

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 28, 2022

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

***ONE-HUNDRED
FORTY-SECOND COUNCIL***

Theresa Kail-Smith, President of Council

***Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Bruce A. Kraus,
R. Daniel Lavelle, Erika Strassburger, Bobby Wilson***

Kim Clark-Baskin, City Clerk

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA to add bill 2022-0782 and 2022-0686**

This matter was Approved

PROCLAMATIONS

[2022-0779](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare October 1, 2022 to be “*Alpha Phi Alpha Day*” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 516

[2022-0781](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Pittsburgh City Council congratulates Clean Water Action on 50 years of service to our planet and all its inhabitants; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare September 28, 2022, to be “Clean Water Action” Day in the City of Pittsburgh.

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

Enactment No: 517

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Dr. Ronal L. Miller, Stanford Lyons, Yvonne F. Brown, Bernadette Mosely

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS:**

[2022-0764](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works, to apply for grant funding from the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Keystone Communities Grant program, to provide funding for the construction of a community space and playground in Homewood Park. The grant proposal includes a request of \$262,180.50, with a local match of \$262,180.50 to come from a City of Pittsburgh's Capital Budget. In the event the grant is awarded, this resolution provides for an agreement not to exceed FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY FOUR THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY ONE (\$524,361.00) DOLLARS for this stated purpose.

Attachments: [2022-0764 Cover Letter-DOC008](#)

[Summary 2022-0764](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2022-0765](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works, to apply for grant funding from the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Keystone Communities Grant program, to provide funding for the rehabilitation of the McKinley Park Community Center. The grant proposal includes a request of \$500,000.00, with a local match of \$660,000.00 to come from a City of Pittsburgh's 2022 and 2023 Capital Budget. In the event the grant is awarded, this resolution provides for an agreement not to exceed ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND (\$1,160,000.00) DOLLARS, for this stated purpose.

Attachments: [2022-0765 Cover Letter-DOC009](#)

[Summary 2022-0765](#)

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2022-0766](#) Resolution providing for a Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for costs associated with the Preliminary Design phase of the California Ave Bridge Project; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000.00). This resolution serves to authorize only the Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements, at no cost to the City of Pittsburgh. Future Resolutions will authorize the project specific service agreements.

Attachments: [2022-0766 Cover Letter-CaliforniaAveBridge Letterhead - signed](#)

[2022-0766 117889.CaliforniaAveBridge.PE.Exhibit A](#)

[Summary 2022-0766](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2022-0767](#) Resolution providing for an amended Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for costs associated with the construction phase of the Allegheny Circle Phase 2 project, and providing for the payment of costs thereof, not to exceed Two Million, One Hundred Twenty Six Thousand, Four Hundred Ninety Five (\$2,126,495.00) dollars; and the municipal share of Commonwealth Incurred Costs not to exceed Four Thousand (\$4,000.00) dollars, a decrease of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) from the previously executed City of Pittsburgh contract 52331-1, as authorized by Resolution 374 of 2020.

Attachments: [2022-0767 Cover Letter-Allegheny Circle Amendment 2 RA Letter - signed](#)
[2022-0767 Agreement-R17110014-2](#)
[Summary 2022-0767](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:

[2022-0686](#) 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 2022-2023 Community Development Block Grant Program, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, not to exceed \$6,500,000. (Council Districts: All)

Attachments: [2022-0686 Cover Letter-2022 CDBG Coop Letter 08232022.docx](#)
[Summary 2022-0686](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

[2022-0768](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh and the Director of the Department of Public Works, to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the Urban Redevelopment Authority, in order to receive a grant from the Pennsylvania Budget Office Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program, for the renovation of Warrington Recreation Center in the amount of ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$1,500,000.00) dollars, and authorizing expenditures for this stated purpose.

Attachments: [2022-0768 Cover Letter-DOC010](#)
[Summary 2022-0768](#)

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

[2022-0769](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Public Safety to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Auto Theft Prevention Authority for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY SIX THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$566,384)

Attachments: [2022-0769 Cover Letter-Auto Theft Leg Letter](#)

[Summary 2022-0769](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services

[2022-0778](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership for services rendered by Clean Team ambassadors within the South Side Parking Enhancement District at a total cost not to exceed THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$375,000.00).

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KRAUS

Attachments: [2022-0778 South Side Clean Team letter](#)

[2022-0778 WCP22-037 Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership](#)

[2022-0778 Summary](#)

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services

[2022-0782](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 130 of 2018, effective January 1, 2018 by updating the continued designation of an Oakland Business Improvement District. *(Public Hearing scheduled for 10/12/22)*

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KRAUS

Attachments: [2022-0782 OBID Parcels GP Edits \(1\)](#)

[2022-0782 OBID_11x17](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

[2022-0771](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 886 of 2021, effective December 27, 2021, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2022 Capital Budget and the 2022 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2022 through 2027 Capital Improvement Program” by increasing CALIFORNIA AVENUE BRIDGE (TIP) by \$800,000.

Attachments: [2022-0771 Cover Letter-2022 California Ave Bridge Letter 091522 JP Signed Summary 2022-0771](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:

[2022-0772](#) Resolution providing that the City of Pittsburgh enter into a Professional Services Agreement(s) and/or Contract(s) with Industrial/Organizational Solutions, Inc. (I/O Solutions) for professional consulting services in connection with Police Lieutenant and Police Sergeant position job analyses; the development, administration, and scoring of written examinations; and development, assessor selection, administration, and scoring of the oral board examinations; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$276,000.00.

Attachments: [2022-0772 Cover Letter-Signed Council Letter](#)
[2022-0772 Signed Memo](#)
[2022-0772 EORC](#)
[Summary 2022-0772](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Human Resources

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:

[2022-0770](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into a Software Maintenance Agreement or Agreements with LeadsOnline for stolen property tracking software, related maintenance, user support services and subscription-based licenses to be utilized by the City's Bureau of Police, at an overall cost to the City not to exceed THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE DOLLARS (\$378,839).

Attachments: [2022-0770 Cover Letter-Leadsonline Letter](#)

[2022-0770 WCP22-038 - LeadsOnline](#)

[Summary 2022-0770](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Innovation, Performance and Asset Management

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2022-0773](#) Resolution appointing Alan Sisco, to serve as a Member of the Housing Opportunity Fund Advisory Board for a term to expire April 30, 2026.

Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings

[2022-0774](#) Resolution appointing Aster Teclay, to serve as a Member of the Housing Opportunity Fund Advisory Board for a term to expire April 30, 2026.

Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings

[2022-0775](#) Resolution appointing Councilwoman Deborah Gross to serve as a Member of the Housing Opportunity Fund Advisory Board for a term to expire April 30, 2026.

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

Enactment No: 518

[2022-0776](#) Resolution appointing Deidra Washington, to serve as a Member of the Housing Opportunity Fund Advisory Board for a term to expire April 30, 2026.

Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings

[2022-0777](#) Resolution appointing Morgan Overton, to serve as a Member of the Housing Opportunity Fund Advisory Board for a term to expire April 30, 2026.

Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

[2022-0759](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for September 21, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0711](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 862 of 2021, which authorized the Mayor and the City Solicitor, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a professional services agreement with Cohen Law Group to address a matter of pending telecommunications litigation at USDC 2:21-cv-443, by increasing the total spend by \$85,000.00 for a new not exceed amount of \$146,050.00.

(Executive Session held 9-20-22)

Attachments: [2022-0711 Cover Letter-Cohen Law Group Council letter \(2022\)](#)

[Summary 2022-0711](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2022-0712](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Mary DeCort-Rhodes and Frischman & Rizza, P.C., 7300 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15208, in the amount of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$125,000.00) in full and final settlement of litigation filed at Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas No. GD 17-014401.

(Executive Session held 9-20-22)

Attachments: [2022-0712 Cover Letter-Council ltr for settlement legislation template](#)

[Summary 2022-0712](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMAN KRAUS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

[2022-0760](#) Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for September 21, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0726](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 91 of 2021, authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into an amended five-year professional services agreement or agreements with RollKall Technologies, LLC (RollKall) for a web-based secondary employment scheduling system in an amount not-to-exceed Eight Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars and No Cents (\$853,925.00). The parties seek to further amend the current agreement in order to add scheduling services for the City's Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) at no added cost to the City. No other substantive changes to the terms of the Agreement are required.

Attachments: [2022-0726 Cover Letter-Rollkall EMS amendment 2022 Letter](#)

[Summary 2022-0726](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

[2022-0761](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for September 21, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0734](#) Resolution approving the recommendation made by the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure that the concrete portion of Silver Oak Drive in the Banksville neighborhood of Pittsburgh be paved with asphalt in accordance with Section 417.06 of the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2022-0743](#) Resolution authorizing an interdepartmental transfer in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 from the Bureau of Facilities within the Department of Public Works to the Office of Management and Budget. This transfer is necessary to cover increased fuel costs and unanticipated fleet maintenance expenses.

Attachments: [2022-0743 Cover Letter-Interdepartmental - Letter JP Signed](#)

[Summary 2022-0743](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT

[2022-0762](#) Report of the Committee on Innovation, Performance and Asset Management for September 21, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0752](#) Resolution amending Resolution 280 of 2020, authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation and Performance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into an agreement or agreements or adoption of existing government contracts with ePlus Technology, Inc. for commodities and professional services for system critical adjustments, improvements, and upgrades to maintain the City of Pittsburgh's network functionality by increasing the funding.

Attachments: [2022-0752 Cover Letter-ePlus letter - Waive Rule 8 - 2022 - signed](#)
[2022-0752-WCP22-035 - ePlus](#)
[Summary 2022-0752](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[2022-0763](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for September 21, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0691](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire all the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the following Publicly-Owned properties in the 15th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 56-K, Lots 65-A and 67 (35 and 39 W Elizabeth Street - Council District No. 5).

Attachments: [2022-0691 Cover Letter-Rising Tide Hazelwood Acquisition Letter 08232022.docx](#)
[Summary 2022-0691](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER