



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes - Final

Monday, November 20, 2017

1:30 PM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MS. RUDIAK, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2017-2075](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Campbell Durrant Beatty Palombo & Miller, P.C., 535 Smithfield St., Suite 700, Pittsburgh, PA 15222 for professional legal services and expert advice regarding labor matters in an amount not to exceed Three Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$3,940.12).

(Executive Session Held 11-16-17)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2017-2076](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Curtin & Heefner, LLP, 2005 S. Easton Road, Suite 100, Doylestown, PA 18901 for professional legal services and expert advice regarding Building Owners and Managers in an amount not to exceed Five Thousand Four Hundred Four Dollars and Seventy-Two Cents (\$5,404.72).

(Executive Session Held 11-16-17)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2017-2077](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Pepper Hamilton LLP, Suite 5000, 500 Grant St., Pittsburgh, PA 15219 for professional consulting and legal services in relation to False Claims Act litigation in an amount not to exceed Sixty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Four Dollars and Forty Three Cents (\$69,924.43).

(Executive Session Held 11-16-17)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2017-2078](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Michael E. Zobrak, Labor Arbitrator, 1217 Pleasant Street, Aliquippa, PA 15001-9425 for arbitration fees for a two day hearing related to Grievance 15-024 in an amount not to exceed Three Thousand Fifty Two Dollars and Forty-Five Cents (\$3,052.45).

(Executive Session Held 11-16-17)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2017-2079](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Heckman Enterprises, 116 Claremont Drive, Lower Burrell, PA 15068, in an amount not to exceed Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$4,500.00) for consultation services in connection with trial appearance and related expenses File No. 12-0289.

(Executive Session Held 11-16-17)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2017-2080](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Micklow Consulting, 4017 Washington Road, PMB 1300, McMurry, PA 15317, in the amount not to exceed Twenty-Two Thousand one Hundred Thirty-Four Dollars and 25/100 Cents (\$22,1324.25) for consultation services in connection with trial appearance and related expenses File No. 12-0289.

(Executive Session Held 11-16-17)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

[2017-2104](#) Resolution authorizing the Director of Finance to conduct an appraisal of the 28 acres site of the former Civic Arena in the Lower Hill District.

SPONSOR /S: MR. LAVELLE

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

Meeting went into Recess

Meeting Reconvened

[2017-2105](#) Resolution authorizing, pursuant to Ch. 210 (“Acceptance of Gifts to City”) of the City Code, the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to accept a donation from PNC Bank, National Association of fully depreciated office cubicle systems and free-standing office furniture totaling an estimated Twenty-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$28,000), which shall be used for the purpose of furnishing the Bureau of Police Zone 2 substation at the Lantern Building in downtown Pittsburgh.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2017-2106](#) Resolution authorizing all City departments, in conjunction with the Department of Finance, to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into a facilities usage agreement or agreements during the 2018 calendar year for the purpose of permitting groups to rent City-owned facilities for recreational and community focused activities, in individual amounts not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00).

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 11/29/2017. The motion carried.

[2017-2107](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article VII: Business Related Tax, Chapter 245: Earned Income Tax, Section 245.03: Declaration and Payment of Tax, so as to standardize the due date of Earned Income Tax, to fix the rate of interest on delinquent Earned Income Tax for the year 2018, and to update language in the city code.

Held until after Tax Participation Hearing.

[2017-2108](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article VII: Business Related Taxes, Chapter 246: Home Rule Tax, Section 246.03: Declaration and Payment of Tax, so as to change the due date of the Home Rule Tax, to fix the rate of interest on delinquent Home Rule Tax for the year 2018, and to update language in the city code.

Held until after Tax Participation Hearing.

[2017-2109](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article IX: Property Taxes, Chapter 263: Real Property Tax and Exemptions, Section 263.02: Payment Options, Discount and Delinquency Penalty, so as to set the payment, discount, and delinquent dates for the 2018 fiscal year, and to further remove duplicative language.

Held until after Tax Participation Hearing.

[2017-2110](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article IX: Property Taxes, Chapter 263: Real Property Tax and Exemption, Section 263.01: Levy and Rate on Lands and Buildings, by fixing the rate of taxation for 2018.

Held until after Tax Participation Hearing.

[2017-2111](#) 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, 2018.

SPONSOR /S: MS. RUDIAK

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 12/6/2017. The motion carried.

[2017-2112](#) Resolution fixing the number of officers and employees of the City of Pittsburgh for the 2018 fiscal year, and the rate of compensation thereof, and setting maximum levels for designated positions.

SPONSOR /S: MS. RUDIAK

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 12/6/2017. The motion carried.

[2017-2113](#) Resolution adopting and approving the 2018 Capital Budget and the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2018 through 2023 Capital Improvement Program.

SPONSOR /S: MS. RUDIAK

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 12/6/2017. The motion carried.

[2017-2114](#) Resolution Authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to participate in applicable cooperative purchasing agreements for goods, materials, equipment, supplies, services, or construction, as authorized by the Commonwealth Procurement Code and the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Law for the 2018 Fiscal Year.

SPONSOR /S: MS. RUDIAK

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2017-2115](#)

Resolution providing for the letting of contracts and for the use of existing contracts for the purchase of materials, supplies and equipment for City Departments, and the maintenance, repair, rental and/or leasing, rehabilitation, renovation, inspection or servicing of City buildings and facilities, and for any miscellaneous services in and for any City Departments, and providing for the payment of the costs thereof for the 2018 Fiscal Year.

SPONSOR /S: MS. RUDIAK

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2017-2116](#)

Resolution authorizing City Council to approve intra-departmental transfers throughout the 2018 Fiscal Year

SPONSOR /S: MS. RUDIAK

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

INVOICES

A motion was made to Approve. The motion carried.

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

A motion was made to Approve. The motion carried.

P-CARD APPROVALS

A motion was made to Approve. The motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS

[2017-2127](#)

An Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title Six, Conduct, Article VII: - Disruptive Properties, Chapter 670: - Disruptive Property Abatement, Section 670.02 - Disruptive Property Defined, by requiring a minimum of three of, but not limiting to, three (3) separate occasions, citations, summons, and/or arrests for disruptive activities within any twelve-month period.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

CO-SPONSOR /S: Mr. Kraus

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MRS. KAIL-SMITH, CHAIR**DEFERRED PAPERS**[2016-0875](#)

Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh's Department of Public Works to assume responsibility for the year round maintenance, repair, and future alterations constructed by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation as part of the East Ohio Street Improvement Project.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Public Works , due back by 12/6/2017. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS[2017-2117](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 252 of 2017, authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to execute relevant agreements to receive grant funding to support Smallman Street Preliminary and Final Design, and further providing for agreements and expenditures at an anticipated cost of Four Hundred Fifty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Twelve Dollars and Fifty Six Cents (\$457,412.56) for this stated purpose.

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

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended as Amended. The motion carried.

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, MRS. HARRIS, CHAIR**SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS**

[2017-2099](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 24 of 2014, as further amended by Resolution 781, effective December 1, 2014, Resolution No. 592, effective September 25, 2015 and Resolution No. 483, effective August 3, 2016 providing that the City of Pittsburgh enter into a Professional Service Agreement(s) and/or Contract(s) with UPMC Mercy for professional services in connection with the administration and evaluation of medical examinations and related tests and procedures for current and prospective employees and promotion by increasing the total cost from \$1,140,000.00 to \$1,460,000.00 an increase of \$320,000.00.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2017-2100](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Personnel and Civil Service Commission to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with P&A Group for services relating to the administration of the City of Pittsburgh's Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) program for a sum not to exceed Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) over four years and for the payment of the costs thereof.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2017-2101](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Personnel and Civil Service Commission to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Highmark, Inc. for services relating to the administration of the City of Pittsburgh's Flexible Spending Account and Dependent Care Account program for a sum not to exceed Nineteen Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$19,988.00) over two years and for the payment of the costs thereof.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

**LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS,
CHAIR****DEFERRED PAPERS**

[2017-1373](#) Resolution amending resolution number 772 of 2016, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2017 Capital Budget and the 2017 Community Development Block Grant Program” so as to transfer one hundred thousand dollars from Community Based Organizations to the Southwest Pittsburgh CDC (\$50,000) and the Mount Washington CDC (\$50,000).

SPONSOR /S: MRS. KAIL-SMITH

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Human Resources , due back by 11/29/2017. The motion carried.

[2017-1945](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning Code, Article I, Section 902.03 Zoning Map; Article IV, Chapter 908, Public Realm Districts; Chapter 914, Parking Loading and Access, and Chapter 915, Environmental Performance Standards to establish the Uptown Public Realm Zoning District, and an associated Performance Points density bonus system.

(Public Hearing Held 11-16-17)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

[2017-2097](#) Resolution authorizing the fee schedule for 2018 pursuant to Chapter 170 of the City Code.

(Briefing Held 11-27-17)

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 11/29/2017. The motion carried.

[2017-2098](#) Resolution granting unto Paul Lagrotteria, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, an ADA compliant ramp with handrail and landing at 804 East Warrington Avenue, 18th Ward, Council District 3 of the City of Pittsburgh, USA.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2017-2103](#) Ordinance supplement the Pittsburgh Code, Title Six, Conduct, Article VII, Disruptive Properties, by adding the Chapter 672, Protocols for Boarding-Up Vacant and Abandoned Residential Properties.

SPONSOR /S: MR. LAVELLE

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 12/6/2017. The motion carried.

URBAN RECREATION COMMITTEE, MR. O'CONNOR, CHAIR**SUPPLEMENTAL-NEW PAPERS**

[2017-2130](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 476, effective August 11, 2017, authorizing the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, and/or the Director of the Department of Public Safety and Director of the Office and Management and Budget to enter into agreements in individual amounts of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) or less with performers, instructors, artists, referees, and persons with specialized skills in connection with the Departments' recreational and instructional programs and special events services.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2017-1920](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh City Code, Title Four: Public Places and Properties, Article XI Parks and Playgrounds, Chapter 473: Use Regulations, Section 473.05 Behavior by prohibiting the uncasing, possession, and use of firearms capable of discharging or propelling a projectile in City parks and playgrounds.

SPONSOR /S: MR. GILMAN

CO-SPONSOR /S: Mr. Kraus

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Urban Recreation , due back by 12/6/2017. The motion carried.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MR. GILMAN, CHAIR**NEW PAPERS**

[2017-2096](#) Ordinance amending Resolution No. 838 of 2015, authorizing the City of Pittsburgh ("City") to enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the Borough of Ingram ("Borough") with regard to the City providing fire protection services to the Borough pursuant to the General Local Government Code, 53 Pa. C.S. §§2301 *et seq.*

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.