

AGENDA

Erie County Council

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Public Invited to attend at
Erie County Courthouse – Room 117
140 W. Sixth Street



Brian Shank, Chairman
Mary Rennie, Vice Chairwoman
Charlie Bayle
André R. Horton
Ellen Schauerma
Terry M. Scutella
Jim Winarski

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

5:30 P.M. – Council Caucus

6:00 P.M. – Council Meeting

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
2. **OPTIONAL PRAYER OR INVOCATION**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**
 - A. Duryea Paige
 - B. Other
5. **MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**
 - A. December 14, 2021- Regular Meeting
 - B. December 16, 2021-Special Meeting
 - C. January 3, 2022-Reorganization Meeting
6. **REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS**
 - A. County Executive and/or his Designee
 - B. Finance Committee - Mrs. Schauerma
 - C. Personnel Committee - Mr. Scutella
 - D. Other
7. **OLD BUSINESS – None**
8. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. First Reading of Ordinance Number 1, 2022 "Amending the Budget Total on the Face Sheet of Ordinance 109, 2021, '2022 General Fund Budget'" (Finance Committee)
Action sheet 7 regarding the Library transfer line was erroneously excluded in the calculation of the county share (a difference of \$8,412); the total revenue and expenses in the General Fund should be reflected as \$115,469,489.
- B. First Reading of Ordinance Number 2, 2022 "Repealing Ordinance 125, 2021 "2022 American Rescue Plan Fund Budget Revised Expenditure of \$250,000 for Women as Minority in Small Business Center" (Finance Committee)
The County Executive has requested a new ordinance to eliminate Ordinance 125, 2021. The funding is not available for the expenditure. All funds for Women as Minority in Small Business are in the 2022 ARPA allocation.
- C. First Reading of Ordinance Number 3, 2022, "First 2022 General Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$14,400 for Creation of Tuition Reimbursement Line within the Courts Budget" (Finance Committee)
The Courts are asking for reimbursement of 80% of college tuition fees for education that enhances an employee's job function, as offered to other employees of the county.
- D. First Reading of Ordinance Number 4, 2022, "First 2022 Library Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$24,950 to Receive Grant Funds that were Awarded in 2021" (Finance Committee)
This is a transfer of unused 2021 grant funds that will be used for the Millcreek Branch Feasibility Study.
- E. First Reading of Ordinance Number 5, 2022, "2022 Library Fund Budget Revised Revenue and Expenditure of \$1,000 for PA Humanities Council Grant for Blasco Library Teen Reading Lounge" (Finance Committee)
This is a revision that will assign funds already granted to the library at the end of November 2021 and upon completion of required paperwork.
- F. First Reading of Ordinance Number 6, 2022, "Second 2022 Library Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$22,192 for Completion of Café Project Started in 2021" (Finance Committee)
The funds, designated in 2021, were to be used for shelving and cafe renovations, and due to supply chain issues, were unable to be fulfilled. This appropriation will allow for the supply and work orders to be completed by Spring of 2022.
- G. First Reading of Ordinance Number 7, 2022, "Second 2022 General Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$15,540 and Creation of New Line Item for Bulletproof Vests in the Sheriff Department" (Finance Committee)
The Sheriff Department was not notified of the approval of the grant and payment was dispersed to Erie County. This money was awarded to the Erie

County Sheriff Department by a U.S. Department of Justice initiative that provides critical resources to state and local law enforcement.

- H. First Reading of Ordinance Number 8, 2022, "Approving Harbor Creek Township LERTA Ordinance 2010-201-6, as Amended" (Finance Committee)
This amendment is enacted to eliminate real estate tax abatement and relief for industrial properties in the LERTA district within the Township and to extend the effective date of the existing Ordinance until December 31, 2023; the other taxing bodies have approved.
- I. First Reading of Ordinance Number 9, 2022, "First 2022 Public Health Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$21,482 and Creation of New Position in the Health Department" (Personnel Committee)
As the number of septic applications increases, there is a noted need for an additional support professional. This position would primarily be funded by the Septic Application Fees line in the Environmental Health Budget.
- J. First Reading of Ordinance Number 10, 2022, "Third 2022 General Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$21,482 for Creation of New Position in the Health Dept." (Personnel Committee)
This is a companion ordinance requesting funds for the new position of Environmental Protection Specialist/Sewage Enforcement Officer from the Public Health Fund.
- K. First Reading of Ordinance Number 11, 2022, "2022 Appointed Official's Salary Ordinance, First Assistant County Solicitor" (Personnel Committee)
The County Home Rule Charter requires County Council to approve all salaries of an Appointed Official.
- L. First Reading of Ordinance Number 12, 2022, "2022 Appointed Official's Salary Ordinance For Two Assistant County Solicitors" (Personnel Committee)
The County Home Rule Charter requires County Council to approve all salaries of an Appointed Official.
- M. First Reading of Ordinance Number 13, 2022 "Appointed Official's Salary Ordinance - Director of Administration" (Personnel Committee)
Pursuant to the Erie County Home Rule Charter, County Council must approve all Appointed Officials' salaries. This position was vacated after the 2022 budget was set and has since been filled, requiring establishment of a salary for the new appointee.
- N. First Reading of Ordinance Number 14, 2022 "2022 Appointed Official's Salary Ordinance - Public Defender" (Personnel Committee)
Pursuant to the Erie County Home Rule Charter, County Council must approve all Appointed Officials' salaries. This position was vacated after the 2022 budget

was set and has since been filled, requiring establishment of a salary for the new appointee.

- O. First Reading of Ordinance Number 15, "2022 Fourth General Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$10,840 for Increase in Starting Salary for Director of Veteran Affairs" (Personnel Committee)

Pursuant to the Erie County Home Rule Charter, County Council must approve all Appointed Officials' salaries. This position was vacated after the 2022 budget was set and has since been filled, requiring establishment of a salary for the new appointee.

- P. First Reading of Ordinance Number 16, 2022, "Amending the Human Resource Code - Second 2022 Public Health Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$21,211 for Temporary Promotion of Acting Deputy Director to Acting Director of the County Health Department, Change in Hours, and Increase in Wages" (Personnel Committee)

Pursuant to the Erie County Home Rule Charter, County Council must approve all Appointed Officials' salaries. This position was vacated after the 2022 budget was set and an interim position has been filled, requiring establishment of a salary for the new appointee.

- Q. First Reading of Ordinance Number 17, 2022, "Fifth 2022 General Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$21,211 for Temporary Promotion of Acting Deputy Director to Acting Director of the County Health Department, Change in Hours, and Increase in Wages" (Personnel Committee)

This is complimentary to the ordinance requesting funds for the Acting Director position from the Public Health Fund.

- R. First Reading of Ordinance Number 18, 2022 "Amending the Human Resource Code - Third 2022 Public Health Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$5,587 for Temporary Promotion of Health Promotion & Quality Improvement Director to Acting Deputy Director of the County Health Department, Change in Hours, and Increase in Wages" (Personnel Committee)

Pursuant to the Erie County Home Rule Charter, County Council must approve all Appointed Officials' salaries. This position was vacated after the 2022 budget was set and an interim position has been filled, requiring establishment of a salary for the new appointee.

- S. First Reading of Ordinance Number 19, 2022 Sixth 2022 General Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$5,587 for Temporary Promotion of Health Promotion & Quality Improvement Director to Acting Deputy Director of the County Health Department, Change in Hours, and Increase in Wages" (Personnel Committee)

This is complimentary to the ordinance requesting funds for the Acting Deputy Director position from the Public Health Fund.

- T. First Reading of Ordinance Number 20, "2022 Appointed Official's Salary Ordinance - Interim County Clerk" (Personnel Committee)
Pursuant to the Erie County Home Rule Charter, County Council must approve all Appointed Officials' salaries. This position was vacated after the 2022 budget was set and an interim position has been filled, requiring establishment of a salary for the new appointee.
- U. First Reading of Ordinance Number 21, 2022, "Seventh 2022 General Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$22,192 for Completion of Café Project Started in 2021" (Finance Committee)
This is companion to the ordinance requesting funds for the Cafe Project from the Library Fund.
- V. Resolution Number 1, 2022 "Approving the 2022 Accounting Services Agreement of Maloney Reed Scarpitti & Company LLP for County Council" (Finance Committee)
Annual contract review for Certified Public Accounting services offered by Maloney Reed & Scarpitti & Company LLP to County Council.
- W. Possible Reappointment of Michael McCormick to the Erie County Convention Center Authority representing District 7. Term to expire December 31, 2025. (Councilwoman Schauerman) (Personnel Committee)
The term of office for a member of the Erie County Convention Center is four years. There is no limit to the number of terms served. Ordinance 10, 2015; 2022 Administrative Code
- X. Possible Appointment of Lawrence A. Sapienza to the Erie County Convention Center Authority representing District 5. Term to expire December 31, 2025. (Councilman Shank) (Personnel Committee)
The term of office for a member of the Erie County Convention Center is four years. There is no limit to the number of terms served. Ordinance 10, 2015; 2022 Administrative Code
- Y. Possible Reappointment of James Cardman to the Erie County Planning Commission representing District 7. Term to expire December 31, 2025. (Councilwoman Schauerman) (Personnel Committee)
The term of office for a member of the Erie County Planning Commission is four years. Appointed members shall serve for no more than two terms. Ordinance 95, 2018; 2022 Administrative Code

- A. The next Finance/Personnel Committee Meetings are Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 4pm in room 114A, Erie County Courthouse or via zoom. The next Regular Meeting of County Council is Tuesday February 1, 2022 at 6pm in room 117, County Courthouse.

Members of the public wishing to speak at an upcoming Regular Meeting of Council or those requiring specific accommodation are encouraged to call or email the Council Office at (814) 451-6303 or Councilrequests@eriecountypa.gov.