



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

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

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

9:30 AM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

PRE-AGENDA - APPOINTMENTS AND/OR RE-APPOINTMENTS

[2023-1898](#) Resolution appointing Terri Shields as a Member of the Citizen Police Review Board with a term to expire October 31, 2027.

A motion was made that this matter be Interview Held. The motion carried.

Enactment No: 633

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Council Member Burgess, 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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Ronald Miller
Naomi Mullen
Yvonne Brown

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2023-1933](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C. for expert legal services in connection with a litigation matter in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania filed at 2:18-CV-01567 for an amount not to exceed Two Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Five dollars and Seventy-Five cents (\$2,445.75) over one year.

Attachments: [2023-1933 Cover Letter-Warrant for \\$2,445.75 for Professional Services of Dickie McCamey - Council Letter Summary 2023-1933](#)

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

Enactment No: 643

[2023-1934](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Summers, McDonnell, Hudock, Guthrie & Rauch, P.C. for expert legal services in connection with a litigation matter in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania filed at 2:18-CV-01567 for an amount not to exceed Nineteen Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Nine dollars and Eighty-Nine cents (\$19,289.89) over one year.

Attachments: [2023-1934 Cover Letter-Warrant for \\$19,289.89 for Professional Services of Summers McDonnell - Council Letter Summary 2023-1934](#)

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

Enactment No: 644

[2023-1935](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Christopher P. Boyle for expert fees in connection with a litigation matter in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania filed at 2:23-cv-51-NR for an amount not to exceed Seven Thousand Five Hundred dollars (\$7,500.00) over one year.

Attachments: [2023-1935 Cover Letter-Warrant for \\$7500 for Professional Services of Chris P Boyle - Council Letter Summary 2023-1935](#)

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

Enactment No: 645

[2023-1936](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in an amount not to exceed Eight Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-One Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$8,691.12) over one year, in favor of Helen A. Wilson, in full and final settlement of a claim (22C-0323) for damage to her residence from a felled city-owned tree.

Attachments: [2023-1936 Cover Letter-Settlement for \\$8,691.12 of Claim of Helen A. Wilson \(22C-0323\) - Council Letter Summary 2023-1936](#)

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

Enactment No: 646

[2023-1937](#) Resolution amending 164 of 2023, which authorized the Mayor and the City Solicitor, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a professional services agreement with Loeb & Loeb LLP for legal services related to real estate matters, by increasing the total spend by \$250,000.00 for a new not exceed amount of \$400,000.00 over one year.

(Executive Session held 9/28/23)

Attachments: [2023-1937 Cover Letter-Loeb Amendment Council Letter \(2023\)](#)

[2023-1937 WCP23-041 Loeb & Loeb](#)

[Summary 2023-1937](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 10/4/2023. The motion carried.

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

[2023-1938](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in an amount not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$5,000.00) over one year, in favor of Keane George, in full and final settlement of a claim (23C-0073) for damage to property from a city Environmental Services vehicle.

Attachments: [2023-1938 Cover Letter-Settlement for \\$5,000 of Claim of Keane George \(23C-0073\) - Council Letter](#)

[Summary 2023-1938](#)

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

Enactment No: 647

[2023-1941](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance to execute a quit claim deed or deeds, and any other necessary or appropriate documents, agreements, and instruments conveying AS IS all of the City's right, title and interest, if any, in a specified portion of the vacated Union Avenue, comprising the access drive for the Allegheny Commons Apartments and ancillary open space to Allegheny Commons Community Partnership LP for consideration of \$1.00.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

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

Enactment No: 649

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 September 27th, 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/ COUNCIL AS A BODY

Save a Life Today—support for Resource Center (Dist.2) 1,500.00

St. Maria Goretti—maintenance of memorial statue (Dist. 7) 1,295.00

Charland, Bob—reimbursement for meeting refreshments (Dist. 3) 195.00

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS

Black Political Empowerment Project—Fair Housing outreach 250.00

FINANCE

New Pittsburgh Courier—real estate advertising 2,981.48

New Pittsburgh Courier—real estate advertising 1,377.35

New Pittsburgh Courier—real estate advertising 1,722.20

New Pittsburgh Courier—real estate advertising 1,779.48

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New Pittsburgh Courier—real estate advertising 1,836.68

New Pittsburgh Courier—real estate advertising 1,836.68

New Pittsburgh Courier—real estate advertising 1,951.16

New Pittsburgh Courier—real estate advertising 1,836.68

Allegheny County Real Estate Department—charges for copies of deeds 639.00

Fran Pishke—reimbursement for items for Treasurer’s sale 28.83

**Transunion Risk & Alternative Data Solutions—background and credit checks
975.26**

County of Allegheny/Computer Services—use of County software 53.83

LAW

Sargents Court Reporting Service, Inc. – transcript 2,643.00

Bauer Court Reporting, Inc. – transcripts 558.00

HUMAN RESOURCES

Military Guides—advertising 1,675.00

CITY PLANNING

Grow Pittsburgh—support for 3 composting sites 3,000.00

Partner4Work—payment for intern 5,000.00

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Umback, Christian—reimbursement for event snacks 45.02

Ganser, Amy-- reimbursement for event snacks 73.83

PERMITS, LICENSING, & INSPECTIONS**Schiller, Eric—UCC certification 117.00****Lambert, Derek—UCC certifications 235.20****EMS****Bound Tree Medical—ventilator backpacks 1,637.82****Bound Tree Medical—trauma bags 3,784.20****Ambulances & Chair EMS Inc. – EMS coverage (Luke Combs, Morgan Wallen)
6,851.44****Rostraver/ West Newton EMS-- EMS coverage (Pitt, Morgan Wallen) 5,383.50****White Oak EMS-- EMS coverage (Guns n Roses) 1,023.52****POLICE****Leadership Pittsburgh Inc. – tuition for A. Royal 1,950.00****Duffy, John F, PhD.—after action assessments 800.00****Daly, Sharon—clerical services for Zone 4 360.00****Dojo Toys—target system 2,657.60****Shopstick LTD—fleet supplies 2,534.00****McKeel, Laurie—cold case consulting 2,460.00****Uline—evidence envelopes 408.80****Maurita Bryant Consultant Services—cold case consulting 1,770.00**

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Maurita Bryant Consultant Services—cold case consulting 1,486.50

Markl Supply—SWAT supplies 870.00

Thick Bikes LLC—parts and repairs 423.49

Ehlinger, Carol A—reimbursement for water purchase 48.75

FIRE

Hydro Test Products—recalibration of hydro test machine 131.97

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PUBLIC WORKS

Franiewski, Joshua—training reimbursement 630.76

Dominion Elevator Inspection Services—elevator safety inspections 208.00

Cardillo, Richard—training reimbursement 225.16

PARKS

Shirley Flowers Be Encouraged Foundation—technology assistance 1,150.00

Allegheny County Treasurer—food safety certification for employee 65.00

Hassan, Shah—tennis instructor 529.29

Stanislawczyk, Michael Patrick II—pickleball instructor 166.90

Camillo, Joseph M-- tennis instructor 1,815.00

Lacaria, Aldene-- tennis instructor 287.50

Parks, Richard-- tennis instructor 1,980.43

Paull, Mark J-- tennis instructor 1,257.21

Haffner, Mark-- tennis instructor 166.90

Jermon Drake-- tennis instructor 830.46

Camillo, Joseph M-- tennis instructor 270.00

Gluzman, Benji-- Camillo, Joseph M-- tennis instructor 693.57

Uline Inc. – large rolls of Velcro tape for storage 188.75

Sol Refill LLC—refund from rental 48.00

Daniels Trading Company LLC—refund from rental 54.00

Cruz, Jose Quiroz—refund from rental 160.00

Pro Knitwear – race shirts 168.00

McKenzie, Hakem—reimbursement for supplies 60.40

Humphries, Roger—Reservoir of Jazz performance 650.00

Shirley Flowers Be Encouraged Foundation—technology assistance 1,200.00

Highland Park Community Council—2023 Community Festival support 1,000.00

Banksville Civic Association-- 2023 Community Festival support 1,000.00

Brookline Together-- 2023 Community Festival support 1,000.00

Fineview Citizens Council Inc. -- 2023 Community Festival support 1,000.00

Perry Hilltop Citizens Council-- 2023 Community Festival support 1,000.00

DOMI

Traffic Products LLC—control unit 3,009.60

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Traffic Products LLC—push button station 4,225.50

Treetop Products Inc. – rubber speed bumps 704.38

Traffic Control Products Inc. – PoE power converter 279.00

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

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

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

NONE

P-CARD APPROVALS

[Item 82-2023](#) P-Cards

Attachments: [Weekly Council Rpt 9-13-23 to 9-19-23 \(1\)](#)

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

**PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE, MR. KRAUS,
CHAIR**

SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS

[2023-1970](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with CSX Transportation for costs associated with the Construction for the Charles Anderson Bridge Project; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed Four Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Three Dollars (\$439,223.00), federally reimbursable at 95%.

Attachments: [2023-1970 Cover Letter Charles Anderson - CSX CON Letter - signed](#)
[Summary 2023-1970](#)

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

Enactment No: 650

[2023-1972](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with Allegheny Valley Railroad Company for costs associated with the Construction for the Charles Anderson Bridge Project; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00), federally reimbursable at 95%.

Attachments: [2023-1972 Cover Letter Charles Anderson - AVRR CON Letter](#)
[Summary 2023-1972](#)

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

Enactment No: 652

[2023-1981](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of Duquesne Light Company, in the amount of Seventy Two Thousand Nine Hundred Eighteen and Fifty Seven Cents (\$72,918.57), in emergency payment for non-contracted work on the Homewood Park reconstruction project.

Attachments: [2023-1981 COVER LTR Homewood DLC Warrant - signed \(1\)](#)
[Summary 2023-1981](#)

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

Enactment No: 653

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, REV. BURGESS, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2023-1932](#) Resolution providing for issuance of a warrant in favor of Global Wordsmiths in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars and Sixty-Six Cents (\$23,976.66) for professional services related to translation of outreach materials and vital documents for the year 2023.

Attachments: [2023-1932 Cover Letter-Council re warrant Global Wordsmiths 20230906](#)
[2023-1932 Global Wordsmiths invoices](#)
[Summary 2023-1932](#)

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

Enactment No: 642

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

NEW PAPERS

[2023-1939](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with the Pittsburgh Board of Public Education, or another vendor chosen through the City's bid process, for the purpose of providing meals in connection with the 2023-2024 Food Service Program in the Department of Parks and Recreation. The total cost shall not exceed Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00).

Attachments: [2023-1939 Cover Letter-2023 Food Program - Council Ltr](#)
[Summary 2023-1939](#)

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

Enactment No: 648

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR

SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS

[2023-1971](#)

Resolution providing for a Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (PWSA) for costs associated with the Charles Anderson Memorial Bridge project where PWSA would be responsible for paying 100% of the actual expenses involved in certain work to be described in the Agreement(s).

Attachments: [2023-1971 Cover Letter Charles Anderson - PWSA PE Letter - signed](#)
[Summary 2023-1971](#)

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

Enactment No: 651