



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

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

Monday, December 23, 2024

1:30 PM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

ROLL CALL

Present 8 - Council Member Wilson, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Charland, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Warwick, Council Member Gross, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Mosley

Absent 1 - Council Member Coghill

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joseph Jay, Yvonne F. Brown

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2024-1331](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Frost Brown Todd, LLC for legal services in connection with a sports facility usage fee tax dispute for an amount not to exceed FORTY-NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY-NINE CENTS (\$49,597.29) over one year.

(Executive Session held 12/17/24)

Attachments: [2024-1331 Cover Letter-Council Letter Frost Brown](#)

[Summary 2024-1331](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1332](#) Resolution amending Resolution 1016 of 1991, which authorized the creation of the Emergency Medical Services Reimbursed Events Trust Fund, to rename the fund and update its allowable uses for consistency with other such funds within the Department of Public Safety, at no cost to the City.

Attachments: [2024-1332 Cover Letter-EMS-BP-70C45_20241210_163301](#)

[Summary 2024-1332](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1333](#) Resolution amending Resolution 259 of 2013, which authorized the creation of Police Secondary Employment Trust Fund, to update its allowable uses for consistency with other such funds within the Department of Public Safety, at no cost to the City.

Attachments: [2024-1333 Cover Letter-Police-BP-70C45_20241210_163320](#)
[Summary 2024-1333](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1334](#) Resolution authorizing and directing the City Controller to create a special trust fund, to be designated as the Fire Secondary Employment Trust Fund, for the deposit of monies from Fire Details, Secondary Employment, and Special Events cost recovery, and authorizing the use of monies deposited therein by the Department of Public Safety to cover premium pay reimbursement for Fire personnel and administrative costs related to the aforementioned activities, at no cost to the City.

Attachments: [2024-1334 Cover Letter-FIRE BP-70C45_20241210_163311](#)
[Summary 2024-1334](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1335](#) Resolution amending Resolution 106 of 2020, which authorized the creation of the Crossing Guards Special Events Trust Fund, to rename the fund and update its allowable uses for consistency with other such funds within the Department of Public Safety, at no cost to the City.

Attachments: [2024-1335 Cover Letter-Crossing Guard-BP-70C45_20241210_163327](#)
[Summary 2024-1335](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1336](#)

Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh Side Yard Program. ITEMS A through X: A: 306 N Millvale Avenue (Council District No. 9), B: 5204 Kincaid Street (Council District No. 9), C: 5414 Broad Street (Council District No. 9), D: 216 N Aiken Avenue (Council District No. 9), E: 5436 Rosetta Street (Council District No. 9), F: 5465 Kincaid Street (Council District No. 9), G: 1217 Montezuma Street (Council District No. 9), H: 303 Renfrew Street (Council District No. 9), I: 305 Renfrew Street (Council District No. 9), J: 1440 Oberlin Street (Council District No. 9), K: 295 W Elizabeth Street (Council District No. 5), L: 2410 Carey Way (Council District No. 3), M: 34 Millbridge Street (Council District No. 3), N: 943 Manton Way (Council District No. 3), O: 939 Manton Way (Council District No. 3), P: 0 Michigan Street (Council District No. 3), Q: 0 Wilhelm Street (Council District No. 2), ~~R: 933 Itin Street (Council District No. 4)~~, S: 0 Norwood Avenue (Council District No. 6), T: 906 Luella Street (Council District No. 1), U: 1420 Geyer Avenue (Council District No. 1), V: 3206 Rothpletz Street (Council District No. 1), W: 4520 Armorrhill Avenue (Council District No. 5), X: 4520 Armorrhill Avenue (Council District No. 5).

Attachments: [2024-1336 Cover Letter-Sideyard December 2024 Council Letter](#)
[2024-1336 Sideyard December 2024 Attachments](#)

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

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended as Amended. The motion carried.

[2024-1344](#)

Resolution authorizing the City's acceptance of deeds conveying all right, title, and interest in parcels 0232-A-00266-0000-00, which is a vacant land parcel on a wooded hillside with no address located along Warsaw Street and Nimick Place Council District 9 and in the 13th Ward abutted by city-owned parcels, and 0046-J-00315-0000-00, which is a vacant land parcel with no address on Cutler Street in Council District 6 and in the 26th Ward abutted by a city-owned parcel to the City of Pittsburgh and authorizing the payment of One Dollar (\$1) in exchange for the parcel.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

Attachments: [2024-1344 -46-J-315 General Information](#)
[2024-1344 -46-J-315 Map](#)
[2024-1344 -232-A-266 General Information](#)
[2024-1344 -232-A-266 Map](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1345](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution Number 598 of 2004, effective December 10, 2004, entitled, “Resolution AMENDING RESOLUTION No. 145 Of 2001, Eff. March 28, 2001, WHICH AMENDED RESOLUTION NO. 69 OF 2001, Eff. February 28, 2001, WHICH AMENDED RESOLUTION No. 844 OF 1989, Eff. October 27, 1989, WHICH AMENDED RESOLUTION No. 564 OF 1989, Eff. July 17, 1989, Authorizing Implementation Of an Employee Tuition Reimbursement Program, To Reduce Such Reimbursement To Fifty Percent (50%) Of Tuition Costs, Pursuant To Act 47 Plan Initiative WF15:”, by extending the prior approval requirement for eligible employees and providing for a retroactive effective date.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

INVOICES

None

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

To: The Honorable President and Members of Council

From: Office of Management and Budget

Date: 12/19/2024

Re: Intradepartmental transfer

Dear President and Members of Council:

Per Resolution 860 of 2023, which authorizes City Council to approve intradepartmental transfers throughout the 2024 Fiscal Year, the Office of Management and Budget would like to make the following transfer(s):---

Office of Management and Budget

Amount from: \$39,935.46 from 102200.55101 Insurance Premiums

Amount to: \$39,935.46 to 102000.53901 Professional Services

This transfer is necessary to cover final end-of-year obligations

Department of Public Works – Bureau of Operations.

Amount from: \$5,000.00 from 420000.55701 Transportation

Amount to: \$5,000.00 to 420000.56151 Operational Supplies

This transfer is necessary to cover final end-of-year obligations

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

P-CARD APPROVALS

[Item](#) P-Cards
[0044-2024](#)

Attachments: [Weekly Council Rpt 12-10-24-12-16-24](#)

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

PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2024-1324](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)'s Local Share Account Statewide to provide funding to purchase two ambulances. The grant proposal includes an ask of ONE MILLION (\$1,000,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

Attachments: [2024-1324 Cover Letter-2024 DCED LSA - Ambulances](#)
[Letter_JP_Signed](#)
[Summary 2024-1324](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1325](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into an agreement or agreements with Humane Animal Rescue of Pittsburgh for detention, care and/or euthanasia of domesticated animals, at an overall cost to the City not to exceed TWO MILLION TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE DOLLARS (\$2,280,273) over three years.

Attachments: [2024-1325 Cover Letter-HARP - DETENTION - 2024 - COVER](#)
[2024-1325 Waiver letter- Animal Detention Program 2024](#)
[2024-1325 HARP - DETENTION - 2024 - RFP](#)
[Summary 2024-1325](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE, MRS. WARWICK, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2024-1337](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)'s Local Share Account Statewide to provide funding for the planning around the Bluff Street Steps. The grant proposal includes an ask of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY SIX THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED (\$176,400.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

Attachments: [2024-1337 Cover Letter-2024 DCED LSA - Bluff Street Steps](#)
[Letter JP Signed](#)
[Summary 2024-1337](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1338](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and the Department of Public Works to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)'s Local Share Account Statewide to provide funding for the Schenley Heights Pavilion Construction project. The grant proposal includes an ask of ONE MILLION (\$1,000,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

Attachments: [2024-1338 Cover Letter-2024 DCED LSA - REW Letter JP Signed Summary 2024-1338](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1339](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and the Department of Public Works to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for the purpose of receiving grant funds from the 902 Municipal Recycling Grant in the amount not to exceed TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$200,000.00) dollars for equipment and outreach around the City's Recycling Program. The grant requires a match from the City of Pittsburgh in the amount not to exceed TWENTY TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY THREE (\$22,223.00) dollars for this stated purpose for a total project cost not to exceed TWO HUNDRED TWENTY TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY THREE (\$222,223.00) dollars.

Attachments: [2024-1339 Cover Letter-2024 PA DEP 902 Letter JP Signed Summary 2024-1339](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1340](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with H.W. Lochner, Inc. for costs associated with the Preliminary Design Phase for the Pittsburgh City Steps project; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed Six Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars and Seventy-Eight Cents (\$669,850.78), reimbursable at eighty (80%) percent.

Attachments: [2024-1340 Cover Letter-Pgh City Steps H.W. Lochner Letter - signed Summary 2024-1340](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1341](#) Resolution providing for an agreement with CSXT for Preliminary Engineering work on the rehabilitation of the West Carson Street Bridge; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed Sixteen Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$16,280.00), reimbursable at 95%.

Attachments: [2024-1341 Cover Letter-West Carson Bridge CSXT PE Letter - signed](#)
[Summary 2024-1341](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1342](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of Baiano Construction Inc., in the amount of Thirty-One Thousand Three Hundred & Fifty Dollars (\$31,350.00), for the purpose of off contract sidewalk repairs; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof.

Attachments: [2024-1342 Cover Letter-Warrant - Baiano Construction \(1\)](#)
[Summary 2024-1342](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MR. WILSON, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2024-1343](#) Resolution approving an Institutional Master Plan Application under the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article II, Chapter 905, Section 905.03.D. to Central Catholic High School, property owner, for the Central Catholic High School campus located along Fifth Avenue and South Neville Street, Parcels 52-J-264 and 52-J-118, zoned "EMI", Educational Medical Institution, 14th Ward, Council District No. 8.

(Needs to be held for Public Hearing)

Attachments: [2024-1343 Cover Letter-City Council Cover Letter - DCP-MPZC-2024-00224 - Central Catholic High School IMP](#)
[2024-1343 DCP-MPZC-2024-00224 Central Catholic IMP Decision](#)
[2024-1343 DCP-MPZC-2024-00224 Central Catholic IMP Hearing Report 2024-12-10 w.Attachment](#)
[Summary 2024-1343](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing to the Committee on Hearings and Policy . The motion carried.

**RECREATION, YOUTH, AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE, MRS.
KAIL-SMITH, CHAIR****NEW PAPERS**

[2024-1327](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Broadband Development Authority for the purpose of receiving grant funds from the ARPA Capital Projects Fund Digital Connectivity Technology Program in the form of laptops valued at an amount not to exceed TWO HUNDRED NINETY FIVE THOUSAND (\$295,000.00) dollars for Rec2Tech program.

Attachments: [2024-1327 Cover Letter-2024 PBDA laptops letter JP Signed](#)
[Summary 2024-1327](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1328](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Parks and Recreation on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh to enter into financial and “in-kind” Sponsorship Agreements valued at ten-thousand-dollars (\$10,000) or less for the Citiparks Office of Special Events’ 2025 Season.

Attachments: [2024-1328 Cover Letter-2025 Sponsor Agreements Letter \(Signed\)](#)
[Summary 2024-1328](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1329](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Pittsburgh Regional Transit, 345 Sixth Avenue, Fifth Floor, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, in an amount not to exceed THIRTEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED ELEVEN DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS (\$13,411.75), for transportation services for the 2024 Richard S. Caliguiri Great Race on September 29, 2024.

Attachments: [2024-1329 Cover Letter-PRT Warrant Letter 2024 \(Signed\)](#)
[2024-1329 PRT -- 2024 Great Race Invoice \(INV2411\)](#)
[Summary 2024-1329](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1330](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director Parks and Recreation to enter into an agreement with Swank Motion Pictures, Inc. as a sole source for 2025, 2026, and 2027, for rental and display rights of certain movie entertainment for events to be held by the Office of Special Events for a yearly cost of Thirty Two Thousand Dollars (\$32,000) and a total cost not to exceed Ninety Six Thousand Dollars (\$96,000).
(Waiver of Competitive Process Received)

Attachments: [2024-1330 Cover Letter-Swank Letter 25-27 \(Signed\)](#)

[2024-1330 WCP24-040 Swank Motion Pictures](#)

[Summary 2024-1330](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MR. MOSLEY, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2024-1326](#) Resolution authorizing a sub-award agreement or agreements providing for the transfer of funds not to exceed SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND (\$750,000.00) to the Urban Redevelopment Authority to support the development of affordable housing on Homewood Avenue as part of a Federal Appropriation managed by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Attachments: [2024-1326 Cover Letter-Homewood Ave Approp-
Letter JP Signed](#)
[Summary 2024-1326](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2024-1350](#) Resolution further amending resolution 413 of 2020, which authorized the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements relating to the shared operation and administration of the City of Pittsburgh Child Care Quality Fund, by extending the term through 2025 at no further cost to the City.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER GROSS

Attachments: [Summary 2024-1350](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.