

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	-	Council-At-Large
Thomas Baker	-	District 1
Cindy Kirk	-	District 2
Edward Kress	-	District 3
Michael J. Finnerty	-	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
James Ellenbogen	-	District 12
Denise Ranalli-Russell	-	District 13

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IN ATTENDANCE:

William McKain	-	Allegheny County Manager
Jared Barker	-	Director of Constituent Services
Joseph Catanese	-	Director of Legislative Services
Walter Szymanski	-	Budget Director
Jack Cambest	-	Council Solicitor

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Would you all rise for the Pledge of Allegiance and remain standing for silent prayer or reflection and at that time, Denise, Representative Denise Russell is going to say something on the silent prayer. After me ---.

(Pledge of Allegiance Recited.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Representative Denise Russell.

MS. RANALLI-RUSSELL: I want to take a moment to reflect on the late family that was killed in the fire in Bellevue. And they were a beautiful family. And they are now together in Heaven. And may their souls rest in peace.

(All say amen.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Thank you. We'll have a roll call.

MR. BARKER:	Mr. Baker?
MR. BAKER:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. DeMarco?
MR. DEMARCO:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Ellenbogen?
MR. ELLENBOGEN:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Finnerty?
MR. FINNERTY:	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. Kress?
MR. KRESS:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY:	Present.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Martoni?
DR. MARTONI:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Means?
MS. MEANS:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Ms. Ranalli-Russell?
MS. RANALLI-RUSSELL:	Here.
MR. BARKER:	Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON:	Present.
MR. BARKER:	President DeFazio?

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Here. 9556-16.

MR. BARKER: Proclamation congratulating Allegheny County Police Superintendent Charles Moffatt upon the occasion of his retirement after nearly 50 years of dedicated service to Allegheny County. Sponsored by Council Members Ellenbogen, Baker, DeFazio, DeMarco, Finnerty, Futules, Kirk, Klein, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Ranalli-Russell and Walton.

MR. ELLENBOGEN: Mr. President?

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Yes.

MR. ELLENBOGEN: It's my understanding that this Proc had been postponed.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Yes. I think that's right. We're going to hold that off 'til the next meeting; right? Let's move down to 9557-16.

MR. BARKER: Proclamation thanking Allegheny County Health Department Director Dr. Karen Hacker for hosting the Public Health 3.0 event on April 4th, 2016 and declaring April 4th through 10th, 2016 to be "National Public Health Week" in Allegheny County. Sponsored by Council Members Palmiere, Means, Baker, DeFazio, DeMarco, Ellenbogen, Finnerty, Futules, Kirk, Klein, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Ranalli-Russell and Walton.

MR. PALMIERE: They're not here.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: They're not here yet so we're going to come back to that. Let me know when they come we'll move on.

MR. PALMIERE: Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Okay. 9558-16.

MR. BARKER: Proclamation naming the month of April 2016 as Fair Housing Month in Allegheny County. Sponsored by Council Members Walton, DeFazio, DeMarco, Ellenbogen, Finnerty, Futules, Kirk, Klein, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere and Ranalli-Russell.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Do you want to ---? Is that --- they're not --- for you, too, also?

MR. FINNERTY; They're here.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Oh, okay.

MR. WETZEL: Nathan Wetzel. I'm with the Allegheny County Department of Economic Development. I would just like to thank the Council on behalf of Economic Development for this proclamation and for the support of Council for the Fair Housing Opportunity.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Hold on a minute.
Representative Palmiere, do you want to ---? Is that yours?

MR. WALTON: It's mine.

MR. PALMIERE: Oh, there he is.

MR. ELLENBOGEN: We like your spirit, though.
That's the first one ---.

MR. WALTON: Mr. President?

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: No, you go up there.

MR. WALTON: Oh, okay.

MR. ELLENBOGEN: We're in speed mode. That's a good man. He doesn't need the Proc.

MR. WALTON: WHEREAS, the 1968 Fair Housing Act guarantees the right to all Americans regardless of race, color, sex, national origins, religion, familiar status to live in the neighborhoods of their choice. That is one of the most important components of our national civil rights policy.

AND WHEREAS, Allegheny County has expanded the protective class to additionally include ancestry or place of birth, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, age, use of a guide or support animal because of blindness or because the user is a handler or trainer or support of guide animals or deafness or physical ability of any individual, independent contractor, or because of the disability of an individual with whom the person is known to have an association.

AND WHEREAS, although its non-discrimination policy is the law of the land, we must recognize that proper enforcement requires the continued cooperation of all levels of government, the real estate and home building industry and private citizens.

AND WHEREAS, throughout Allegheny County the spirit of collaboration is evident through the efforts of our federal, state and local governments and with the support of countless communities and nonprofit organizations.

AND WHEREAS, this County dedicates itself to promoting equal housing opportunity as an essential part of its larger mission of endorsing justice in all areas of life for all citizens. Allegheny County ensures its communities are open to all people and citizens may exercise freedom to choose where they live.

AND WHEREAS, the Month of April is set aside to acknowledge the 40th anniversary of the Fair Housing Act and the work of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Human Relations Commission of the County of Allegheny County, the Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations and the Fair Housing Partnership of Greater Pittsburgh which ensures the protection of fair housing rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Allegheny County Council hereby proclaims April 2016 as Fair Housing Month in Allegheny County. This County recognizes that everyone shares in the future of this great nation, and thanks the Fair Housing Act for reminding citizens not to take these freedoms for granted. Signed John DeFazio, President of Council, Joe Catanese, Allegheny County Council, for Allegheny County Council. Thank you. Congratulations.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Okay.

MR. WETZEL: Briefly, I don't think I can top that, but on behalf of the Department of Economic Development, we thank you for this proclamation and for the continuing support of Council and furthering fair housing opportunities throughout Allegheny County. Thank you.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Thank you. Come on up so we can take a picture.

(Pictures taken.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: 9559-16.

MR. BARKER: Proclamation declaring April 2nd, 2016 as World Autism Awareness Day and April 2016 to be Autism Awareness Month in Allegheny County. Sponsored by Council Members Martoni, Baker, DeFazio, DeMarco, Ellenbogen, Finnerty, Futules, Kirk, Klein, Kress, Macey, Means, Palmiere, Ranalli-Russell and Walton.

DR. MARTONI: Thanks for your patience. Thank you. This particular proclamation is declaring April 2nd, 2016 as World Autism Awareness Day. And Joe Kleppick is with me here as a board member of the Autism to speak for the Greater Pittsburgh Chapter. First, I'd like to read the proclamation and then have Joe say a few words.

WHEREAS, autism is the fastest growing, developmental disability in the United States. Let me repeat that, the fastest growing developmental disability

in the United States. Currently affecting more than three million people across the United States of America. And it is an urgent public health crisis that demands a national response.

AND WHEREAS, it is the result of neurological disorder that affects the normal functioning of the human brain, it can affect anyone regardless of race, ethnic group, gender or social economic background.

AND WHEREAS, symptoms and characteristics of autism may present themselves in a variety of combinations and can result in significant lifelong impairment of an individual's ability to learn, develop healthy interactive behaviors and understand verbal as well as nonverbal communications.

AND WHEREAS, while the effects to address autism continues, doctors, therapists, educators can help persons with this disease over come or adjust to its challenges by providing early accurate diagnosis and the resulting appropriate education, intervention, therapy that are so vital to an affected individual's growth and development.

AND WHEREAS, it should be the shared goal of all residents of our County, and in fact, of our country, to ensure that persons living with this particular ailment should have access to the lifelong care and services needed to pursue the fullest measure of personal happiness and achieve their greatest potential.

AND WHEREAS, Allegheny County is honored to take part in the annual observance of this awareness month and this day in the hope that it will lead to a better understanding of the disorder in our community and beyond.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Allegheny County Council hereby asks all County residents to help raise the public awareness and the many issues surrounding the disorder, and does hereby declare April 2nd as World Autism Awareness Day and April 2016 as Awareness Month in Allegheny County.

I'd like to introduce our guest here, Joe Kleppick, and he's going to speak on this. Joe, let me get out of your way.

(Applause.)

MR. KLEPPICK: Thank you, members of Council and President DeFazio. I really appreciate it. And I do all --- I work very hard for this organization because it benefits a lot of families across Allegheny County and western Pennsylvania. So thank you very much.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Come on up and get a picture.

(Pictures taken.)

MR. FUTULES: Come, Joe, we're giving them away today.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Pictures are free today.
9560-16.

MR. BARKER: Proclamation congratulating the Bethel Park Public Library upon the occasion of its 60th anniversary. Sponsored by Council Members Means and DeMarco.

MS. MEANS: Well, I'm really excited today to honor the Bethel Park Library. And I'm very excited that we have the director of the Bethel Park Library, Christine McIntosh; is that correct? It helps to be the name of an apple; right? But I'm just am really excited because this is my library. This is the library where I went when I was a child, the library where I took my children and my grandchildren. And just, you know, if you teach your children how to read and take them to a library, they can learn about anything. It's like if you can read, you can write, you can spell, the whole world --- you can learn about anything you want in the whole world. So we at County Council, we're really excited about libraries because they empower people's lives.

And before I read the proclamation --- do you want to say anything?

MR. DEMARCO: No.

MS. MEANS: I don't want to forget to say that Christine --- we're honored to have Christine here with us today. She's been the head director of the Bethel Park Library for eight years, and before that she was at Baldwin. And this weekend is our big fundraiser, so starting Friday, Saturday and Sunday is our book sale. And Sunday, you can get a bag of books for \$5. You don't want to pass up that great opportunity. I'm going to read this.

WHEREAS, in 1952 the Countryside Book Club, a group of civic-minded residents responding to the needs of a young and growing community, met with the objective of establishing the first public library in Bethel Park. I was one.

WSHEREAS, in October 1955, the Bethel Park Public Library opened in the basement of the Bethel Grade

School and moved to its current location at 5100 West Library Avenue in 1967.

WHEREAS, the Bethel Park Library, Public Library, provides access to books, materials, technology, which foster the love of reading, promote literacy, encourage economic growth and connect citizens to the digital world.

AND WHEREAS, the Bethel Park Library is a proud member of the Allegheny County Library Association, a federated library system serving all the residents in Allegheny County.

WHEREAS, the Bethel Park Public Library is an innovator of many award-winning services and programs that help support and enrich the lives of our citizens.

WHEREAS, the Bethel Park Public Library plays an integral part in the intellectual, educational and recreational health and wellbeing of our residents through its mission to provide services to inform, inspire and enrich the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Allegheny County does hereby recognize and congratulate the Bethel Park Public Library upon the occasion of its 60th anniversary. And we extend sincere gratitude to its trustees, its staff, its friends and volunteers, past and present, for their accomplishments, their commitment and their dedication to the municipality of Bethel Park and its residents. Sponsored by Council Member Sue Means and Sam DeMarco presented this, the 19th day of April, 2016.

(Applause.)

MS. MCINTOSH: On behalf of the Bethel Park Library, I just want to say thank you for this proclamation. And also to say thank you to County Council for recognizing and supporting the important role that libraries play in the education of all residents of Allegheny County. Thank you.

(Applause.)

(Pictures taken.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: 9561-16.

MR. BARKER: Certificate of Recognition presented to Mr. Richard C. Grove for his efforts to improve service at the Pittsburgh International Airport. Sponsored by Council Member Futules.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Come on, Groves, where are you at?

MR. FUTULES: Come on, Mr. Grove. By the way, nobody has noticed, but most of us are wearing blue that got the memo. I didn't, but I have blue glasses on. So I got that. But this is for Autism Month. That's why we're all wearing blue today.

So this is my friend, Richard Grove. He's from Pittsburgh. And he is a former Allegheny County construction worker, ---

MR. GROVE: Inspector.

MR. FUTULES: --- inspector, thank you, for the construction of this County. He also serves our County as a --- he's a former fire chief at Thad Stevens in Penn Hills as well. And he's the president of the fire company and what else? He's the state president. There you go. But before I do the proclamation, I have a real quick thing about Rich. He's on my speed dial. And every time he calls me, I see Rich Grove. So one day he called me a few years back and he said, Nick, he said, they're supposed to pave Lougeay Road. I want you get on the phone and tell them to get down here and pave my road immediately. Well, that day had passed. The next morning I see Rich Grove on my phone once again. I said, here we go again. He says, Nick, I don't know who you know and I don't know how you did it, but they showed up this morning. And I just want you to know the man who is responsible for that is in this room today. It's Jim Ellenbogen. Jim Ellenbogen, he's responsible.

MR. GROVE: I know Jim Ellenbogen.

MR. ELLENBOGEN: He knows me.

MR. FUTULES: Actually, it was a stroke of luck they showed up.

MR. ELLENBOGEN: At least remember to wear blue the next time.

MR. FUTULES: Thank you. I wanted to read this proclamation, but I'm going to read the bottom half because if I actually read this proclamation it's going to --- he won't have anything to say. And Rich was very instrumental, Mr. Grove was instrumental in helping to realize the improvement in service for arriving international passengers at the Pittsburgh International Airport. He serves as an inspiration to this Council and to the citizens of Allegheny County.

So with that, Mr. Grove, I would like you to tell everyone what you accomplished in this County. And just to let you know that, everybody in this room, when

you hear or see or think of something, he's a perfect example of one man who made a change at the County airport. Just one person. That's all it took. All yours.

(Applause.)

MR. GROVE: Boy, Nick didn't tell you that there's still a mess in front of my house at 317 Lougeay Road. Thanks a lot, Jim.

MR. ELLENBOGEN: It's not me no more.

MR. GROVE: Flying into Greater Pittsburgh International Airport is or was a stressful situation, a tremendous stress, tremendous problem. The process when I went --- I left Mexico. I went through the screening and TSA, and then into a secure area. Arriving at Greater Pitt, a process begins when you first go through immigration, customs, pick up your bags, and take them up and have them put on a belt and guess what you do? You go through TSA again. Why? I kept asking why. I got no answers. One time they made my wife take off her shoes and go through every bag that she had. Bear in mind, we just had this done when we left. It made no sense.

Subsequent journey, I came home on a split airline. By that I mean half was charter and half was paid. Our flight arrived here, I got off, went through the process, went through the TSA. And one of my bags could not come along. The TSA agent said she'll take it down to the belt. Fine. One hour later she came down. No bag. Where is it, I said. Cleveland. Huh? Which began an odyssey by my calling the Frontier Airlines who disavowed everything because in step TSA. After I don't know how many phone calls, I got a hold of a supervisor in Delaware. And I explained to him exactly what happened. And he said wait a minute. Were you getting off? Yes. Was the plane going on to Cleveland? Yes. Why weren't you on it? Because I'm here. My ticket lets me off here. Well, why did you go through TSA again? Huh? What do you think I've been asking for a long time? His comment was that's stupid. That's the only airport in the world that requires you to go through TSA before you go home. What kind of an airport situation do you have?

Well, that gentleman kind of built a fire in me. I got a hold of Nick and I, you know, told Nick. He said, well, go and to talk to Mr. Fitzgerald. Knowing I would see him at a function at Nick's, I told him everything that happened. He said get me a letter. I wrote him a

letter. I said, yeah, sure, another politician. I saw him at a function. I gave him the letter. He said thank you, put it in his pocket. That was on a Sunday. I said that's the last I'll hear about that.

Monday afternoon my phone rang. Richard, this is County Executive Rich Fitzgerald. I took your letter to the airport and Mrs. --- what's her name --- Cassotis, or close, read your letter, agreed with you, and would make immediate changes. I said, yeah, sure. A month later I came through the airport again and while taxiing up, the stewardess said you will now go directly to baggage claim. You will pass TSA. A week later I talked to my travel agent, and he said he was going on a trip to Mexico with him and his wife and five kids. I said, well, guess what? You're not going to have to go through TSA again. He said what happened. I told him. He said, thank you. You mean my wife and kids don't have to go through that again? I said yes. He says somebody needs to thank you. Well, this fine Council has just thanked me.

Imagine getting off a plane after a ten hour flight from Paris and having to go through this whole mess, actually, I cleaned that up. To have to go through everything again and go through your bags again and go through TSA again made no sense. So the people in charge understood this, realized it.

Yes, I am very proud and very happy. Like Nick said, when you see one thing and you have an answer take it to your people and get it done. Well, people in this County can be very thankful that they have a man like Rich Fitzgerald. He didn't just pass me off. He didn't just take this. He took it out to the airport. Ms. Cassotis also saw and answered the problem and solved it. So yeah, I couldn't have done it by myself. But there are thousands of people getting off at our airport that are no longer inconvenienced. I am very proud and happy that I could do such a thing. But I'm also thankful to Mr. Fitzgerald and Ms. Cassotis and my friend Nick, who put me on the right path to the Council and Nick and Johnny, this honor I appreciate very much. Thank you.

(Applause.)

MR. FUTULES: What a testimony.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Come up and take a picture.

(Pictures taken.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: 9562-16.

MR. BARKER: Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 Moon Area High School Gymnastics Team for winning Gold in the Pennsylvania Classic State Championship. Sponsored by Council Member Baker.

MR. BAKER: Thank you, Mr. President. Could we have our Moon Gymnastic Team come on up? If we could have the coaches and the members of the team? Congratulations.

(Applause.)

MR. BAKER: So this is the team that won the gold in the Pennsylvania Classic State Championship. We're glad to have a future Mary Lou Retton, a future Shannon Miller and a future Shawn Johnson here with us today along with Coach Amy. Coach Amy has been coaching since 1980. Sorry to reference the date. But that's a long time. That's 36 years of coaching a terrific team and we're really proud that District 1 was represented at the State level. And that the three of you came home with first place. So congratulations on your success both in the classroom and also through gymnastics. Coach Amy, thanks for your decades of leadership in the community and all the good that you do through the team. So we'll get to know you guys in just a second, but we'll read the Proclamation.

This Certificate of Achievement is awarded to the 2015-2016 Moon Area High School Gymnastic Team in recognition of winning the 2016 Gold Division at the PA State Classic. We commend and recognize each player and coach whose determination resolve led to this achievement. The team has set a positive example of excellence for all of Allegheny County, continuing evidence that this is the County of Champions. Not just the City of Champions, but the County of Champions. This achievement has conferred honor on this County, and is an accomplishment in which the entire community can be proud. Sponsored by myself and passed by all of Council here today. So congratulations to our three athletes and to Coach Amy. Coach Amy, if you want to speak first, we have awards for everyone. So congratulations to Moon Gymnastics.

(Applause.)

MR. BAKER: And we usually do --- when student athletes come, we just usually have you introduce yourself and say your grade --- and what else do we do usually? Yeah, that'll work.

MS. PAWUK: My name is Amanda Pawuk and I'm in tenth grade.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: If you want to say a few words while you're up there, go ahead.

MS. PAWUK: Thank you for recognizing us. This is --- we never been here before so this is very cool. Thank you again.

MS. BOOKSER: My name is Leah Bookser and I am in ninth grade.

MR. BAKER: Where was the state championship held at?

MS. BOOKSER: It was held at the Moon High School, and schools from all over the state came to compete.

MS. KONLEY: My name is Nikki Konley, and I'm in ninth grade. And I'm thankful to be here with my team.

(Applause.)

MS. CAPRINO: Just thank you again for recognizing the girls for all their hard work. Thank you.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Come on up for a picture. Come on up.

(Pictures taken.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: We're going to skip one and go back again. But we're going to go with 9564-16.

MR. BARKER: Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 North Allegheny Senior High School competitive spirit team for winning the WPIAL Class AAA competitive spirit championship. Sponsored by Council Member Kirk.

(Applause)

MS. KIRK: Okay. Well, they're the spirit group. Let's look peppy. You're the peppy group.

So this is the North Allegheny Competitive Spirit Team, or as us older ones think of, cheerleaders. But they're not like the cheerleaders of our day. They're very different. They're very much more skilled than we might have been. We just yelled cheer and they do a lot of gymnastics, exactly. A lot of gymnastic skills and it's very impressive. Not only are they skilled with the gym, but they also have to do it in unison. And that's where the competition comes in. It's choreographed which makes it like a dance and cheerleading and gymnastics. So they're a very large group of talented girls here from North Allegheny. So on with the proclamation.

This Certificate of Achievement is awarded to the 2015-'16 North Allegheny Senior High School competitive spirit team in recognition of winning the 2016 WPIAL Class AAA competitive spirit championship.

We commend and recognize each player and coach whose determination and resolve led to this achievement. This team has set a positive example of excellence for all of Allegheny County, continuing evidence that is the County of Champions.

This achievement has confirmed honor on this County as an accomplishment which the entire community can be proud. And that we are very proud of all the work and all the things that you guys do. You set a good example for us so thank you. And the booster mom who helped me get the ---.

MS. CARREL: On behalf of North Allegheny, NA Cheer Boosters and our coaches, we would like to thank Council for recognizing the ladies. As Cindy said, cheerleading has change significantly over the years. These ladies season starts in May and generally finishes in April. In addition, the competitive cheerleading has been recognized by the WPIAL, this is the third year, so we're very pleased and honored to take home this trophy.

In addition, we have another special thing this year. It is for the first time we will graduate two senior, four year lettermen for cheerleading. So with that I would like to ask the ladies to step forward and introduce themselves. And again, we thank you for this recognition.

(Applause.)

MS. BAZO: Hi, I'm Cory Bazo. I am a senior.

JACQUELINE: Hi, I'm Jacqueline. I'm also a senior.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: We'll cheer at the end for everybody.

MS. CARREL: Why don't you after you introduce yourself go up front so we can get ready for the photograph?

MS. BITTNER: I'm Madison Bittner and I'm a junior.

MS. FAZIO: I'm Cameron Fazio and I'm a junior.

MS. ATKINS: I'm Taylor Atkins and I'm a sophomore.

MS. KIRK: And she did suffer this through this sport so she gave it all.

MS. RUTAN: I'm Morgan Rutan and I'm a junior.
MS. ZIPPLE: I'm Sara Zipple (phonetic) and I'm
a sophomore.
MS. RUNIET: I'm Rachel Runiet (phonetic) and
I'm a senior.
MS. YEAGER: I'm Becca Yeager and I'm a
sophomore.
MS. FINLAND: I'm Anna Finland (phonetic) and I'm
a sophomore.
MS. BURNETTO: I'm Maria Burnetto (phonetic) and
I'm a junior.
MS. GLOSSO: I'm Anna Glosso (phonetic) and I'm
a sophomore.
MS. SHERMAN: I'm Gretchen Sherman and I am a
junior.
MS. FERRARO: I'm Payton Ferraro (phonetic) and
I'm a junior.
MS. GROOM: I'm Katie Groom (phonetic) and I'm a
sophomore.
MS. KIRK: What a wonderful group of girls.
Huh?

(Applause.)

MS. KIRK: Can I just point out do you notice
how they choreograph themselves to come up to the mic?

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: You guys are probably going
to have to like a double line. Put the shorter ones up
front.

MR. ELLENBOGEN: They're all short.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Well, the shorter of the
two.

MR. ELLENBOGEN: You're making friends fast.
(Pictures taken.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Ed, did your group come?
Okay. We're now going to go back to 9564-16.

MR. BARKER: I'm sorry, 9563?

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Is this 63 we didn't get?

MR. BARKER: Mr. Kress' presentation to Hampton
High School?

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Yeah, that's right, 63.

MR. BARKER: Certificates of Achievement awarded
to the Hampton High School Gymnastic Team for winning the
2016 WPIAL Gymnastic Team Championship. Sponsored by
Council Member Kress.

MR. KRESS: Can we have the Hampton High School
gymnastic team come up, please?

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: A couple of you can go on the other side of Representative Kress so you can be seen on TV.

MR. KRESS: Pardon me?

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Tell a couple of them to go on the other side.

MR. KRESS: Go on the other side, here.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: A couple, yeah.

MR. KRESS: Is that enough, John?

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Yeah.

MR. KRESS: First of all, I have to say it's a great achievement. You know, gymnastics itself, it's something that was started in ancient Greece so it was continued with the ancient Romans. It fell in disuse for a number of years, but then it's seen a resurgence in the past so many years. I think was it Nadia Comaneci in the Olympics? I think it was like 1976. We've had Mary Lou Retton. So I mean, again, now, gymnastics itself is a spectacular sport so you should be proud of what you're doing. And congratulations on everything. And I'd like to read this Certificate of Achievement.

This Certificate of Achievement is awarded to the 2015-2016 Hampton High School girls' gymnastic team in recognition of winning the 2016 WPIAL Gymnastic Championship. We commend and recognize each player and coach whose determination resolve led to this achievement. This team has set a positive example of excellence for all of Allegheny County, continued evidence that this is a County of Champions. This achievement had conferred honor on this County and is an accomplishment in which the entire community can be proud.

So this'll be --- I'd just like to say congratulations again. So thank you.

(Applause.)

MR. KRESS: Does anybody want to come up and speak for the team or ---? Okay. And your name is ---?

MS. DONNELLY: My name is Megan.

MR. KRESS: Megan Donnelly?

MS. DONNELLY: Yes.

MR. KRESS: Here you go.

MS. DONNELLY: Hi, Council. Thank you so much for the recognition. We are very fortunate. We started the team three years ago. In the past two years we were WPIAL champions undefeated and section champs. And I'd

like to say thanks to our coach. Unfortunately he just had surgery so he was not able to be here. So thank you, though.

(Applause.)

MR. KRESS: Very well done. We have Katrina Jones. Do you want to say anything?

MS. JONES: No.

MR. KRESS: That's fine. We'll keep it moving then. Mary Kirk. Allison Sullivan. There you go. Mariah Oliver. Mara (changes pronunciation) Oliver. Okay. Very good. Well, I guess we'll just take the picture.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Come up and take a picture.

(Pictures taken.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Congratulations everybody. 9565-16 and the rest will be read into the record.

MR. BARKER: 9565-16, a Proclamation declaring Friday, April 29th, 2016 to be YMCA Greater Pittsburgh Stand Against Racism Day in Allegheny County. Sponsored by Council Member Baker.

9566-16. Proclamations congratulating The Honorable Terrence F. McVerry, recipient of the Judge Robert E. Dauer Award for Judicial Leadership & Excellence, Ken Gormley, Esquire, recipient of The Judge James R. McGregor Award, and Dorie Bayen Schnippert, recipient of Special Recognition at the Amen Corner's 56th Annual Judicial Reception on April 27th, 2016. Sponsored by Council Members DeFazio, DeMarco, Ellenbogen, Finnerty, Futules, Kirk, Klein, Kress, Macey, Martoni, Means, Palmiere, Ranalli-Russell and Walton.

9567-16. Proclamation congratulating the Pittsburgh Kiwanis Club Number 3 upon the occasion of its 100th Anniversary. Sponsored by Council Member Finnerty.

9568-16. Certificate of Achievement awarded to Mr. Alexander Costa of Boy Scout Troop 504 upon earning the rank of Eagle Scout. Sponsored by Council Member Futules.

9569-16. Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 Quaker Valley High School boys' swim team for winning the WPIAL Class AA boys' swimming championship. Sponsored by Council Member Baker and Kirk.

9570-16. Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 Bishop Canevin High School ice hockey team

for winning the PIHL Class AA Penguins Cup. Sponsored by Council Member Ellenbogen.

9571-16. Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 Bishop Canevin High School girls' basketball team for winning the WPIAL Class AA girls' basketball championship. Sponsored by Council Member Ellenbogen.

9572-16. Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 South Fayette High School girls' basketball team for winning the WPIAL Class AAA girls' basketball championship. Sponsored by Council Member Finnerty.

9573-16. Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 Pittsburgh Allderdice High School boys' basketball team for winning the City League boys' basketball championship. Sponsored by Council Members Klein and Baker.

9574-16. Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 North Allegheny Senior High School boys' swim team for winning the WPIAL Class AAA boys' swimming championship. Sponsored by Council Member Kirk.

9575-16. Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 North Allegheny Senior girls' swim team for winning the WPIAL Class AAA girls' swimming championship. Sponsored by Council Member Kirk.

9576-16. Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 Pine Richland High School boys' basketball team for winning the WPIAL Class AAAA boys' basketball championship. Sponsored by Council Member Kirk.

9577-16. Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 Vincentian Academy girls' basketball team for winning the WPIAL Class A girls' basketball championship. Sponsored by Council Member Kirk.

9578-16. Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 Shady Side Academy girls' swim team for winning the WPIAL Class AA girls' swimming championship. Sponsored by Council Member Kress.

9579-16. Certificates of Achievement awarded to the 2015-2016 Pittsburgh Obama Academy girls' basketball team for winning the City League girls' basketball championship. Sponsored by Council Member Walton.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: We do have one speaker, Yvonne Brown. Is Yvonne Brown here? I don't see Yvonne Brown. Okay. Moving right along. Going down to Approval of Minutes, we ---.

MR. BARKER: They didn't arrive in time for the agenda.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Okay. We have a Presentation of Appointments. Committee on Appointment Review, Second Reading. 9502-16.

MR. BARKER: Approving the reappointment of Robert J. Lewis to serve as a member of the Allegheny County Airport Authority for a term to expire on December 31st, 2020. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Representative Kress?

MR. KRESS: Thank you, Mr. President. Robert J. Lewis appeared before the Committee on Appointment Review on April 13th, 2016 where the Committee itself affirmatively recommended his reappointment to the Airport Authority. So I'd like to make a motion to approve.

MR. MACEY: Second.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Under remarks? Seeing none, all those in favor signify by saying aye.

(Ayes respond.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Opposed? The ayes have it. 9531-16.

MR. BARKER: Approving the reappointment of Barbara Parees to serve as a member of the Allegheny HealthChoices, Inc. Board for a term to expire on December 31st, 2019. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Representative Kress?

MR. KRESS: Thank you, Mr. President. Barbara Parees appeared on April 13th, 2016 --- excuse me, 2016 appeared before the Appointment Review Committee and there was a positive recommendation for appointment to the Allegheny HealthChoice Board. I'd like to make a motion to approve.

MR. MACEY: Second.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Under remarks? Seeing none, all those in favor signify by saying aye.

(Ayes Respond.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Opposed? The ayes have it. 9532-16.

MR. BARKER: Approving the reappointment of Councilman Michael Finnerty to serve as a member of the Conservation District Board for a term to expire on December 31st, 2019. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Representative Kress?

MR. KRESS: Thank you, Mr. President. Councilman Michael Finnerty appeared before the Appointment Review Committee on April 13th, 2016. At that time the Committee made an affirmative recommendation for

reappointment to the Conservation District Board. I'd like to make a motion to approve.

MR. MACEY: Second.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Under remarks?
Representative Ellenbogen.

MR. ELLENBOGEN: I just wanted to say ---. No, I'm just kidding. I just wanted to say that Mike does an inordinate amount of work, volunteer work and stuff in this area, and I just wanted to recognize him for it. He's a great appointment to this Board. Thank you.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: All those in favor signify by saying aye.

(Ayes respond.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Opposed? The ayes have it.
9534-16.

MR. BARKER: Approving the appointment of Ruthann Omer to serve as a member of the Conservation District Board for a term to expire on December 31st, 2016. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Representative Kress?

MR. KRESS: Thank you, Mr. President. Ruthann Omer appeared before the Committee on Appointment Review on April 13th, 2016. At that time the Committee made an affirmative recommendation for her appointment to the Conservation District Board. I'd like to make a motion to approve.

MR. MACEY: Second.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Under remarks? Seeing none, all those in favor signify by saying aye.

(Ayes respond.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Opposed? The ayes have it.
9548-15.

MR. BARKER: A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2016, Submission Number 02-16. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Representative Finnerty?

MR. FINNERTY: Thank you. This was released from Committee with an affirmative recommendation. I move for its approval.

MR. MACEY: Second.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Under remarks? Seeing none, we'll take a roll call vote.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: Aye.

MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco?
MR. DEMARCO: Aye.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Ellenbogen?
MR. ELLENBOGEN: Aye.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Finnerty?
MR. FINNERTY: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?
MR. FUTULES: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?
MS. KIRK: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?
MR. KLEIN: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Kress?
MR. KRESS: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Martoni?
DR. MARTONI: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Means?
MS. MEANS: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Ranalli-Russell?
MS. RANALLI-RUSSELL: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON: Aye.
MR. BARKER: President DeFazio?
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ayes, 15; nays, 0. The motion

passes.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: 9506-16.

MR. BARKER: An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing Paramount Pictures Corporation to use certain County-owned real and personal property in connection with filming a motion picture. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Representative Macey?

MR. MACEY: Thank you, Mr. President. The Public Works Committee met on April 6th, and this particular Ordinance was sent to the full Council with an affirmative recommendation. And therefore, I make a motion to approve.

MR. ELLENBOGEN: Second.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Under remarks? Seeing none, we'll take a roll call vote.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Baker?
MR. BAKER: Aye.
MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco?
MR. DEMARCO: Aye.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Ellenbogen?
MR. ELLENBOGEN: Aye.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Finnerty?
MR. FINNERTY: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?
MR. FUTULES: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?
MS. KIRK: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?
MR. KLEIN: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Kress?
MR. KRESS: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Martoni?
DR. MARTONI: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Means?
MS. MEANS: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Ranalli-Russell?
MS. RANALLI-RUSSELL: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON: Yes.
MR. BARKER: President DeFazio?
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ayes, 15: nays, 0. The motion

passes.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: 9525-16.

MR. BARKER: An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission to construct Wetland Mitigation Site on approximately 0.519 acres of land in Hartwood Acres Park, authorizing the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission to make improvements to the Wetland Mitigation Site at no cost to the County. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Representative ---.

MR. MACEY: That's me.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Mr. Macey.

MR. MACEY: Thank you, Mr. President. The Public Works Committee met on April 6th and this was well vetted by the Committee as well as the other Council persons that were in attendance. And it was sent to the full Council with affirmative recommendation. And I make a motion to approve.

MR. PALMIERE: Second.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Under remarks?
Representative ---.

MS. MEANS: Yes. I just want to talk about this Ordinance a little bit. When I first heard that we were going to create a wetland in the park, I became concerned that we were going to be coming to entangled with the federal government. And they would --- and that maybe the wetland would have to be a wetland forever, and we can never develop there. So I did some research on my own and I found out that, you know, if we would want to develop there and it isn't in an isolated part of the park, if we would want to develop there later we could, but we would have to create another wetland in another part of the park.

The other thing is I just, you know, the EPA is not involved in this action at all, and it very narrowly involved the Pennsylvania DEP as well. And so there's absolutely no claim at all that the federal government or the state government could swoop down and take more control of other parts of our parks because we've opened this wetland.

So I feel very comfortable moving forth with this Ordinance and thank you for recognizing me.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Thank you. Any other ---?
Seeing no other, we'll have a roll call vote.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: Aye.

MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco?

MR. DEMARCO: Aye.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Ellenbogen?

MR. ELLENBOGEN: Aye.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Finnerty?

MR. FINNERTY: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?

MR. FUTULES: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?

MS. KIRK: Yes.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?

MR. KLEIN: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Kress?
MR. KRESS: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Martoni?
DR. MARTONI: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Means?
MS. MEANS: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Ranalli-Russell?
MS. RANALLI-RUSSELL: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON: Aye.
MR. BARKER: President DeFazio?
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ayes, 15: nays, 0. The motion

passes.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: 9526-16.

MR. BARKER: An Ordinance authorizing the County of Allegheny to sell a 6,399 square foot parcel of excess vacant real estate, located on Desdemona Avenue, adjacent to Brown's Hill Road, in the 15th Ward, City of Pittsburgh, tax parcel No. 89-C-64, for the fair market value amount of \$7,400,000, to Joel H. Kranich and Annette Kranich. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Representative Macey?

MR. MACEY: Thank you, Mr. President. This Ordinance was well vetted on April 6th, 1916 and the Committee sent this Ordinance to the full Council with an affirmative recommendation.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: You made the ---?

MR. PALMIERE: Second.

MR. FINNERTY: He didn't make a motion.

MR. MACEY: I make that motion. Absolutely.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: And it was seconded by Representative Palmiere. Under remarks? Seeing none, we'll take the roll call vote.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Baker?

MR. BAKER: Aye.

MR. BARKER: Mr. DeMarco?

MR. DEMARCO: Aye.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Ellenbogen?

MR. ELLENBOGEN: Aye.

MR. BARKER: Mr. Finnerty?
MR. FINNERTY: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Futules?
MR. FUTULES: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Kirk?
MS. KIRK: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Klein?
MR. KLEIN: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Kress?
MR. KRESS: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Macey?
MR. MACEY: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Martoni?
DR. MARTONI: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Means?
MS. MEANS: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Palmiere?
MR. PALMIERE: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ms. Ranalli-Russell?
MS. RANALLI-RUSSELL: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Mr. Walton?
MR. WALTON: Aye.
MR. BARKER: President DeFazio?
PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Yes.
MR. BARKER: Ayes, 15; nays, 0. The motion

passes.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Liaison Reports. Anyone have a ---? Go ahead, Representative ---.

MS. MEANS: The last time we met I shared with everyone that on the ballot --- I want to remind people to vote next week. Tuesday is Election Day. And I told the viewers last time that there would be an amendment to the Pennsylvania Constitution raising the age of Judges from 70 to 75 if the voters vote for it. Fortunately, it's been held up in the Senate Rules Committee so it will be on the ballot in November. So you'll have the opportunity to vote for or against raising the ages of judges in Pennsylvania from 70 to 75. Thank you.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Thank you. Thanks. Any other ---?

MS. KIRK: Well, Sue, actually that amendment will be on, physically on the ballot ---

MS. MEANS: Oh, really?

MS. KIRK: --- this election. There are lawsuits against it. I just checked with the election bureau

today. It will appear. We will vote on it one way or the other. It will not count for anything because there are court cases all over the place on it. So you will see it when you go to vote. There will be a spot to vote for it one way or the other.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Thank you.

MS. MEANS: Thank you.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Any other remarks?
Representative Finnerty.

MR. FINNERTY: I'd just like to remind everybody as what's been said, that April 26th is a day to vote and the polls are open at 7:00 and close at 8:00. Get out and vote. Thank you.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Any other remarks? Go ahead.

MR. KRESS: I just wanted to say a statement real quick. This pertains to what happened last Wednesday in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I left here --- we had a hearing that day with Appointment Review. I actually left here with Mr. Lewis, Robert Lewis, who was reappointed to the Airport Authority. And we were walking up Fifth Avenue, and there was actually no traffic at the time, but the police had cordoned off the street. And all of sudden a group of individuals, I guess, were protesting, I guess, Donald Trump coming into town. They were marching down by CONSOL Energy and they were using vulgarities the whole way down. And they had a sign up there basically with vulgarity towards Mr. Trump. But what bothered me was the fact is I didn't understand why the police actually were giving them an escort. Why they didn't actually have to take a bus over? I didn't understand that.

But based on what people had complained to me is that these individuals were led down to the Convention Center. And I guess some of the witnesses told me they followed them down, and I guess at that point with the police escort, they got down to the Convention Center and they like dispersed in the area. There was --- like there was no cordon there at the time. And of course, I talked to some members of the Pittsburgh Police. I guess they were maybe trying to create an area for these people to protest, but I guess that did not occur.

Later on, I came up to the Convention Center around seven o'clock. At that time, it was almost pure chaos. You had people waiting in line trying to get into

the Convention Center while people were screaming at them and using vulgarities.

At that time, also, there was individuals who had black masks on, and were carrying like, I guess, like sticks and clubs around, which concerned me. So I actually went in. Of course, I have to say we did have our regulars there, too. Mel Packer was there, by the way. So I mean, you're probably familiar with some of the protesters there. But I have to say in all fairness, I'd not seen Mel Packer engaging in any activity which I would be ashamed of. But there was people there screaming in line. And I mean, the police were there, but I actually walked through the line of protesters to see what was going on. I was not harassed by anybody; okay? But I made it to the end and, you know, again, these people were screaming, yelling. And I saw two elderly people who had hats on that said Donald Trump, and I was kind of worried for their safety. I actually personally escorted them out of this area.

At that point, I was wondering why the protesters, if you even want to call them protesters, had not been in a separate section. I don't know exactly what happened. But later on that night --- I mean, I was with the sheriff's deputies. I think we had six sheriff's deputies there. I think the County police came later. But I spoke to some of the sheriff's deputies. Some of them were spit on. I know some of the Pittsburgh Police were actually injured at that point. They did not have riot gear on. I know they --- I believe they did ask for riot gear, but they were not afforded that riot gear. I talked to some Pittsburgh police officers. I think somebody threw bottles at them. Our County Police showed up. They were in full riot gear.

And I have to commend, first of all, the police for doing what they do. I support them wholeheartedly. It was a tough situation. But again, when it goes back to these people with the masks and the clubs or whatever they were walking around with, I mean, who are these people? I don't know if they're being investigated or not, but I know three of these individuals were arrested for assaulting police officers. I think they were actually pepper sprayed. Originally, people thought the police were pepper spraying these individuals, but in fact, they were, in fact, sprayed, pepper sprayed by these individuals, these anarchists.

So my concern is is that we have a convention center. You know, we do a lot to try to promote the conventions coming into Pittsburgh. I think this was a big --- I mean, how can you say it? If I was thinking about having a convention here, I may think twice about it. You know, we have different organizations that may want to come in here. For example, the natural gas industry, whoever else. I think safety is paramount to --- when people come in to visit Pittsburgh. So whatever happens --- hopefully, they'll review what occurred that day. But again, I am very concerned about these people who were down there because I don't think they were there to protest. They were there to cause trouble. And I saw it with my own eyes. I mean, they were basically --- and I have to say they were harassing elderly people, people with children. There was women down there that took their shirts off. They were walking around naked, topless. And I know we've looked into this. Jared Barker and I have looked into this. I mean, I guess, accordingly you're allowed to do this, but still I don't see what the point was for all this.

So again, whatever event we have at the Convention Center, I want our guests to feel welcome in this County. So I wanted to just point that out. Thank you.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Thank you. Representative Palmiere?

MR. PALMIERE: Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to remind everyone May 1st is the Pittsburgh Marathon. We've got 40,000-some people running, hopefully. Of course, some of us --- some people say, you know, we runners are crazy, but ---. And I think it's a grain of truth to that. But I'm hoping everyone comes out and shows support. And that's one of the wonderful aspects and one of the wonderful things about Pittsburgh. This marathon has really become internationally known and respected. And hope you all come out to cheer us on. Thank you very much, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Thank you. Representative Finnerty?

MR. FINNERTY: Thank you. I'd just like to remind everybody that Earth Day is coming 2016. And it's a day to clean up some litter. And Allegheny County has put forth some dates and I'm just not --- name them all.

But Wednesday, the 20th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. people are meeting at the Medical examiner's office.

MR. ELLENBOGEN: That's a great place.

MR. FINNERTY: That's right. And Friday, the 22nd at the County Courthouse, right here, from 11:00 to 1:00 and at Shuman Center, Wednesday, the 27th, from 11:00 to 1:00. So just a reminder it is Earth Day in most of the communities out there, in the clean-up mode. So if you're in a community and they have a Earth Day event, please participate in it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Seeing no other hands, we'll move on. We missed Yvonne Brown. If you want to come up and speak?

MS. BROWN: My name is Yvonne Brown. I live at 715 Mercer Street, Apartment 105, Pittsburgh, 15219. I'm giving you my address because I would like the Representative of my community to please answer these questions. I have --- I wrote --- for me to speak about this Fitzgerald has --- he's going to amend his grants and so on. It says --- well, you know what the bill is. I'm sorry. I'm asking Fitzgerald to amend his grants in order that a bus be able to get the senior citizens from K. Leroy Irvis to Mercy Hospital at the bottom of the hill instead of having to go through town.

Also, there's a lady that lives at 1917 Westor Avenue. She is elderly, on a walker. She has a son that's 50, and he's mentally challenged. She caught me downtown. She said, Yvonne, I can make it from two blocks down to Shop 'N Save. That's where you want us to shop. She must take a bus home because he don't have \$5 to take a jitney to get back up the hill. Two blocks, sir. Two blocks. K. Leroy Irvis fought to get that building for the seniors. I'm also a senior, too.

I am speaking for the ones that are not able to be able to move like I can or even come to speak to you. The seniors really want you and City Council to come up to K. Leroy Urbis so they can talk to you. We also have a health hazard. They have the piles of dirt, gravel and so and they don't cover it. It comes up to the Hill. And the citizens are having a hard time.

Also, we're asking that Zappala make known that the five people that were killed in Wilkinsburg, they had a paper, in the City paper, the police would not answer their calls. The woman said why wouldn't you? The only reason I'm bringing this up is on the radio they were

taking about us as black people. Five people killed and nobody is saying nothing. But if we don't print it, if you don't print that the woman said why won't you call. Even the detective left a card. The man called him, a citizen, and he won't call. I'm saying it because if they can tell you who it is. Moffatt, that just retired, I just saw him when I was signing up to speak last time, I said, Moffatt, you got problems. Will you please tell him we need two police to be at the scene, 48 hours talking to the people. Not come back two or three weeks because they tell you, they won't tell you. Moffatt can't come back two or three weeks then we're ---. Please consider us, please. Thank you.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Thank you. Okay. 9580-16.

MR. BARKER: An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing use of the parking facilities at Hartwood by the United States Gold Association for parking for the U. S. Open Golf Tournament. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: That'll go the Parks Committee. 9581-16.

MR. BARKER: An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing CR JRS CHIP, Inc., trading and doing business as The First Tee of Pittsburgh, First Tee, to conduct golf clinics at the North Park and South Park Golf Courses and conduct a series of golf clinics. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: That'll go into the Parks Committee. 9582-16.

MR. BARKER: An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the use of real property along North Ridge Drive in the County's North Park by the Town of McCandless. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: That'll go into the Parks Committee. 9583-16.

MR. BARKER: An Ordinance of the County of Allegheny, Pennsylvania, authorizing the incurrence of nonelectorial debt by the issuance of: (i) one or more series of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series C-75, or by other such name(s) as designated by the County, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$309,500,000, the C-75 Bonds, and (ii) one or more series of General Obligation Bonds, Series C-76, or by such other name(s) as designated by the County, in an aggregate principal amount

not to exceed \$115,000,000, the C-76 Bonds and collectively with the C-75 Bonds, the Bonds. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: That'll go into Budget and Finance. 9584-16.

MR. BARKER: A Resolution of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, authorizing participation in the 2016 Nursing Home Intergovernmental Transfer Program proposed by the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services; authorizing the transfer of funds as required by the said program and further granting authorization for any and all lawful actions necessary to effectuate Allegheny County's participation in said program. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: That'll go into the Health and Human Services Committee. 9585-16.

MR. BARKER: A Resolution of the County of Allegheny amending the Grants and Special Accounts Budget for 2016, Submission Number 03-16. Sponsored by the Chief Executive.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: That'll go into Budget and Finance Committee. 9586-16.

MR. BARKER: Motion of the Council of Allegheny County authorizing the establishment of a program geared towards providing internships for individuals aged 50 and over within the Office of County Council. Sponsored by Council Member Kress.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: That'll go into Government Reform Committee. No --- Government Reform. 9587-16.

MR. BARKER: Communication summarizing approved Executive Actions from March 1st, 2016 through March 31st, 2016.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: That's a communication for the approval from the March 1st, 2016 to March 31st. Someone want to make a motion for that?

MR. FINNERTY: Motion to file.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Someone second it?

MR. KLEIN: Second.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Under remarks? Seeing none, all those in favor signify by saying aye.

(Ayes respond.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Opposed? The ayes have it. There's nothing on Public Comment for General Items. Someone want to make a motion to adjourn?

MR. FINNERTY: You got it.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Someone want to second?

MR. PALMIERE: Second.

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: All those in favor signify
by saying aye.

(Ayes respond.)

PRESIDENT DEFAZIO: Opposed? The ayes have it.
Meeting adjourned. Thank you.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:17 P.M.

CERTIFICATE

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