

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

ONE-HUNDRED

FORTY-FIRST COUNCIL

Theresa Kail-Smith, President of Council

***Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Bruce A. Kraus,
R. Daniel Lavelle, Corey O'Connor, Erika Strassburger, Bobby Wilson***

Brenda F. Pree, City Clerk - Kim Clark-Baskin, Assistant City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Members present via video conference due to COVID-19 protective guidelines set forth by the federal, state, and local governments

Present 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**PROCLAMATIONS**

[2021-1233](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend **Coach Charlie Buttgereit** for his 35 years of commitment and dedication to the students he has taught and the athletes he has coached at Penn Hills High School ; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Monday, March 1, 2021, to be **“COACH CHARLIE BUTTGEREIT DAY”** in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER O'CONNOR AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 124

[2021-1234](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh declares Tuesday, February 23, 2021 **“World Spay Day”** here in our most livable City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON, COUNCIL MEMBER KRAUS
AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 125

[2021-1235](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and revere the life of ***Roberto Clemente*** as a baseball legend and humanitarian; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby urge the Secretary the United States Department of the Interior to recognize the historical designation of ***Roberto Clemente's*** place of death in Loiza, Puerto Rico, by adding it to the National Register of Historical Places.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER O'CONNOR AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 126

[2021-1236](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize **Rare Disease Day** on February 28, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby call on the members of the Pennsylvania General Assembly to use state funds to combat the many rare diseases that our communities face.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Will of Council shall be sent to the Allegheny County delegation of the Pennsylvania State House and Senate, the chairs and minority chairs of the State House and Senate Public Health Committees, Governor Tom Wolf, and Pennsylvania Acting Secretary of Health Alison Beam.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 127

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS:

[2021-1220](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a First Amendment to the Agreement between the City of Pittsburgh and Victor Stanley Inc. for litter can monitoring software and hardware components by increasing the total allocation to \$380,145.00

Attachments: [2021-1220 Cover Ltr Victor Stanley Legislation - signed \(1\)](#)

[Summary 2021-1220](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2021-1221](#) Resolution granting unto 2614 SMALLMAN ASSOCIATES LP, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to install light fixtures an entry canopy, exterior façade cladding, and a set of existing stairs at 211 26th Street in the 2nd Ward, 7th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Attachments: [2021-1221 Cover Ltr council](#)

[2021-1221 211 26th Street encroachment application and letters](#)

[Summary 2021-1221](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2021-1222](#) Resolution granting unto GALA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, (2) projecting signs, a shed style awning, and (2) existing light fixtures, at 2112 Penn Ave in the 2nd Ward, 7th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Attachments: [2021-1222 Cover Ltr council](#)

[2021-1222 2112 Penn Ave Encroachment application and letters signed](#)

[Summary 2021-1222](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2021-1223](#) Resolution granting unto PEDANTIC LLC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, an existing concrete block planter, at 110 South Atlantic Ave, in the 8th Ward, 7th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Attachments: [2021-1223 Cover Ltr council](#)

[2021-1223 110 South Atlantic Avenue Encroachment Permit Application](#)

[Summary 2021-1223](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2021-1224](#) Resolution granting unto 610 WOOD ST PARTNERS LLC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, a projecting blade sign, at 610 Wood Street in the 2nd Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Attachments: [2021-1224 Cover Ltr council](#)

[2021-1224 610 Wood Street app and letters for signature](#)

[Summary 2021-1224](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2021-1225](#) Resolution providing for an supplemental reimbursement agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for costs associated with the CBD Signals project, and providing for the payment of municipal incurred costs thereof, not to exceed Two Million Four Hundred Ninety Four Thousand (\$2,494,000.00) dollars; reimbursable at eighty percent; and the municipal share of Commonwealth Incurred Costs not to exceed Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,00.00) dollars, a Zero (\$0) increase from the previous agreement.

Attachments: [2021-1225 Cover Ltr CBD Signals RA Supplement Legislation](#)

[Letter signed](#)

[Summary 2021-1225](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2021-1226](#) Resolution amending Resolution 107 of 2019, entitled “Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts, an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, providing for the planning, design, repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies, operations, and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the production of the Complete Streets Design Guidelines and associated projects” to increase the total not to exceed to \$488,971.00 for payment of work performed by Utile, Inc. (#53063).

Attachments: [2021-1226 Cover Ltr Utile Complete Streets AmendmentLetter,](#)

[Letterhead](#)

[Summary 2021-1226](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:

[2021-1227](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the 3250 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15201.

Attachments: [2021-1227 Cover Ltr Sewer Module Resolution Cover Letter - 3250 Liberty Avenue](#)
[2021-1227 Brewer's Block Comp. 4A](#)
[2021-1227 -City Planning Module_Combined](#)
[2021-1227 Sewer Module Questionnaire for Council for Brewers Block](#)
[Summary 2021-1227](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

[2021-1228](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the 3213-3215 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15201.

Attachments: [2021-1228 Cover Ltr Sewer Module Resolution Cover Letter \(3213 -3215 Penn Ave\)](#)
[2021-1228 2021-02-10 SFPM 3213-3215 Penn Avenue](#)
[2021-1228 Sewer Module Questionnaire for Council - 3213-3215 Penn Ave](#)
[Summary 2021-1228](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

[2021-1229](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the Gupta - Butler St project, Lots 80-L-3 & 80-L-4, Pittsburgh, PA 15201.

Attachments: [2021-1229 Cover Ltr Sewer Module Resolution Cover Letter - Gupta Properties - Butler St Project](#)
[2021-1229 210209 - 19-1241 - Gupta - Butler St - Planning Module Compiled](#)
[2021-1229 Gupta Butler St. SFPM Component 4A](#)
[2021-1229 Sewer Module Questionnaire for Council - Gupta Properties, LLC - Butler St. Project](#)
[Summary 2021-1229](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

[2021-1237](#)

Ordinance amending Title VII Business Licensing, Article X Rental of Residential Housing by including new Chapter 782 Temporary Eviction Regulation For Disease Prevention and Control Due to COVID-19.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER GROSS

CO-SPONSOR /S: Council Member Coghill, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Kraus and Council Member O'Connor

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

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

COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON:

[2021-1230](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 840 of 2019, effective December 23, 2019, 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”, by restoring WAR MEMORIALS to WAR MEMORIALS AND PUBLIC ART.

Attachments: [2021-1230 Cover Ltr 2020 Public Art Letter 021521](#)

[Summary 2021-1230](#)

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

[2021-1231](#) Resolution approving a Conditional Use Application under the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article V, Chapter 911, Section 911.04.A.41 to Lubavitch Center Inc, property owner, for authorization to operate a Multi-Suite Residential (Limited) use at 2142 Wightman Street, Block and Lot 87-B-58, zoned “RM-M” Multi-Unit Residential, Moderate Density District, 14th Ward, Council District No. 5.
(Needs to be held for Public Hearing)

Attachments: [2021-1231 Cover Ltr City Council Cover Letter 2142 Wightman St CUA](#)
[2021-1231 2142 WIGHTMAN STREET CONDITIONAL USE REVIEW CRITERIA RESPONSE 1-14-2021](#)
[2021-1231 DCP-ZDR-2020-00360 Map](#)
[2021-1231 DCP-ZDR-2020-00360, 2142 Wightman Street](#)
[2021-1231 DCP-ZDR-2020-00360 2142 Wightman St Hearing Report 2021-02-09](#)
[2021-1231 DCP-ZDR-2020-00360 2142 Wightman St City Council extension](#)
[Summary 2021-1231](#)

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

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2021-1232](#) Communication from Kevin Pawlos, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, submitting the City of Pittsburgh Quarterly Financial and Performance Report for the period ending February 15, 2021.

Attachments: [2021-1232 Quarterly Report - Q4 2020](#)

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

[2021-1215](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for February 17, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2021-1174](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 797, effective December 28, 2017, 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 EAST CARSON STREET (PENNDOT) by \$64,053.38 and increasing RAMP AND PUBLIC SIDEWALK by \$64,053.38.

Attachments: [2021-1174 Cover Ltr -2018 Ramp and Public Sidewalk_Letter 020221](#)
[Summary 2021-1174](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member Burgess

[2021-1175](#) Resolution providing for a supplementary Agreement with Allegheny County for local costs associated with the 7th Street Bridge project and providing for the payment of municipal incurred costs thereof, not to exceed Three Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Six Dollars and Ninety One Cents (\$3,396.91).

Attachments: [2021-1175 Cover Ltr -7th Street Bridge Letter, Letterhead 1-13-2021](#)
[Summary 2021-1175](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member Burgess

[2021-1176](#) Resolution providing for a supplementary Agreement with Allegheny County for local costs associated with the 10th Street Bridge project, and providing for the payment of municipal incurred costs thereof, not to exceed Ninety Eight Thousand One Hundred Forty Four Dollars and Seventy Three Cents (\$98,144.73).

Attachments: [2021-1176 Cover Ltr -10th Street Bridge Letter, Letterhead 1-13-2021](#)
[Summary 2021-1176](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member Burgess

[2021-1184](#) Ordinance amending the City Code at four locations within Chapter 719: Vendors and Peddlers in order to update the City Code to reflect the name change of Duquesne University's arena from the A.J. Palumbo Center to the Cooper Fieldhouse.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

Attachments: [2021-1184 Summary](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member Burgess

[2021-1196](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 25 of 2021, effective January 29, 2021, entitled “Resolution vacating a portion of First Avenue (formerly Greenough Street), a thirty (30) foot right of way, in the 1st Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.” to add specific information in regards to payment and PWSA’s lines.

Attachments: [2021-1196 Cover Ltr -Council Letter -Copy](#)

[2021-1196 -Amended resolution First Ave Project Cares](#)

[Summary 2021-1196](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member Burgess

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

[2021-1216](#) Report of the Committee on Human Resources for February 17, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2021-1118](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh City Code, Title Six, Conduct, Article V, Discrimination, Chapter 651, Definitions, to clarify the definition of Hairstyle.

Attachments: [2021-1118 Cover Ltr-Mayor Letter CROWN Act Amendments](#)

[Summary 2021-1118](#)

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

Aye: 6 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 2 - Council Member Gross, and Council Member Kail-Smith

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member Burgess

COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

[2021-1217](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for February 17, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2021-1048](#) Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Structure under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain site known as Mellon Park, located in Point Breeze (85-D-50, 84-S-250, 84-S-251, 125-N-200), in the 7th and 14th Wards, in the city of Pittsburgh. The City of Pittsburgh is the owner of this property and there has been no objection to the nomination.

(Public Hearing held 2/10/21)

Attachments: [2021-1048 Cover Ltr-Mellon Park Cover Letter](#)

[Summary 2021-1048](#)

[2021-1048 Mellon Park City Council Packet](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member Burgess

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

[2021-1218](#) Report of the Committee on Innovation, Performance and Asset Management for February 17, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2021-1181](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into an agreement or agreements with Cycom Data Systems, Inc., for professional services relating to continuing maintenance, support and upgrades to CityLaw, the Department of Law's current legal case management and administrative support software system at a cost not to exceed \$11,376.00 (Eleven Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars and No Cents).

Attachments: [2021-1181 Cover Ltr -Cycom Council ltr. 2021](#)

[2021-1181 -WCP21-004 Cycom](#)

[Summary 2021-1181](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member Burgess

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[2021-1219](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for February 17, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2021-1177](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the Achieva Building Renovation, 2614 Smallman Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222.

Attachments: [2021-1177 Cover Ltr -Sewer Module- Achieva Building](#)

[2021-1177 -2021-01-25 SFPM Achieva Building Renovation](#)

[2021-1177 -Sewer Module Questionnaire for Council - Achieva Building \(2614 Smallman\)](#)

[Summary 2021-1177](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member Burgess

[2021-1178](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the New Granada Square Apartments, 2023-2033 Centre Avenue, Pittsburgh PA, 15219

Attachments: [2021-1178 Cover Ltr -Sewage Module- New Granada Square Apartments \(2023 - 2033 Centre Ave\)](#)
[2021-1178 -Planning Module Combined](#)
[2021-1178 -Sewer Module Questionnaire for Council - New Granada Square Apartments Summary 2021-1178](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Coghil, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member Burgess

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER