

# **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, February 5, 2007**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council**

**ONE-HUNDRED  
THIRTY-FOURTH COUNCIL**

**Douglas Shields, President**

**Council Members: Len Bodack, Twanda Carlisle,**

**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: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2007-1178](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby recognizes the Pittsburgh Urban Magnet Project (PUMP) to be a civic and/or service organization within the context of the Pennsylvania Small Games of Chance Act, as amended.

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS**

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

Bill No. [2007-1179](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby proclaim the week of February 11-17, 2007 as Child Passenger Safety Week, and calls upon all the residents to join with us in supporting the efforts and activities of the Team Educators for CHild Safety (TECHS) to prevent childhood injury and death due to motor vehicle crashes.

**SPONSOR(S): LEN BODACK AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2007-1180](#) NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby wish to posthumously recognize and thank Mr. Walt Harper for his dedication to spreading the love of jazz music into the hearts of all people, regardless of race or nationality, throughout the City of Pittsburgh, the nation, and the world.

**SPONSOR(S): TWANDA CARLISLE AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

## PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

### MR. BODACK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

Bill No. [2007-1177](#) Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code, Title VII Business Licensing, by adding Article X Rental of Residential Housing, Chapter 781 Residential Housing Rental Permit Program to provide for the registration and regulation of rental housing located within the City; to allow inspections; and to provide penalties for violation.

**SPONSOR(S): LEN BODACK, DARLENE HARRIS, DAN DEASY AND TWANDA CARLISLE**

**Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee**

### MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into an agreement or  
[2007-1174](#) agreements for professional consulting services in connection with real estate tax assessment matters, including, but not limited to, tax assessment appeals filed by property owners and/or the City or other taxing jurisdictions in regard to commercial, industrial and residential real property in the City of Pittsburgh at a cost not to exceed \$60,000 (Sixty Thousand Dollars).

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

## **MR. KOCH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No 793 of 2006, effective date December 31, 2006,  
[2007-1175](#) to clarify the amounts to be paid to the City by South Side Works Association for funding of trail maintenance.

**Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee**

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for  
[2007-1176](#) the repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies, landscaping equipment, including mowers, utility carts, tractors, etc., at various parks and park facilities throughout the City of Pittsburgh, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$450,000.00.

**Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the appointment of Michael H. Huss, 5615 Dellaglen Avenue,  
[2007-1165](#) Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15207, as Director of the Department of Public Safety.

**A motion was made that this matter be Approved. The motion carried.**

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION**

### **MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance, Law & Purchasing for January 31, 2007.

[2007-1168](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution repealing items in Resolutions approved on various dates, authorizing the  
[2007-1118](#) sale of properties in various wards of the City of Pittsburgh, in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984. Items C thru E: C: 1517 & 1519 McCullough and 1532 Brighton; D: Balboa and Lisbon; E: Bedford.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.  
[2007-1119](#) 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. ITEM A: 1300 Stokes.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.  
[2007-1120](#) 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 through B: A: 721 N. Euclid; B: 520 N. Fairmount.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.  
[2007-1121](#) 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 O. A: 1126 Province; B: 1136 Province; C: 711 Armandale; D: 920 Mina; E: 3032 Brereton; F: 921 Behan; G: 2236 Dellrose; H: 14 Dunlap; I: 174 Wabash; J: 1100 Bidwell; K: 323 Mansion; L: 230 Edith; M: 5509 Celadine; N: 64 Beltzhoover; O: 1890 Woodward.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.  
[2007-1122](#) 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.  
ITEM A: 4820 Harrison.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.  
[2007-1123](#) Resolution providing that the City of Pittsburgh enter into Professional Service Agreement(s) and/or Contracts with consultants and/or service providers for professional services in connection with Civil Service and MPOETC required assessment and evaluation of Police Officer Recruit candidates, and providing for payment of the cost thereof, not to exceed \$30,000.00.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.  
[2007-1141](#) Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 180, effective April 5, 2000, entitled "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or use of existing Agreements and/or a Contract or Contracts, or use of existing Contracts, and for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services for various projects in connection with the Neighborhood Needs Program in Council District 3", by adding two new projects; "Harmony Singers of Pittsburgh" \$1,000 and "Bishop Leonard-St. Mary of the Mount Academy" \$1,000 and by adjusting various other projects. Total cost is not to exceed \$1,000,000.

**SPONSOR(S): JEFFREY S. KOCH**

**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: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznic, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0

## MR. KOCH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for January 31, 2007.  
[2007-1169](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for street repair programs to include, but not limited to, brick and blockstone repairs, concrete slab replacement at various locations throughout the City of Pittsburgh, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$550,000.00.  
[2007-1124](#)

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for Vacant lot cleanup services, beginning on or after April 1, 2007 and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$400,000.00.  
[2007-1125](#)

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for the repairs, maintenance, improvements and emergencies in connection with the Wall, Step, and Fence Program, throughout the City of Pittsburgh, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$200,000.00.  
[2007-1126](#)

**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: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznic, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0

## MRS. HARRIS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING, FLEET AND FORESTRY

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Engineering, Fleet & Forestry for January 31, 2007.

[2007-1170](#)

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

Bill No.

[2007-1127](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the investigation, design, construction and/or remediation for critical slope failures throughout the City; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$550,000.00.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.

[2007-1128](#)

Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, and providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of equipment, materials and supplies in connection with the Rehabilitation and Repairs of Various Swimming Pools; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$100,000.00.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.

[2007-1129](#)

Agreements, providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, and providing for the purchase of materials, supplies and equipment in connection with the Rehabilitation and Reconstruction of Various Park Facilities; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$750,000.00.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.

[2007-1130](#)

Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts or the use of existing Contracts; providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements; providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the design and construction of handicap ramps and sidewalks at various city-owned locations throughout the City of Pittsburgh; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$200,000.00.

**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: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, 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 January 31, 2007.

[2007-1171](#)

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

Bill No. Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Chapter 911.02 (Use Table) to provide a definition for the use of Controlled Substance Dispensation Facility and Chapter 911.04 (Use Standards) to provide use standards for same.

[2006-0214](#)

**SPONSOR(S): LEN BODACK**

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motzник, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

**MS. CARLISLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for January 31, 2007.

[2007-1172](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 165, effective April 5, 2006 entitled: "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 1997 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 the Mayor's Office "Youth Initiative - Serious Offenders" (-7,263.35); and "Neighborhood Business District Decorative Lighting" (-65,325.30); to "Pgh. Community Services (Hunger Trust Fund)" (+60,000); "Just Harvest" (+10,000); and "Pgh. Community Service - Neighborhood Safety" (+2,588.65).

[2007-1132](#)

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 869, effective December 16, 2003 entitled "Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment; and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities for the benefit of residents

[2007-1133](#)

of the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed \$984,221.16, chargeable to and payable from the 1997 Community Development Block Grant Program, Mayor's Office, "so as to increase the encumbrance in the Mayor's Office from \$984,221.16 to \$1,049,546.46;(+65,325.30) and transferring funds from "Youth Initiative- Serious Offenders" (-7,263.35); to the "Pgh. Community Services - Hunger Trust Fund" (+60,000); and to the "Just Harvest" (+10,000); and the "Pgh. Community Services - Neigh. Safety Program (+2,588.65).

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.

[2007-1134](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 549, effective September 27, 2005 entitled, "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 1998 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 transfer funds from an account in the Mayor's Office "Southside Works-Public Art" (-695.09); to "Pgh. Community Services-Neigh. Safety Program" (+695.09).

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.

[2007-1135](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 532, effective July 11, 2003, entitled, "Resolution 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 for administrative/operational costs, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities of various departmental programs/projects for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed \$490,445, chargeable to and payable from the 1998 Community Development Block Grant Program, Mayor's Office so as to transfer funds from an account in the Mayor's Office - "South Side Works - Public Art" (-695.09); to the Pgh. Community Services - Neigh. Safety Program" (+ 695.09).

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.

[2007-1136](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 168, effective April 5, 2006, entitled "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 1999 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 transfer funds in the Mayor's Office from "Citywide After School Program" (-7,753.72) and "Mayor's Employment Initiative" (-26,394.70) to the Pgh. Community Services - Neigh Safety Program" (+34,148.42).

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**



Bill No. [2007-1137](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 312, effective May 21, 1999, entitled, "Resolution 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 for administrative/operational costs, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities of various departmental programs/projects for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed \$582,279.00 so as to decrease the encumbrance from 582,279.00 to 508,673.70 (-73,605.30) and transfer funds in the Mayor's Office from the "Citywide After School Program" (-7,753.72) to the "Pgh. Community Services - Neigh. Safety Program" (+34,148.42). Remove B.I.G. League Youth Sports Program (-100,000).

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No. [2007-1138](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 166, effective April 5, 2006, as entitled, "Providing for the filing of a Community Development statement by the City of Pittsburgh with the U.S. Department of HUD for a grant in connection with the 2000 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 the Mayor's Office from "Citywide After School Program" (-26,931.51) and "Mayor's Employment Initiative" (-15,636.33) to "Pgh. Community Services-Neigh. Safety Program" (+12,567.84); and to "Pgh. Mediation Center" (+10,000); and to "Urban League/Hunger" (+20,000).

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No. [2007-1139](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 338, effective May 9, 2000, entitled, "Resolution 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 for administrative/operational costs, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities of various departmental programs/projects for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed \$1,065,000.00 so as to decrease the encumbrance in the Mayor's Office from 1,065,000 to 455,636.33 (-609,363.67) "B.I.G. League Youth" (-100,000); "Fields and Courts" (-100,000); "Mayor's Employment Initiative" (-125,000); "Recreation Center Equipment" (-100,000); "Senior Center Equipment" (-100,000); "Tree Planting Program" (-100,000); "Citywide After School Program" (-26,931.51) and reprogram funds to the "Pgh. Community Services - Neigh. Safety Program" (+12,567.84); and to the "Pgh. Mediation Center" (+10,000); and to the "Urban League - Hunger Program" (+20,000).

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No. [2007-1142](#) Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 2000, as amended, entitled: "Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital Budget and the 2000 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2000 through 2005 Capital Improvement Program, by adjusting various line items in

conformance with City Council's 2000 Capital Budget amendments.” By adding “Harmony Singers of Pittsburgh” \$1,000 and “Bishop Leonard-St. Mary of the Mount Academy” \$1,000 and by adjusting amounts in various other projects in Council District 3.

**SPONSOR(S): JEFFREY S. KOCH**

**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: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0

### **MR. BODACK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for January 31, 2007.

[2007-1173](#)

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

Bill No. Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinance, Title One, Administrative, Article III: Organization, Chapter 116: Department of Public Safety by adding in specific duties of the Director of Public Safety.

[2007-1164](#)

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, 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.**