

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

***ONE-HUNDRED
FORTY-THIRD COUNCIL***

R. Daniel Lavelle, President of Council

***Council Members: Robert Charland, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Khari Mosley, Theresa
Kail-Smith, Erika Strassburger, Barbara Warwick, Bobby Wilson***

Kimberly Clark-Baskin, City Clerk - Ashley Robinson, Assistant City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA****PROCLAMATIONS**

[2025-1937](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the importance of dementia and risk reduction awareness; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares June as **Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month** here in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 348

[2025-1953](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the month of June to be **“Gun Violence Awareness Month”** in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 349

[2025-1954](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Benjamin Aysan for his leadership in creating cultural understanding and friendships; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Monday, June 23, 2025 to be **“Benjamin Aysan Day”** in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 350

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Ronald Lynn Miller, Aarao Cornelio II, Bernadette Mosey, Yvonne F. Brown, Mike Dickson, Devin McClain, Special Agent Sunshine

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**COUNCILMAN KHARI MOSLEY PRESENTS:**

[2025-1938](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning Code, Article I, Introduction and Establishment, Section 902.03, Zoning Map, to rezone parcels 50-F-260, 50-F-264, 50-F-265, 50-F-266, 50-F-269, 50-F-270, 50-F-275, 50-F-276, 50-F-277, 50-F-278, 50-F-288, 50-F-289, and 50-B-1 from R1D-M (Single-Unit Detached Residential, Moderate Density) to P (Parks District), parcels 50-F-190 and 50-F-191 from R1D-H (Single-Unit Detached Residential, High Density) to P (Parks District), and parcel 50-C-350 from RP (Residential Planned Unit Developments) to P (Parks District) in the Garfield neighborhood.

(Needs to be sent to the Planning Commission for Report & Recommendation)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER MOSLEY

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

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2025-1939](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 333 of 2024 authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a professional services agreement with Starfire Corporation, for the display of a fireworks show in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh's Independence Day Festival for a three-year term at a total amount not to exceed of Two Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$252,200.00) by modifying the code account to include payment from the general fund.

Read and referred to the Committee on Recreation, Youth, and Senior Services

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:

[2025-1940](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 953 of 2024 which authorized Fifty-Two (52) Open-End Professional Services Agreements with multiple vendors to provide on-call professional services as needed by various Departments of the City of Pittsburgh, with each Agreement being at an amount not-to-exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) annually for a Three (3) year term, by authorizing an additional Forty-One (41) Agreements for an updated total of Ninety-Three (93) Open-End Professional Service Agreements.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2025-1941](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 954 of 2024 which authorized Fifty-Two (52) Open-End Professional Services Agreements with multiple vendors to provide on-call professional services as needed by the various Departments of the City of Pittsburgh, with each Agreement being at an amount not-to-exceed Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000) annually for a Three (3) year term, by authorizing and additional Forty-One (41) Agreements for an updated total of Ninety-Three (93) Open-End Professional Service Agreements.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS:

[2025-1942](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 322 of 2025, effective May 29, 2025, entitled “Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Finance to enter into an easement agreement or agreements with Duquesne Light Company for the installation and maintenance of one (1) pole and wires on and over City-owned parcel IDs 29-B-212 (ROMEO ST PITTSBURGH, PA 15213; Council District 3), 29-B-180 (ROMEO ST PITTSBURGH, PA 15213; Council District 3), 29-B-158 (BATES ST PITTSBURGH, PA 15213; Council District 3), and 29-B-157 (BATES ST PITTSBURGH, PA 15213; Council District 3) at no cost to the City” by authorizing the installation and maintenance of four (4) poles, three (3) anchors, and wires on and over City-owned parcels at no cost to the City.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2025-1943](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and the Director of the Department of City Planning to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development’s Pennsylvania Strategic Investments To Enhance Sites Program to provide funding for planning around the Sheraden Bus Station. The grant proposal includes an ask of TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND (\$250,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2025-1944](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and the Director of the Department of City Planning to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's Pennsylvania Strategic Investments To Enhance Sites Program to provide funding for planning around the South Hills Junction. The grant proposal includes an ask of TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND (\$250,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2025-1945](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with Larson Design Group, Inc. for costs associated with Construction Inspection for the Liberty Avenue HSIP Project; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed One Million Four Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars and Forty-Six Cents (\$1,476,674.46), reimbursable at eighty percent.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2025-1946](#)

Resolution providing for a Supplemental Agreement or Agreements with Alfred Benesch & Company for costs associated with the Preliminary Engineering Phase of the Swinburne Bridge Replacement Project; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed One Million Three Hundred Eight Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$1,308,284.86) an increase of Four Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Twelve Dollars and Thirty-Nine Cents (\$477,712.39) from the previously executed agreement, reimbursable at ninety-five percent.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2025-1947](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with Whitman, Requardt and Associates, LLP for costs associated with Construction Inspection for the Penn Avenue Phase 2 Reconstruction Project; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed One Million Three Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Eight Dollars and Three Cents (\$1,338,158.03), reimbursable at eighty percent.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2025-1948](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into an Agreement or Agreements, and Amendments with Norfolk Southern Railway Company to allow positive train control equipment to remain at current location in Allegheny Commons Park. This agreement would supersede the September 19th, 2017 Temporary Right of Entry to install and Temporary License to maintain positive train control equipment in Allegheny Commons Park between the City of Pittsburgh and Norfolk Southern Railway Company, at no cost to the City.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2025-1955](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Human Resources and Civil Service Commission (HRCS) and Department of Public Works (DPW) to take all necessary steps and/or enter into an agreement or agreements with qualified entities on such terms as are necessary to alleviate the critical shortage of stationary engineers in the city's workforce.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WARWICK

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member Kail-Smith

COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS:

[2025-1949](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 797 of 2017, as amended, 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 FAIR HOUSING by Eight Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$8.80), reducing FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS - RECREATION AND SENIOR CENTERS by Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars and Fifty-One Cents (\$12,783.51), reducing FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS - CITY FACILITIES by Three Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Two Dollars and Fifteen Cents (\$3,542.15), reducing COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS by One Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$100.00), and increasing CDBG PERSONNEL Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Four Dollars and Forty-Six Cents (\$16,434.46).

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

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

[2025-1950](#)

Communication from Jake Pawlak, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, submitting to City Council the attached status update from the Grants Office for the week ended June 13, 2025.

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

[2025-1951](#) Communication from Jake Pawlak, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, submitting an acting pay request on behalf of the Department of Mobility & Infrastructure for Daniel Rodriguez, per the Acting Pay Policy revised in June 2018.

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

[2025-1952](#) Petition from the residents of the City of Pittsburgh requesting a Public Hearing before City Council relative to Council Bill 2025-1752, as it relates to the designation of a Historic Structure known as Donny's Place, located at 1226 Herron Avenue (26-Q-189), in the Polish Hill Neighborhood, in the 5th Ward, City of Pittsburgh. The Petition is invalid due to the time requirements in accordance with Section 320(a) of the Home Rule Charter.

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

[2025-1956](#) Ordinance repealing and re-enacting the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two, Fiscal, Article Five, Special Funds, Chapter 237, Stop the Violence Fund, to restructure the Chapter, further set forth the Steering Committee, and to define Community-Based Organizations, Extreme-Need or High-Need Community and to establish guidelines for disbursement of funds.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE AND COUNCIL MEMBER MOSLEY

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Wellness

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

[2025-1931](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for June 11, 2025 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2025-1890](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 863 of 2018, effective January 1, 2019, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2019 Capital Budget and the 2019 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2019 through 2024 Capital Improvement Program” to decrease Swimming Pool Maintenance by Thirty Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars and Seven Cents (\$30,278.07) and increase Park Reconstruction by Thirty Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars and Seven Cents (\$30,278.07).

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2025-1891](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 647 of 2020, effective December 23, 2020, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2021 Capital Budget and the 2021 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2021 through 2026 Capital Improvement Program” to decrease Splash Zones by Ten Thousand Two Hundred Five Dollars and Ninety-Nine Cents (\$10,205.99) and increase Park Reconstruction by Ten Thousand Two Hundred Five Dollars and Ninety-Nine Cents (\$10,205.99).

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

[2025-1932](#)

Report of the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure for June 11, 2025 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2025-1893](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and the Director of the Department of Public Works to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program for Bedford Park Planning. The grant proposal includes an ask of \$250,000 with a match of \$37,500.00 from the City of Pittsburgh's 2019 and 2021 Capital Budgets for a total grant project cost of TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$287,500.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2025-1894](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and the Director of the Department of Public Works to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Economic Development's Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program for the Fort Pitt Playground Project. The grant proposal includes an ask of \$250,000 with a match of \$158,500.00 from the City of Pittsburgh's Capital Budget for a total grant project cost of FOUR HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$408,500.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

[2025-1933](#)

Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for June 11, 2025 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2025-1895](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections, for the issuance of a warrant in favor of the National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA), for the purchase of supplemental building code books for building code officers and officials, at a cost not to exceed Eleven Thousand and Nine Hundred and Sixty-Four Dollars and Eighty-Four Cents (\$11,964.84).

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2025-1896](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 34 of 2013, providing for the implementation of a Residential Permit Parking Program (RPPP) Area 'EE' in the Point Breeze Neighborhood to remove streets pursuant to Pittsburgh code Chapter 549, at no cost to the city.

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON RECREATION, YOUTH AND SENIOR SERVICES

[2025-1934](#)

Report of the Committee on Recreation, Youth, and Senior Services for June 11, 2025 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2025-1807](#)

Resolution renaming the “Boundary Street Park” located in Central Oakland as the “Oakland DIY Skatepark”

(Public Hearing held 6/10/25)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WARWICK

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2025-1888](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department Parks and Recreation, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a professional services agreement with Pennsylvania Resource Council for waste management services in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh’s Independence Day Festival at an amount not to exceed TEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTEEN DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$10,313.00) over one (1) year.

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2025-1889](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Parks and Recreation to enter into a Sponsorship Agreement for Steel City Blast @ Grandview and the CommUnity Concert series for one (1) year at no cost to the City.

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE, ASSET MANAGEMENT, AND TECHNOLOGY

[2025-1935](#)

Report of the Committee on Innovation, Performance, Asset Management, and Technology for June 11, 2025 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2025-1923](#)

Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution 539 of 2016, as amended, entitled “authorizing the Mayor, City Clerk and/or Director of the Department of Innovation and Performance to enter into a Contract or Contracts or Agreement or Agreements with Granicus, Inc., for software upgrades, server hosting services and annual maintenance of Legistar agenda management and video streaming” in order to extend the contract an additional 12 months, for an additional cost of sixty-four thousand eighty-seven dollars and sixty-three cents (\$64,087.63) for a total cost not to exceed five hundred sixty-two thousand one hundred seventy-five dollars and seventy cents (\$562,175.70).

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMAN KHARI MOSLEY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS

[2025-1936](#)

Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs for June 11, 2025 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2025-1886](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 869 of 2023, which authorized a Professional Service Agreement(s) and or Contract(s) with Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC for consulting services for federal government affairs and legislative services, by extending the term through the first quarter of 2026, and increasing the approved amount by Thirty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$37,500) for a new total cost not to exceed Five Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$573,500) over ten (10) years.

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2025-1887](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 870 of 2023, which authorized a Professional Service Agreement(s) and or Contract(s) with Malady & Wooten, Inc. for consulting services for state government affairs and legislative services, by extending the term through the first quarter of 2026, and increasing the approved amount by Thirty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$33,000) for a new total cost not to exceed Six Hundred Ten Five Hundred Dollars (\$610,500) over ten (10) years.

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT