

# **City of Pittsburgh**

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



## **MEETING MINUTES**

*Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh*

**Tuesday, October 6, 2009**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council**

**ONE-HUNDRED  
THIRTY-FIFTH COUNCIL**

**Douglas Shields, President**

**Council Members: Reverend Ricky V. Burgess, Patrick Dowd, Darlene M. Harris, Bruce A. Kraus, Jim Motznik, Tonya D. Payne, William Peduto, Theresa Smith**

**Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk**

**Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk**

## ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mrs. Smith and Mr. Shields

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No.

[2009-1815](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby recognizes Green Light + Green Energy Pittsburgh and thanks the organizers for bringing this showcase of sustainable practices and products to Pittsburgh; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares October 6-12, 2009, "Green Light + Green Energy Pittsburgh Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No.

[2009-1816](#)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh is proud to commend Don Panella for his dedication to and passion for Grandview Park.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does, hereby, declare Saturday, October 3, 2009 to be Don Panella Day in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): BRUCE A. KRAUS, THERESA SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No.

[2009-1817](#)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does, hereby, commend all those who have worked to preserve and advance the South Side Library throughout its 100 years of service and commitment to all who have sought knowledge, resources and enjoyment, within its walls.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does, hereby, proclaim Saturday, October 3, 2009, to be South Side Library Day in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): BRUCE A. KRAUS AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No.

[2009-1818](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Saturday, October 10, through Monday, October 12, 2009, to be "Extended Columbus Days" in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): DARLENE HARRIS, PATRICK DOWD AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2009-1819](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby recognizes, commends and thanks physician assistants for the medical care they provide throughout the year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares October 6-12, 2009, "Physician Assistant Week" in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2009-1820](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the parishioners, friends and supporters of St. George Orthodox Church for their dedication to the faith and the community; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, October 6, 2009, to be "St. George of Bridgeville Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): THERESA SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2009-1821](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the National Breast Cancer Awareness Month organization for all of its work in educating the public and urging all women to get the facts about mammography.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the month of October 2009, to be "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" in recognition of this life saving initiative.

**SPONSOR(S): THERESA SMITH, DARLENE HARRIS, TONYA D. PAYNE AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2009-1822](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the substantive and significant body of work of Professor Joseph Eaton and congratulates him on the occasion of his 90th birthday; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, October 6, 2009, to be "PROFESSOR JOSEPH EATON DAY" in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2009-1823](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh celebrates the 63,000 women business owners in the Pittsburgh region and recognizes the important National Association of Women Business Owners, Pittsburgh Chapter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare October 2, 2009 , to be “NAWBO DAY” in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No.

[2009-1824](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare this week to be “Guy Costa Week” in the City of Pittsburgh, and wishes Guy Costa a very healthy and happy future.

**SPONSOR(S): DARLENE HARRIS AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No.

[2009-1825](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh recognizes and commends Lynette Lederman for her years of service and dedication to the Pittsburgh community and thanks the National Council of Jewish Women, Pittsburgh Section for honoring her efforts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares October 8, 2009, “Lynette Lederman Day” in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO, DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

## **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

### **REV. BURGESS, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PRESENTS**

Bill No.

[2009-1813](#)

Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Structure under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain structure known as the former Paramount Pictures Film Exchange building, located at 1727 Blvd. of the Allies, block and lot number 11-J-328, in the 1st Ward, City of Pittsburgh.

**Read and referred to Land Use and Economic Development Committee**

Bill No.

[2009-1826](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 14 of 2009, effective 1-29-09, entitled, “Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of Public Safety and City Planning to enter into an agreement or agreements or contract or contracts with the University of Pittsburgh and Professor David Kennedy and the City University of New York for the purpose of designing and implementing the Pittsburgh Initiative to Reduce Crime, at a cost not to exceed \$200,000” by changing the funding source.

**SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS**

**Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee**

Bill No.

[2009-1827](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 400 of 2009, effective July 16, 2009, entitled “Resolution providing for a professional services agreement or agreements with The

Three Rivers Youth Shelter for the purpose of on-going professional services related to the Youth Curfew Center and providing for the cost thereof, not to exceed \$500,000.00,” by decreasing the amount by \$200,000 from \$500,000 to \$300,000.

**SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS**

**Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee**

**MRS. HARRIS, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS,  
PRESENTS**

Bill No.

[2009-1812](#)

Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies to complete a comprehensive facilities maintenance plan to guide building improvements and maintenance expenditures and to ensure optimal space utilization, and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$150,000.00.

**Read and referred to Public Works Committee**

**MR. KRAUS, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY  
SERVICES, PRESENTS**

Bill No.

[2009-1828](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title Six: Conduct; Article I: Regulated Rights and Actions; Chapter 601: Public Order; Section 601.08: Alcohol or Liquor Consumption on Streets or Sidewalks, by changing the language in Section 601.08 to clarify fines for violations.

**SPONSOR(S): BRUCE A. KRAUS**

**Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee**

**MR. PEDUTO, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW,  
PRESENTS**

Bill No.

[2009-1809](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Penn Valuation Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed Four Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$4,700.00) for appraisal services.

**Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee**

Bill No.

[2009-1810](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Grant Agreement with America's Promise Alliance and accept on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, a grant from said organization in the amount of \$10,000 to cover costs associated with hosting a summit that will allow community leaders to convene key stakeholders to develop and/or advance action plans for improving the high school graduation rate.

**Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee**

Bill No.

[2009-1811](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into an agreement or agreements for the hiring of Cycom Data Systems, Inc. to maintain and upgrade the CityLaw Computer program on the City of Pittsburgh Department of Law's computer system at a cost not to exceed \$10,400.00 (Ten Thousand Four Hundred Dollars).

**Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee**

Bill No. [2009-1829](#) Resolution further Amending Resolution No. 424 of 2001, effective June 19, 2001, entitled "Further amending Resolution No. 976 effective January 1, 1996, as amended, Adopting and Approving the 1996 Capital Budget and the 1996 Community Development Block Grant by creating a new line item, City Clerk Office Modernization Project Grant # 2271000 for the purpose of augmenting neighborhood needs programs and/or the District Improvement Fund, and transferring \$1,128,892.00 from Grant/Liberty to City Clerk's Office Modernization" by adding \$500.00 to Shadyside Chamber of Commerce and by reducing the District 8 Various Projects line item by the same amount.

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO**

**Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee**

Bill No. [2009-1830](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 654, effective October 25, 2001, entitled, "Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or use of existing Agreements and/or a Contract or Contracts, or use of existing Contracts, and for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services for various projects in connection with City Council's 2001 Neighborhood Needs Supplement Program; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," by adding \$500.00 to Shadyside Chamber of Commerce and by reducing the District 8 Various Projects line item by the same amount.

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO**

**Read and referred to Land Use and Economic Development Committee****MR. SHIELDS, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL AND CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON HEARINGS, PRESENTS**

Bill No. [2009-1814](#) Communication from City Controller Michael Lamb submitting the City's Single Audit Report for the year ended December 31, 2008.

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

Bill No. [2009-1831](#) Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor and the Director of Public Safety to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) to explore new and developing technologies to provide a program of gunshot detection systems in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS**

**Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee****UNFINISHED BUSINESS****REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION****REV. BURGESS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for September 30,  
[2009-1808](#) 2009 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for the designation as an Historic Structure under Title 11 of the  
[2009-1605](#) Code of Ordinances that certain structure known as the Old Stone Tavern, located at 434 Greentree Road, block and lot number 19-S-156, in the 20th Ward, City of Pittsburgh.

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mrs. Smith and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

## MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

*Formal motion was made and approved by Members to request a legal opinion regarding the authority of the Director of Operations/Mayor's Office to post employment notices and/or change posted notice requirements for job listings in the Department of Personnel and Civil Service Commission.*

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

## ADJOURNMENT