

City of Pittsburgh

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414 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219*



MEETING MINUTES

Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh

Monday, May 15, 2006

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No.

[2006-0424](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Kay Stolarevsky for her rich and generous contributions to the quality of life in the City of Pittsburgh and for her compassionate, creative and visionary leadership of the Chatham College Music and Arts Summer Day Camp for the last 50 years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh declare May 24, 2006, Kay Stolarevsky Day in the City of Pittsburgh and the week of May 22-26, 2006, as Chatham College Summer Music and Arts Day Camp Week in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND WILLIAM PEDUTO

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

Bill No.

[2006-0425](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Pittsburgh recognizes Bike Pittsburgh's organization of and sponsorship of Bike to Work Week; and,

BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the week of May 15-19th 2006, to be BIKE TO WORK WEEK in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS

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

Bill No.

[2006-0426](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby extend heartfelt congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. August J. Carlino on the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, and wishes them many more years of happiness.

SPONSOR(S): LEN BODACK

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

Bill No.

[2006-0427](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby salute and commend the countless contributions of the frontline caregivers of our community, and would ban mandatory overtime for nurses and other health care workers in all public and private sector health care facilities in Pennsylvania except in bona fide emergencies.

SPONSOR(S): TWANDA CARLISLE

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

Bill No. [2006-0428](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh salutes Stephen H. Jordan, recipient of this year's Howard A. Mermelstein Leadership Award, for his many years of service to the Jewish Family & Children's Service and our community.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO

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

Bill No. [2006-0429](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, does hereby recognize and commend Jacqueline L. Miles for her years of dedicated service to our youth with special needs and the Pittsburgh Public Schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council in the City of Pittsburgh declares today, May 13th, 2006 as Jacqueline L. Miles Day in the City.

SPONSOR(S): TWANDA CARLISLE

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

MR. BODACK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE

Bill No. [2006-0409](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements or Contract or Contracts, or use of existing Agreements or Contracts, with a Consultant or Consultants, or Vendor or Vendors, for the purpose of conducting planning and management studies, and related activities in support of such studies including the purchase of data and data analysis equipment at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00.

Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee

Bill No. [2006-0410](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with Community Based Organizations for community and economic development planning assistance in various neighborhoods in the City and providing operating support for these groups in an amount not to exceed \$700,000.00.

Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee

Bill No. [2006-0411](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreement(s) and to provide administrative/operating expenses, including but not limited to, rehabilitation, maintenance, operation, insurance, utilities, furnishings, homeless prevention and essential services and other miscellaneous expenses associated with the Emergency Shelter Grant funds, at a cost not to exceed \$736,241.

Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee

Bill No. [2006-0412](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with the URBAN LEAGUE OF PGH., for the implementation/administration of the HOUSING COUNSELING PROGRAM, and related costs, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00

Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee

Bill No.
[2006-0413](#)

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 \$505,000.00.

Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee

Bill No.
[2006-0414](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with the Jewish Healthcare Foundation to provide administration and operating expenses, housing and housing related supportive services to persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, at a total cost not to exceed \$623,000

Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee

Bill No.
[2006-0415](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement(s) and Contract(s) with Consultant(s) and Vendor(s) to assist the City in improving its Citizen Participation Process and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$215,000.00.

Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee

Bill No.
[2006-0416](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or Contract, or use of existing Agreement(s) or Contract(s) with consultant, vendors and/or contractors for the purpose of planning and/or implementing costs of the Trail Development Projects and related costs in support of this project, at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.

Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee

MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Bill No.
[2006-0407](#)

Resolution supplementing Resolution No. 408 of 2004, effective August 20, 2004, and authorizing the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Director of the Department of Finance to enter into a license agreement or agreements with the Port of Pittsburgh Commission and/or with the owners and/or operators of a water taxi/shuttle service allowing the docking of water taxi/shuttle boats in City parks at the City-owned wharves or docks at the Sixth Street Bridge on the southern shore of the Allegheny River and at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center.

Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee

Bill No.
[2006-0408](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Departments of Public Works and City Planning, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a cooperation agreement with the Port Authority of Allegheny County in connection with the Authority's North Shore Connector Project to expand the existing Light Rail Transit System by extending service from the Gateway Station in downtown Pittsburgh through twin tunnels under the Allegheny River to Pittsburgh's North Shore (the "Gateway Line"); and further authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Departments of Public Works and of Finance to enter into agreements with the Authority for construction, surface, subsurface and aerial easements and/or encroachments, both permanent and temporary, as necessary for constructing,

operating, repairing and/or maintaining the North Shore Connector Project.

Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee

MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION

Bill No.

[2006-0417](#)

Resolution 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 2006 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; and further, amending said statement by deleting several projects: Allegheny Circle Design (DCP) (-120,000); Inner Penn Circle Traffic Reconfiguration (DCP) (-40,000); Bridge Repairs (Public Works) (-175,000); Western Avenue (Mayor's Office) (-130,000); and further, by adding several new projects: Equipment Purchase (Equipment Leasing Authority) (+200,00); and Fire House & SCBA Parts (Public Safety) (+70,000); and further by decreasing several projects: Children's Home (Mayor's Office) (-150,000); East Liberty - Penn Circle Rehabilitation (Public Works) (-100,000); and further, by increasing several projects: Demolition of Condemned Buildings (Public Safety) (+445,000).

Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0418](#)

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 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 950,000.00

Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee

MR. SHIELDS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Bill No.

[2006-0406](#)

Resolution Authorizing the Citizen Police Review Board to enter into an Agreement(s) or contract(s) with Thieman and Ward for professional services to assist in the legal representation of the Citizen Police Review Board providing for payment there of at a cost not to exceed \$50,000 (Fifty Thousand Dollars).

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

MR. RAVENSTAHL, THE CHAIR, PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HEARINGS

Bill No.

[2006-0419](#)

Resolution informing Council of the appointment of Frederick (Field) Pickering III, 634 Maryland Avenue, Apt. #4, Pittsburgh, PA 15232, as a Member of the Pittsburgh Cable Communications Advisory Committee for the City Council District 8 seat, for a term to expire January 4, 2010.

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the appointment of David F. Toal, 1338 Sheridan Avenue,
[2006-0420](#) Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15206, as a member to the Zoning Board of Adjustment of
the City of Pittsburgh for a term to expire December 31, 2006. Mr. Toal shall fill the
unexpired term previously held by Jesse W. Fife, Jr.

**A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Hearings
Committee. The motion carried.**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the appointment of Paul Tellers, 427 Sulgrave Road,
[2006-0421](#) Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15211, as a member to the Historic Review Commission for
a term to expire May 29, 2009.

**A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Hearings
Committee. The motion carried.**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the appointment of Jill Flannery Joyce, 4411 Butler Street,
[2006-0422](#) Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15201, as a member to the Historic Review Commission of
the City of Pittsburgh for a term to expire May 29, 2009.

**A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Hearings
Committee. The motion carried.**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the appointment of Earl Travis Onque, 5144 Beeler Street,
[2006-0423](#) Pittsburgh, PA 15217, as a member to the Historic Review Commission for a term to
expire May 29, 2009.

**A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Hearings
Committee. The motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

MR. SHIELDS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Finance Committee Report

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance, Law and Purchasing for May 10, 2006.

Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Resolution creating the Market Based Revenue Opportunities Task Force (MBROT)
[2006-0343](#) which shall investigate potential revenue generating opportunities for the City of
Pittsburgh including but not limited to outdoor and indoor advertising on or in all city
owned property including, street furniture, website, cable television, naming rights of
property or facilities, leasing of facilities for events or telecommunications equipment.

SPONSOR(S): LUKE RAVENSTAHL

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution providing for the issuance of a \$3,145.85 warrant in favor of Katherine M. Secret, 1413 Morningside Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15206, in settlement of a claim for vehicle damage due to a PWSA truck, leased from the City of Pittsburgh Equipment Leasing Authority on March 1, 2006.

[2006-0354](#)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution providing for the issuance of a \$3,000.00 warrant in favor of Eileen & Paul Schmidt, c/o Brian C. Fawber, Esquire, Schiffman & Wojdowski, 1300 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, in settlement of a lawsuit in which Plaintiff's wife was injured on November 29, 2001.

[2006-0355](#)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to be designated as the Local Sponsor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Environmental Protection's Streets Run Watershed remediation plan.

[2006-0358](#)

SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS

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, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for May 10, 2006.

[2006-0405](#)

Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Resolution vacating a portion of Preble Avenue in the 27th Ward, 1st Council District, of the City of Pittsburgh.

[2006-0356](#)

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, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl

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.