

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, February 12, 2008

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIFTH COUNCIL**

Douglas Shields, President

**Council Members: Reverend Ricky V. Burgess, Dan Deasy, Patrick Dowd, Darlene M. Harris,
Bruce A. Kraus, Jim Motznik, Tonya D. Payne, William Peduto**

Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk

Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Mr. Deasy, Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No.

[2008-0122](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby wish to commend New Voices Pittsburgh and Chatham University for all of their efforts undertaken on behalf of women and in particular, women of color, while additionally declaring that February 15 - March 15 be named Women of Color HERstory Month in the City of Pittsburgh.

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

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

Bill No.

[2008-0123](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City Pittsburgh welcomes the refugee speakers from Darfur and commends the Pittsburgh Darfur Emergency Coalition for its past work and this new initiative; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares February 17, 2008, "Destroyed Villages Project Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2008-0124](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System for its extraordinary care of the nation's veterans in this region; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare February 11- 17 as the "National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2008-0125](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby recognizes Delta Foundation 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, WILLIAM PEDUTO, TONYA D. PAYNE, JIM MOTZNIK, BRUCE A. KRAUS, DARLENE HARRIS, PATRICK DOWD AND DAN DEASY

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

REV. BURGESS, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE, PRESENTS

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of City Planning to enter into an agreement or agreements with members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, for payment of services for duties related to any and all activities of the Zoning Board of the City of Pittsburgh. Cost not to exceed \$39,000.

[2008-0120](#)

Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee

MR. DEASY, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION, PRESENTS

Bill No. Communication from Charles Morrison requesting permission for Adelaide Smith, Chairperson of the Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations, and Winford Craig, Chair of the Commission's Housing Committee, to attend the 2008 National Fair Housing Policy Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, April 8 - April 12, 2008. Both individuals are non-City employees, but active on the Commission. Cost not to exceed \$3,000.00.

[2008-0121](#)

Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee

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

Bill No. Communication from Mayor Ravenstahl requesting permission for Tony Ceoffe, member of the Lawrenceville Weed and Seed Steering Committee, Norene Beatty, member of the West End Communities Weed and Seed Steering Committee, and Deborah Whitfield, member of the West End Communities Weed and Seed Steering Committee, to travel to Portland, Oregon on March 2, 2008 to attend the Community Capacity Development Office (CCDO) Strategic Development Workshop. The workshop will be held on March 3-6, 2008. The workshop will provide training related to federal Weed and Seed strategies and objectives. Cost not to exceed \$3,822.00.

[2008-0119](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion carried.

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the appointment of Sylvia Wilson, 6369 Meadow Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15206, as a member to the Board of ALCOSAN with a term to expire December 31, 2011.

[2008-0076](#)

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

MR. PEDUTO PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance, Law and Purchasing for February 6, 2008 with
[2008-0113](#) an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 592, effective
[2008-0058](#) December 13, 2004, as amended by Resolution No. 320, effective June 15, 2007, entitled: "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements and a Lease or Leases by and between the City of Pittsburgh ("City") and First Vehicle Services ("First Vehicle"), pursuant to which First Vehicle will furnish all work and services needed to manage and maintain the City's vehicle fleet," by extending the contract for a period of twenty-seven months from February 22, 2008 through May 31, 2010 and authorizing funding for said extension period.

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. Deasy, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No. Resolution providing for the issuance of a \$2,576.88 warrant in favor of Motheral Inc.,
[2008-0057](#) c/o Brinton Motheral, 400 Hastings Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15206, in settlement of a claim for sidewalk damage due to City tree roots on August 15, 2007.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety
[2008-0059](#) to enter into a professional service agreement with the Center for Victims of Violence and Crime to provide training and services for the Mayor's Youth Service Coordination Project. Cost not to exceed \$12,000.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution providing for the creation of the City Council District 9 Crime Prevention
[2008-0103](#) Trust Fund and setting conditions for the deposit and expenditure of such funds.

**SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS, PATRICK DOWD,
BRUCE A. KRAUS AND DARLENE HARRIS**

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 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznic, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MRS. HARRIS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for February 6, 2008 with an Affirmative Recommendation.
[2008-0114](#)

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 the repairs, maintenance, improvements and emergencies in connection with the Wall, Step, and Fence Program, in CDBG areas throughout the City of Pittsburgh, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$36,928.31.
[2008-0060](#)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. 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 on-going maintenance, rehabilitation and new construction of City-owned walls, steps and fences; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$100,000.
[2008-0061](#)

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 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznic, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FACILITIES, TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Facilities, Technology and the Arts for February 6, 2008 with an Affirmative Recommendation.
[2008-0115](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing and directing the Manager of the Equal Opportunity Review
[2008-0010](#) Commission to enter into a professional services agreement or agreements, or contract or contracts to create a technical and financial assistance resource guide for small businesses in the City of Pittsburgh, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00).

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MR. MOTZNIK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING, FLEET AND FORESTRY

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Engineering, Fleet and Forestry for February 6, 2008 with
[2008-0116](#) an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing
[2008-0062](#) 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 \$200,000.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreement or the use of existing
[2008-0063](#) Agreements; providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts; in connection with the design and reconstruction of sidewalks and curbing along Crane Avenue; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$200,000.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing
[2008-0064](#) Agreements; providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for Construction Management and Construction Inspection Services on various City projects; and further providing for a Reimbursement Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, and providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$250,000.

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 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motzник, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

REV. BURGESS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Land Use for February 6, 2008 with an Affirmative Recommendation.
[2008-0117](#)

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 grant agreement with the Richard King Mellon Foundation to receive monies to support conservation and maintenance of the City of Pittsburgh's art collection, and further providing for legitimate expenditures for payments and agreement or agreements, or contract or contracts for any services required in connection with the execution of said grant agreement. Said agreement or agreements, contract or contracts or expenditures shall not exceed \$300,000.00.
[2008-0065](#)

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motzник, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

MR. KRAUS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for February 6, 2008 with an Affirmative Recommendation.
[2008-0118](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution no. 200, effective April 17, 2006 entitled "Resolution providing for a contract or contracts or the use of existing contract or contracts; or agreement or agreements for the purchase of two canine vehicles, three patrol vehicles, twenty two mobile data computers and accessories at a cost not to exceed Two Hundred Eighty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Five Dollars (\$289,905.00) and providing for the payment of the costs thereof."
[2008-0066](#)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. [2008-0067](#) Resolution providing for an agreement or agreements, contract or contracts, or for the use of existing agreements and/or contracts, for the purchase of computer hardware, software and/or communications equipment, maintenance, installation, professional services, licenses, warranties, accessories and training in conjunction with the enhancement or implementation of automated systems for the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Police, at a cost not to exceed one hundred fifty thousand, thirty six dollars (\$150,036) and providing for the cost thereof.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. [2008-0068](#) Resolution providing for an agreement or agreements, or use of existing agreements and/or a contract or contracts, or use of existing contracts, for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment or services in connection with the relocation and renovation of the Firearms Training Section at the new Zone 5 on Washington Boulevard; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$50,000.

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 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, 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.