



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes - Final

Monday, November 23, 2015

1:30 PM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mr. Kraus, Ms. Rudiak, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

Absent 3 - Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, and Mr. O'Connor

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MS. RUDIAK, CHAIR

SUPPLEMENTAL

[2015-2261](#)

Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in the total sum of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000.00) in favor of Foster v. City of Pittsburgh Class Members and attorneys Feinstein Doyle Payne & Kravec and ACLU of Pennsylvania, in compliance with the Court-approved Settlement Agreement, as partial payment in settlement related to the civil class action filed in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania at No. 2:12-cv-01207.

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.

[2015-2262](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two, Fiscal; Article IX, Property Taxes; Chapter 263, Real Property Tax and Exemption; Section 263.02, Payment Options, Discount and Delinquency Penalty, subsection (a), Discount in advance, subsection (c), Interest for late payments, and subsection (d), Due dates for tax year 2016 only, to reflect the payment, discount and delinquent dates for the year 2016.

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

NEW PAPERS

[2015-2228](#)

Resolution authorizing issuance of two (2) warrants as follows: one warrant in the amount of \$4,578.69, in favor of Marcus & Carole Gottlieb 307 S. Dithridge Street, Apt. 802, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 and one warrant in the amount of \$1,000.00, in favor of Alan & Linda Gordon, 5400 Albemarle Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15217, in settlement of their claim for property damage to the sewer lateral at 5400 Albemarle Avenue from encroachment of roots of a city tree during May/June 2014.

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

[2015-2230](#)

Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales, in accordance with Act No.171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984. ITEMS A. A: 5229 Poe

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

[2015-2231](#)

Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984; having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh Side Yard Program.

ITEMS A through F. A: 908 Cherokee, B: 5438 Camelia, C: 7806 Kelly, & 7809 Formosa, D: 5017 & 5019 Blair, E: 959 Kirkbride, F: 205 Knox

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

[2015-2232](#)

Resolution authorizing 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 providing an annual analysis of community reinvestment of possible City depositories and other associated work associated with RFPs for City Depository Analysis. The contract will be with the Department of Finance and the contract period shall be for January 1 to December 31, 2015, renewable annually for up to three (3) years by mutual agreement of the parties. Total cost for 2015 is \$20,000.

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

[2015-2233](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two, Fiscal; Article VII, Business Related Taxes; Chapter 245, Earned Income Tax; Section 245.03, Declaration and Payment of Tax; subsection (e), Interest for 2016, by fixing the rate of interest on delinquent Earned Income Tax for the year 2016.

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

[2015-2234](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two, Fiscal; Article VII, Business Related Taxes; Chapter 246, Home Rule Tax; Section 246.03, Declaration and Payment of Tax; subsection (e), Interest for 2016, by fixing the rate of interest on delinquent Home Rule Tax for the year 2016.

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

[2015-2235](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two, Fiscal; Article IX, Property Taxes; Chapter 263, Real Property Tax and Exemption; Section 263.01, Levy and Rate on Lands and Buildings, by fixing the rate of taxation for 2016.

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

[2015-2236](#) Resolution making Appropriations to pay the expenses of conducting the Public Business of the City of Pittsburgh and for meeting the debt charges thereof for the Fiscal Year, beginning January 1, 2016

Sponsors: MS. RUDIAK

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee for 1 week. The motion carried. Due back in Standing Committee on 12/2/2015.

[2015-2237](#) Resolution fixing the number of officers and employees of the City of Pittsburgh, and the rate of compensation thereof, and setting maximum levels for designated positions.

Sponsors: MS. RUDIAK

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee for 1 week. The motion carried. Due back in Standing Committee on 12/2/2015.

[2015-2238](#) Resolution adopting and approving the 2016 Capital Budget and the 2016 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2016 through 2021 Capital Improvement Program.

Sponsors: MS. RUDIAK

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee for 1 week. The motion carried. Due back in Standing Committee on 12/2/2015.

[2015-2239](#) Resolution authorizing City Council to approve intra-departmental transfers throughout the 2016 Fiscal Year

Sponsors: MS. RUDIAK

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee for 1 week. The motion carried. Due back in Standing Committee on 12/2/2015.

[2015-2240](#) Resolution providing for the City of Pittsburgh to participate in or purchase of contracts for goods, materials, services, construction, vehicles or equipment entered into by the U.S. General Services Administration, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, any Commonwealth of Pennsylvania County, City, Township, Municipality, Borough, Authority, Public Procurement Unit and the Pittsburgh School District for the 2015 fiscal year pursuant to the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Law, Act 57 of 1998 and Act 180 of 1972 as amended by Act 148 of 1986.

Sponsors: MS. RUDIAK

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee for 1 week. The motion carried. Due back in Standing Committee on 12/2/2015.

[2015-2241](#) Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution 273 of 2009, as amended, entitled "Resolution providing for an agreement between the City of Pittsburgh ("City") and the County of Allegheny ("County") for the continued assumption by the County of purchasing activities on behalf of the City which henceforth shall include service contracts (B contracts) and commodity purchases for the purchase of materials, general supplies, and equipment by the various Departments of the City of Pittsburgh for any or all Departments of the City of Pittsburgh; and providing for the payment of all costs thereof" so as to extend the authorization.

Sponsors: MS. RUDIAK

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee for 1 week. The motion carried. Due back in Standing Committee on 12/2/2015.

INVOICES

APPROVED

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

NONE

PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR**DEFERRED PAPERS**

[2014-1020](#) Ordinance amending and Supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code, Title VII Business Licensing, by adding Article X Rental of Residential Housing, Chapter 781 Residential Housing Rental Permit Program to provide for the registration of rental housing located within the City of Pittsburgh and to provide penalties for violation.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee for 1 week. The motion carried. Due back in Standing Committee on 12/2/2015.

NEW PAPERS

[2015-2227](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh City Code, Title Five: Traffic, Article VII: Parking; by amending language to Sections 541.01, 541.03, and 541.05.

Sponsors: MR. GILMAN

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

[2015-2245](#) Ordinance amending Title 6: Conduct, Article 1: Regulated Rights and Actions by adding section 626 providing for the assessment of a civil fine for the possession of small amounts of cannabis in the City of Pittsburgh under certain terms and conditions.

Sponsors: MR. LAVELLE

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Public Hearing. The motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MRS. KAIL-SMITH, CHAIR**SUPPLEMENTAL**

[2015-2280](#) Resolution granting unto unto Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership, 925 Liberty Avenue, 4th Floor, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, two bus shelters with lean rails on the sidewalk area at 623 Smithfield Street in the 2nd Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2015-2242](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Department of Public Works to enter into a License and Project Agreement with United Way of Allegheny County, a Pennsylvania non-profit corporation, to renovate Stargell Field in Homewood Park.

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

NEW PAPERS

[2015-2243](#) Resolution establishing the locations of certain property and accepting these locations as right-of-way for Wenzell Avenue in the 20th Ward, 2nd Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, REV. BURGESS, CHAIR**NEW PAPERS**

[2015-2224](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 23 of 2014 providing that the City of Pittsburgh enter into a Professional Services Agreement(s) and/or Contract(s) with UPMC LifeSolutions for professional services in connection with the administration of the City of Pittsburgh's Employee Assistance Program; by increasing the total cost from \$141,700.00 to \$212,550.00, and extending the contract one (1) calendar year through 2016.

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

**LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS,
CHAIR****NEW PAPERS**

[2015-2226](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title Four, Public Places and Property, Article I, Public Rights of Way, Section 420.10, to clarify street naming notification procedures.

Sponsors: MR. GILMAN

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

[2015-2244](#) An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 41, effective 11-2-2015, entitled, "Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title IV, Public Places and Property, Article VII, City Realty, by adding a new Chapter 454 entitled "Adopt-A-Lot Program" so as to add language in Section 452.03 (c) and add a new Section 452.04 entitled "City Council Approval."

Sponsors: MRS. KAIL-SMITH

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

URBAN RECREATION COMMITTEE, MR. O'CONNOR, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2015-2229](#) Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title IV: Public Places and Property, Article XI: Parks and Playgrounds, Chapter 473: Use Regulations, § 473.05 - Behavior; by adding new language designating parks and playground as "Tobacco-Free."

Sponsors: MR. O'CONNOR, REV. BURGESS AND MR. KRAUS

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

PERFORMANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, MRS. HARRIS, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2015-2101](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into a professional services agreement to develop a 40-Year Facilities Optimization Plan and Investment Strategy for the City of Pittsburgh at a cost not to exceed \$1,000,000.00.

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

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MR. GILMAN, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2015-2202](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority to acquire all of the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the Publicly-Owned Properties in the 2nd Ward of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 25-P, Lot 11 and Block 25-P, Lot 12 (Council District No.7, 2606 Penn Avenue).

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

Aye: 5 - Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mr. Kraus, Ms. Rudiak, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Rev. Burgess

Absent: 3 - Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, and Mr. O'Connor