

City of Pittsburgh

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414 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219*



MEETING MINUTES

Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh

Tuesday, November 28, 2006

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-FOURTH COUNCIL**

Douglas Shields, President

Council Members: Len Bodack, Twanda Carlisle,

Dan Deasy, Darlene M. Harris, Jeffrey S. Koch, Jim Motznik, Tonya D. Payne, William Peduto

Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk

Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Mrs. Harris, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2006-0999](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby commends and thanks Becky Mingo for all the great work she has done for her community and the Friendship Development Associates, Inc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares November 28, 2006, "Becky Mingo Day", in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO, LEN BODACK AND TWANDA CARLISLE

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

Bill No. [2006-1000](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Education Innovations, Inc., and EI, its management, and Board for their commitment to the betterment of education in the region.

SPONSOR(S): LEN BODACK AND ALL MEMBERS

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

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

Bill No. [2006-0994](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 590 effective October 10, 2006, entitled: Resolution providing for the filing of a Community Development statement by the City of Pittsburgh with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for a grant in connection with the 2006 Community Development Block Grant Program; providing for the execution of grant contracts and for the filing of other data providing for required assurances; providing for execution of payment vouchers on letter of credit and for certification of authorized signature; the deposit of the funds in a bank account and providing for the payment of expenses within categories; so as to reprogram funds in City Planning (Trail & Bike Route Development Program) (- 50,000) and add this line item to Public Works (Trail & Bike Route Development Program) (+ 50,000); and further to amend several line items in Public Works "Ridge Avenue Bridge" (- 18,000); and "South Highland Avenue Bridge" (- 145,250) and add line items "Slope Remediation" (+ 56,250) and "Allies Bridge" (+ 107,000); and further to amend several line items in the Urban Redevelopment Authority, "Neighborhood Business & Economic Development" (- 700,000) and "Neighborhood

Housing Initiative” (+ 700,000).

Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0997](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 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 “District 3 Public Works Initiatives” \$11,408.20 and “St. Clair Athletic Assoc. 16th Ward Block Watch”, \$2,500, and by adjusting amounts in various other projects in Council District 3.

SPONSOR(S): JEFFREY S. KOCH

Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0998](#)

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 “Overbrook Community Council” \$2,580.00 and by reducing District 4 “Field Improvements” by the same amount in Council District 4.

SPONSOR(S): JIM MOTZNIK

Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee

MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Bill No.

[2006-0970](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Finance to enter into a grant agreement with the United States Department of Justice to receive monies to conduct outreach and training to increase citizen awareness of signs of potential terrorist activity and further providing for an Agreement or Agreements for professional services in connection with the execution of said grant agreement.

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0971](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Finance to enter into a grant agreement with the Howard Heinz Endowment to receive monies to promote efficiency in government and further providing for an Agreement or Agreements for professional services in connection with the execution of said grant agreement, not to exceed \$50,000.

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0972](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Finance to enter into a grant agreement with the Howard Heinz Endowment to receive monies to support Phase I of a pilot project to create a web-based data analysis, correlation and visualization framework to help develop the City's Hazard Mitigation Plan and further providing for an Agreement or Agreements for professional services in connection with the

execution of said grant agreement, not to exceed \$40,000.

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0973](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Finance to enter into a grant agreement with the Vira I. Heinz Endowment to receive monies to support personnel costs within the Department of City Planning, not to exceed \$132,000.

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0974](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Finance to enter into a grant agreement with the Vira I. Heinz Endowment to receive monies to support Phase II of a pilot project to create a web-based data analysis, correlation, visualization and planning framework in support of a regional disaster response management strategy and further providing for an Agreement or Agreements for professional services in connection with the execution of said grant agreement, not to exceed \$125,000.

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0975](#)

Resolution authorizing and directing the City Controller to create a special trust fund, to be designated as the "Grants Trust Fund", for the purpose of depositing grant funds received from various sources to be used for purposes as set forth in approved grant agreements.

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0995](#)

Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 180, effective April 5, 2000, entitled "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 the Neighborhood Needs Program in Council District 3; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," By adding new projects and by deleting various other projects. Total cost of all projects is not to exceed \$970,000.

SPONSOR(S): JEFFREY S. KOCH

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0996](#)

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 "Overbrook Community Council" \$2,580.00 and by reducing District 4 "Field Improvements" by the same amount in Council District 4.

SPONSOR(S): JIM MOTZNIK

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

MR. KOCH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Bill No. Resolution providing for an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between the
[2006-0976](#) City of Pittsburgh (“City”) and the Borough of Wilkinsburg (“Borough”) for the collection of a portion of the Borough's municipal waste by the City for a term of one (1) year.

Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee

Bill No. Resolution granting unto Aspire Auctions, 100 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222,
[2006-0977](#) their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, a double sided business identification sign at 100 Fifth Avenue in the 1st Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee

Bill No. Resolution granting unto Allegheny County Sanitary Authority, 3300 Preble Avenue,
[2006-0978](#) Pittsburgh, PA 15233, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, a relocated vent pipe on 20th Street in the 2nd Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee

Bill No. Resolution granting unto ABC Imaging, 341 Fourth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222,
[2006-0979](#) their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, an illuminated business identification sign over the sidewalk area at 341 Fourth Avenue in the 1st Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee

Bill No. Resolution vacating an 8' Foot Unnamed Way between Jane Street and Harcum Way
[2006-0980](#) in the 16th Ward, 3rd Council District, of the City of Pittsburgh.

Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee

MRS. HARRIS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING, FLEET AND FORESTRY

Bill No. Resolution further amending Resolution No. 891, effective January 1, 2003, as
[2006-0981](#) amended, entitled Adopting and approving the 2003 Capital Budget and the 2003 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2003 through 2008 Capital Improvement Program, by deleting the Inspection Services line item in the amount of \$67,000.00 and increasing the Architectural/Engineering Services line item in the amount of \$67,000.00 from \$400,000.00 to \$467,000.00.

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 123, effective March 14, 2003, entitled
[2006-0982](#) “Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, with a Consultant or Consultants, for Architectural/Engineering Services in connection with various City projects, at a cost not to exceed \$400,000.00;” by increasing the project allocation by \$67,000.00.

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

Bill No.
[2006-0983](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No.762, effective December 28, 2005, as amended, entitled "Adopting and approving the 2006 Capital Budget and the 2006 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2006 through 2011 Capital Improvement Program," by transferring \$107,000.00 from the "Allies Bridge Enhancements" line item to the "Slope Failure Remediation" line item.

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

Bill No.
[2006-0984](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No.762, effective December 28, 2005, as amended, entitled "Adopting and approving the 2006 Capital Budget and the 2006 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2006 through 2011 Capital Improvement Program," by eliminating the "Ridge Avenue Bridge" line item in the amount of \$90,000.00 (\$72,000.00-FHWA, \$18,000.00-CDBG), and transferring \$18,000.00 CDBG to the "Slope Failure Remediation" line item.

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

Bill No.
[2006-0985](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No.762, effective December 28, 2005, as amended, entitled Adopting and approving the 2006 Capital Budget and the 2006 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2006 through 2011 Capital Improvement Program, by transferring \$145,250 CDBG funding from the South Highland Avenue Bridge line item to the Allies Bridge Enhancements line item (\$107,000.00-CDBG) and the Slope Failure Remediation line item (\$38,250.00-CDBG).

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

Bill No.
[2006-0986](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or for the use of existing Agreements, with a Consultant or Consultants, for design services in connection with the rehabilitation or replacement of the South Highland Avenue Bridge; providing for a Reimbursement Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$2,035,000.

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

Bill No.
[2006-0987](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, and providing for the purchase of materials and supplies in connection with the Allies Bridge Enhancements; construction of sidewalks along Forbes Avenue including barrier sidewalks and railing improvements; providing for a Reimbursement Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$1,582,000.00.

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

Bill No.
[2006-0988](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 511, effective August 15, 2006, entitled "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the investigation, design, construction

and/or remediation for critical slope failures throughout the City; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof,” by increasing the project allocation by \$163,250.00 from \$2,400,000.00 to \$2,563,250.00.

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0989](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No.762, effective December 28, 2005, as amended, entitled “Adopting and approving the 2006 Capital Budget and the 2006 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2006 through 2011 Capital Improvement Program,” by transferring the “Trail & Bike Route Development Program” line item in the amount of \$250,000 (\$200,000.00-City Bond, \$50,000.00-CDBG), from the Department of City Planning to the Department of Public Works and adding a state grant funding source of \$50,000.00.

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0990](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 397, effective July 7, 2006, entitled "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the Trail & Bike Route Development Program," by changing the authorizing Department from the Department of City Planning to the Department of Public Works, adding a state grant funding source of \$50,000.00, and increasing the total authorization from \$50,000.00 to \$300,000.00.

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0991](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 948, effective January 1, 2004, as amended, entitled “Adopting and approving the 2004 Capital Budget and the 2004 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2004 through 2009 Capital Improvement Program,” by eliminating the “Wood Street Reconstruction” line item in the amount of \$500,000.00 (\$400,000.00-FHWA, \$100,000.00-City Bond), and transferring \$70,000.00 City Bond to the “Architectural Engineering” line item and transferring \$30,000.00 City Bond to the “Slope Failure Remediation” line item.

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0992](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 685, effective November 23, 2005, entitled “Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, with a Consultant or Consultants, for Architectural Engineering Services with various City projects; and providing for the payment of the cost thereof,” by increasing the project allocation by \$70,000.00 from \$100,000.00 to \$170,000.00.

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

Bill No.

[2006-0993](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 267, effective June 16, 2004, entitled “Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, and providing for the purchase of materials and supplies in connection with the investigation, design, construction and/or remediation for critical slope failures throughout the City; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof,” by increasing

the project allocation by \$30,000.00 from \$150,000.00 to \$180,000.00.

Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

MR. KOCH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING, FLEET AND FORESTRY

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Engineering, Fleet and Forestry for November 20, 2006.

[2006-0968](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements with a Consultant or Consultants, for design services in connection with the reconstruction of Penn Avenue from 34th Street to Negley Avenue, including Project Management Services; providing for a Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$2,140,000.00.

[2006-0786](#)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution further amending Resolution No. 891, effective January 1, 2003, as amended, entitled "Adopting and approving the 2003 Capital Budget and the 2003 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2003 through 2008 Capital Improvement Program," by deleting the "Brookline Memorial Park Field Complex" line item in the amount of \$200,000.00 and decreasing the "Renovation of Rec and Senior Centers" line item in the amount of \$50,000.00 from \$158,000.00 to \$108,000.00.

[2006-0954](#)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution repealing Resolution No. 456, effective June 25, 2003, entitled "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, and proving for the purchase of materials and supplies in connection with the Brookline Memorial Park Field Complex; at a cost not to exceed \$200,000.00," by repealing it in its entirety.

[2006-0955](#)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 454, effective June 25, 2003, entitled "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, and providing for the purchase of materials and supplies in connection with the Renovation of Recreation and Senior Centers; at a cost not toe exceed \$58,000.00," by decreasing the total project allocation by \$50,000.00 from \$158,000.00 to \$108,000.00.

[2006-0956](#)

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. Deasy, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznic, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 1 - Mrs. Harris

MR. BODACK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for November 20, 2006.

[2006-0969](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for the purchase of Class A foam and other fire suppression related equipment for the Fire Bureau at a cost not to exceed One hundred and thirty thousand dollars (\$130,000) and providing for the payment thereof.

[2006-0930](#)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution further amending Resolution No. 762, effective January 1, 2006, as amended, entitled "Adopting and approving the 2006 Capital Budget and the 2006 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2006 through 2011 Capital Improvement Program," by increasing Public Safety Capital Funds in the amount of \$198,820.00 and creating the "HUD Building Demolition" funded through the HUD-Independent Agencies Appropriation Act of 2004, Grant Number B-04-SP-PA-0638 line item.

[2006-0931](#)

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. Deasy, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznic, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 1 - Mrs. Harris

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.