

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

ONE-HUNDRED

FORTY-FIRST COUNCIL

Theresa Kail-Smith, President of Council

***Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Bruce A. Kraus,
R. Daniel Lavelle, Corey O'Connor, Erika Strassburger, Bobby Wilson***

Brenda F. Pree, City Clerk - Kim Clark-Baskin, Assistant City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Members present via video conference due to COVID-19 protective guidelines set forth by the federal, state, and local governments

Present 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

Absent 2 - Council Member Gross, and Council Member O'Connor

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**PROCLAMATIONS**

[2021-1479](#) **WHEREAS**, there are over 1.4 million Lions Clubs across the globe serving communities during the COVID-19 pandemic. One such club is the Pittsburgh Grandview Lions Club; and,

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

Adopted

Enactment No: 289

PUBLIC COMMENTS**PRESENTATION OF PAPERS****COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS:**

[2021-1465](#) Resolution authorizing, pursuant to Chapter 173 of the Pittsburgh City Code, the naming of a public fountain located at the northeastern corner of Allegheny Commons as “The Patricia Regan Rooney Memorial Fountain.”

(Needs to be held for Public Hearing)

Attachments: [2021-1465 Cover Ltr-Rooney Fountain Mayor Letter](#)

[Summary 2021-1465](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Urban Recreation

[2021-1466](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Department of Parks and Recreation to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into an amended agreement or agreements with Allegheny County, Department of Human Services, for the City's operation of its Senior Community Centers and in order add \$20,827.04 of supplemental compensation to City for direct contact service employees providing direct consumer contact services via the Senior Program's grab and go meal program. Said amended agreement(s) shall be for a term of one year at no cost to the City and with compensation to the City in the amount of EIGHT HUNDRED FOUR THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS and FOUR CENTS (\$804,277.04).

Attachments: [2021-1466 Cover Ltr-2021 Amended DHS Contract](#)

[Summary 2021-1466](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Urban Recreation

[2021-1467](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Department of Parks and Recreation to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into an agreement or agreements with Keys Service Corps with regard to the 2021 AmeriCorps Summer Program. Said agreement or agreement involves the matching of funds and shall be a cost to the City not to exceed TWELVE THOUSAND DOLLARS and NO CENTS (\$12,000.00).

Attachments: [2021-1467 Cover Ltr-2021 AmeriCorp Keys](#)

[Summary 2021-1467](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Urban Recreation

COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS:

[2021-1468](#) Resolution vacating a portion of Coke Way, laid out in the New Homestead Plan of Lots, recorded in plan book vol. 18, page 1, in the 31st Ward, 5th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

Attachments: [2021-1468 Cover Ltr-Council Letter](#)

[2021-1468-Coke Way-410 Revenue St Vacation](#)

[Summary 2021-1468](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2021-1469](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement with Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Department of Transportation (PennDOT) for local costs associated with the State Route 4000, project and providing for the payment of municipal incurred costs thereof, not to exceed Forty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars. (\$42,289.00).

Attachments: [2021-1469 Cover Ltr-State Route 400 Letter, Letterhead](#)

[Summary 2021-1469](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2021-1470](#) Resolution approving the recommendation made by the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure that the streets; Benton Ave, Altamont Way, Whitewood Drive, Cedarbrook Drive, Kentmoor Drive, Coleridge Place, Coleridge Street, and Schenly Manor Drive, be paved with asphalt in accordance with Section 417.06 of the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances.

Attachments: [2021-1470 Cover Ltr-Omibus Concrete Overlay 2021 Letter](#)

[Summary 2021-1470](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2021-1471](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Community Conservation Partnerships Program to provide funding for the Three Rivers Heritage Trail Repaving Project. The grant proposal includes an ask of \$112,988.70 with a local match of \$112,988.70 to come out of the 2021 City of Pittsburgh Capital Budget (JDE job number 6090000121). In the event the grant is awarded, this resolution provides for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed TWO HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND FORTY CENTS (\$225,977.40) for this stated purpose.

Attachments: [2021-1471 Cover Ltr-TRHT Repaving C2P2 - Letter 2021](#)

[Summary 2021-1471](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2021-1472](#) Resolution further amending Resolution 97 of 2018, entitled “Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts, an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, providing for the design, repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the McFarren Street (Second Avenue) Bridge project; and providing for a Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed \$3,750,000.00” to increase the total not to exceed to \$3,807,030.36 for final payment of work performed by Gulisek Construction (#52831).

Attachments: [2021-1472 Cover Ltr-McFarren Letter Letterhead](#)
[Summary 2021-1472](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:

[2021-1473](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh’s Official Sewage Facilities Plan for East Liberty Centre, 6135 and 6145 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15206.

Attachments: [2021-1473 Cover Ltr-Sewer Module Cover Letter - 6135 and 6145 Penn Ave](#)
[2021-1473-10216-2_Planning Module Book_BINDER](#)
[2021-1473-Sewer Module Questionnaire for Council - 6135 and 6145 Penn Ave](#)
[Summary 2021-1473](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

[2021-1474](#) Resolution providing for further renewal by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh of a Declaration of Disaster Emergency, ratified by Council on March 17th, 2020; to extend the effectiveness of the Declaration for twenty-nine (29) additional days thereby making the Declaration effective until June 8th, 2021; in response to the ongoing public health emergency associated with the spread of coronavirus.

Attachments: [2021-1474 Cover Ltr-COVID-19 Emergency Declaration Mayor Letter 6.8.21](#)
[2021-1474-Exhibit A-Emergency Declaration](#)
[Summary 2021-1474](#)

**A motion was made that this matter be Waived under the Rules of Council.
The motion carried.**

[2021-1475](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of warrant in the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$25,000.00) to John H. McCurry in full and final settlement of an employment matter.

(Executive Session Requested)

Attachments: [2021-1475 Cover Ltr-McCurry Council letter](#)

[Summary 2021-1475](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS:

[2021-1476](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into an agreement with Swank Motion Pictures, Inc., as a sole source, for rental and display rights of certain movie entertainment for events to be held by the Office of Special Events.

Attachments: [2021-1476 Cover Ltr-210504 - Swank Motion Pictures](#)

[Agreement](#)

[2021-1476-WCP20-046 Swank Motion Pictures](#)

[Summary 2021-1476](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:

[2021-1477](#) Resolution authorizing the City's Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into relevant agreements with Information Age Technologies, Inc, for the CoPilot Annual Subscription Fee for the Healthy Active Living Senior Centers' Software Subscription used to collect data and reporting of services to Allegheny County Department of Human Services Area Agency on Aging as mandated by our contract with Allegheny County at set negotiated prices to be determined over a term of three years.

Attachments: [2021-1477 Cover Ltr-2021 Information Age Technologies](#)

[2021-1477-Sole Source Document WCP21-018 IAT \(1\)](#)

[Summary 2021-1477](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Innovation, Performance and Asset Management

[2021-1478](#) Resolution amending Resolution 147 of 2020 authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to enter into a Professional Services Agreement(s) and/or Contract(s) with CORE Business Technologies for software, equipment and services related to the installation of payment processing and cashiering system for the Department of Finance to fund the contract for the remainder of 2021 at a cost not to exceed Fifty Five Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Dollars and Fifteen Cents (\$55,830.15) and to include additional integration at a cost not to exceed Six Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$6,000.00) and providing for the payment of the cost thereof not to exceed Four Hundred Fifty Two Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Two Dollars and Thirty Two Cents (\$452,382.32) for years 2015, 2016, 2017, 2020 and 2021.

Attachments: [2021-1478 Cover Ltr-Letter CORE Amendment](#)
[Summary 2021-1478](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Innovation, Performance and Asset Management

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

[2021-1461](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for May 5, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2021-1411](#) Resolution providing for the sale of certain property, acquired by the City of Pittsburgh at tax sales. ITEMS A through H: A: 1642 Worthington, B: 0 Gopher, C: 0 Kilbourne, D: 964 Manton, E: 0 Industry, F: 1031 Woods Run, G: 3251 Central, ~~H: 1703 Termon~~

Attachments: [2021-1411 -Cover Letter Auction](#)
[2021-1411 -Auction April 2021](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Council Member Gross, and Council Member O'Connor

[2021-1412](#) 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 H: A: 816 Cherokee, B: 0 Stanley, C: 1417 Warner, D: 1608 Brighton, E: 1606 Brighton, F: 1600 Brighton, G: 1607-09 McCullough, H: 1733 McCullough

Attachments: [2021-1412 -Cover Letter Side Yard](#)

[2021-1412 -Side Yard April 2021](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Council Member Gross, and Council Member O'Connor

[2021-1416](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title One, Administrative; Article IX, Boards, Commissions and Authorities, to add a Section 177A.11, LGBT Business Enterprises.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER

CO-SPONSOR /S: Council Member Kraus and Council Member O'Connor

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Council Member Gross, and Council Member O'Connor

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

[2021-1462](#) Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for May 5, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2021-1410](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code, Title Six entitled “Conduct,” Article I, entitled “Regulated Rights and Actions,” Chapter 601, entitled “Public Order,” to amend the title and substance of Section 601.17 currently reading “RESERVED. (Reserved for future legislation.)” with the title "Hate Crimes," and substantive legislation to provide for additional penalties for criminal conduct motivated by hatred toward certain characteristics of other persons, under certain terms and conditions.

Attachments: [2021-1410 Cover Letter-Mayor Letter Hate Crimes Ordinance Summary 2021-1410](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Council Member Gross, and Council Member O'Connor

[2021-1442](#) Resolution adopting the Allegheny County Hazard Mitigation plan as the official hazard mitigation plan of the City of Pittsburgh.

Attachments: [2021-1442 Cover Letter -Hazard Mitigation letter Summary 2021-1442](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Council Member Gross, and Council Member O'Connor

COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

[2021-1463](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for May 5, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2021-1450](#) Resolution amending Resolution 350 of 2020 to authorize the entering into of leases by the Department of City Planning for display of art in connection with a Professional Services Agreement with BOOM Concepts and/or Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation.

Attachments: [2021-1450 Cover Letter -Coverletter_BOOM_2021](#)
[Summary 2021-1450](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Council Member Gross, and Council Member O'Connor

[2021-1460](#) Resolution proclaiming Pittsburgh City Council's intent to introduce an ordinance placing limitations on the use of single-use plastic bags within the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Council Member Gross, and Council Member O'Connor

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[2021-1464](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for May 5, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2021-1409](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the 131 Shiloh Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15211.

Attachments: [2021-1409 Cover Letter-Sewer Module Cover Letter - Gordo's Tacos 131 Shiloh St](#)
[2021-1409 -Sewer Module Questionnaire for Council for Gordo's Tacos \(131 Shiloh St\)](#)
[2021-1409 -SFPM-Gordos Tacos-20210318 rev](#)
[Summary 2021-1409](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Council Member Gross, and Council Member O'Connor

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

[2021-1480](#) **WHEREAS**, the Pittsburgh Gaelic Athletic Association is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization; and

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

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

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[2021-1474-Exhibit A-Emergency Declaration](#)
[Summary 2021-1474](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Council Member Gross, and Council Member O'Connor

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:

- **Councilwoman Gross**
- **Councilman O'Connor**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER