

COUNCIL CONNECTION



SEPTEMBER 2017

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UPCOMING REGULAR MEETINGS:

Tuesday, September 26 at 5pm

****Tuesday, October 10 at 5pm**

Tuesday, October 24 at 5pm

****It is anticipated that the Chief Executive will present his Budget Message and Comprehensive Fiscal Plan at the Oct. 10th meeting to Council.**

***Note that ALL Regular Council Meetings take place in the Gold Room of the Allegheny County Courthouse.**

County Council Honors Six Local Officers

On August 25, 2017, the Honorable Members of Allegheny County Council, along with U.S. Representative Mike Doyle, County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, City of Pittsburgh Mayor William Peduto, Acting US Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania Soo C. Song, and other local officials recognized six local law enforcement officers for their acts of heroism in a ceremony held in the County Courthouse.

The six officers were recognized for risking their lives while responding to an active shooter report in Pittsburgh's Knoxville neighborhood on June 22, 2015. Each of the officers - Sheriff's Office Lieutenant Kevin Faulds (a sergeant at the time of the incident), Port Authority Police Officer Joseph DelSole, and Pittsburgh Police officers Lieutenant Anthony Palermo, Sergeant James Vogel, and Detectives William Friburger Jr. and David Honick - came under fire while participating in the effort to subdue the carjacker.

Council Member DeMarco represented Allegheny County Council at the ceremony, and presented each of the officers with a proclamation from County Council praising their actions that day.



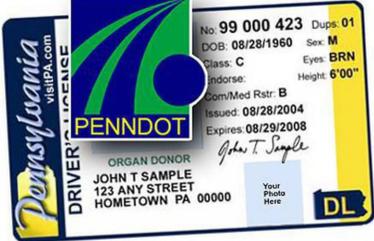


PRE-EMPLOYMENT
REAL ESTATE TAX
VERIFICATION POLICY

Effective September 5, 2017, a pre-employment background process was implemented. It includes a check of the status of a prospective full time employee’s Allegheny County real estate tax. The Real Estate Tax Verification Policy will apply to candidates for full-time positions under the Executive branch who receive a conditional offer of employment. Candidates who are delinquent in payment of real estate taxes on any owned property must make arrangements to sufficiently satisfy the delinquency prior to receiving a final offer of employment. As always, all final offers must be ultimately approved by the County Manager.

REAL ID

“Pennsylvania is under a REAL ID enforcement extension until October 10, 2017, which means that Pennsylvania residents will not face access issues when entering federal facilities through that date.



Under the federal REAL ID Act, beginning January 22, 2018, residents in states which have not come into compliance with federal requirements or obtained an extension will need to show an alternative form of identification such as a passport at airports and when accessing federal buildings and military bases.

PennDOT will continue to request extensions from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security until REAL ID products are available for residents. Under Act 3, no Pennsylvania resident will be required to get a REAL ID-compliant driver license or identification card, but residents who choose to do so will be able to use those forms of identification when the new federal requirements go into effect.

System, building infrastructure and process changes will be necessary for Pennsylvania to issue REAL ID-compliant products. Preliminary work on REAL ID has begun, and PennDOT estimates REAL ID-compliant driver licenses and identification cards will be available at the customer’s option in 2019. This will allow ample time for customers who want a REAL ID product to obtain one before the final DHS (Department of Homeland Security) effective date of October 1, 2020.”

For more information, please visit: <http://www.dmv.pa.gov/Information-Centers/Identity-Security/Pages/Real-ID-Act.aspx>



In order to vote, you must be registered. You can register to vote **ONLINE, IN PERSON** or **BY MAIL**. If you are currently registered to vote, you do not have to re-register unless you have moved, or wish to change your name or political party affiliation.

The deadline to register to vote is **THIRTY DAYS** before each election, and registration-by-mail forms **MUST** be postmarked no later than the deadline.

Deadline Alert: 10/10/2017 is the last day to register before the 11/07/2017 election.

To Complete a Voter Registration Application Online:

<https://www.pavoterservices.pa.gov/Pages/VoterRegistrationApplication.aspx>

To Complete an Application in person:

- At the Elections Division (In room 609 of the County Office Building, located at the corner of Forbes and Ross, downtown Pittsburgh, PA 15219. Regular business hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.)
- At PennDOT Driver's License Centers
- At other government offices: (Armed Service Recruitment Centers, Area Agencies on Aging, Centers for Independent Living, Allegheny County Mental Health and Mental Retardation offices, Student Disability Services offices of the State System of Higher Education, Offices of Special Education, Marriage License Bureau)

To Complete an Application By Mail:

- Download a paper application at:

<http://www.dosimages.pa.gov/pdf/OnlineVoterRegFormBlank.pdf>

- Paper versions of the Voter Registration Application can be obtained at many locations, including: (The Elections Division - call 412-350-4510, municipal buildings, State Liquor Stores and some branches of the Post Office, Federal, State Senate and State House of Representative district offices as well as local political party committee members)
- Send completed forms to: Division of Elections - Voter Registration Section Allegheny County 542 Forbes Avenue, Room 609 Pittsburgh PA 15219-2953

COUNCIL MEMBER OF THE MONTH



Council Member

John Palmiere

Allegheny County Council

District 6

John Palmiere was appointed to represent District 6 of Allegheny County Council on January 21, 2011 to finish the unexpired term of Ms. Joan Cleary. John served for over 23 years as the director of the Baldwin Whitehall School District; a position requiring him to remain aware of education issues and of the ever-changing world of local and state concerns. As the school district director, John guided 84 percent of graduates of Baldwin Whitehall High School to pursue post-secondary education. He oversaw the Board through difficult transitions and large projects, including the \$64-million renovation of the high school. John served as the director of the Allegheny County Intermediate Unit, which enhanced his understanding of our region's education system and allowed him to confront problems impacting the 42 school districts in Allegheny County. He is a member of Baldwin Whitehall High School's Dedication Committee and is a board member of the Friends of the Baldwin Whitehall Theater Arts.

As an entrepreneur who began Palmiere's Hair Center 40 years ago, John's seasoned local business experience allows him to relate to business owners and the economy of Allegheny County. Through his professional career, he interacts with constituents every day, giving him a constant perspective of citizens' opinions. He was an adjunct instructor at the Pittsburgh Barber School and the Professional Barber and Beauty Supplies, Inc., and he currently holds a Pennsylvania Barbers License and Pennsylvania Shop Managers License. He has been a member of the UFCW, Local 23, Barber Division for over 40 years.

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Hunting License

Current year hunting licenses will be available July 1 and are valid through June 30 of the following year. For detailed information on specific license types and issuing agents, contact the State License Division directly at 717-787-2084.

License costs include \$1.00 issuing fee. All replacement licenses cost \$6.70.

To Find an Electric Copy of County Council Verbatim Regular Minutes go to:

<http://www.alleghenycounty.us/county-council/verbatim-regular-meeting-minutes.aspx>

Speak at Council Meetings

Allegheny County citizens may address Council at Regular meetings.

Visit Council's Website at:

<http://www.alleghenycounty.us/county-council/request-to-comment.aspx>

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

Department of Human Service DHS Director's

Action Line (DAL)

Specialists addressing your concerns & answering your questions about support and services provided through Allegheny County Health Department of Human Services.

1-800-862-6783

Questions or Comments?

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Contact us at

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