



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

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

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

ROLL CALL

- Present** 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson
- Absent** 1 - Council Member O'Connor

PUBLIC COMMENT

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2213](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Cristol L. Abbott and her attorney, Timothy Schweers, Esquire, Shenderovich, Shenderovich & Fishman, PC, 1100 Law & Finance Building, 429 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, in the amount of Thirty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Six Dollars and No Cents (\$34,996.00) in full and final settlement of litigation filed at GD 19-018154 in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County.

(Executive Session Requested)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.

[2021-2214](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Michael Lucas, c/o Regina M. McIlvaine, Esquire, Lowenthal & Abrams, P.C., 555 City Line Avenue, Suite 500, Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004, in the amount of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$2,500.00) in full and final settlement of litigation filed at GD 17-004195 in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County.

(Executive Session Requested)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.

[2021-2215](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Kellee Masucci and her attorneys, Matzus Law LLC, 310 Grant St., Suite 3210, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, in the amount of Fifty Nine Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars and No Cents (\$59,477.00) in full and final settlement of litigation filed at GD 19-003246 in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County.

(Executive Session Requested)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.

[2021-2216](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a professional services agreement with Cohen Law Group to address a matter of pending telecommunications litigation at USDC 2:21-cv-443 at an amount not to exceed sixty-one thousand fifty dollars (\$61,050).

(Executive Session Requested)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.

[2021-2217](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Allan Daniels and Simon & Simon, PC, 1818 Market Street, Suite 2000, Philadelphia, PA 19103, in the amount of Sixty Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000.00) relating to the full and final settlement of a case filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at A.R. 18-005657.

(Executive Session Requested)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.

[2021-2218](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Sommer Abbott and Phil DiLucente and Associates LLC, 310 Grant Street, Suite 1801, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, in the amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars and no Cents (\$15,000.00) in full and final settlement of litigation filed at 21-000918 G.D. in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County.

(Executive Session Requested)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.

INVOICES**INVOICES FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL**

The following departmental invoices not covered under a contract with the City shall be paid by the City Controller after the invoices have been approved by City Council at the December 1st Standing Committees meeting. A completed standard form detailing the expenditures is attached to all of the below listed invoices. No payments will be made to any of the below listed vendors prior the approval of City Council.

CITY COUNCIL

Carrick Community Council – donation (Dist. 4) 500.00

Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank – donation 5,000.00

Plavchak, Blake – reimb/community decorations (Dist. 4) 142.14

Spring Hill Civic League – donation (Dist. 1) 250.00

HUMAN RELATIONS

Global Wordsmiths – translation for Spanish-speaking audience 158.47

FINANCE

Infousa Marketing – tax information service 800.00

LAW

The Center for Musculoskeletal Evaluations – IME and consultation 1,155.00

AKF Reporters Incorporated – original transcript 503.75

PUBLIC SAFETY

DQE Communications – monthly charge for high-speed internet 275.00

MarketWurks.com – promotions for farmers markets 1,700.00

Elizabeth Bliss – reimbursement for supplies for Light Up Night 75.18

POLICE

**Fraternal Order of Police – FOP legal defense fund contractual payment
36,000.00**

NMS Labs – drug testing 255.00

Orr’s Jewelers – badges 165.00

Leadership Pittsburgh Inc – tuition payment for Leadership Pittsburgh 2,950.00

Approved Toilet Rentals – toilet rental for the VA site 107.90

County of Allegheny Asset Forfeiture Unit – asset forfeiture 3,747.00

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Jack Lafferty’s Truck Parts – inspections and parts 452.60

FIRE

WB Mason Co Inc – water and rental of dispenser 52.26

Hydro Test Products – supplies for hydrotest machine 59.19

Unifirst Corp. – towel and mat service for training academy 994.95

Laurus Systems – radiation detector for hazardous materials team 1,192.91

PUBLIC WORKS

Mobilease Modular Space Inc – service on rented trailers 363.00

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

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

NONE

P-CARD APPROVALS

NONE

PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES COMMITTEE, MR. O'CONNOR, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2219](#)

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 A Step Up Veterinary, Inc. for professional licensed veterinary services to the City's Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Animal Care & Control, at an overall cost to the City not to exceed ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS and SEVENTY-ONE CENTS (\$180,327.71).

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

[2021-2220](#)

Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of Coro Center for Civic Leadership in the amount of six-thousand dollars and zero cents (\$6,000) for fellowship services provided to the city for placement fees and public sector fellows.

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

[2021-2221](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 47 of 2020, authorizing the Mayor and Director of Public Safety to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into an amended Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with InTime Solutions, Inc. for EMS and Police scheduling and timekeeping services at a total cost not to exceed NINE HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$902,525).

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

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR

SUPPLEMENTAL- NEW PAPERS

[2021-2244](#) Resolution providing for a second supplemental agreement with Michael Baker for Contract Administration and Construction Inspection Service costs associated with the Small Grants Projects Agreement and providing for the payment of costs thereof relating to Allegheny Circle Phase 2, not to exceed One Hundred and Ninety Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Three dollars and Five cents (\$190,663.05); a Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Seven Dollar and Sixty Three cent (\$50,577.63) increase from the previous agreement.

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

[2021-2245](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a Professional Services Agreement between the City of Pittsburgh and Air Cleaning Systems Incorporated for design, engineering, and installation services of emergency response vehicle exhaust systems at multiple locations throughout the City of Pittsburgh (Medic 2, Medic 3, Medic 4, Medic 6, Medic 8, Medic 9, Medic 10, Medic 11, Medic 14, EMS Training Facility, and EMS Headquarters) at a cost not to exceed SIX HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY TWO DOLLARS AND FORTY CENTS (\$654,272.40).

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

[2021-2255](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title Four, "Public Places and Property", and Title Five, "Traffic", and Article Five, "Legislative", Chapter 151, to regulate parking in City-owned surface lots, City-utilized property and on-street parking spaces reserved for paid parking for City employees.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH AND COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

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.

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2021-1744](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a Lease Agreement with the Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Garden for the City facility known the Garden Center for a period of ten (10) years an annual rental fee of One Dollar (\$1.00) per year, with the possibility of renewal.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Public Works , due back by 12/8/2021. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2206](#) Resolution granting unto PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM INC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to reconstruct an existing ADA concrete ramp, retaining walls and bollards, at 3459 5th Ave, in the 4th Ward, 8th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2021-2207](#) Resolution granting unto ERTUGRUL & NESLIHAN KILIC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to reconstruct (3) three existing sets of steps, and to install (4) four tree pits, and an awning, at 4632 Centre Ave, in the 4th Ward, 8th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2021-2208](#) Resolution granting unto MCKNIGHT BANK TOWER LLC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to install a new projecting sign, at 404 Wood Street, in the 1st Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2021-2209](#) Resolution granting unto 5803 CENTRE LLC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to install below grade shoring, along Commerce Street, at 5803 Centre Ave (rear), in the 8th Ward, 7th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2021-2210](#) Resolution granting unto GUSTAVO & EMILY CARDONA, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense an existing retaining wall presently constructed in the right-of-way at 130 Burr Street, in the 16th Ward, 3rd Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2021-2211](#) Resolution granting unto PEARL STREET TOWNHOMES LP, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to install an underground storm sewer, at 210 Pearl Street, in the 9th Ward, 7th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

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

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2021-1815](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article IV, Chapter 909, Planned Development Districts, Section 909.01.Q SP-10 Hazelwood Green Specially Planned District by amending certain text, deleting certain text and/or replacing certain text within the Zoning Code as follows:

(Report & Recommendation received 11/29/21)

(Public Hearing scheduled for 12/22/21)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER O'CONNOR

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

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing. The motion carried.

[2021-1867](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title V: Traffic, Article VII: Parking, Chapter 549: Residential Parking Permit Program, so as to clarify the administrative process for the program; provide for virtual permitting; add the permit fees to the City's annual fee book; adopt regulations for the use of Visitor Permits and Non-Resident Permits; and create the hybrid RPP area program.

(Post Agenda held 10/27/21)

(Public Hearing held 11/4/21)

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

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 12/8/2021. The motion carried.

[2021-2200](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code, Title Five: Traffic, Article VII: Parking, Chapter 541: General Parking Regulations, Section 541.02: Prohibitions in Specified Places.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

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.

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2224](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 647 of 2020, effective December 23, 2020, as amended, 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,” so as to identify specific Public Service Grant projects of the Mayor’s Office and authorize a subsequent Agreement or Agreements for operation/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities on behalf of the residents of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

[2021-2230](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the City Code at Title Six: Conduct, Article I: Regulated Rights and Actions, by adding a new Chapter 610 entitled “Prohibition on Use of Certain Bags and Checkout Bag Charge,” to permit the use of only certain bags by retail establishments at the point of sale or for a delivery; and establishing a charge, payable by the customer to the establishment, for the provision of other types of bags; all under certain terms and conditions.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER AND COUNCIL MEMBER O’CONNOR

CO-SPONSOR /S: Council Member Kraus and Council Member Wilson

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Post Agenda. The motion carried.

**INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR****NEW PAPERS**

[2021-2222](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Innovation & Performance to enter into a two (2) year professional service agreement with Victor Stanley services to meet the needs of the City of Pittsburgh at a sum not to exceed Two Hundred Twelve Thousand One Hundred and Sixty Six Dollars (\$212,166)

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

[2021-2223](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 676 which authorized the City of Pittsburgh to enter into an Agreement with Maalka to provide a Building Benchmarking Management Platform Software Solution by extending the term of the contract by 3 years at a cost not to exceed \$80,000.

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

[2021-2227](#)

Resolution 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 Preservica Inc. for public access and digital preservation software for the Records Management Division. Total cost not to exceed \$64,100 over five years.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER

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

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2021-1852](#)

Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire all the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the Publicly-Owned Property in the 20th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 42-M, Lot 22 (Council District No. 2 - Zephyr Avenue - southwest side of Zephyr Avenue south of Sherwood Avenue).

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs, due back by 12/15/2021. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2212](#)

Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the CMU Health Wellness & Athletics Center, Tech Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15213.

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