



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

ROLL CALL

- Present** 8 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson
- Absent** 1 - Council Member Burgess

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Ronald Miller
Naomi Mullen
Pomaj-Chakmam-Yajal
Bill Schlacter
Yvonne Brown

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

- [2023-1108](#) Ordinance amending Title Two, Article V, Chapter 237 Stop The Violence Fund, Section 237.03 Uses and Restrictions of the Stop The Violence Fund, directing the Mayor's designee thereunder, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to utilize a reporting form approved by City Council to ensure proper and legal use of said funds by grantees thereunder in accordance with Ordinance 237 ("Stop the Violence Fund") of the City of Pittsburgh Code.

SPONSOR /S COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

Attachments: [2023-1108 STV Outcome Example Template](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 3/15/2023. The motion carried.

[2023-1253](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of 2 warrants (\$15,000.00 each) in connection with an EEOC matter at EEOC: 17H-2020-00017C for a total amount of \$30,000.00 (Thirty Thousand Dollars) in full and final settlement of litigation including attorney fees.

(Executive Session held 3/7/23)

Attachments: [2023-1253 Cover Letter-Ltr to Council re resolution for EEOC matter](#)
[Summary 2023-1253](#)

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

[2023-1254](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Mary Ann Organ and Eugene Organ, her husband, and their attorneys, Edgar Snyder and Associates, U.S. Steel Tower, 10th Floor, 600 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, in the amount of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00 USD) relating to the full and final settlement of a case filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 20-010985.

(Executive Session held 3/7/23)

Attachments: [2023-1254 Cover Letter-Organ letter to council](#)
[Summary 2023-1254](#)

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

NEW PAPERS

[2023-1272](#) 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 Global K9 Protection Group valued at TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$10,000.00) for a pre-trained explosive detection canine.

Attachments: [2023-1272 Cover Letter-Canine Donatio Resolution - letter](#)
[2023-1272-Donation Acceptance Form - K9 Rock\[2305843009284220901\]](#)
[Summary 2023-1272](#)

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

[2023-1273](#) 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 Am-Gard of SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$7,900.00) for the purchase of a canine for the Bureau of Police.

Attachments: [2023-1273 Cover Letter-Canine Donation Resolution Am Gard - letter](#)
[2023-1273-Am-GardDonation Acceptance Form](#)
[Summary 2023-1273](#)

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

[2023-1274](#) Resolution authorizing Eight (8) Open-End Professional Services Agreements with multiple vendors to provide professional services on an on-call basis as required related to art and memorial preservation and conservation services as needed by the various Departments of the City of Pittsburgh, each Agreement being at an amount not-to-exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) annually for a two year term with up to two additional one year options, and providing for funding of the costs thereof.

Attachments: [2023-1274 Cover Letter-Open End Professional Service Letter JP Signed](#)
[2023-1274-art](#)
[Summary 2023-1274](#)

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

INVOICES**INVOICES FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL**

The following departmental invoices not covered under a contract with the City shall be paid by the City Controller after the invoices have been approved by City Council at the March 8th, 2023 Standing Committees meeting. A completed standard form detailing the expenditures is attached to all of the below listed invoices. No payments will be made to any of the below listed vendors prior the approval of City Council.

CITY COUNCIL/ CITY CLERK

Allegheny West Civic Council – flower basket sponsorship (Dist. 1) 355.00

Photo Antiques Museum – contribution for special gallery exhibit (Dist. 1) 300.00

Melissa Rossiter – reimbursement for comm. meeting refreshments 27.97

Carnegie Mellon University – work-study student (Dist. 3) 217.12

INNOVATION & PERFORMANCE

Coro Center for Civic Leadership – fellow placement 3,000.00

Bindery Machine Repair – print shop equipment repairs 374.50

HUMAN RESOURCES & CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

The LJS Group – advertisement in Talk Magazine 910.00

POLICE

MeetingOne – Command/Crime conferencing 339.83

Sharon Daly – Zone 4 clerical services 576.00

Ray Allen Manufacturing Co – K9 radio collars 546.97

Ray Allen Manufacturing Co – K9 training face shields 319.96

Maurita Bryant Consulting Services, LLC – cold case consulting 1,710.00

Carla Kearns – reimbursement for uniform alterations 163.70

PERMITS, LICENSING, & INSPECTIONS

Christa Matthews – reimbursement for exam 25.25

Glen Scherer – reimbursement for Uniform Construction Code certification 117.60

Fred Musico – reimbursement for state certification registry 16.00

Coleman Hughes – reimbursement for state certification registry 110.00

OFFICE OF MUNICIPAL INVESTIGATIONS

Assured Polygraph Services, Inc. – employment candidate testing 1,500.00

PUBLIC WORKS

Zoresco Equipment Co – storage container rental 65.00

PARKS & RECREATION

Ulrich, Edward – reimbursement for Parks and Recreation Professional certification 70.00

MOBILITY & INFRASTRUCTURE

A. Folino Construction Inc – steel frame for street resurfacing 245.00

A. Folino Construction Inc – pipe for street resurfacing 649.20

A. Folino Construction Inc – steel frames for street resurfacing 591.00**A. Folino Construction Inc – steel frame for street resurfacing 220.76**

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

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

NONE

P-CARD APPROVALS

[Item 58-2023](#) P-Cards

Attachments: [Weekly Council Rpt 02-22-2023-02-28-2023 Revisions](#)

A motion was made to Waive the Rules. The motion carried.

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

PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR**NEW PAPERS**

[2023-1268](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Von der haus Gill German Shepherds Inc., 16863 Boundry Rd, Wapakoneta, OH 45895-8058, in an amount not to exceed SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$7,900.00), for the purchase of one canine for the Bureau of Police.

Attachments: [2023-1268 Cover Letter-Canine warrant donation Am Gard - letter](#)
[2023-1268-Estimate_1080_from_Von_der_haus_Gill_German_Shepherds_Inc\[38845\]](#)
[Summary 2023-1268](#)

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

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2023-1249](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency and Operation Better Block for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$2,500,000.00) to support the Safe Passages Program, which places community elders in schools to prevent violence.

Attachments: [2023-1249 Cover Letter-VIP Safe Passages letter](#)
[2023-1249-WCP23-004 Operation Better Block](#)
[Summary 2023-1249](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Public Safety and Wellness, due back by 3/15/2023. The motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE, MR. KRAUS, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2023-1270](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 679 of 2012, which authorized the City of Pittsburgh to enter into a Project and License Agreement with Riverlife to provide capital improvements & renovations to Allegheny Landing Park, by further authorizing a City contribution to dock repair work at a cost not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).

Attachments: [2023-1270 Cover Letter-Riverlife - Letter JP Signed](#)
[Summary 2023-1270](#)

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

[2023-1271](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of Eletro-Kote Company in the amount of Twenty-Nine Thousand and Eight Hundred Dollars (\$29,800.00) for improvements to the Vietnam War Memorial project.

Attachments: [2023-1271 Cover Letter-Electro-Kote legis letter 2](#)
[Summary 2023-1271](#)

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

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, REV. BURGESS, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2023-1266](#) Resolution providing for a Professional Services Agreement with the Mark Hamilton, Esq. of Summers McDonnell Hudock Guthrie and Rauch, P.C., to provide legal representation as the Solicitor of the Commission on Human Relations in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00).

Attachments: [2023-1266 Cover Letter-Letter to Council re Resolution - Solicitor](#)
[2023-1266-Commission Solicitor WCP Request Form 20230207](#)
[- signed](#)
[Summary 2023-1266](#)

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

[2023-1267](#) Resolution providing for a Professional Service Agreement with Ruder Law for legal services related to the enforcement of City Code Chapter 659.03 Unlawful Housing Practices in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00).

Attachments: [2023-1267 Cover Letter-Ruder Law - Letter to Council re Resolution 20230120](#)
[2023-1267-Ruder Law - WCP Request Form 20230120 - signed](#)
[Summary 2023-1267](#)

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

LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MR. WILSON, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2022-0270](#) Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title 7: Business Licensing, Article X: Rental of Residential Housing, by creating a new Chapter 783: Short Term Rental Permit Program.

(Public Hearing held 5/19/22)

SPONSOR /S COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

CO-SPONSOR /S Council Member Wilson, Council Member Gross, Council Member Burgess, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor and Council Member Strassburger

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

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 4/5/2023. The motion carried.

[2022-0465](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title V: Traffic, Article VII: Parking, Chapter 549: Residential Parking Permit Program, § 549.08: Visitor Permits; Non-Resident Permits, so as to relate the issuance of residential parking permits for short-term rentals to the issuance of licenses by the Department of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections authorizing the operation of short-term rentals in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 4/5/2023. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

[2023-1277](#)

Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of ThoughtForm, Inc. in the amount of thirty two thousand, five hundred fifty seven dollars and seventy five cents (\$32,557.75) for design services and template creation for the print version of the Oakland Plan, adopted as the Oakland area component of the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Attachments: [2023-1277 Cover Letter-Legislation Letter - ThoughtForm Oakland Plan](#)
[Summary 2023-1277](#)

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

RECREATION, YOUTH AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2023-1283](#)

Resolution providing for the designation and transfer of certain public properties within the Upper Lawrenceville and Stanton Heights neighborhoods to become permanent, public, passive open space, included in the Allegheny River Greenway as part of the Greenways for Pittsburgh program.

SPONSOR /S COUNCIL MEMBER GROSS

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

INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE, ASSET MANAGEMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE, MS. WARWICK, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2023-1275](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 568 of 2019, authorizing an amendment or amendments(s) to the existing Rooftop License Agreement between the City of Pittsburgh and 600 GS Prop LP, a Pennsylvania limited partnership, in order to extend the term through December 31, 2028, at a total cost not to exceed THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND FIFTY-SIX CENTS (\$380,387.56).

Attachments: [2023-1275 Cover Letter-USS Rooftop License Agreement \(2023-2028\) letter](#)
[Summary 2023-1275](#)

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

[2023-1276](#) Resolution providing for the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with RouteSmart Technologies, Inc., which provides trash and recycling routing optimization, for the purchase and implementation of navigation software that will provide turn-by-turn directions to Environmental Service Drivers; at a total cost not to exceed \$149,740.00 through December 31, 2025.

Attachments: [2023-1276 Cover Letter-RouteSmart legislation - signed \(1\)](#)
[Summary 2023-1276](#)

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

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2023-1173](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for proposed land development located at 4554-4564 Penn Avenue at the parcels numbered 49-M-121, 49-M-122, 49-M-123, 49-M-124, 49-M-125, 49-M-126, Pittsburgh, PA 15224.

Attachments: [2023-1173 Cover Letter-Sewer Module Resolution Cover Letter](#)
[2023-1173-161841 4554 Penn Ave SFPM Resolution City Council Submission 01-17-23](#)
[2023-1173-161841 - Sewer Module Questionnaire for Council](#)
[Summary 2023-1173](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs, due back by 4/5/2023. The motion carried.