

# **City of Pittsburgh**

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



## **MEETING MINUTES**

*Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh*

**Monday, March 29, 2010**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council**

**ONE-HUNDRED  
THIRTY-SIXTH COUNCIL**

**Darlene Harris, President**

**Council Members: Reverend Ricky V. Burgess, Patrick Dowd, Bruce A. Kraus, R. Daniel Lavelle, William Peduto, Natalia Rudiak, Douglas Shields, Theresa Smith**

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

## ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Peduto, Ms. Rudiak, Mr. Shields and Mrs. Smith

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2010-0267](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend The New Pittsburgh Courier for its storied history and important social contributions; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare March 29, 2010 to be "New Pittsburgh Courier Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): R. DANIEL LAVELLE AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2010-0268](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Council of the City of Pittsburgh recognizes the 10th anniversary of the Keystone State Wrestling Association and thanks its members and fans for their contributions to the Pittsburgh community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares March 27, 2010, "Keystone State Wrestling Association 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. [2010-0269](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby honor the accomplishments and contributions of Scottish Americans and recognizes Robert Murdoch as National Chairman Emeritus of Tartan Day; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare April 6, 2010, as "Tartan Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): DARLENE HARRIS AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2010-0270](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Council of the City of Pittsburgh thanks Megan Fitzgerald for her years of dedication and commitment to Kelly's Bar & Lounge, the neighborhood of East Liberty, and the music lovers of Pittsburgh; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares March 27, 2010, "Megan Fitzgerald 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. [2010-0271](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Graduate and Professional Student Associations at our local universities for raising the awareness of the important work that graduate and professional students contribute to the community; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare April 5-9, 2010, to be "GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT APPRECIATION 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.**

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

## **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

### **COUNCILMAN REV. RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS:**

Bill No. [2010-0266](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 670 of 2008, to permit \$7,000 already transferred to the District 9 Crime Trust Fund to now be used as additional funding for the City's previously authorized Professional Services Agreement with Professor David Kennedy for consulting services on the Pittsburgh Initiative to Reduce Crime (PIRC).

**SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS**

**Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee**

### **COUNCILMAN PATRICK DOWD PRESENTS:**

Bill No. [2010-0264](#) Resolution naming the baseball field within the Charles F. Dinan Memorial Playground, situated east of Hawthorne Street, south of Farmington Street and north of Sunnyside School, in the 10th ward of the City of Pittsburgh, as the OFFICER ERIC G. KELLY FIELD.

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

**Read and referred to Urban Recreation Committee**

### **COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:**

### **COUNCILMAN WILLIAM PEDUTO PRESENTS:**

Bill No. [2010-0257](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a of Twenty-Seven Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars(\$27,500.00) warrant in favor of Margaret and Dennis Ingold c/o Virginia Spencer Scott, Esquire,Ainsman, Levine & Drexler, LLC, 330 Grant Street, Suite 2201, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, in settlementof an action filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania at GD 09-10295for personal injuries and damages arising from a slip and fall on or about July 1, 2008, at or near Calle Street and Conniston Avenue, in the City of Pittsburgh.

**Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee**

Bill No. Resolution providing for the issuance of a \$5,787.32 warrant in favor of Sacred Heart  
[2010-0258](#) Parish, of 310 Shady Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15206, in settlement of a claim for sidewalk damage due to City tree roots on August 14, 2009.

**Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee**

**COUNCILWOMAN NATALIA RUDIAK PRESENTS:**

Bill No. Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine - Zoning, Article II, Base Zoning  
[2010-0263](#) District; Chapter 905, Special Purpose Districts, Section 905.02, H, Hillside District - by adding language that requires Council approval for any proposed sub-division of zoned Hillside property.

**SPONSOR(S): NATALIA RUDIAK**

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

**Read and referred to Land Use and Economic Development Committee**

**COUNCILMAN DOUGLAS SHIELDS PRESENTS:**

Bill No. Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Zoning Code, Title Nine, Article One, Chapter  
[2010-0262](#) 902 Section 902.03, Zoning District Maps Nos. 10, 11, and 15 by changing various zoning district classifications in the Stanton Heights neighborhood in accord with Map Pittsburgh: Zoning for your Neighborhood, the city's zoning re-mapping project relative to the city's new Urban Zoning Code.

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

**Read and referred to Land Use and Economic Development Committee**

**COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:**

Bill No. Resolution naming the building located at the West End Elliott Overlook as the  
[2010-0265](#) ELMER CLARK PAVILION.

**SPONSOR(S): THERESA SMITH**

**Read and referred to Public Works Committee**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION**

**COUNCILMAN PEDUTO PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for March 24, 2010 with an Affirmative  
[2010-0256](#) Recommendation.

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing cooperation agreement or agreements, providing for the transfer of funds not to exceed Five Million (\$5,000,000) dollars to the City of Pittsburgh Equipment Leasing Authority for the purchase of vehicles, radios and equipment for use by the City of Pittsburgh Departments and Authorities.

[2010-0229](#)

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into an agreement or agreements with Hollinshead, Mendelson, Bresnahan & Nixon, P.C. for professional services to assist in the legal representation of the City of Pittsburgh in connection with litigation arising from the Corfu Street remediation, specifically actions concerning Douglas Blair and real property identified at Block and Lot 7-N-238, 20th Ward, City of Pittsburgh and providing for the payment thereof at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00 (Fifty Thousand Dollars).

[2010-0230](#)

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No. Resolution providing for a professional services agreement or agreements for consulting services, but not limited to auditing , accounting, and technical services for the City Controller's Office for a two year period with a cost not to exceed \$140,000.00 upon yearly appropriation.

[2010-0231](#)

**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. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Peduto, Ms. Rudiak, Mr. Shields and Mrs. Smith

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

### **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.**