



Allegheny County Council

Matter Summary

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File Number	Title	Status
	Motion	Approved
	Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 1, 2003.	
	Sponsors:	
	Introduced: 5/6/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 5/6/2003	
	Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on October 21, 2003.	
	Sponsors:	
	Introduced: 12/2/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 12/2/2003	
0646-02	Motion	Approved
	Motion to explore the feasibility of presenting the legislative process to the citizenry of Allegheny County by televising each regularly scheduled full County Council meeting with provisions for the equipment, budgeting, production, editing and viewing access.	
	Sponsors: Rich Fitzgerald and Vince Gastgeb	
	Introduced: 3/5/2002	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 5/6/2003	
1061-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County authorizing John F. Cambest, Esquire, legal counsel to Allegheny County Council, to file on behalf of Allegheny County Council, a Declaratory Judgment, or other appropriate measure, to seek a judicial determination of the rights of the Allegheny County Council and the County Executive under Article VII, Sections 1-11 of the Home Rule Charter of Allegheny County, Article VIII, Section 801.07 of the Administrative Code, and pursuant to the Letter of Agreement between the County Executive and President of Allegheny County Council dated December 24, 2002.	
	Sponsors: James E. Simms, Rick Schwartz, John DeFazio, James Fenton, Rich Fitzgerald, Wayne Fontana, Brenda Frazier, C.L. Jabbour and Chuck Martoni	
	Introduced: 1/22/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 1/22/2003	
1069-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion Expressing the Sense of Allegheny County Council by supporting Resolution No. 885 of the Pittsburgh City Council and appealing to our President and Congress to restore full funding to the Army Corps of Engineers to an appropriate level and ensure no cutbacks in the hours of operation of our river locks or diminution of capital repairs to the river's infrastructure and that they create a federal funding formula that fully appreciates the importance of recreational boats and crafts utilizing our rivers.	
	Sponsors: Brenda Frazier and C.L. Jabbour	
	Introduced: 2/4/2003	Controlling Body: County Council

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	Approved by Council: 2/4/2003	
1070-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County to lobby the Pennsylvania Legislature and Governor regarding Row Office consolidation.	
	Sponsors: Ron Francis, Vince Gastgeb, Doug Price, Jan Rea, Tom Shumaker and Dave Fawcett	
	Introduced: 2/4/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 2/4/2003	
1072-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion Expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County to pursue & support the citizen petition efforts of the group; Citizens for Democratic Reform (CDR) for the most stringent and taxpayer friendly form of Row Office Reform proposals and solely support, by way of ordinance, the Row Office reform proposals offered by council members Price (Bill# 02-1241), Gastgeb (Bill # 1062-03), Schwartz/Simms (Bill No. 1063-03) and/or Fontana (Bill No. 1032-03) for the same reasons; for the May, 2003 Primary ballot.	
	Sponsors: Vince Gastgeb, Dave Fawcett, Ron Francis, Doug Price, Jan Rea and Tom Shumaker	
	Introduced: 2/4/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 2/4/2003	
1076-03	Motion	Approved
	MOTION OF THE COUNCIL OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY To lobby the Pennsylvania legislature and the Governor regarding Allegheny County Government reform.	
	Sponsors: Wayne Fontana	
	Introduced: 2/4/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 2/4/2003	
1077-03	Motion	Approved
	MOTION OF THE COUNCIL OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY to pursue and support a study of Allegheny County Government.	
	Sponsors: Wayne Fontana	
	Introduced: 2/4/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 2/4/2003	
1079-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County amending Article II, Section 6, Subsection 1) of the Rules of Allegheny County Council.	
	Sponsors: Wayne Fontana	
	Introduced: 2/14/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 2/18/2003	
1092-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion Expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County encouraging the State Legislature to introduce and enact legislation that would extend the application deadline for the County's Homestead Exemption to April 30, 2003; and further encouraging the introduction and enactment of legislation that would provide any local government with the ability to set their own application deadline date.	
	Sponsors: Wayne Fontana	

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	Introduced: 3/4/2003 Approved by Council: 3/4/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
1098-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion Expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County supporting our Country's leadership and troops during this difficult time and applauding the efforts of State Senator Jane Clare Orié in the launch of the "Reach Out and Touch a Hero" program.	
	Sponsors: Jan Rea	
	Introduced: 3/18/2003 Approved by Council: 3/18/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
1102-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion to accept the resignation of Dr. James Simms from Allegheny County Council.	
	Sponsors: Rick Schwartz	
	Introduced: 3/18/2003 Approved by Council: 3/18/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
1103-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion to open nominations for the position of President of Allegheny County Council.	
	Sponsors: Rich Fitzgerald	
	Introduced: 3/18/2003 Approved by Council: 3/18/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
1113-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County issuing a subpoena to County Manager Robert Webb compelling him to be present at the next scheduled meeting of Allegheny County Council's Committee on Public Safety.	
	Sponsors: Rich Fitzgerald	
	Introduced: 4/1/2003 Approved by Council: 4/1/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
1114-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion Expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County Beseeching Governor Ed Rendell and members of the Pennsylvania Senate and House of Representatives to work cooperatively and proactively to secure additional revenues for the operation of the Port Authority of Allegheny County in an effort to adequately address transportation issues within this region.	
	Sponsors: Rick Schwartz, James Fenton, Wayne Fontana, Vince Gastgeb, Brenda Frazier, Rich Fitzgerald, C.L. Jabbour and John DeFazio	
	Introduced: 4/1/2003 Approved by Council: 4/1/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
1116-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County to open nominations for the appointment of a representative to fill the vacancy that exists in Council District 10.	
	Sponsors: Rick Schwartz	
	Introduced: 4/9/2003 Approved by Council: 4/9/2003	Controlling Body: County Council

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1127-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County to appoint a Special Committee of Council to address the operations of the Convention Center and issues surrounding the governmental support required for the proposals being considered for a Convention Center Hotel.	
	Sponsors: Rich Fitzgerald and Louis Kendrick	
	Introduced: 4/15/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 4/15/2003	
1132-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County to support the efforts of the City of Pittsburgh and the Urban Redevelopment Authority in seeking a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, Save America's Treasures Grant and initiating historic site marker placement of the John Woods House situated in Hazelwood at 4604 Monongahela Street.	
	Sponsors: Rich Fitzgerald	
	Introduced: 5/6/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 5/6/2003	
1156-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County, requesting that the Property Assessment Appeals and Review Board investigate the allegations of impropriety on the part of hearing officers employed by the board including a review of the practice of allowing hearing officers to represent taxpayers in assessment appeals and the practice of allowing hearing officers to hear the appeals of other hearing officers; further requesting the investigation to include a determination as to whether there is a possible conflict of interest in such practices, an explanation of any change in procedures that are made in such practices to bar any improprieties; and requesting that the Board report to Council and the Chief Executive on its findings and any recommendations for change within thirty (30) days.	
	Sponsors: Wayne Fontana, Rick Schwartz and Rich Fitzgerald	
	Introduced: 5/6/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 5/6/2003	
1157-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County, urging the members of the Pennsylvania State Legislature to pass, as presented, Senate Bill 442, relating to the collection of delinquent and liened real estate taxes in Allegheny County, clarifying existing statutory provisions; and further urging Governor Ed Rendell to approve Senate Bill 442, as presented.	
	Sponsors: Rick Schwartz	
	Introduced: 5/6/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 5/6/2003	
1158-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County to temporarily suspend Rules of Council Article II 2, 6, 12, Article III 4.f., and Article VI, and to adopt, for a trial period not to exceed December 31, 2003, the attached Temporary Rules to accommodate a new committee structure and to provide operating guidelines.	
	Sponsors: Wayne Fontana	
	Introduced: 5/6/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 5/6/2003	

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1162-03	Motion	Approved
	<p>Motion Expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County that the currently proposed State Drug and Alcohol Programs appropriations for fiscal year 2003-04 and the Human Services Development Fund are extremely unreasonable and will result in the undo hardships to thousands of residents of Allegheny County. We wish to express our deep concern to the Governor and the State Legislature about the current status of appropriations.</p> <p>Sponsors: Brenda Frazier</p> <p>Introduced: 5/6/2003 Controlling Body: County Council</p> <p>Approved by Council: 5/6/2003</p>	
1165-03	Motion	Approved
	<p>Motion expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County to support the efforts of the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), in partnership with the City of Pittsburgh and the Mt. Washington Community Development Corporation, in nominating Grandview Avenue, McArdle Roadway, East Sycamore Street and portions of West Carson and East Carson Street near Station Square to be designated a Pennsylvania Byway, called the "Coal Hill Scenic Byway."</p> <p>Sponsors: Wayne Fontana</p> <p>Introduced: 5/6/2003 Controlling Body: County Council</p> <p>Approved by Council: 5/6/2003</p>	
1172-03	Motion	Approved
	<p>Motion of the Council of Allegheny County expressing the sense of Council supporting a project to provide lighting for the Athletic Field at Serra Catholic High School. The project will receive financial support from Duquesne Light if there is evidence of broad community support.</p> <p>Sponsors: C.L. Jabbour</p> <p>Introduced: 5/21/2003 Controlling Body: County Council</p> <p>Approved by Council: 5/21/2003</p>	
1181-03	Motion	Approved
	<p>Motion of the Council of Allegheny County to appoint a Special Committee of Council to look into the concerns received by Council regarding labor-management issues, shortages of nursing personnel to meet the needs of residents, and spending priorities at the Kane Regional Centers.</p> <p>Sponsors: John DeFazio, Rich Fitzgerald, Wayne Fontana and C.L. Jabbour</p> <p>Introduced: 6/3/2003 Controlling Body: County Council</p> <p>Approved by Council: 6/3/2003</p>	
1220-03	Motion	Approved
	<p>Motion expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County encouraging the state legislature to support Senate Bill 432 and its companion bill, House Bill 1018, amending the Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act, to establish a statewide, integrated wireless Enhanced 9-1-1 state plan including a wireless surcharge, wireless fund and reporting on wireless use within the Commonwealth.</p> <p>Sponsors: Rick Schwartz</p> <p>Introduced: 6/17/2003 Controlling Body: County Council</p> <p>Approved by Council: 6/17/2003</p>	
1221-03	Motion	Approved

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	increased funding for research at the National Energy Technology Laboratory in Pittsburgh and encouraging our local delegation in Washington, D.C. to support this effort.	
	Sponsors: C.L. Jabbour	
	Introduced: 6/17/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 6/17/2003	
1236-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion Expressing the Sense of Allegheny County Council by calling upon the President of the United States to maintain his steel program as lawfully enacted, for the full three year period.	
	Sponsors: John DeFazio and Rich Fitzgerald	
	Introduced: 7/1/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 7/8/2003	
1283-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County supporting the efforts of LifeSpan, Inc. in their creation of the Heritage Court/Heritage House Senior Resource Center and their application with the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for funding for the project.	
	Sponsors: C.L. Jabbour and Rich Fitzgerald	
	Introduced: 8/26/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 8/26/2003	
1284-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County authorizing the payment of outstanding legal fees resulting from litigation surrounding the reapportionment of County Council districts.	
	Sponsors: Wayne Fontana	
	Introduced: 8/26/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 8/26/2003	
1301-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County accepting the resignation of Council Member Louis Kendrick from his position as a member of Allegheny County Council, effective September 9, 2003.	
	Sponsors: Rick Schwartz	
	Introduced: 9/23/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 9/23/2003	
1302-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County to open nominations for the appointment of a representative to fill the vacancy that exists in Council District 10.	
	Sponsors: Rick Schwartz	
	Introduced: 9/23/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 9/23/2003	
1336-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County, supporting legislation sponsored by State Senator Sean Logan and Representative Marc Gergely that proposes the abolishment of all property taxes on homesteads and farmsteads within the Commonwealth; and further, urging	

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	Governor Rendell and the members of the General Assembly to take all appropriate actions to assist in this effort.	
	Sponsors: Rick Schwartz	
	Introduced: 10/21/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 10/21/2003	
1337-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County, Urging the General Assembly to promote the participation of our youth in the political process by undertaking a review to determine whether the voting age in Pennsylvania should be lowered with a goal of making the voting age consistent with other ages of access and eligibility for rights and responsibilities within the Commonwealth; and, further, urging Congress to consider the same.	
	Sponsors: William Russell Robinson, Wayne Fontana and John DeFazio	
	Introduced: 10/21/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 10/21/2003	
1342-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County to convene a working group, with representation from the Executive and Legislative branches of the City of Pittsburgh and the County of Allegheny, to consolidate or eliminate appropriate services and functions that are provided or performed by both entities.	
	Sponsors: William Russell Robinson and Rich Fitzgerald	
	Introduced: 11/5/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 11/5/2003	
1352-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County establishing a formal recognition of County Council Members whose service has ended by honoring their time and dedication at a regularly scheduled meeting of County Council where such member(s) will be presented with a Council proclamation, a token of appreciation from the body, and where such member(s) shall be given opportunity to address the body and general public; and, further providing that the December 16, 2003 meeting of County Council shall include recognition of all former County Council Members, honoring their past service to this County.	
	Sponsors: William Russell Robinson, John DeFazio, Dave Fawcett, James Fenton, Wayne Fontana, Rich Fitzgerald, Ron Francis, Brenda Frazier, Vince Gastgeb, C.L. Jabbour, Chuck Martoni, Doug Price, Tom Shumaker and Jan Rea	
	Introduced: 11/18/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 11/18/2003	
1353-03	Motion	Approved
	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.	
	Sponsors: Rich Fitzgerald	
	Introduced: 11/18/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 11/18/2003	
1356-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County to amend the 2004 proposed Operating Budget by reducing revenue estimates and expenditure appropriations.	

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	Sponsors: Wayne Fontana	
	Introduced: 12/2/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 12/2/2003	
1358-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County amending the Rules of Allegheny County Council by eliminating the requirement for time and place of Council's Organizational Meeting.	
	Sponsors: Rich Fitzgerald	
	Introduced: 12/16/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 12/16/2003	
1359-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion, expressing the Sense of Council of Allegheny County, urging the General Assembly to restore funding for the Human Services Development Fund in such amount as to reimburse Allegheny County for the funding advanced to the program; and, further, to continue funding for critical programs.	
	Sponsors: William Russell Robinson, Rich Fitzgerald, Wayne Fontana, Brenda Frazier and C.L. Jabbour	
	Introduced: 12/16/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 12/16/2003	
1360-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meetings of Council held on November 5 and November 18, 2003.	
	Sponsors: Rick Schwartz	
	Introduced: 12/16/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 12/16/2003	
1363-03	Motion	Approved
	Motion of the Council of Allegheny County that the Organizational Meeting of County Council scheduled for 3:00 PM Friday, January 2, 2004, be held at Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall.	
	Sponsors: Rich Fitzgerald	
	Introduced: 12/16/2003	Controlling Body: County Council
	Approved by Council: 12/16/2003	