

City of Pittsburgh

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



MEETING MINUTES

Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh

Tuesday, March 18, 2014

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-EIGHTH COUNCIL**

Bruce A. Kraus, President of Council

**Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Dan Gilman, Deborah L. Gross, Darlene M. Harris,
R. Daniel Lavelle, Corey O'Connor, Natalia Rudiak, Theresa Kail-Smith**

**Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk
Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk**

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2014-0221](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh is proud to recognize such a loyal, hardworking and dedicated employee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare, Tuesday, March 18, 2014 to be "Willa Holt Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): THERESA KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No. [2014-0222](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and congratulate Dan Sentz for his 36 years of dedicated service to the City of Pittsburgh, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare, Tuesday, March 18, 2014 to be "Dan Sentz Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): BRUCE A. KRAUS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No. [2014-0223](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize, congratulate, and humbly thank Constance Miskis Zatek for her 41 years of dedicated service to the City of Pittsburgh, and wish her peace, rest, and joy throughout her much deserved retirement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare, Tuesday, March 18, 2014 to be "Constance Miskis Zatek Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): BRUCE A. KRAUS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No. [2014-0224](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and honor Paul Hinerman for putting his life at risk to help a neighbor in need; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, March 18, 2014 to be "Paul Hinerman Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): DARLENE M. HARRIS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

COUNCILMAN DAN GILMAN PRESENTS:

Bill No. [2014-0212](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 365, effective June 13, 2012, entitled “providing for an agreement/s, or use of existing agreements and/or a contract/s, or use of existing contracts, and for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services for City Council District 8 Neighborhood Needs Program and providing for the payment of the costs thereof”, by changing the title of “Shadyside Chamber of Commerce - Bike Corral” to “DPW-Bike Corral.” Total cost of all projects is not to exceed \$134,924.55.

SPONSOR(S): DAN GILMAN

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

Bill No. [2014-0213](#) Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 855 of 2011, entitled “adopting and approving the 2012 capital budget...” so as to change the title of “Shadyside Chamber of Commerce-Bike Corral” to “DPW-Bike Corral”

SPONSOR(S): DAN GILMAN

Read and referred to Committee on Land Use and Economic Development

COUNCILWOMAN NATALIA RUDIAK PRESENTS:

Bill No. [2014-0206](#) Resolution authorizing issuance of a warrant in the amount of \$11,800.00, in favor of Yuanshu Liao, 3305 Trappers Cove Trail, Lansing, MI 48910 in settlement of a claim for a damaged vehicle due felled City tree branches from a tree in Schenley Park, adjacent to Frew Street, on November 18, 2013.

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

Bill No. [2014-0207](#) Resolution authorizing issuance of a warrant in the amount of \$4,119.09, in favor of Duquesne Light Company, c/o Carolyn K. Cingel, Claims Specialist, 411 Seventh Avenue, Mail Drop 16-1, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 in settlement of a claim for a damaged wood light pole at 704 Watt Lane, Pittsburgh, 15219 by a City of Pittsburgh, Environmental Services Refuse truck on July 16, 2013.

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

Bill No. [2014-0208](#) Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor to issue and the City Controller to countersign a warrant in an amount to be determined by the Department of Finance to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania representing payment required for unclaimed funds for the year 2007, pursuant to the provisions of Deposition of Abandoned and Unclaimed Property Act of August 9, 1971 P.L. 74.

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

Bill No. 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 K. A: 3128 Dobson, B: 5231, 5233 Kincaid & 313 & 315 North Atlantic, C: 5027 Steele, D: 1523 Abstract, E: 1445 Stedman, F: 848 Tripoli, G: 1311 & 1313 Itin, H: 1405 Buena Vista, I: 7900 Bennett & 7126 Oakwood, J: 1916 Forbes, K: 5440 Broad.

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

Bill No. 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 Side Yard Program. ITEMS A through J. A: 6550 Ladson, B: 301 Path, C: 121 Tipton, D: 6 Fenton, E: 1305 Reddour & 1228 Butterfield, F: 427 Catoma, G: 4450 Armorhill, H: 2508 Wylie, I: 122 Frustum, J: 1455 Sandusky.

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

Bill No. 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.

A: 1718 Columbia.

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

Bill No. Communication from Mayor William Peduto submitting an Executive Order on the establishment of written policies and procedures regarding long-term take-home vehicles versus the one-time assignment and use of City fleet vehicles.

[2014-0214](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution appointing Councilwoman Deborah Gross as a member of the Board of Directors of the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2014. Councilwoman Gross will fill the seat vacated by Patrick Dowd.

[2014-0217](#)

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

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 1 - Ms. Gross

Bill No. Resolution appointing Debbie Lestitian as a member of the Board of Directors of the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority for a term to expire on February 27, 2017. Ms. Lestitian will fill the seat vacated by Scott Kunka.

[2014-0215](#)

Held, Pending Interview to Committee on Hearings

Bill No. Resolution re-appointing Margaret Lanier as a member of the Board of Directors of
[2014-0216](#) the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority for a term to expire on February 27, 2017.

Held, Pending Interview to Committee on Hearings

Bill No. Resolution appointing Andrea Geraghty as a member of the Board of Directors of the
[2014-0218](#) Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2016. Ms. Geraghty will fill the seat vacated by Representative Dan Deasy.

Held, Pending Interview to Committee on Hearings

Bill No. Resolution appointing Caren Glotfelty as a member of the Board of Directors of the
[2014-0219](#) Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2016. Ms. Glotfelty will fill the seat vacated by Robert Jablonowski.

Held, Pending Interview to Committee on Hearings

Bill No. Resolution appointing Alexander Thomson as a member of the Board of Directors of
[2014-0220](#) the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2016. Mr. Thomson will fill the seat vacated by Patrick Bigley.

Held, Pending Interview to Committee on Hearings**UNFINISHED BUSINESS****Oath of Office Administered to Mary Beth Doheny, City Clerk****REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION****COUNCILWOMAN NATALIA RUDIAK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for March 12, 2014 with an Affirmative
[2014-0203](#) Recommendation.

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing issuance of a warrant in the amount of \$5,749.94, in favor of
[2014-0125](#) Duquesne Light Company, c/o Carolyn K. Cingel, Claims Specialist, 411 Seventh Avenue, Mail Drop 16-1, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 in settlement of a claim for a damaged wood light pole by a City of Pittsburgh, Environmental Services Refuse truck on July 5, 2013 on Renova Street near the intersection with Second Avenue.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No. [2014-0126](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in the total sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000.00), in favor of Constantine Kafantaris, 520 North Kings Berry, Apartment 440, Chicago, IL 60610, releasing and discharging the City of Pittsburgh and Charles Lukitsch from direct liability in any and all claims in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania filed at GD 08-015446, and arising from an alleged incident on February 16, 2007 and described more fully in plaintiff's complaint in civil action.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No. [2014-0174](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of Avrio RMS Group, in the amount of \$194,791 in payment for the annual maintenance agreement and other services related to the wireless CCTV System Maintenance

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

Bill No. [2014-0204](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for March 12, 2014 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. [2014-0152](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works and the Director of the Department of Finance to enter into a Trail License Agreement with the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority and Friends of the Riverfront, Inc. for the construction and maintenance of a new public trail segment to be added to the Three Rivers Heritage Trail System.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

COUNCILMAN DAN GILMAN PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Bill No. [2014-0205](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for March 12, 2014 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. [2014-0107](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for Bailey Park at 7, 15 and 21 Bailey Way, Ward 18, Pittsburgh, PA 15211.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No. [2014-0154](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for Print Shop Deluxe Apartments, Pittsburgh, PA 15203.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No. [2014-0155](#) Resolution providing for the execution of a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh for the performance of certain work in connection with the 2014-2015 Community Development Block Grant Program, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, not to exceed \$3,200,000. (Council Districts: All).

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No. [2014-0156](#) Resolution providing for the execution of a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh for the administration of certain projects and programs, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, not to exceed \$1,325,000. (Council Districts: All).

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

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No.

[2014-0157](#)

Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh designating URA as the City's agent for administration of the 2014-2015 HOME Investments Partnership Program. (Council Districts: All)

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No.

[2014-0158](#)

Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an Application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$1,500,000 for the 31st Street Studios project. (Council District 7)

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No.

[2014-0159](#)

Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with the URA's application for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$1,500,000 for the 31st Street Studios project. (Council District 7)

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No.

[2014-0160](#)

Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an Application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$1,500,000 for the Center for Sustainable Landscapes

project. (Council District 5)

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No.

[2014-0161](#)

Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with the URA's application for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$1,500,000 for the Center for Sustainable Landscapes project. (Council District 5)

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No.

[2014-0162](#)

Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an Application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$2,500,000 for the East Liberty Transit Center Transit Oriented Development project. (Council District 8)

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No.

[2014-0163](#)

Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with the URA's application for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$2,500,000 for the East Liberty Transit Center Transit Oriented Development project. (Council District 8)

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS - NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER