

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

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BEFORE:

John P. DeFazio	-	President, Council-At-Large
Nicholas Futules	-	Vice President, District 7
Samuel DeMarco, III	-	Council-At-Large
Thomas Baker	-	District 1
Cindy Kirk	-	District 2
Anita Prizio	-	District 3
Patrick Catena	-	District 4
Sue Means	-	District 5
John F. Palmiere	-	District 6
Dr. Charles J. Martoni	-	District 8
Robert J. Macey	-	District 9
DeWitt Walton	-	District 10
Paul Klein	-	District 11
Robert Palmosina	-	District 12
Denise Ranalli-Russell	-	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  
Judge Mik Pappas  
Judge Thomas Caulfield  
Judge David Spurgeon  
Judge Randy C. Martini

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Okay. The meeting will come to order.

Will you all rise for the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and remain standing for the silent prayer or reflection.

After me ---.

(Pledge of Allegiance.)

(Silent prayer or reflection.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Thank you. We'll now go with the certificates of election, the oath of office. 10468-18.

MR. BARKER: I believe the individual assigned --- swearing Mr. Baker in is not with us yet.

MR. BAKER: Right.

MR. BARKER: So ---.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: We'll go to the ---.

MR. BARKER: Okay. 10469-18. Communication from the Return Board of Allegheny County submitting a Certificate of Election certifying that at the election held on the seventh day of November, 2017, Anita Prizio was duly elected to the office of Member of Council, District three, in the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: So we'll go back.

(Applause.)

JUDGE PAPPAS: Please hold up your right hand.

Okay. Please repeat after me. I, Anita Prizio

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MS. PRIZIO: I, Anita Prizio ---

JUDGE PAPPAS: --- do solemnly affirm ---

MS. PRIZIO: --- do solemnly affirm ---

JUDGE PAPPAS: --- that I will faithfully execute the office ---

MS. PRIZIO: --- that I will faithfully execute the office ---

JUDGE PAPPAS: --- of member of council of the County of Allegheny ---

MS. PRIZIO: --- of member of council of the County of Allegheny ---

JUDGE PAPPAS: --- and will to the best of my ability ---

MS. PRIZIO: --- and will to the best of my ability ---

JUDGE PAPPAS: --- preserve, protect, defend ---

MS. PRIZIO: --- preserve, protect, defend ---

JUDGE PAPPAS: --- and obey the constitution ---  
MS. PRIZIO: --- and obey the constitution ---  
JUDGE PAPPAS: --- of the United States ---  
MS. PRIZIO: --- of the United States ---  
JUDGE PAPPAS: --- and the constitution and laws  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

MS. PRIZIO: --- and the constitution and laws  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

(Applause.)

MS. MEANS: Doesn't she give a speech, John?

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Anita --- Anita, you want to  
say a few words or anything?

MS. PRIZIO: Yeah. I just wanted to thank the  
people that got me to this dance (indicating), which is  
PSA and Mick and all the people in the Third District, and  
I hope to bring peoples' voice to council and a  
progressive agenda.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: 10469-18.

MR. BARKER: I apologize. 10470?

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: 70.

MR. BARKER: Okay. Communication from the  
Return Board of Allegheny County submitting a Certificate  
of Election certifying that at the election held on the  
seventh day of November, 2017, Patrick J. Catena, Junior  
was duly elected to the office of Member of Council,  
District Four, in the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of  
Pennsylvania.

JUDGE SPURGEON: Sir, if you'd raise your right  
hand, and if you repeat after me --- I, Patrick J. Catena,  
Junior ---

MR. CATENA: I, Patrick J. Catena, Junior ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- do solemnly swear ---

MR. CATENA: --- do solemnly swear ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- that I will faithfully  
execute ---

MR. CATENA: --- that I will faithfully execute  
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JUDGE SPURGEON: --- the Office of member of  
council of the County of Allegheny ---

MR. CATENA: --- the Office of member of council  
of the County of Allegheny ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- and will to the best of my  
ability ---

MR. CATENA: --- and will to the best of my ability ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- preserve, protect and defend ---

MR. CATENA: --- and will to the best of my ability preserve, preserve, protect and defend ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- and obey the Constitution of the United States ---

MR. CATENA: --- and obey the Constitution of the United States ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- and the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

MR. CATENA: --- and the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

JUDGE SPURGEON: And so it shall be, congratulations.

(Applause.)

MR. CATENA: Thank you.

JUDGE SPURGEON: For you, sir.

MR. CATENA: Thank you.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: I don't have to ask him to say a few words.

MR. CATENA: Thank you, Mr. President. It's an honor and a privilege to serve Allegheny County and the members of --- specifically, of District Four. I would also like to thank my family for all the support that they gave me, the county executive, the county treasurer. There are so many people that assist when you run for office. It's hard to imagine --- it's hard to thank each and every one of them.

Over the past year, obviously, I've had the privilege of serving and I've had the opportunity to work with all of council, and all of council has been immensely helpful and I hope to continue to work with them and move Allegheny County forwards into the future. Thank you, everyone, for your time this evening. God bless.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: 10471.

MR. BARKER: Communication from the Return Board of Allegheny County submitting a Certificate of Election certifying that at the election held on the 7th day of November, 2017, Dr. Charles Martoni was duly elected to the office of Member of Council, District Eight, in the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

JUDGE CAULFIELD: I just want to thank Dr. Martoni for allowing me the honor of administering this oath. This is --- this is quite the honor.

I, Dr. Charles Martoni ---

DR. MARTONI: I, Dr. Charles Martoni ---

JUDGE CAULFIELD: --- do solemnly swear ---

DR. MARTONI: --- do solemnly swear ---

JUDGE CAULFIELD: --- that I will faithfully

execute ---

DR. MARTONI: --- that I will faithfully execute

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JUDGE CAULFIELD: --- the Office of Member of Council ---

DR. MARTONI: --- the Office of Member of Council ---

JUDGE CAULFIELD: --- of the County of Allegheny

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DR. MARTONI: --- of the County of Allegheny ---

JUDGE CAULFIELD: --- and will to the best of my ability ---

DR. MARTONI: --- and will to the best of my ability ---

JUDGE CAULFIELD: --- preserve, protect, defend and obey ---

DR. MARTONI: --- preserve, protect, defend and obey ---

JUDGE CAULFIELD: --- the Constitution of the United States ---

DR. MARTONI: --- the Constitution of the United States ---

JUDGE CAULFIELD: --- and the constitution and laws ---

DR. MARTONI: --- and the constitution and laws ---

JUDGE CAULFIELD: --- of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

DR. MARTONI: --- of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

JUDGE CAULFIELD: Congratulations.

DR. MARTONI: Thank you.

(Applause.)

DR. MARTONI: Thank you, very kindly. It's --- it's an honor to be elected to be here again. And you can tell this is a very difficult job.

The first time I came here many years ago, I leaped down here. Now look at me. I barely got here. So on the serious side, it's --- it's a wonderful opportunity to --- to be here and to represent the people of the Eighth District, and in fact, the people of the entire County of Allegheny, probably one of the best counties in the United States of America. Not even probably, I'm sure it is. Thank you, very kindly.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: 10472-18.

MR. BARKER: Communication from the Return Board of Allegheny County submitting a Certificate of Election certifying that at the election held on the 7th day of November, 2017, Bob Macey was duly elected to the office of Member of Council, District 9, in the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

MR. MACEY: I'm a little traditional. I still believe in the Holy Bible. And I've brought the Bible on many occasions --- well, three different occasions, to be sworn in, to profess my faith, and also my fellowship with other organizations.

I'm going to have Cindy Kirk, who is one of my colleagues, to hold the Bible and I will say the oath from the Bible. And I'm also honored to have Dave Spurgeon from McKeesport, a Judge ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: That's right.

MR. MACEY: --- a new Judge.

JUDGE SPURGEON: All right.

If you'll raise your right --- your right hand there, can you state after me --- I, Bob Macey ---

MR. MACEY: I, Bob Macey ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- do solemnly swear ---

MR. MACEY: --- do solemnly swear ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- that I will faithfully execute ---

MR. MACEY: --- I will faithfully execute ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- the Office of Member of Council of the County of Allegheny ---

MR. MACEY: --- the Office of Member of Council of Allegheny County ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- and will to the best of my ability ---

MR. MACEY: --- and to the best of my ability --

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JUDGE SPURGEON: --- preserve, protect and defend

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MR. MACEY: --- preserve, protect and defend ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- the Constitution of the  
United States ---

MR. MACEY: --- the Constitution of the United  
States ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- and the constitution and  
laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

MR. MACEY: --- and the constitution and laws of  
the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

JUDGE SPURGEON: And so it shall be.

MR. MACEY: And so it shall be.

JUDGE SPURGEON: Congratulations.

MR. MACEY: Thank you.

(Applause.)

MR. MACEY Thank you. Incidentally, this  
particular Bible was given to me by my grandparents whose  
great grandparents brought this from England in 1907.  
They were immigrants too, you know.

I just hope that in --- in the next four years,  
I can continue to work with the administration of  
Allegheny County and also work with the state and federal  
legislators to help preserve and revive the Mon Valley and  
the Turtle Creek Valley in which I serve. I think that we  
have done some major things, but there's a lot more to be  
done and I certainly appreciate everybody that supports  
me, those individuals who voted for me, and all you  
(indicating) that came here tonight to see me.

All right. Thank you.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: 10473-18.

MR. BARKER: Communication from the Return Board  
of Allegheny County submitting a Certificate of Election  
certifying that at the election held on the 7th day of  
November, 2017, Robert J. Palmosina was duly elected to  
the office of Member of Council, District 12, in the  
County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

(Applause.)

JUDGE MARTINI: Good evening, all. Thanks for  
coming to Bobby's swearing in this evening. Family is  
here, all the Palmosinas, all the people from West End  
which Bob will be representing from the western  
neighborhoods. And the firefighters are here, councilman,

state representative, the committee. Thank you all for being here.

It's a special day for me to be here and privileged to swear my --- my buddy Bobby in. We've been friends for 50 years, and I've been very, very close to his family and our extended family. And I'm just so proud today to be doing this.

Put your hand on the Bible. Right hand up, left hand here.

I, Robert J. Palmosina ---

MR. PALMOSINA: --- I, Robert J. Palmosina ---

JUDGE MARTINI: --- do solemnly swear ---

MR. PALMOSINA: --- do solemnly swear ---

JUDGE MARTINI: --- that I will faithfully

execute ---

MR. PALMOSINA: --- I will faithfully execute --

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JUDGE MARTINI: --- the Office of Member of Council ---

MR. PALMOSINA: --- the Office of Member of Council ---

JUDGE MARTINI: --- of the County of Allegheny -

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MR. PALMOSINA: --- of the County of Allegheny -

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JUDGE MARTINI: --- and will to the best of my ability ---

MR. PALMOSINA: --- and will do to the best of my ability ---

JUDGE MARTINI: --- preserve ---

MR. PALMOSINA: --- preserve ---

JUDGE MARTINI: --- protect ---

MR. PALMOSINA: --- protect ---

JUDGE MARTINI: --- defend ---

MR. PALMOSINA: --- defend ---

JUDGE MARTINI: --- and obey ---

MR. PALMOSINA: --- and obey ---

JUDGE MARTINI: --- the Constitution of the United States ---

MR. PALMOSINA: --- the Constitution of the United States ---

JUDGE MARTINI: --- and the constitution and laws ---

MR. PALMOSINA: --- and the constitution and laws ---



JUDGE MARTINI: --- of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

MR. PALMOSINA: --- of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

JUDGE MARTINI: So be it.

(Applause.)

MR. PALMOSINA: Thank you, Your Honor. I have to be honest, I was a little bit nervous about saying these words. But no one told me the words were sitting right there that I could read right off the table, so thanks for the heads up.

I'll be brief. I just want to say a few things. It's been a long road. The election was long and hard fought, and I --- if I thought --- if I thanked everybody, I'd be here all day, to be honest with you. So there's a couple folks that I do want to thank. First is my wife. She's the first person that I asked when I decided to run, if it would be okay if I ran. And she looked at me and she goes, are you crazy? That's what she said. But she said you do what you want to do.

And I'll be honest. I've been involved in elections for a long time. I never --- never got a chance to run because I raised three boys. And raising those three boys, it was important to me that I be at all their games, baseball, football, basketball and after school activities and lunch duty. And I can go on and on and on.

So to me, this is all about family and friendship along the way. I have seven --- six other brothers and sisters. They're all in attendance today. Two are from Denver. They were here for my niece's wedding, so I am honored that --- that they are here today because they mean the world to me.

That being said, there's a couple other folks I want to thank, and I'll be quick here. I know I usually talk long-winded. But first is Darren and Ralph from the firefighters. They were with me all the way. I can't thank them enough. I know they're in the crowd somewhere, and they're like brothers to me. My work for the city, they were there all the time with me, and I can't thank you guys enough. I mean, you mean everything to me.

And Anthony Coghill, our new elected councilman over there smiling. We walked door to door and knocked on every door in our neighborhood. And when I was tired, he said let's go. When he was tired, I said let's go. So Anth, you know, I love you. You're like a brother to me.

Nick Martini, Dana Slizik helped me run my campaign. Without them --- Nick kept all the books in order and Dana told me where to go. So that being said, I look forward to working with County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, his right-hand man Willy McKain, Mrs. Liptak, the President and all the council.

And I want to miss you --- wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and I look forward to 2018, working with the council. Thank you very much.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Do we have the --- the 68 --- 10468 here?

MR. BARKER: I believe we may be asking Judge Spurgeon to stand in for us, if he would be so kind.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Okay.

JUDGE SPURGEON: So I'm actually very pleased to stand in. Tom and I got to be pretty good friends over the last course of the year, being on the campaign trail together. So I'm --- I'm very, very honored to do this.

So if you could repeat after me, Tom.

I, Tom Baker ---

MR. BAKER: I, Tom Baker ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- do solemnly swear ---

MR. BAKER: --- do solemnly swear ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- that I will faithfully execute ---

MR. BAKER: --- that I will faithfully execute ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- the Office of Member of Council ---

MR. BAKER: --- the Office of Member of Council ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- of the County of Allegheny ---

MR. BAKER: --- of the County of Allegheny ---  
JUDGE SPURGEON: --- and will do so to the best of my ability ---

MR. BAKER: --- and will do so to the best of my ability ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- to preserve, protect, defend and obey ---

MR. BAKER: --- to preserve, protect ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- defend ---

MR. BAKER: --- defend and obey ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- the Constitution of the United States ---

MR. BAKER: --- the Constitution of the United States ---

JUDGE SPURGEON: --- and the constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

MR. BAKER: --- and the constitution and laws of Pennsylvania.

JUDGE SPURGEON: All right. So it shall be, then. Congratulations.

(Applause.)

MR. BAKER: Thanks, Judge Spurgeon. Thank you all for being here tonight, a lot --- a lot of friends in the crowd. I definite appreciate that. We should've had a joint party because I think about a third of the people are going to the Baker party, a third are going to Anita's and a third are going to Bobby's. So I will say everyone's welcome at the --- the Baker party, for sure. So please feel free to stop on by at Mitchells.

Thanks, Judge Spurgeon for swearing me in. I definitely appreciate that. This has been a big --- a big year for us. 2017 was the year that we found out that we would be parent, and we're very pumped about that. That will be ---.

(Applause.)

MR. BAKER: And even though our baby is here, but also we have the pin representing, so some day he or she can look at the pictures and see both of us here, so happy and proud of he or she.

But this is a great night. You know, when a lot of the other candidates --- a lot of you that have worked in electoral politics know this, it get --- it's really cold when we start running, then it gets hot, then it gets really hot. It gets sunscreen in your eyes hot, and then it gets colder. And then there's election day, and you can't feel your face by the end of it because of all the --- because your --- your faces are literally like, frozen with the wind.

But it was quite a year, and I just want to say thank you to everyone that helped us. It literally took a team and we're going to give a lot of thank yous as well at Mitchells tonight. But I think a lot of you know that without Matt Vermira, I probably would not be up here tonight. So for those of you that are friends with Matt Vermira, he's --- does --- he does not like attention, but

he's in the back of the room and there would be no me without him. So Matt Vermira, thank you very much for all of your help and support.

(Applause.)

MR. BAKER: It was a really enjoyable first four years. Unlike some other branches of government, we get along here. I think that's one thing --- I know we have a lot of different parties represented here tonight. I think you'll find at the county level that we work well together.

I run very slowly in a lot of races, 5Ks, half marathons. When Erin and I run these half marathons, a sign --- maybe the most prolific sign you will see says you are running better than our government. That is not true at the county level. This government runs well. We work well together with the county executive. We work well together with the County Manager, Willy and his whole team. It's really about working together and collaborating.

We've done some neat things in district one throughout the last four years. I actually have a public access show in my district, Get Involved Moon Township, which is a lot of fun. That's been a good time. We have town hall meetings throughout the summers. Councilman DeMarco has co-hosted with me a couple of years, as well.

One of the goals, I guess, when you're having a baby --- and Councilman Palmosina talked about raising his three boys. We have our first child coming, and I wrote the book literally called Get Involved in 2008. I know one of the goals for this year is to get uninvolved. So I want to congratulate and thank Councilman Sam DeMarco, he's going to be our new caucus chair. So congratulations to Sam.

(Applause.)

MR. BAKER: Very happy to pass it on to him. I will not be writing a --- I'm not writing Get Uninvolved, but I'll do a couple little steps in my own like to --- to make that happen, I guess. So I'm really proud of this. I'm really proud of these next four years. I think it's going to be a great experience.

There's been --- I always say this about the County Executive.; Rich gets to hit home runs on a regular basis. He makes huge things happen for our county. We as county council members, we hit singles, we

hit doubles. We make some really, really positive things happen in our community on a daily basis and I love that.

When I look back on these last four years, there's eight to ten things specifically that I can think of where as a county council member, working with the administration, working with Public Works, working with Port Authority, where we were able to make a big difference in district one and throughout the --- the community.

Did anyone read the book by Malcolm Gladwell, The Tipping Point? Some of Anita's friends, Tipping Point? Okay. My friends, Tipping Point, Council? Okay. It's a good book, you should read it. Thank you, Mom.

So it's a good book, and there's an idea in it called being a connector. The 15 of us --- and I hope all of you remember this --- we are your connectors to county government. If you're not sure where you need to get help, who can help you from the county government, we are your connector to get you that help. So please keep that in mind. I know Anita's got a lot of friends. Bobby's got a lot of friends. Keep that in mind here tonight that we can help you get those resources and that help working with the administration.

So I will --- I've mentioned the baby a few times. I have to give a shout out to my two favorite people in this world. It'll be a three way tie later this month, but for now it's still two. My mom is the coolest mom. Do you guys know my mom? Anita's friends, you guys would love my mom. That's my mom. She is --- I think they would, yeah. So she's awesome. And you know, she became a single mom of a 12-year-old boy younger than I am right now. That's pretty crazy.

Right? And she stepped up to the plate literally, coached little league, pony league, colt league. And we are the only full Jewish sport --- the only full family in the Jewish Sports Hall of Fame and we are not Jewish. That is pretty wild. So --- through all those baseball efforts.

She was at every cross country race. She went to four nights in a row of The King and I. I didn't even have any lines in The King and I, but she still went four nights in a row. Four straight graduations at Millersville, the Ivy League of the State System --- she went to Millersville's graduation. Have you guys even

heard of Millersville? It's a good school, I promise. Okay. That's where we went.

But it's --- it's all about being there for you. I would say this to Big Brothers, Big Sisters. It's just about being there for the people that care about you. I think there was a reference from Councilman Palmosina to Councilman Coghill about just going out together and just having each other's back and knowing that when you're out there together, you can make great things happen. That's what a mentor does. They show up for you. They spend time with you. They spend 13 hours at a poll for you. What all --- whatever that thing is, your mentors do.

So thanks to my mom. I did bring her some roses here tonight, so there's for the Mom if you can give her a round of applause.

(Applause.)

Mr. BAKER: And then Erin Baker --- do you guys love Erin Baker?

(Applause.)

MR. BAKER: All right. So okay. So new friends, this is one thing I will say. If you go to college and you end up marrying the student body president that gives the speech at your convocation when you go to school, these kind of moments are going to happen in your life, I guess. So this is where we are. We went to school together at Millersville, and she's my best friend in the world and literally just even over break being together in these last few weeks before we're a family of three, she's the best person that I know. And you know, I think --- I think at a lot of the events that we go to, we talk county council.

Right? People are talking county council. People are talking get involved. People talk to the elected official. I see it all the time, that happens. Right? Erin has a way cooler job than me. She actually started a new job today. If you're going to Mitchells tonight for our event, ask her about her new job. It's really awesome.

So we're very lucky to have such amazing spouses in political life, and I think I married the best wife in the world. So Erin, I love you. Thank you for all your support.

(Applause.)

MR. BAKER: And you're all welcome to come to Mitchells. Much love for the next four years. Thank you

all for your support. If you helped out at all this year with this race, can you raise your hands? This was a wonderful team effort with --- okay. We'll go with --- all the teams. If you helped any of us get elected, raise your hands. Anita's team, raise your hand. You guys are awesome. We should all give you a round of applause. Thank you for all of your support. Let's have a great next four years.

(Applause.)

MR. MACEY: Thanks, Tom.

MR. BAKER: I promise to do three less proclamations this year as a result of that.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Before we take the roll call, I want to congratulate everyone that got elected. Thank you, and thank all the people that showed up here tonight also.

Okay. At this point we're --- now we're going to have a roll call.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: Here.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Catena?

MR. CATENA: Here.

MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco?

MR. DEMARCO: Here.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?

MR. FUTULES: Here.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?

MS. KIRK: Here.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?

MR. KLEIN: Here.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?

MR. MACEY: Here.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Martoni?

DR. MARTONI: Here.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Means?

MS. MEANS: Here.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?

MR. PALMIERE: Here.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Pamosina?

MR. PALMOSINA: Here.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Prizio?

MS. PRIZIO: Here.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Ranalli-Russell?

MS. RANALLI-RUSSELL: Here.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?

MR. WALTON: Here.  
MR. BARKER: Mr. DeFazio?  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Here.  
MR. BARKER: All members are present.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Okay.  
At this time, we're going to have --- open up  
for nominations for President of Council.  
MR. WALTON: Mr. President?  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Yes, sir.  
MR. WALTON: I'd like to nominate John DeFazio  
for President of Council.  
MR. MACEY: Second.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Okay. It doesn't have to be  
seconded, but that's fine.  
MR. MACEY: It's nice. Just showing support,  
buddy.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Representative Means?  
MS. MEANS: Thank you, President DeFazio. It's  
my honor to nominate Councilman Sam DeMarco for President  
of Allegheny County Council.  
As a former marine and as Sam --- and as a  
Member-at-large, Sam DeMarco has repeatedly demonstrated  
his leadership ability and worked tirelessly to promote  
the welfare of the citizens of Allegheny County.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Thank you.  
MR. BAKER: Second, if it needs a second.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Yeah, you don't have to ---.  
Any --- any other nominations? Once. Any other  
nominations? Twice. Any other nominations? Three times.  
Okay. At this point, Jared, take the vote.  
MR. BARKER: Mr. Baker?  
MR. BAKER: Councilman DeMarco.  
MR. BARKER: One vote for Mr. DeMarco. Mr.  
Catena?  
MR. CATENA: Councilman DeFazio.  
MR. BARKER: One vote for Mr. DeFazio. Mr.  
DeMarco?  
MR. DEMARCO: Councilman DeMarco.  
MR. BARKER: A second vote for Mr. DeMarco. Mr.  
Futules?  
MR. FUTULES: You got to vote for yourself. Did  
you --- oh, I didn't hear you say my name yet.  
MR. BARKER: I apologize, I did. Mr. Futules?  
MR. FUTULES: Councilman DeFazio.



Kirk? MR. BARKER: A second vote for Mr. DeFazio. Ms.

MS. KIRK: Councilman DeMarco.

Klein? MR. BARKER: A third vote for Mr. DeMarco. Mr.

MR. KLEIN: President DeFazio.

Macey? MR. BARKER: Third vote for Mr. DeFazio. Mr.

MR. MACEY: President DeFazio.

Martoni? MR. BARKER: Fourth vote for Mr. DeFazio. Mr.

DR. MARTONI: Mr. DeFazio.

Means? MR. BARKER: Fifth vote for Mr. DeFazio. Ms.

MS. MEANS: Councilman DeMarco.

Palmiere? MR. BARKER: Fourth vote for Mr. DeMarco. Mr.

MR. PALMIERE: Mr. DeFazio.

Palmosina? MR. BARKER: A fifth vote for Mr. DeFazio. Mr.

MR. PALMOSINA: President DeFazio.

Prizio? MR. BARKER: Sixth vote for Mr. DeFazio. Ms.

MS. PRIZIO: President DeFazio.

Ranalli-Russell? MR. BARKER: Seventh vote for Mr. DeFazio. Ms.

MS. RANALLI-RUSSELL: President DeFazio.

Walton? MR. BARKER: Eighth vote for Mr. DeFazio. Mr.

MR. WALTON: President DeFazio.

Mr. DeFazio? MR. BARKER: Mr. DeFazio gets a ninth vote. And

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: John DeFazio.

MR. BARKER: Mr. DeFazio has secured more than the eight votes necessary to be elected president.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: I want to thank everybody for their vote, the ones that voted for me and the ones that didn't. We're still going to try to do the job the best that we can work together. Thank you very much.

Okay. Okay. Did we --- we have presentation of certificates? We ---.

MR. BARKER: We have no proclamations or certificates.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: No public comment?

MR. BARKER: Nobody signed up.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Approval of the minutes,  
none?  
MR. BARKER: We have none to approve.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Presentation, no  
appointments?  
MR. BARKER: None were presented.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Unfinished business?  
MR. BARKER: We have none.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Liaison reports?  
Representative Futules?  
MR. FUTULES: I would like everybody in the  
audience to realize that Dr. Martoni and John DeFazio are  
the two original council people from the very beginning,  
and this is their 18th year. Congratulations, gentlemen.  
(Applause.)  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Don't I get a bonus for  
that?  
MR. FUTULES: Next year.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: New business, ordinances and  
resolutions, none?  
MR. BARKER: We have none.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: New business motions, none.  
New business, there's none. Notification of contracts,  
none.  
MR. BARKER: Nope.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Public comment on council  
items.  
MR. BARKER: We have nobody signed up for that  
either.  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Okay. At this ---.  
MR. MACEY: I make a motion to adjourn.  
(Chorus of seconds.)  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: All those in favor signify  
by saying aye.  
(Chorus of ayes.)  
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Opposed? The ayes have it.  
Thank you.  
(Applause.)

MEETING CONCLUDED AT 5:34 P.M.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify, as the stenographic reporter, that the foregoing proceedings were taken stenographically by me, and thereafter reduced to typewriting by me or under my direction; and that this transcript is a true and accurate record to the best of my ability.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jeremy Harris", is written over a horizontal line.

Jeremy Harris,

Court Reporter