLEIN:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Pالموسينا?
MR. PALMOSINA:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Prizio?
MS. PRIZIO:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Zavarella.
MR. ZAVARELLA:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	President Catena?
PRESIDENT CATENA:	Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ayes 14, Nos 1. The Bill passes.

PRESIDENT CATENA: 11637-20.

MR. BARKER: A 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, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Councilman Pالموسينا?

MR. PALMOSINA: Thank you, President Catena. The Budget and Finance Committee met on November 17th and affirmatively recommended this resolution that establishes appropriations that permit the County to receive and expend funding received from external sources, largely in the form of Federal and State grants for the designated purposes. I move for approval.

MR. MACEY: Second.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded. Councilwoman Hallam, I believe you have an amendment to offer?

MS. HALLAM: My amendments are two --- 11664-20, the operating budget.

PRESIDENT CATENA: I'm sorry. I'm sorry.

MR. PALMOSINA: Yes. Next one.

PRESIDENT CATENA: I'm skipping ahead of myself.

MR. PALMOSINA: Next one.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Okay. So Jared, would you please take a roll call vote?

MR. BARKER: On the motion to approve, Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Bennett?

MS. BENNETT: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco?

MR. DEMARCO: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Duerr?

MR. DUERR: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?

MR. FUTULES: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Hallam?

MS. HALLAM: No.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?

MS. KIRK: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?

MR. KLEIN: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?

MR. MACEY: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?

MR. PALMIERE: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmosina?

MR. PALMOSINA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Prizio?

MS. PRIZIO: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?

MR. WALTON: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Zavarella.

MR. ZAVARELLA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: President Catena?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ayes 14, Nos 1. The Bill passes.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Okay, 11664-20.

MR. BARKER: A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, adopting an Operating Budget pursuant to Article IV, Section 2 and Article VII, Section 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, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021. Sponsored by the Councilmember Palmosina.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Councilmember Palmosina.

MR. PALMOSINA: Thank you, President Catena. The Budget and Finance Committee met on November 17th and affirmatively recommended this resolution that establishes appropriations to pay for the cost of County's day-to-day operations and debt charges. I move for approval.

MS. HALLAM: President Catena?

MR. FUTULES: Second.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded. Councilwoman Hallam, I believe now you have an amendment to this one.

MS. HALLAM: I do, yes. I actually have four amendments. Should I go through them all together, or would you like me to do them one at a time?

PRESIDENT CATENA: We have to do them one at a time, so we have to go through the process individually.

MS. HALLAM: Okay. Thank you very much, President Catena. My first amendment to the 2021 Operating Budget is asking for \$500,000 to the Office of Violence Prevention and \$100,000 of that coming from County Police supplies, \$400,000 of that coming from County Police services. So I would like to move to amend the budget for this.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you.

Hearing no second ---.

MS. BENNETT: Second.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Okay. The motion has been made and seconded.

MS. BENNETT: Second, Liv.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Okay. Motion has been made and seconded. Is there any discussion?

Hearing no discussion, we'll take a vote --- a roll call vote on amending the motion --- amending the motion.

MR. BARKER: On the motion to amend,
Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: No.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Bennett?
MS. BENNETT: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco?
MR. DEMARCO: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Duerr?
MR. DUERR: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?
MR. FUTULES: No.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Hallam?
MS. HALLAM: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?
MS. KIRK: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?
MR. KLEIN: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmosina?
MR. PALMOSINA: No.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Prizio?
MS. PRIZIO: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Zavarella.
MR. ZAVARELLA: No.
MR. BARKER: President Catena?
PRESIDENT CATENA: No.
MR. BARKER: Ayes 2, Nos 13. The motion to

amend fails.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Okay. So the first amendment fails. Ms. Hallam, I believe you have a second amendment?

MS. HALLAM: I do. Thank you, President Catena. So my second amendment is, again, regarding the 2021 Operating Budget, taking \$5 million from non-departmental expenditures under services and giving \$5 million to the Community College of Allegheny County. So I would like to move to amend the budget with this.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Is there a second?

MS. BENNETT: Second, Liv.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded. Is there any discussion?

MS. HALLAM: I would like to say something about this one in particular, President Catena.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Go ahead.

MS. HALLAM: Yes. So I think that this amendment even more so than all of the other ones that I'm introducing tonight in --- the Community College Act says that one-third of community college funding has to come from the county, one-third has to come from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and then the other one-third should be provided for by the students. So in Allegheny County we have been far behind in contributing our fair share. We are hovering around 22 percent of contribution right now when we're supposed to be at 33.3 percent. This is not a preference. This is a law. The Community College Act says that we are required to contribute one-third. So in talking to my colleagues about this amendment ahead of time I explained how I came about the \$5 million. We are over \$10 million behind where we need to be to be contributing our one-third contribution, so this is what I see as a compromise as opposed to asking for \$10 million to CCAC to get us up to our one-third fair share, this is halfway there. This is a \$5 million increase to the Community College of Allegheny County, because as of now there are layoffs that are pending. The students --- the cost of the tuition is falling on them. And it's rising each and every year, and one out of every three adults in Allegheny County use community college services at some point in their career. And I think it's so important that we ensure that in Allegheny County we are not skimping on education, but we are ensuring that we do our best to provide for the students of Community College of Allegheny County. So that's why I ask for your support, not just for funding education but also for living up to our legal obligation of funding one-third of the community college in Allegheny County. Thank you.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you. Is there any other discussion?

Hearing none, Jared, please take the roll on the motion.

MR. BARKER: On the motion to amend,
Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: No.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Bennett?

MS. BENNETT: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco?

MR. DEMARCO: No.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Duerr?

MR. DUERR: No.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?
MR. FUTULES: No.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Hallam?
MS. HALLAM: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?
MS. KIRK: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?
MR. KLEIN: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmosina?
MR. PALMOSINA: No.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Prizio?
MS. PRIZIO: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Zavarella.
MR. ZAVARELLA: No.
MR. BARKER: President Catena?
PRESIDENT CATENA: No.
MR. BARKER: Ayes 2, Nos 13. The motion to

amend fails.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Councilwoman Hallam, I believe you have another amendment.

MS. HALLAM: I do. I have two left.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Okay.

MS. HALLAM: Thank you, President Catena. The next one, again, is a proposed amendment to the 2021 Operating Budget. The proposed amendment adds --- gives \$1 million in additional funding to the Port Authority and takes that \$1 million from non-departmental expenditures under services. So I would like to move to amend this budget.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Is there a second?

Hearing no second ---.

MS. BENNETT: Second, Liv. Sorry.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

Hearing no further discussion, Jared, would you please take a roll?

MR. BARKER: On the motion to amend,
Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: No.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Bennett?

MS. BENNETT:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. DeMarco?
MR. DEMARCO:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Duerr?
MR. DUERR:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Futules?
MR. FUTULES:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Hallam?
MS. HALLAM:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Kirk?
MS. KIRK:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Klein?
MR. KLEIN:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Palmosina?
MR. PALMOSINA:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Prizio?
MS. PRIZIO:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Zavarella.
MR. ZAVARELLA:	No.
MR. BARKER:	President Catena?
PRESIDENT CATENA:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Ayes 2, Nos 13. The motion to amend fails.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you.

Councilwoman Hallam, I believe --- is this the last one or the second-to-last one?

MS. HALLAM: This is the last one that I'm going to be doing now, President Catena.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Okay.

MS. HALLAM: Okay. Thank you. So my final amendment for the 2021 Operating Budget is asking for --- basically what I'm trying to do is balance out funding between the Public Defender's Office and the District Attorney's Office. So currently the District Attorney's Office has almost double the personnel that the Public Defender's Office has, so this proposal is to give \$1 million --- sorry, \$1.4 million to the Public Defender's Office. So that's \$1 million for personnel and \$400,000 for fringe benefits. Those personnel are specifically public

defender investigators. And taking that exact same amount of money, \$1 million from personnel, \$400,000 from fringe benefits, from the District Attorney's Office. The reason for the \$400,000 in fringe benefits is because it's estimated that it's about 40 percent of the cost of personnel is the equivalent in fringe benefits. So that's why 1.4 from public defender and 1.4 to district attorney. So I would like to move to approve this amendment.

MS. BENNETT: Second, Liv.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded. Is there any other discussion?

Hearing none, Jared, would you please take roll?

MR. BARKER: On the motion to amend,
Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: No.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Bennett?
MS. BENNETT: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco?
MR. DEMARCO: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Duerr?
MR. DUERR: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?
MR. FUTULES: No.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Hallam?
MS. HALLAM: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?
MS. KIRK: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?
MR. KLEIN: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmosina?
MR. PALMOSINA: No.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Prizio?
MS. PRIZIO: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON: No.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Zavarella.
MR. ZAVARELLA: No.
MR. BARKER: President Catena?
PRESIDENT CATENA: No.
MR. BARKER: Ayes 2, Nos 13. The motion to

amend fails.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Now we are back to the original bill. So is there any discussion on the original resolution?

Hearing no discussion on the original resolution, we'll take --- Jared, would you please take roll on the bill?

MR. BARKER: On the motion to approve the bill as not amended, Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Bennett?

MS. BENNETT: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco?

MR. DEMARCO: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Duerr?

MR. DUERR: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?

MR. FUTULES: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Hallam?

MS. HALLAM: No.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?

MS. KIRK: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?

MR. KLEIN: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?

MR. MACEY: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?

MR. PALMIERE: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Pamosina?

MR. PALMOSINA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Prizio?

MS. PRIZIO: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?

MR. WALTON: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Zavarella.

MR. ZAVARELLA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: President Catena?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ayes 14, Nos 1. The bill passes.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Are there any liaison reports this evening?

Hearing no liaison reports, we'll move on. New business, Ordinances and Resolutions. 11670-20.

MR. BARKER: An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances through the establishment of a

new Division 9, entitled Conduct, and a new Chapter 905, entitled Independent Police Review Board, in order to establish a mechanism for citizen and/or municipal review of allegations of misconduct undertaken by police officers within Allegheny County. Sponsored by Councilmembers Bennett, Hallam, Prizio and Klein.

PRESIDENT CATENA: That will go to the Committee on Public Safety. We'll now have new business. 11671-20.

MR. BARKER: A Motion of the Council of Allegheny County re-establishing the Budget Transfer Committee in accordance with Section 805.03 of the Administrative Code. Sponsodred by Councilmember Palmosina.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Councilman Palmosina?

MR. PALMOSINA: Thank you, President Catena. This Motion re-establishes the Budget Transfer Committee that consists of the County Controller, Director of Budget and Finance and Council's Budget Manager to make all operating budget appropriation, transfers, including appropriations required to clear post-closing entries between and within any departments, offices and agencies. I make a motion to approve.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Is there any discussion?

MR. MACEY: Second.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Sorry. I jumped the gun on that. Motion has been made and seconded. Any discussion now?

Hearing no discussion, Jared, would you please take a roll call vote?

MR. BARKER: On the motion to approve, Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Bennett?

MS. BENNETT: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco?

MR. DEMARCO: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Duerr?

MR. DUERR: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?

MR. FUTULES: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Hallam?

MS. HALLAM: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?

MS. KIRK: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?

MR. KLEIN: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?

MR. MACEY: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmosina?
MR. PALMOSINA: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Prizio?
MS. PRIZIO: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Zavarella.
MR. ZAVARELLA: Yes.
MR. BARKER: President Catena?
PRESIDENT CATENA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ayes 15, Nos 0. The motion passes.

PRESIDENT CATENA: 11672-20.

MR. BARKER: A Motion of the Council of Allegheny County requiring staff within the Office of County Council to work remotely, subject to the conditions established herein, through January 19, 2021. Sponsored by Councilmembers Hallam, Bennett, Prizio, Palmosina and Catena.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Councilwoman Hallam?

MS. HALLAM: Sure. Thank you, President Catena. So this authorizes the County Council staff to work from home for --- the sunset clause on this specific motion is January 19th. The way we came up with that date is the COVID numbers are rising rapidly. They're expected to get even higher for the holiday season, so that's why the January 19th date, to give two weeks, at least, of quarantine after the end of December holidays. Important to note that this would take effect 72 hours after implemented, so we wanted to make sure that our Chief of Staff had three full days to prepare the staff to make sure that they were capable of working from home. And then also that there is a clause in this motion that allows the Chief of Staff for emergency situations to call County Council staff members back into in person for specific duties. So again, I just think it's important that we are protecting our staff. I wish we could do this for every employee in the County, but the only ones under our jurisdiction are the County Council staff. So those are the only employees that this specific motion will pertain to. So with that I would like to move to approve this motion?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Is there a second?

MS. BENNETT: Second, Liv.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded. Is there any discussion?

MS. KIRK: Yes, this is Kirk.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Go ahead, Councilwoman Kirk.

MS. KIRK: Thank you. I just believe we have a very capable Chief of Staff, the manager of the staff, who has utilized this option already for staying at home as it's necessary. I question the need for an actual motion as opposed to just maybe talking with the Chief of Staff. As a matter of fact, we all just recognized him for doing an excellent job and so forth. So my question is why now as the Council, and as the policymakers why are we deciding to micromanage the staff and not put our support back on our Chief of Staff, who we keep recognizing for his good work and let him execute any kind of things that we may need to do without being as so rigid. And that gives him the flexibility to still serve the people --- the County while keeping everyone safe. I really don't understand the purpose of this without just maybe going through executive committee or talking to the leadership of the Council and having a direct conversation with the Chief of Staff. That's all I'm curious as.

MR. WALTON: I have a question.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you. Go ahead, Councilman Walton.

MR. WALTON: I'd like to ask the Chief of Staff. Did he request this --- or did he have this conversation with any Councilmember other than Councilwoman Hallam and make this request?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Rather than --- rather than put our Chief of Staff on the spot, we're the decision makers in the process. And if the motion needs --- if something needs to be done it needs to fall on us to make that decision. I don't think it's fair to involve him in the process.

MR. WALTON: With all due respect, I'm not trying to put the --- I'm not trying to put the Chief of Staff on the spot. I'm asking a simple question. Was this discussed with Councilmembers and suggested that this policy be implemented?

PRESIDENT CATENA: It was suggested --- it was talked with me as the President of Council.

MR. WALTON: Well, with all due respect, you're President of Council. I think it has to be discussed with

all members of Council before we --- before we try to implement this policy.

PRESIDENT CATENA: I believe various members of council were contacted about this policy. I'm not going to speak on behalf of Councilwoman Hallam, but obviously with the COVID numbers going up every day we're seeing double, triple-digit increases unfortunately, and I believe what we've seen coming out of this building unfortunately with the Courts being shut down, Judge Clark making an appropriate decision over the weekend, I believe this is the proper decision. And if you don't feel that it's in the best interests of this body to protect our employees you can vote no --- simply no to the motion.

MR. WALTON: Well, with all due respect, Mr. President, I asked the question for a specific reason. If all members of Council weren't consulted then we're engaging in disparate and discriminatory practices and not using --- and not having conversations with all members of Council. If we're going --- if we're going to engage in this --- in this activity all members of Council should have that --- have an opportunity to have the discussion before it's introduced.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Again, the motion has been made, and it's been seconded. If a Councilmember chooses to contact you about the motion they made I can't basically force a member to contact you about a motion that's going to be sent to Council on that day.

MR. WALTON: I ---.

PRESIDENT CATENA: If they choose ---.

MR. WALTON: My position stands.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you. If they choose to do so they choose to do that. So is there any further discussion?

MR. DEMARCO. Yes. Mr. President, this is Councilman DeMarco.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Go ahead, Councilman.

MR. DEMARCO: One of the things I think that's important for people here as they move forward here and, you know, going in towards the end of the year here is that they know that at least government is open. I want to make sure that our office is going to be covered for anything that, you know, comes up on a day-to-day perspective and that if any of our constituents contact the office they have the ability to reach somebody. Then, I think, the other issue I have here, I believe this ---

one of the things that I'm concerned with --- or not concerned. I just question why this is even in here. It says the Council further moves that the Council hereby urges the Chief Executive, Controller, District Attorney, Sherriff, Treasurer and the Fifth Judicial District to consider taking additional, similar actions to the extent that they are permitted by law and provided that doing so does not endanger public health or safety. These offices have all been running their operations since this pandemic started in March, and they've been doing the best that they can. I think they're pretty well-versed or equipped to make the best decisions on behalf of their employees. And I don't see why we're trying to weigh in and tell them that they need to take similar actions by sending all their people home. I know that there's a number of people in the County that do work remotely by now, so I just question why this is in there. It seems to me that we're trying to reach outside of our Council or our jurisdiction, of our staff and try to tell other folks what to do. And they're the ones that have been much more impacted and affected by this, because they have a significant number of employees versus what we have. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT CATENA: You're welcome. Obviously Councilman DeMarco, if they choose to do so they can, I mean, follow our advice or follow our lead, or they chose not to and run their operations the way they see fit. I'm mostly concerned about our staff, and to answer your question, I mean, will there be any disruption in Council --- in Council duties or what we --- what we do on a daily basis. And I've been assured by our Chief of Staff that our staff can work remotely, and there'll be no disruption to our services. So if ---.

MR. DEMARCO: So are we --- are we going to be able to set the phones up to be able to transfer it to their ---.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Correct.

MR. DEMARCO: --- their phones if someone calls.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Yes.

MR. DEMARCO: Okay.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Yes. There'll be no disruption to our staff. I mean, if, obviously, we do see a major disruption I would be --- I wouldn't be opposed to, obviously, I mean, reconsidering this. But I've been talking to our Chief of Staff remotely about this issue,

and we have --- that's why we allowed additional time on the front end to have him prepare for it. So we would be prepared in case. It just wouldn't be, for instance, a snap of our fingers and take this going into effect tomorrow. Because, obviously, we wouldn't be prepared for something like that so.

MR. WALTON: I have additional comments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Go ahead.

MR. WALTON: Was our Executive Committee, did we call in an Executive Committee meeting to discuss this issue?

MR. PALMOSINA: No.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Why would we call an Executive Committee?

MR. WALTON: It's a --- it's a policy that all --- that all of Council is voting to implement or not ---

PRESIDENT CATENA: It's ---.

MR. WALTON: --- implement. It is an issue that would've been appropriately discussed in Executive Committee.

PRESIDENT CATENA: It's a Motion though. Motions typically aren't sent to committee.

MR. WALTON: But it --- but just --- but this motion calls for a specific action and expenditures and operation of the staff. So it would --- it would seem to me that it would be an issue that at a minimum would've been discussed among all members of Council.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you. Your --- all of Council pretty much is here present tonight. If they have any concerns they can either vote against it or vote in favor of it. We are having discussion at this point in time. Obviously, if we send it to committee --- I mean, that's going to delay the entire process. So I'd rather have the discussion right here among all of us at this point in time if we choose to go forward with this or not. So I mean, is there any further discussion? Does anyone else wish to comment?

MR. FUTULES: I do.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Go ahead.

MR. FUTULES: The spirit of the motion itself makes a lot of sense, but I question the fact that why we're doing it here at a regular Council meeting. Sending it to committee immediately would be a great option, because it's a personnel issue as far as I'm concerned. We've just notified everybody in the County and the world that

we want to send our staff home and when this is a personnel issue. I would make a motion myself to send this to committee if I could get support for that and specifically hold that committee meeting as soon as possible to resolve any questions that 15 members of this staff --- I'm sorry, members of Council have.

MR. WALTON: There's a motion on the floor, so it'd be inappropriate.

MR. FUTULES: That's correct.

MR. WALTON: To properly second it.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made --- the original motion has been made and seconded. So you can't make ---

MR. FUTULES: I'll make a motion to send it to committee.

PRESIDENT CATENA: --- until we vote.

MR. FUTULES: Until we vote?

MR. WALTON: You can move to table this.

PRESIDENT CATENA: You can move to --- yeah. You can make a motion to table if you want.

MR. FUTULES: How about that, that I'll make a motion to table this.

MR. WALTON: Second.

MR. DEMARCO: Second.

MR. BAKER: Second.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Jared, motion has made to be tabled. Is there any discussion on motion to table?

MR. FUTULES: No discussion on this.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Okay. Jared, take a roll call vote, please.

MR. BARKER: Hold on a second. I'm recording the motion on the second at the moment. Okay. On the motion to table bill 11672, Mr. Baker?

MR. WALTON: No, that's was a motion.

MR. BAKER: Yes.

MR. WALTON: Not a bill.

MR. BARKER: The bill numbers are irrespective of form of the bill. It's a bill number whether it's an appointment or a motion or anything else.

MR. WALTON: All right.

MR. BARKER: On the motion to table bill number 11672, Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Bennett?

MS. BENNETT: No.

MR. BARKER:	Mr. DeMarco?
MR. DEMARCO:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Duerr?
MR. DUERR:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Futules?
MR. FUTULES:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Hallam?
MS. HALLAM:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Kirk?
MS. KIRK:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Klein?
MR. KLEIN:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Palmosina?
MR. PALMOSINA:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Prizio?
MS. PRIZIO:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Zavarella.
MR. ZAVARELLA:	No.
MR. BARKER:	President Catena?
PRESIDENT CATENA:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Ayes 6, Nos 9. The motion to table

fails.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Okay. So we'll go back to the original motion. Would you please take a roll call vote on the original motion?

MR. BARKER:	On the motion to
approve bill number 11672-20, Mr. Baker?	
MR. BAKER:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Bennett?
MS. BENNETT:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. DeMarco?
MR. DEMARCO:	No.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Duerr?
MR. DUERR:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Futules?
MR. FUTULES:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Hallam?
MS. HALLAM:	Yes.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Kirk?

MS. KIRK: No.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?

MR. KLEIN: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?

MR. MACEY: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?

MR. PALMIERE: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmosina?

MR. PALMOSINA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Prizio?

MS. PRIZIO: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?

MR. WALTON: No.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Zavarella.

MR. ZAVARELLA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: I apologize, Mr. Zavarella. That was a yes?

MR. ZAVARELLA: Hello?

MR. BARKER: Mr. Zavarella, was that a yes vote I heard?

MR. BAKER: Mr. Zavarella was a yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Zavarella ---.

MR. ZAVARELLA: It's was a yes, yes.

MR. BARKER: Thank you. President Catena?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: 11 yeses, 4 nos. The motion passes.

PRESIDENT CATENA: 11673-20.

MR. BARKER: A Motion of the Council of Allegheny County calling on the Fifth Judicial District of Pennsylvania to extend the existing moratorium on evictions in response to the COVID-19 health emergency through at least October 1, 2021. Sponsored by Councilmembers Bennett, Hallam, Catena and Prizio.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Ms. Bennett?

MS. BENNETT: Thank you, President Catena. So yes, this is a motion to extend the rent moratorium --- or the eviction moratorium to October of 2021. As we know that the moratorium on evictions expires in December of this year, and we know that our COVID numbers are not ceasing. They are actually increasing, and so we should continue these protections for folks who shelter-in-place, who homeschool. So in order to shelter-in-place or homeschool

you need a home, so we should be protecting folks in their shelter while we're still in the midst of COVID. The October 2021 date was chosen --- or I came up with that date because of the information that I received from the State Table on the timeframe of when the vaccination will be available, which from the State Dr. Levine is saying late summer, early fall. So that's why we pushed it --- that's why I'm asking it to be pushed out to October 2021. So I'm moving to have this Motion approved this evening.

MS. HALLAM: I'll second that.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded. Is there any discussion?

MR. WALTON: I have a question. I would like to ask the Solicitor, by passing this what mandates are imposed on the Fifth Judicial District with passing this by Council?

SOLICITOR: I mean, I see it as a, you know, simple motion that would normally pass asking them to consider it, you know.

PRESIDENT CATENA: A sense of Council, basically?

MR. WALTON: Okay.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Any other discussion?

MR. FUTULES: Yes. I have --- I have a comment.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Go ahead.

MR. FUTULES: With this extension, I see there are some serious problems with it. Through the CARES Act the application is a two-fold application where tenants that can't afford to pay their rent have to fill out a form and the landlord has to fill out a form. As a landlord, I've run into problems with the tenant that does not want to fill out the form out of laziness or whatever, because it doesn't matter to them because they don't have to pay their rent regardless. But the landlord is subject to taxes, insurance, maybe a mortgage. I think that this should be on an individual basis with the landlord and the tenant, not mandated by the federal government or the State or the County to enforce this. Thank you.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you.

Is there any other discussion?

MR. DEMARCO: Yes, President Catena.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Go ahead, Councilman DeMarco.

MR. DEMARCO: I think one of the things that --- or issues that I have with this bill here is that it doesn't --- nowhere in it does it call for any type of evaluation of the renter's ability to pay. So I am completely

sympathetic with somebody if they're out of a job, they're laid off, they don't have a job and they're home. We certainly want to take care of those folks. But as this is the way this is set this just gives anybody, whether they have the ability to pay their rent or not, the ability not to pay anything until October of next year. And I've talked to some local magistrates who are telling me that they are seeing cases where landlords are bringing these in where people have the wherewithal to pay their rent, but because of the moratorium are just choosing not to. So that's an issue. There's nothing in here to help the landlords who are on the hook for this, and there's nothing in here to require the folks that have the ability to pay to pay their rent. Again, I understand that we want to protect the folks that don't, but this bill is a blanket bill. And it would cover everyone regardless of their ability to pay or not. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you, Councilman DeMarco. Councilman Walton?

MR. KLEIN: Mr. President, I have a question.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Hold on one second.

MR. KLEIN: Councilmember Klein.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Can you hold on one second, Councilman Klein? Councilman Walton's going to be next.

MR. KLEIN: Yes.

MR. WALTON: I have a great deal of concern --- while I fundamentally agree with the spirit of the proposal, I asked the Solicitor for an interpretation to see what applicable mandates were there. It gives me real pause to think that just yesterday the State legislature chose to use \$1.3 plus billion of money that was there that was sitting there that hadn't been spent as part of the CARES package to fill gaps in the State budget as opposed to addressing real needs of residents of the State of Pennsylvania. Clearly, COVID has destroyed our economy. It's destroying communities, and it's destroying people's lives in a myriad of ways. We have to demand more from our State representatives, and we have to continue to press our federal government for funding to address these gaps in every way that we can. Thank you.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you. Councilman Klein?

MR. KLEIN: Yeah, I do have one question. And that is, I wonder how we arrived at the October 1st, 2021 date.

MS. BENNETT: Can I answer that, President Catena?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Go ahead, Councilwoman.

MS. BENNETT: So I'll repeat, the reason I came to the October 1st --- the October 2021 date is the --- is based on the information coming from the State, specifically Dr. Levine around what the timeline is going to look like to distribute the vaccine through Pennsylvania for every --- for general distribution. And that will not happen until late summer, early fall.

MR. KLEIN. I hear you. Great. Great. Great.
Thank you.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Is there any other discussion?
Hearing none, Jared, would you please take a roll call vote?

MR. BARKER: On the motion to approve,
Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Bennett?

MS. BENNETT: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco? Mr.
DeMarco?

MR. DEMARCO: Sorry. No.

MR. BARKER: Thank you. Mr. Duerr?

MR. DUERR: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?

MR. FUTULES: No.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Hallam?

MS. HALLAM: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?

MS. KIRK: No.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?

MR. KLEIN: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?

MR. MACEY: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?

MR. PALMIERE: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmosina?

MR. PALMOSINA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Prizio?

MS. PRIZIO: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?

MR. WALTON: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Zavarella.

MR. ZAVARELLA: I abstain. I represent
both landlords and tenants in my practice.

MR. BARKER: Thank you. Mr. Catena?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: I apologize. President Catena?

PRESIDENT CATENA: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ayes 11, Nos 3, with one abstention. The motion passes.

PRESIDENT CATENA: We'll now have notification of contracts.

MR. BARKER: We have none.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Okay. Public comment on general items.

MR. VARHOLA: Thank you, Mr. President. We had three non-agenda comments. One mentioned the Board of Elections provisional ballot hearing that was held last Saturday, no further comment. One discussed the issue of banning books at the County Jail. Again, no further comment. And the last person signed up and didn't provide any comment or subject. Thank you.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Thank you. Is there a motion to adjourn?

MR. WALTON: So moved.

MR. FUTULES: Second.

PRESIDENT CATENA: Motion has been made and seconded. All those in favor signify by saying aye?

(Chorus of ayes.)

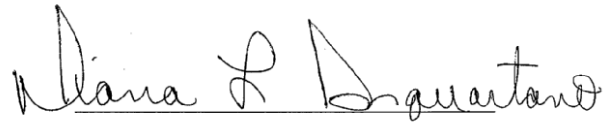
PRESIDENT CATENA: All those opposed?

Motion carries. Have a nice night everyone. Happy Thanksgiving.

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