

## City of Pittsburgh

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WHEREAS, 2011 is the eleventh year that The Pittsburgh Newspaper Guild/CWA 38061 and the Pittsburgh Local of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists have joined forces to reflect back at the citizens of Pittsburgh all our civic and political missteps and foibles with *Off The Record*; and

WHEREAS, eleven years ago *Post-Gazette* reporter-columnist Gary Rotstein and theatre maven Chris Rawson joined forces to write and produce this annual musical satire, which benefits various local charities; and

WHEREAS, this riotous event has raised \$248,000 for the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank, and some big cash for other organizations, too; and

WHEREAS, augmented by tasty samplings from various Pittsburgh eateries before the show, the evening every year satisfies our thirst, hunger, and funny bone; and

WHEREAS, Off The Record XI is entitled "No Fracking Way!" and features emcee Ken Rice and guest humorist County Executive Dan Onorato, and we won't mention Councilwoman Natalia Rudiak, and will hit the boards Thursday, October 6, 2011, at the Byham Theater, Downtown; and

WHEREAS, as we proclaimed last year, Elsa Maxwell said, "Laugh at yourself first, before anyone else can"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pittsburgh is often in a laughable condition, but of course, that's *Off The Record*;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby proclaim October 6, 2011, to be "*Off the Record Day*" in the City of Pittsburgh.