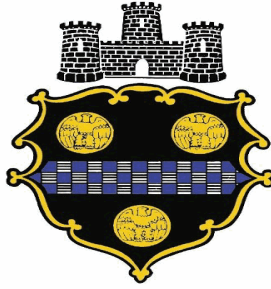


City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 1, 2019

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

ONE-HUNDRED

FORTIETH COUNCIL

Bruce A. Kraus, President of Council

Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Darlene M. Harris, R. Daniel Lavelle, Corey O'Connor, Theresa Kail-Smith, Erika Strassburger

Brenda F. Pree, City Clerk - Kimberly Clark-Baskin, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**PROCLAMATIONS**

[2019-2124](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the day of October 1st, 2019 to be “Mr. Yuk Day” in the City of Pittsburgh, and recognizes Dr. Moriarty for his extraordinary efforts to promote the safety of children in our region.

SPONSOR /S: MR. KRAUS, MS. GROSS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 619

[2019-2125](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend the extraordinary career of Pittsburgh Pirate **Steve Blass**, congratulates him on 60 remarkable years and wishes him good times in his retirement; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, October 1, 2019, to be “**STEVE BLASS DAY**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MR. O'CONNOR, MRS. KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 620

[2019-2126](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the Pittsburgh Darfur Emergency Coalition (PDEC) for organizing rallies, marches, petitions and letter-writing campaigns, and bringing issues of human rights concerns before Council and the community for over 15 years; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare, Sunday, October 13, 2019 to be “**Pittsburgh Darfur Emergency Coalition Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 621

[2019-2127](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does affirm its commitment to the human right to housing; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare October 1, 2019 to be “**Zero Evictions Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. STRASSBURGER AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 622

[2019-2128](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the important contributions of Alma Burgess to the Pittsburgh community; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Saturday, September 28, 2019 to be “Alma Burgess 100th Birthday Day” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. STRASSBURGER AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 623

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS:

[2019-2109](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 762 of 2018 which authorized the Director of Finance to enter into a contract or agreement, or use of existing contract or agreement with the Pittsburgh Community Reinvestment Group for the purpose of annual analysis of community reinvestment of possible City depositories and other associated work. The contract period was originally November 1 to December 31, 2018, renewable annually for up to three (3) years by mutual agreement of the parties at twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for each year of service.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2019-2110](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 855 of 2011, effective December 29, 2011, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2012 Capital Budget and the 2012 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2012 through 2017 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing CHILDREN’S MUSEUM by \$4,000.00 and increasing WOMEN’S CENTER & SHELTER by \$4,000.00, and authorizing a subsequent Agreement or Agreements for operation/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities on behalf of the residents of the City of Pittsburgh.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2019-2111](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 797 of 2017, effective December 28, 2017, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2018 Capital Budget and the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2018 through 2023 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing CDBG PERSONNEL by \$10,000.00 and increasing WOMEN’S CENTER & SHELTER by \$10,000.00, and authorizing a subsequent Agreement or Agreements for operation/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities on behalf of the residents of the City of Pittsburgh.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:

[2019-2112](#) Resolution providing for the Pittsburgh City Council to authorize the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh to execute all necessary agreements between the City of Pittsburgh and the Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office as may be required for renewed participation in the Certified Local Government program.

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

[2019-2113](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 534 of 2018, effective August 6, 2018, entitled “Resolution providing for Agreement(s) and Contract(s), or use of existing Agreement(s) and Contract(s) with Urban Design Ventures for the purpose of assisting the City in preparing environmental reviews resulting from an audit conducted by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development; and provide for the payment at a cost thereof, not to exceed 20,000.00” by increasing the amount authorized to \$48,000.00.

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

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

[2019-2116](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of Shallow Creek Kennels, Inc., in the amount of \$8,000.00 for the purchase of one canine for the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Police.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS:

[2019-2117](#) Resolution amending Resolution 42 of 2019, effective January 10, 2019, to reconcile the percentage of build-out funding assigned to the proposed City, Housing Authority and shared space condominium units at 412 Boulevard of the Allies and to adjust the amounts assigned in the AE7 Professional Services Agreement accordingly.

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2019-2118](#) Resolution granting unto SQUIRREL HILL URBAN COALITION, 2136-2144 Murray Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15201, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, (6) tree pits along with (5) benches, at 2136-2144 Murray Avenue, in the 14h Ward, in the 5th Council District of City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2019-2119](#) Resolution granting unto RMU PROPERTIES LLC, 1402 Murray Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa 15217, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, an ADA entrance ramp at 3601 Penn Avenue, in the 6th Ward, in the 7th Council District of City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2019-2120](#) Resolution granting unto DESMONE ARCHITECTS, 3629 Mintwood Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15201, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, for entrance stairs and (10) planters, at 3629 Mintwood Street, in the 6th Ward, in the 7th Council District of City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2019-2121](#) Resolution granting unto JAYSON REAGAN, 3611 Mintwood Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15201, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, a new feature wall with a bench and canopy, at 3611 Mintwood Street, in the 6th Ward, in the 7th Council District of City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:

[2019-2122](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 469 of 2018, which authorized the Mayor and Director of Innovation & performance, on behalf of City of Pittsburgh to enter into a Professional Service Agreement (s) and/or Amendments with Planet Technologies for SAAS (Software as a Service) e-mail and data file collaboration, increasing the authorized contract amount by Forty-Seven Thousand and Five Hundred and Eighty Dollars and Zero Cents (\$47,580) for Active Directory Modernization services.

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

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

[2019-2123](#) Communication from City Controller Michael Lamb submitting a Performance Audit of the Department of Finance Treasurer's Office Division Property Sales, dated September 2019.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

[2019-2105](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for September 25, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2019-2053](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Chief Equity Officer to enter into a Professional Services Agreement(s) and/or Contract(s) between the City of Pittsburgh and the Government Alliance on Race & Equity (GARE) in order to receive training and develop a racial equity toolkit in an amount not to exceed Twenty Six Thousand Two Hundred And Thirty Five Dollars (\$26,235.00), subject to appropriation.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2019-2054](#) Resolution authorizing issuance of a warrant in the amount of \$6,234.14, in favor of James A. Gordon, Jr., c/o Amanda Bonner, 5148 E. Willock Road, Apt. #6, Pittsburgh, PA 15236 for damage to his parked vehicle near the intersection of Birchland Street and Bellaire Place from a City DPW salt truck on January 18, 2019.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

[2019-2106](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for September 25, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2019-2002](#) Resolution vacating a portion of Gallatin Street in the 10th Ward, in the 7th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

A motion was made that this matter be RECOMMENDED to the Committee on Public Works . The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2019-2056](#)

Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc., in the amount of \$18,488.46, in emergency payment for production of the Nine Mile Run Wetland Monitoring report due to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), in order to comply with PADEP Permit No. E02-1367 / Department of the Army Section, 404 Permit No. 199901992.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2019-2058](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, and the Department of Public Works to apply for a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's (DCED) Keystone Communities Program, to provide funding for the Highland Park Pedestrian Tunnel project, and, should the grant be awarded by DCED, are authorized to enter into agreements with DCED. The grant proposal includes an ask of \$500,000.00 with a local match of \$682,638.33, to be contributed by the City of Pittsburgh's 2020 Capital Budget, from the Park Reconstruction line item 4550000120.50000.00, FUND 40020. In the event the grant is awarded, this resolution provides for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED THIRTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND THIRTY THREE CENTS (\$1,182,638.33) dollars for this stated purpose.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2019-2060](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to execute relevant agreements to receive grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation's Automated Red Light Enforcement Program to replace traffic signals at the intersection of Bigelow Boulevard and Bayard Street in the North Oakland neighborhood and further providing for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE THOUSAND (\$165,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose. There is no stated match requirement for this grant.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2019-2061](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, and the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to enter into an agreement with the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Multimodal Transportation (MTF) Fund Program, should the grant be awarded by DCED, to provide funding for Grandview Avenue Project. The grant proposal includes an ask of \$1,848,700.00 with a local match of \$792,300.00 included in the 2020 City of Pittsburgh's Capital Budget. In the event the grant is awarded, this resolution provides for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed TWO MILLION SIX HUNDRED FORTY ONE THOUSAND (\$2,641,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

[2019-2107](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for September 25, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2019-2027](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, and the Department of City Planning to apply for a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's (DCED) Keystone Communities Program to provide funding for the Saw Mill Run Zoning Study, and, should the grant be awarded by DCED, are authorized to enter into agreements with DCED. The grant proposal includes an ask of \$25,000 with a local match of \$100,000 to be contributed by the City of Pittsburgh's 2020 Capital Budget. In the event the grant is awarded, this resolution provides for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND (\$125,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2019-2055](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreement(s) with Community Based Organizations for community and economic development for planning assistance in various neighborhoods in the City and providing operating support for these groups, and provide for the payment at a cost thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$700,000.00.

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

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

[2019-2108](#) Report of the Committee on Innovation, Performance and Asset Management for September 25, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2019-2062](#) Resolution amending Resolution 158 of 2017, a resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation & Performance to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Computronix (USA) Inc., for the provision of a permitting and licensing package, at an additional cost not to exceed One Million Four Hundred Eighty Thousand and Zero Dollars (\$1,480,000.00) over the next two years.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER