

July 18, 2024

President and Members of Council City-County Building 414 Grant Street Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear President and Members of Council:

Enclosed is proposed legislation authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Management and Budget to execute relevant agreements with Catapult Greater Pittsburgh (Catapult) to provide financial counseling services to residents. Catapult was selected due to their demonstrated ability to implement high-volume, quality, one-on-one financial counseling services, existing partnerships and utilization of referral systems, experience, capacity, program sustainability, and cost proposal. This contract, once authorized, will provide a key public service to support our goal to deliver comprehensive financial counseling services to city residents that can significantly enhance financial education and overall financial health.

A waiver of Rule 8 is requested to expedite this authorization so the city can begin contracting and then provide these needed services as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of this important legislation.

Yours in service,

Ed Gainey, Mayor City of Pittsburgh Pronouns: He/Him/His