

City of Pittsburgh

*510 City-County Building
414 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219*



MEETING MINUTES

Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh

Monday, December 17, 2007

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-FOURTH COUNCIL**

Douglas Shields, President

**Council Members: Len Bodack, Dan Deasy, Darlene M. Harris, Jeffrey S. Koch, Jim Motznik,
Tonya D. Payne, William Peduto**

Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk

Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No.

[2007-2026](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh commends and celebrates the outstanding achievement and inspiration Gino gave to other youths and congratulates him on winning the Northeast Region Honor from the Boys & Girls Club of America.

SPONSOR(S): DARLENE HARRIS AND ALL MEMBERS

A motion was made that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried.

Bill No.

[2007-2027](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby wish to thank the members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Alpha Alpha Omega Chapter, along with its non-profit affiliate ICE, Inc., for all of their efforts aimed at improving the lives and esteem of young African American women for generations.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby also wish to congratulate the 11 awardees, as they seize this unique opportunity to experience changes, confront challenges, and make choices for the good of themselves and for the well-being of their respective communities.

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE AND ALL MEMBERS

A motion was made that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried.

Bill No.

[2007-2028](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend The 2007 Carrick Raiders Volleyball Team for their hard work and contribution to The City of Pittsburgh.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby proclaim Tuesday, December 18th, 2007 as "Carrick Raiders Volleyball Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): JEFFREY S. KOCH

A motion was made that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

MR. DEASY, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING, PRESENTS

Bill No. Resolution designating Banks and Lending Institutions to act as Depositories for the year 2008 in accordance with the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two, Fiscal, Article III, Depositories.

[2007-2023](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No. Resolution providing for the creation of the Ethics Board Trust Fund (EBTF) and setting conditions for the deposit and expenditure of such funds.

[2007-2024](#)

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO, DAN DEASY, JIM MOTZNIK, LEN BODACK, DARLENE HARRIS, DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND TONYA D. PAYNE

A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh (City”) to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (“UPMC”) to grant to UPMC tax credits equal to certain payments made by UPMC or its affiliates to the Pittsburgh Promise Foundation, if by legislation or Court decision, UPMC or its affiliates are made subject to the imposition of taxes by the City.

[2007-2025](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 6 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik and Ms. Payne

Noes: 2 - Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Abstentions: 0

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Bill No.

[2007-2018](#)

Report of the Committee on Finance, Law and Purchasing for December 12, 2007 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.

Bill No.

[2007-1975](#)

Resolution providing for conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

ITEMS A through C. A: 1208 Fairdale; B: 31 Minooka; C: 456 Natchez.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2007-1976](#)

Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984; having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh/City Source Associates Sideyard Program. ITEMS A through B. A: 6635 Premo; B: 91 McCandless.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2007-1977](#)

Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

ITEMS A thru K. A: 2700 Sumner; B: 92 Pasadena; C: 27 Perry;
D: 1232 Shadycress; E: 621 Tripoli; F: Villanova; G: 1007 Winterton;
H: 718 Mercer; I: 2929 Zephyr; J: 1810 Leolyn; K: 47 Welsh.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2007-1978](#)

Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales, in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

ITEM A. A: 731 North St. Clair.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2007-1993](#)

Resolution making Appropriations to pay the expenses of conducting the Public Business of the City of Pittsburgh and for meeting the debt charges thereof for the Fiscal Year, beginning January 1, 2008.

A motion was made that this matter be AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 7 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 1 - Mr. Koch

Abstentions: 0

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution fixing the number of officers and employees of the City of Pittsburgh, and
[2007-1994](#) the rate of compensation thereof, and setting minimum levels for designated positions.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution "Adopting and approving the 2008 Capital Budget and the 2008
[2007-1995](#) Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2008 through
2012 Capital Improvement Program," by adjusting various line items in conformance
with City Council's 2008 Capital Budget amendments.

A motion was made that this matter be AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne,
Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne,
Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Land Use for December 12, 2007
[2007-2019](#) with an Affirmative Recommendation.

A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of City Planning to enter into a
[2007-1979](#) grant agreement with The Richard King Mellon Foundation to receive monies to
support a Bike Pedestrian Coordinator for a period of two (2) years and further
providing for legitimate expenditures for payments of salary and fringe benefits in
connection with the execution of said grant agreement. Said expenditures shall not
exceed \$125,000.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MR. SHIELDS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for
[2007-2020](#) December 12, 2007 with an NEGATIVE RECOMMENDATION.

A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the filing of an application for federal assistance with the U.S.
[2007-1987](#) Department of Housing and Urban Development for a \$2,000,000 Brownfields Economic Development Initiative grant for the East Liberty Portal project. (Council Districts 8 and 9).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the U.S. Department of
[2007-1988](#) Housing and Urban Development for a Section 108 loan of up to \$10,000,000 to be used for acquisition, demolition, remediation, site preparation and/or infrastructure improvements in the East Liberty Portal project. (Council Districts 8 and 9).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement with the Urban Redevelopment
[2007-1989](#) Authority of Pittsburgh designating URA as the City's agent for implementation of a federal Brownfields Economic Development Initiative grant for the East Liberty Portal project. (Council Districts 8 and 9).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for
[2007-2021](#) December 12, 2007 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban
[2007-1721](#) Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh, the County of Allegheny and the School District of Pittsburgh providing for the financing, monitoring, implementation and termination of the Bakery Square Tax Increment Financing District. (Council District 9).

A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 7 - Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 1 - Mr. Bodack

Abstentions: 0

Bill No. Resolution adopting the Bakery Square Tax Increment Financing Plan presented by the
[2007-1722](#) Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh, and making certain findings. (Council District 9).

PUBLIC HEARING HELD OCTOBER 23, 2007

A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 7 - Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 1 - Mr. Bodack

Abstentions: 0

Bill No. Resolution revising the boundaries of the Center Triangle TIF District. (Council
[2007-1723](#) District 6)
(PUBLIC HEARING HELD NOVEMBER 27, 2007)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution revising the boundaries of the North Shore Tax Increment Financing
[2007-1724](#) District. (Council District 1).
PUBLIC HEARING HELD NOVEMBER 27, 2007

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution revising the boundaries of the Station Square TIF District. (Council
[2007-1725](#) District 2)
PUBLIC HEARING HELD NOVEMBER 27, 2007.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an
[2007-1982](#) Application for Financial Assistance in the amount of up to \$6,800,000 to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for the operation and administration of certain programs in FY 2007-2008. (Council Districts: All).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.
[2007-1983](#) Resolution authorizing a 2007-2008 Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh providing for the designation of the local matching share for a grant applied for in a Single Application for Assistance filed with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development under the Housing and Redevelopment Assistance Program. (Council Districts: All).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.
[2007-1984](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an Application for Financial Assistance in the amount of \$500,000 to Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for the Main Street component of the New Communities Program. (Council Districts: 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.
[2007-1985](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an Application for Financial Assistance in the amount of \$150,000 to Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for the Technology/Enterprise Zone Program. (Council Districts: All).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.
[2007-1986](#) Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh providing for the designation of the local matching share for a grant applied for in a Single Application for Assistance filed with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development under the Technology/Enterprise Zone Program. (Council Districts: All).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.
[2007-1990](#) Resolution authorizing the filing of an application for federal assistance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for a \$1,000,000 Brownfields Economic Development Initiative grant for the SouthSide Works Infrastructure project. (Council District 3).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.
[2007-1991](#) Resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for a Section 108 loan of up to \$4,000,000 to be used for the construction of roadways and related improvements in the SouthSide Works Infrastructure project. (Council District No. 3).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.
[2007-1992](#) Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh designating URA as the City's agent for implementation of a federal Brownfields Economic Development Initiative grant for the SouthSide Works Infrastructure project. (Council District 3).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2007-2011](#)

Resolution Amending Resolution No. 480, effective August 21, 2007 entitled: providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities and the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh; and further, authorizing various City Departments to enter into contract or contracts or use existing contract or contracts for street paving, the purchase of equipment and/or furniture and other related costs at a costs not to exceed 800,000.00, so as to reprogram funds in City Council from "District 2-Equipment" (-3,000) and transfer these funds to: "Sheraden United Methodist Church (SUM) for Success" (+3,000).

SPONSOR(S): DAN DEASY

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2007-2012](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No.636 , effective December 3, 2007 entitled: by providing for the filing of a Community Development statement by the City of Pittsburgh with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for a grant in connection with the 2007 Community Development Block Grant Program; providing for the execution of grant contracts and for the filing of other data providing for required assurances; providing for execution of payment vouchers on letter of credit and for certification of authorized signature; the deposit of the funds in a bank account and providing for the payment of expenses within categories; so as to reprogram funds in City Council from "District 2-Equipment" (-3,000) and transfer these funds to: Sheraden United Methodist Church (SUM) for Success" (+3,000).

SPONSOR(S): DAN DEASY

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MR. MOTZNIK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PARKS, RECREATION & YOUTH POLICY

Bill No.

[2007-2022](#)

Report of the Committee on Parks, Recreation and Youth Policy for December 12, 2007 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.

Bill No.

[2007-1980](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 29, effective February 9, 2007, entitled "Providing for a contract or contracts, agreements or agreements, lease or leases, or the

use of existing contracts, leases or agreements and other approved expenditures for the payment of supplies, equipment, materials, salaries, rentals, and other services required to provide center services for the Senior Community Program in an amount not to exceed \$700,000.00 for the Department of Parks and Recreation.” by increasing the not exceed amount by \$119,000 for a total not to exceed \$819,000.00 in the Department of Parks and Recreation.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2007-1981](#)

Resolution authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into a contract or contracts, agreement or agreements, or the use of existing contracts or agreements and other approved expenditures to provide for the maintenance and enhancement of City recreation centers in an amount not to exceed \$99,500.00 for the Department of Parks and Recreation.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.