



THE COUNCIL NEWS

Newsletter of the Allegheny County Council



Fall 2023

In a few weeks, the annual budget process will be underway for County Council. Each year, a balanced budget must be enacted for the next fiscal year by December 6th. The process formally begins with the Chief Executive's presentation of his Comprehensive Fiscal Plan (CFP) which usually takes place in early October.

County Council must then hold two public hearings regarding its budgeting process for 2024. The hearings will be held on October 17th and 19th beginning at 5:00 pm in the Gold Room of the Allegheny County Courthouse. There will be presentations on the following topics: Community College of Allegheny County, Pittsburgh Regional Transit, Independently Elected Offices, Courts, and General Government Operations. To find the agendas for these hearings, please visit: <https://alleghenycounty.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

After the conclusion of the public hearings, Council's Committee on Budget and Finance will consider budget bills introduced by the Chief Executive or Council Members and amendments to those bills that might be offered. The process culminates with the passage of the millage ordinance and resolutions establishing the operating, capital, grants and special accounts budget for the next fiscal year. Adoption of the annual budgets constitutes appropriations for the expenditures from the funds indicated.

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Legislative Updates

* *To view more information on each bill, click here:* <https://alleghenycounty.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx>

Ordinances:

Bill No. 12709-23 - enacted on July 11, 2023.

An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Allegheny County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 220, entitled "Campaign Finance Reports and Statements," in order to establish requirements and prohibitions relating to the County's searchable public database of campaign finance reports and certain forms of coordinated campaign expenditures, and clarifying existing law relating to penalties for violations.

Bill No. 12742-23 - enacted on July 11, 2023. An ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending the Administrative Code of Allegheny County, Article 207, entitled "New Board of Property Assessment Appeals and Review," §5-207.08, entitled "Filing of appeals," in order to clarify applicability of special assessment appeal windows for 2022 and 2023 for properties impacted by court-ordered adjustments to the County's Common Level Ratio.

Bill No. 12695-23 - enacted on August 29, 2023. An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for the development of a climate action plan by the Allegheny County Department of Sustainability no later than July 1, 2024.

Motions:

Bill No. 12743-23 - Motion of the Council of Allegheny County authorizing an information request pursuant to the terms of the FAST Act, and urging the enactment of the DERAIL Act and Railway

Bill No. 12752-23 - Motion of the Council of Allegheny County expressing support of airport service workers and the Good Jobs for Good Airports Act (HR1499/SB753) or national wage and benefit standards in FAA reauthorization.

Bill No. 12776-23 - Motion of the Council of Allegheny County authorizing a public hearing, pursuant to the Home Rule Charter and Administrative Code of Allegheny County and the Rules of Allegheny County Council, on Monday, September 18, 2023, at 6:00 pm in the Gold Room of the Allegheny County Courthouse.

Bill No. 12794-23 - Motion of the Council of Allegheny County urging the United States Congress to defeat H.R. 4417 and S. 2019, collectively known as the Ending Agricultural Trade Suppression Act.

Bill No. 12801-23 - Motion of the Council of Allegheny County authorizing the President of Council to conduct public hearings, pursuant to §801.05 of the Administrative Code on Tuesday, October 17, at 5 pm and Thursday, October 19 at 5 pm in the Gold Room of the Allegheny County Courthouse.



**Bring your chairs or blankets and enjoy free music from great local talent in a beautiful park setting.

**All concerts take place rain or shine with no covered seating.

** Further information: [Fall Concerts | Special Events | Allegheny County](#)

2023 Fall Line Up

Saturday, September 23 - 2:00 pm

Boyce Park @ the Wave Pool

Artist: The Music of Fred Rogers featuring the Daniel May Quartet with special guest Chantal Joseph

Saturday, September 30 - 2:00 pm

White Oak Park @ the Tulip Tree Shelter

Artist: Radio 45

Saturday, October 7 - 5:00 pm

Round Hill Park @ the Visitors Center

Artist: Woodland Creatures



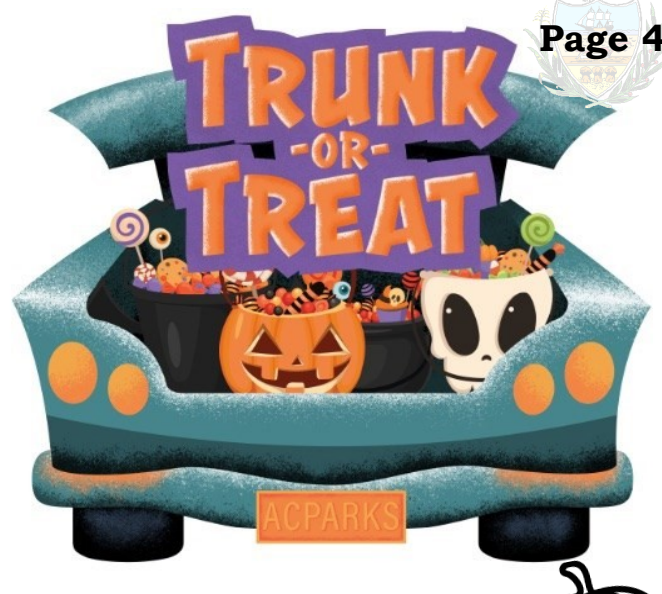
October 21, 2023
11 am - 4 pm
Hartwood Acres Amphitheater Field

Join Allegheny County Parks and SHARP Robotics from the Sarah Heinz House as we launch pumpkins across the amphitheater field with a full-size trebuchet!

Family Fun
Crafts
Games
Face Painting
Balloon Art
Medieval Sword Fighting

****Food and beverages will be available for purchase from local food trucks.**

****The event will be rain or shine.**



October 21, 2023
2 - 4 pm
South Park Pool Parking Lot

October 22, 2023
2 - 4 pm
Hartwood Acres Park Amphitheater



Wear your Halloween costume and join us for candy and fun.

We encourage participants to decorate their vehicles, bring candy, and dress up in their best Halloween costumes. Car cruisers will pass out candy and treats to kids and families that attend!

****If you are interested in passing out candy at the Trunk or Treat event, please provide the following information here:**
Trunk or Treaters | Special Events | Allegheny County

CAMPFIRE GHOST STORIES



Listen to spooky stories
and songs by the glow
of a roaring campfire.

Fun for all ages!

**Wear a Halloween
costume for a chance
to win prizes!**

2023 Schedule

**Saturday, October 7
Hartwood Acres Amphitheater**

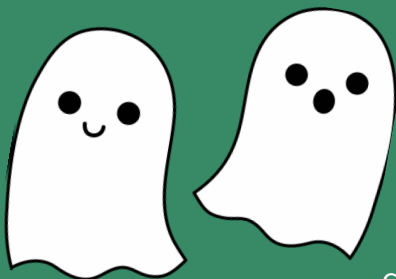
**Saturday, October 14
Boyce Park
Four Seasons Activity Center**

**Saturday, October 21
Deer Lakes Wagman Observatory
(Followed by a star party!)**

**Sunday, October 22
White Oak Park Chestnut Shelter**

**Saturday, October 28
Harrison Hills Yakaon Shelter**

Please bring your own chairs and blankets. All Stories & Songs with Josh & Gab start at 7 pm.



For more information
[Campfire Ghost Stories](#) | [Special Events](#) | [Allegheny County](#)



Enjoy hay rides, barnyard petting zoo, face painting, inflatables, balloon artist, puppet show, magician, games, giveaways and more!

This is a rain or shine event! For further information:
[Hay Day](#) | [Special Events](#) | [Allegheny County](#)

Hartwood Acres Park

Saturday, September 23
11 am - 3 pm

Attractions:

Bounce Houses
Strolling Magician
Puppet Show
Face Painters
Balloon Twisters
Barnyard Petting Zoo

Food Trucks:

Ekernally Yours
Bruster's
Tambellini's
Tango
PGH Halal
Le's Oriental

South Park

Saturday, September 30
11 am - 3 pm

Attractions:

Bounce Houses
Strolling Magician
Puppet Show
Face Painters
Balloon Twisters
Barnyard Petting Zoo

Food Trucks:

Auntie Anne's
Ekernally Yours
Pittsburgh Pierogi Truck
Ray's Pizza
Tambellini's
Wood Stoked BBQ



Disney
**HOCUS
POCUS**

Join us this Halloween season for family movie night featuring the original Hocus Pocus.

Bring your blankets and enjoy free movies in the parks!

All movies begin once the sun sets (between 6:25-6:40pm).



Friday, October 20
Round Hill Park Visitors Center

Saturday, October 21
North Park Boathouse Lawn

Friday, October 27
Hartwood Acres Mansion Lawn

Saturday, October 28
Settlers Cabin Park Moccasin Shelter

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Carnegie, Collier, Coraopolis, Kennedy, McDonald, McKees Rocks, North Fayette, Oakdale, Pennsbury Village, Robinson, South Fayette, Stowe, and Thornburg



At-Large - Samuel DeMarco III
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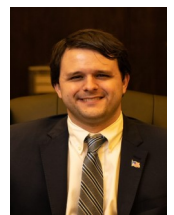
District 2 - Suzanne Filiaggi

Aleppo, Bell Acres, Bradford Woods, Edgeworth, Franklin Park, Leet, Leetsdale, Marshall, McCandless, Pine, Richland, Sewickley, Sewickley Heights, and Sewickley Hills



District 5 - Tom Duerr

Bethel Park, Dormont, Mt. Lebanon, and Upper St. Clair



District 7 - Nicholas Futules

Blawnox, Brackenridge, Chalfant, Cheswick, Churchill, East Deer, Fawn, Frazer, Harmar, Harrison, Oakmont, Penn Hills, Springdale Borough, Springdale Township, Tarentum, Verona, and Wilkins



District 9 - Bob Macey

Dravosburg, Duquesne, Elizabeth Borough, Elizabeth Township, Forward, Glassport, Liberty, Lincoln, McKeesport, Munhall, Port Vue, South Versailles, Versailles, West Elizabeth, West Mifflin, Whitaker, and White Oak



District 11 - Paul Klein

Homestead, Mount Oliver, West Homestead, and Pittsburgh Wards 7, 14, 15, 16, 29, and 31



District 13 - Olivia "Liv" Bennett

Bellevue Borough, Pittsburgh Wards 1, 2, 6, 9, 10, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, and 30



At-Large - Bethany Hallam
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District 1 - Jack Betkowski

Aleppo, Ben Avon, Ben Avon Heights, Crescent, Emsworth, Findlay, Glenfield, Glen Osborne, Haysville, Kilbuck, Moon, Neville, Ohio, Ross, and West View



District 3 - Anita Prizio

Aspinwall, Etna, Fox Chapel, Hampton, Indiana, Millvale, O'Hara, Reserve, Shaler, Sharpsburg, and West Deer



VP John Palmiere - District 6

Baldwin Borough, Baldwin Township, Brentwood, Castle Shannon, Clairton, Jefferson Hills, Pleasant Hills, South Park, and Whitehall



District 8 - Michelle Naccarati-Chapkis

Braddock, East McKeesport, East Pittsburgh, Monroeville, North Braddock, North Versailles, Pitcairn, Plum, Rankin, Swissvale, Trafford, Turtle Creek, Wall, and Wilmerding



District 10 - DeWitt Walton

Braddock Hills, Edgewood, Forest Hills, Wilkesburg, and Pittsburgh Wards 3, 4, 5, 8, 11, 12, and 13



District 12 - Robert Palmosina

Bridgeville, Crafton, Green Tree, Heidelberg, Ingram, Rosslyn Farms, Scott, and Pittsburgh Wards 19, 20, 28, and 32



Request to Comment

Citizens of Allegheny County may address County Council at Regular Meetings.

Visit Council's website to learn more:

[County Council | Request to Comment | Allegheny County](#)

Request to Comment form:

[Request to Comment for County Council Meetings \(alleghenycounty.us\)](#)

Requests must be received **no later** than 24 hours prior to the meeting.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE

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Parks
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Public Safety
Olivia "Liv" Bennett

Public Works
Jack Betkowski

Sustainability and Green Initiatives
Anita Prizio

UPCOMING COUNTY COUNCIL MEETINGS

September 26

October 10

October 24

November 14

November 28

December 5

You can attend Regular Meetings in-person and via livestream. Click the livestream link below for Granicus and YouTube:

[Allegheny County Council - Video Archive \(legistar.com\)](#)

[Allegheny County Council TV - YouTube](#)

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QUESTIONS

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COMMENTS?

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