



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

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

Monday, March 25, 2024

1:30 PM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

ROLL CALL

- Present** 8 - Council Member Wilson, Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Warwick, Council Member Gross, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Mosley
- Absent** 1 - Council Member Kail-Smith

PUBLIC COMMENT

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR

SUPPLEMENTAL -NEW PAPERS

[2024-0299](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into an agreement or agreements with Thomson Reuters for subscription to an online legal research tool at a cost not to exceed ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND TEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY-EIGHT CENTS (\$133,010.28) over a term of 4 years.

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

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2024-0089](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 909 of 2023 titled "Resolution authorizing the fee schedule for 2024 pursuant to Chapter 170 of the City Code" to reduce the cost of employee parking.

(Need to be held for a Public Hearing)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 4/3/2024. The motion carried.

[2024-0217](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Network Deposition Services for legal transcript services for an amount not to exceed ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND THIRTEEN CENTS (\$1,977.13) over one year.

(Executive Session held 3/20/24)

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

[2024-0218](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Spilman Thomas & Battle, PLLC for expert legal services in connection with a litigation matter in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania filed at 2:18-cv-01567 for an amount not to exceed EIGHT THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED NINETY-ONE DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS (\$8,491.50) over one year.

(Executive Session held 3/20/24)

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

[2024-0219](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Michael D. McDowell, Esq. for arbitration services for an amount not to exceed THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$3,800.00) over one year.

(Executive Session held 3/20/24)

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

[2024-0220](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Adil-Sharif Alghurairi in an amount not to exceed THREE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$3,400.00) over one year, in full and final settlement of a claim (23C-0148) for damage to his parked vehicle from a City ES Recycling vehicle on April 21, 2023.

(Executive Session held 3/20/24)

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

[2024-0270](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of James A. Genco, III, and his attorney, Joel S. Sansone for a single payment in 2024 in an amount not to exceed ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$175,000.00), in full and final settlement of litigation, filed in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania at 2:21-cv-1518.

(Executive Session held 3/20/24)

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

NEW PAPERS[2024-0271](#)

Resolution providing for the sale of certain property, acquired by the City of Pittsburgh at tax sales. ITEMS A through Y: A: 3344 Webster Avenue, B: 5322 Kincaid Street, C: 6569 Odessa Place, D: 219 Meadow Street, E: 6990 Lemington Avenue, F: 6986 Lemington Avenue, G: 7227 Kedron Street, H: 7700 Kelly Street, I: 704 Brushton Avenue, J: 7715 Kelly Street, K: 0 Kelly Street, L: 7819 Kelly Street, M: 7831 Kelly Street, N: 550 Cora Street, O: 7828 Tioga Street, P: 519-521 Rosedale Street, Q: 6824 5th Avenue, R: 106 Giddings Street, S: 5146 Chaplain Way, T: 503 Climax Street, U: 871 Climax Street, V: 443 Vandalia Street, W: 3228 McClure Ave, X: 1936 Noblestown Road, Y: 1206 Amanda Street

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

[2024-0272](#)

Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh Side Yard Program. ITEMS A through L: A: 3330 McNeil Place, B: 5014 Jordan Way, C: 5022 Jordan Way, D: 0 N Graham Street, E: 5404 Kincaid Street, F: 16 Shetland Avenue, G: 605 Lincoln Avenue, H: 24 Regina Street, I: 521 Climax Street, J: 512 Harker Street, K: 515 Lovelace Street, L: 0 Jucunda Street

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

[2024-0273](#)

Resolution repealing an item in Resolution Number 807 of 2023, effective date December 7, 2023, in order to rescind the sale.

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

[2024-0274](#)

Resolution repealing an item in Resolution Number 805 of 2023, effective date December 7, 2023, in order to rescind the sale.

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

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 March 25th, 2024 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/ CITY CLERK

S&S Candy & Cigar Co. Inc. – supplies for community events (Dist. 2) 1,222.62

Strassburger, Erika – reimbursement for event supplies (Dist. 8) 239.76

Pagan, Joyce – reimbursement for event supplies (Dist. 3) 37.71

CivicPlus – MuniCode update 1,640.72

Burny, Mohammed – reimbursement for office lunch meeting (Dist. 1) 102.50

Burny, Mohammed – reimbursement for event parking (Dist. 1) 26.00

Turner, Grace – reimbursement for event parking (Dist. 9) 51.00

**Hazelwood Healthy Active Living Center – support for programming (Dist. 5)
100.00**

North Eastern Uniforms – staff shirts (Dist. 3) 184.00

Pagan, Joyce – reimbursement for event supplies (Dist.3) 57.17

Turner, Grace – reimbursement for event parking (Dist. 9) 51.00

Milan, Alina – legislative/policy analysis research (Dist. 8) 150.00

DEPT OF LAW

Network Deposition Services – transcript services 2,772.80

OFFICE OF MUNICIPAL INVESTIGATIONS

Aqua Filter Fresh Inc. – water and coolers 60.30

DEPT OF HR & CIVIL SERVICE

Wilkes, Michael – retiree health insurance reimbursement 212.12

BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Phillips, Frank – reimbursement for EMS coverage 635.40

Penn Township Ambulance – reimbursement for EMS coverage 444.78

CLIA Laboratory Program – certificate fee 248.00

Monroeville Volunteer Fire Co. #4 – reimbursement for EMS coverage 1,093.10

Ford City Hose Co. #1 Ambulance Service – reimbursement for EMS coverage 2,231.62

Monroeville Volunteer Fire Co. #4 – reimbursement for EMS coverage 254.16

Phillips, Frank – reimbursement for EMS coverage 762.48

Cranberry Township EMS – reimbursement for EMS coverage 349.47

BUREAU OF POLICE

Critchlow Enterprises, Inc. – supplies for academy 925.00

Cyclops Technologies – Platesmart subscription 2,500.00

Active 911 – alerting subscription 3,287.50

Hendry, Kevin – reimbursement for training 99.00

BUREAU OF FIRE

Honeywell Analytics – POSI chek calibration 950.00

**Bucks County Community College – fire investigator certification (9-25-23)
3,500.00**

**Bucks County Community College – fire investigator certification (2-2-24)
3,500.00**

DEPT OF PARKS & RECREATION

Burnett, Brian – arts/tech learning education 2,000.00

Harper, Anthony – arts/tech learning education 2,000.00

Bowman, Gerald R. – arts/tech learning education 2,000.00

Smallwood, Maya– arts/tech learning education 1,625.00

Redden, Mondale– arts/tech learning education 2,000.00

Fowlkes, Wayne Lewis – arts/tech learning education 2,000.00

Allegheny County Health Dept. – food service permit 122.00

Lodge, Cameron – reimbursement for clearances 60.25

DEPT OF MOBILITY & INFRASTRUCTURE

Pennsylvania One Call System – notification system 3,289.34

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

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

NONE

P-CARD APPROVALS

[Item](#) P-Cards
[0011-2024](#)

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

PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR**NEW PAPERS**

[2024-0264](#) Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 25 of 2016, amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code, Title Eight, Fire Prevention, by altering Chapter 802, "Fire Safe Building Inspection Program", in order to modify accreditation requirements applicable thereto.

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

[2024-0265](#) Resolution amending Resolution 590 of 2021, which authorized the Mayor and the Director of Public Safety to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with Operation Better Block for the purpose of implementation of the Pittsburgh Group Violence Intervention Street Outreach Program, by increasing the approved amount by \$200,000 for an amended total cost not-to-exceed FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE DOLLARS (\$433,333) over five years.

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

LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MR. WILSON, CHAIR**NEW PAPERS**

[2024-0275](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 840 of 2019, effective January 1, 2020, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2020 Capital Budget and the 2020 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2020 through 2025 Capital Improvement Program,” so as to decrease Shepherd's Heart Fellowship by Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) and increase Urban League by Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) so as to fund specific Public Service Grant projects of the Mayor's Office and authorize a subsequent Agreement or Agreements.

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

[2024-0276](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 886 of 2021, effective December 27, 2021, as amended, 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” so as to decrease Protecting And Restoring The Order Of Mankind With The Initiative Of Serving Elders (P.R.O.M.I.S.E.) by five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and increase Urban League Of Greater Pittsburgh by five thousand dollars (\$5,000), so as to fund specific Public Service Grant projects of the Mayor's Office and authorize a subsequent Agreement or Agreements.

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

[2024-0277](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning Code, Article IV, Planning Districts, 908 Public Realm Districts and 909.01 Specially Planned Districts and Article V, Use Regulations, Chapter 911, Primary Uses, Section 911.02, Use Table, and Section 911.04, Use Standards, to remove the review of Sidewalk Cafes from the Zoning Code.

(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

[2024-0278](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of City Planning to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the US Conference of Mayors for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$250,000.00) to expand the City's composting pilot.

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

[2024-0279](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 97 of 2023 further amending Resolution No. 877 of 2021 authorizing the Mayor and the Department of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections to enter into an Amended Agreement or Agreements with ath Power Consulting Corporation to provide customer service and soft skills training to the Department’s staff, by increasing the approved amount by FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$45,000.00) for an amended total cost not-to-exceed ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$123,150.00) over 4 years.

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

INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE, ASSET MANAGEMENT AND, TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2024-0266](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of PowerDMS, Inc., for the use of the PowerDMS online policy and training management tool for the Department of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections, at a cost not to exceed FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED THREE DOLLARS AND FORTY-FOUR (\$5,203.44) payable over one year.

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

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MR. MOSLEY, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2024-0267](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 696-2023 authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works and/or the Director of the Department of Finance to extend the sublease agreement with the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh (“HACP”) for City Office space at 100 Ross Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 for a twenty-two (22) month period effective on or about September 1, 2023 and ending on June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed Three Hundred and Sixteen Thousand, Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$316,250.00).

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

[2024-0268](#)

Resolution authorizing The Pittsburgh Land Bank to acquire all the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the Publicly-Owned properties in the 10th and 11th Wards of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 50-E, Lots 80 and 83; Block 50-F, Lot 101; Block 50-G, Lot 242; Block 50-H, Lot 59; Block 50-L, Lots 145 and 325-A; and Block 50-M, Lot 305 (0 Kincaid Street, 0 Kincaid Street, 4938 Rosetta Street, 0 Hillcrest Street, 318 N Graham Street, 0 Broad Street, 5205 Gem Way, and 5466 Broad Street - Council District No. 9), at no cost to the City.

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

[2024-0269](#)

Resolution authorizing The Pittsburgh Land Bank to acquire all the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the Publicly-Owned properties in the 13th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 125-M, Lot 184, and Block 174-J, Lot 28 (0 Kelly Street - Council District No. 9), at no cost to the City.

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

[2024-0290](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh City Code at Title One: Article IX, Chapter 174: THE PITTSBURGH LAND BANK, Section 174A.05 BOARD OF DIRECTORS by expanding the board to eleven (11) board members, contingent upon the City of Pittsburgh entering into an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with Allegheny County, the Pittsburgh Public School District, and the Pittsburgh Land Bank.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE, COUNCIL MEMBER MOSLEY AND COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

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

[2024-0291](#)

Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh and Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to enter into Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreements with the County of Allegheny, Pittsburgh Public School District, and Pittsburgh Land Bank for the shared operation and administration of the Pittsburgh Land Bank.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE, COUNCIL MEMBER MOSLEY AND COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

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