

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, April 26, 2005

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-THIRD COUNCIL**

Gene Ricciardi, President

**Council Members: Len Bodack, Twanda Carlisle,
Jim Motznik, William Peduto, Luke Ravenstahl, Douglas Shields, Sala Udin**

Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk

Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Ravenstahl, Mr. Shields, Mr. Udin and Mr. Ricciardi

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Stephanie Warner & Megan Marchese who are 8th grade students from the Arlington Elementary School located in Council District #3.

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No.

[2005-1301](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh commends the Carnegie Science Center for raising the profile of science in our everyday lives thanks the Carnegie Science Center Awardees for excellence in innovation.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO

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

Bill No.

[2005-1302](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Pittsburgh City Council salutes Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated for the inroads it provides to education, health research and improving the quality of life locally and internationally on the occasion of its 74th Great Lakes Regional Conference.

SPONSOR(S): SALA UDIN, TWANDA CARLISLE, LEN BODACK, JIM MOTZNIK, WILLIAM PEDUTO, LUKE RAVENSTAHL, GENE RICCIARDI AND DOUGLAS SHIELDS

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

Bill No.

[2005-1303](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh commends The Salvation Army and The God-Sent Grandparent's Support Group for their work and support of Grandparents in their efforts of trying to raise healthy families.

SPONSOR(S): GENE RICCIARDI, LEN BODACK, TWANDA CARLISLE, JIM MOTZNIK, WILLIAM PEDUTO, LUKE RAVENSTAHL, DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND SALA UDIN

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

Bill No.

[2005-1304](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh commends and expresses its sincere appreciation for the work performed and benefits brought forth to the East Carson Street Business District through the initiative of the students from Duquesne University. Pittsburgh City Council also wishes to thank all of the community groups for their participation.

SPONSOR(S): GENE RICCIARDI

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

Bill No. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council in the City of Pittsburgh
[2005-1305](#) recognizes and commends Ms. Mary Fancher for her life longevity and her strong faith
in the Lord.

SPONSOR(S): TWANDA CARLISLE

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

MR. SHIELDS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & BUDGET

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance and Budget for April 20, 2005.

[2005-1297](#)

Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Resolution transferring a total of \$78,703.47 from various accounts within the 2004
[2005-1242](#) Operating Budget. This transfer is necessary to allow the accounting books to be
closed for 2004.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties,
[2005-1243](#) 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 thru J. A: 644 Becks Run; B: 6021 Stanton; C:5153 Keystone;
D: 382 Bowery; E: 245 Ames; F: 1213 Belasco; G: 320 Warrington; H: 3248 Orleans;
I: 185 Banner; J: 1439 Tumbo.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties,
[2005-1244](#) acquired at tax sales, in accordance with Act No.171 of 1984, "Second Class City
Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.
ITEM A. 155 - 157 Hazelwood.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property,
[2005-1245](#) 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/City Source Associates Sideyard
Program.
ITEMS A thru D. A: 255 Renova; B: 4760 Aloe (part) C: 205 Freeland; D: 1100
Sunday.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2005-1253](#)

Resolution providing for 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.

ITEM A thru C. 7049-53 Idlewild, 1007 N. Lang, 1009 N. Lang, 1011 N. Lang, 1013 N. Lang, 1015 N. Lang; B: 6940 McPherson; C: 3222 Richardson.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**Passed The Consent Agenda**

A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Ravenstahl, Mr. Shields, Mr. Udin and Mr. Ricciardi

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MR. RAVENSTAHL PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Bill No.

[2005-1298](#)

Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for April 20, 2005.

Read, Received and Filed

Bill No.

[2005-1171](#)

Resolution vacating a 40 foot Unnamed Way between Warrington Avenue and Sharon Street in the 17th Ward, 3rd Council District, of the City of Pittsburgh.

A motion was made that this matter be RECOMMITTED to the Public Works & Environmental Services Committee. The motion carried.

Bill No.

[2005-1246](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 20, approved February 4, 2004, effective February 9, 2004, entitled "Resolution Vacating a Portion of Claybourne Street between South Negley Avenue and South Graham Avenue in the 7th Ward, 8th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2005-1247](#)

Resolution vacating a portion of Meta Street in the 20th Ward, 2nd Council District, of the City of Pittsburgh.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2005-1248](#)

Resolution vacating a portion of Sunbeam and Fernery Ways in the 32nd Ward, 4th Council District, of the City of Pittsburgh.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Ravenstahl, Mr. Shields, Mr. Udin and Mr. Ricciardi
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

MS. CARLISLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for April
[2005-1299](#) 20, 2005.

Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1,
[2005-1254](#) 2000, as amended, entitled: Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital Budget and the 2000 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2000 through 2005 Capital Improvement Program, by adjusting various line items in conformance with City Council's 2000 Capital Budget amendments," by adding Jewish Community Center Various Projects \$40,000.00 in Council District 5.

SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS

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

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Ravenstahl, Mr. Shields, Mr. Udin and Mr. Ricciardi
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

MR. BODACK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for April 20, 2005.
[2005-1300](#)

Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title Seven, Business
[2005-1146](#) Licensing, Article III, Sales Businesses, by adding Chapter 726, to regulate the resale of tickets to all events at Heinz Field and PNC Park, and establish a Reselling Zone in which the resale of tickets would be permitted pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO

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

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Ravenstahl, Mr. Shields, Mr. Udin and Mr. Ricciardi

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Bill No.

[2005-1274](#)

Resolution authorizing and directing the Director of the Department of Public Safety and the Chief of the Bureau of Fire to investigate review the response times of the Fire Department to structure fires within the City of Pittsburgh since the recent Fire Station closures, and report the results of the review to Council.

SPONSOR(S): GENE RICCIARDI

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

Bill No.

[2005-1274](#)

Resolution authorizing and directing the Director of the Department of Public Safety and the Chief of the Bureau of Fire to investigate review the response times of the Fire Department to structure fires within the City of Pittsburgh since the recent Fire Station closures, and report the results of the review to Council.

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

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Ravenstahl, Mr. Shields, Mr. Udin and Mr. Ricciardi

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT