

# City of Pittsburgh

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



## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, June 25, 2024**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

### **City Council**

***ONE-HUNDRED  
FORTY-THIRD COUNCIL***

*R. Daniel Lavelle, President of Council*

*Council Members: Robert Charland, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Khari Mosley, Theresa  
Kail-Smith, Erika Strassburger, Barbara Warwick, Bobby Wilson*

*Kimberly Clark-Baskin, City Clerk - Ashley Robinson, Assistant City Clerk*

**ROLL CALL**

**Present** 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

**Absent** 2 - Council Member Kail-Smith, and Council Member Wilson

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA****PROCLAMATIONS**

[2024-0623](#)

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Shelley Terlecki for her years of service to Parks and Recreation and leadership of our City pools; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare, Tuesday, June 25, 2024 to be “**Shelley Terlecki Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

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

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

Enactment No: 425

[2024-0624](#)

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Darrin McMillen and congratulate him for being named Neighbor of the Year; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare, Wednesday, June 26, 2024 to be “**Darrin McMillen Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

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

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

Enactment No: 426

**WILLS OF COUNCIL**

[2024-0625](#)

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh makes known its support for Pennsylvania House Bill No. 2199 and Senate Bill 1233; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh encourages the passing of Alicia's Law.

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

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

Enactment No: 427

[2024-0626](#)

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh condemns the use of school voucher programming as harmful to the Pittsburgh Public Schools system.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh calls upon the Pennsylvania Legislature to reject proposals adding school voucher funding to the Commonwealth's FY 2025 budget.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 428

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Dr Ronald Lynn Miller, Chief Pomaj-chakmam-yajalaji, Chief Ikhana-hal-makina, Ralph Williams, Bernadette from Beechview**

## **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

### **COUNCILPERSON ROBERT CHARLAND PRESENTS:**

[2024-0622](#)

Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title Six, Conduct, Article 1, Regulated Rights and Actions, by adding Chapter 619A entitled Quality of Life Violations.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER CHARLAND AND COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Wellness**

### **COUNCILMAN KHARI MOSLEY PRESENTS:**

[2024-0614](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 430 W General Robinson Street, at no cost to the City.

**Attachments:** [2024-0614 Cover Letter-430 W. General Robinson Sewer](#)  
[2024-0614 430 W. General Robinson Sewer Component 4A](#)  
[2024-0614 430 W. General Robinson Sewer Questionnaire](#)  
[2024-0614 430 W. General Robinson Sewer SFPM](#)  
[Summary 2024-0614](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs**

**COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:**

[2024-0615](#) Resolution amending Resolution 335 of 2021, authorizing the Department of Parks & Recreation, Office of Special Events, 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, in order to authorize the use of funds from the Parks and Recreation Regional Asset District (RAD) trust fund at no additional cost to the city.

**Attachments:** [2024-0615 Cover Letter-Swank Letter](#)  
[Summary 2024-0615](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Recreation, Youth, and Senior Services**

**COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:**

[2024-0616](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Comber Miller, LLC for legal services in connection with a police litigation matter at 2:18-cv-01567 for an amount not to exceed SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$6,554.00) over one year.  
*(Executive Session held 6/25/24)*

**Attachments:** [2024-0616 Cover Letter-Council Letter Comber Miller](#)  
[Summary 2024-0616](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

[2024-0617](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of The Gateway Engineers, Inc. for expert witness services in connection with two matters filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G. D. 18-010289 and G. D. 18-010305 for an amount not to exceed FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$50,000.00) over one year.

*(Executive Session held 6/25/24)*

**Attachments:** [2024-0617 Cover Letter-Council Letter Gateway Engineers](#)

[Summary 2024-0617](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

### **COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS:**

[2024-0618](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Public Works to enter into an Agreement, Agreements, and/or Amendments with the Pennsylvania (PA) Department of Aging for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of THIRTY THOUSAND (\$30,000.00) dollars to support replacing exterior doors, frames, and hardware for twenty (20) door openings at the South Side Market House Healthy Active Living Center.

**Attachments:** [2024-0618 Cover Letter-DPW Letter to Council, \\$30k Grant Award for South Side Market House - PA Dept. of Aging -signed](#)  
[Summary 2024-0618](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

### **COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:**

[2024-0619](#) Communication from Councilman Bobby Wilson, Chair of the Pittsburgh Land Bank, submitting their annual activity report and annual audit for the year ended December 31, 2023.

**Attachments:** [2024-0619 PLB's 2023 Audit Ltr and Report](#)  
[2024-0619 PLB's 2023 Final Annual Report 12.22.23 \(2\)](#)

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

[2024-0620](#) Communication from Jake Pawlak, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, submitting acting pay requests on behalf of the Department of Public Works for Robert Sapp, per the Acting Pay Policy revised in June 2018.

**Attachments:** [2024-0620 Acting Pay Memo PW Robert Sapp 2024](#)

[2024-0620 DPW Acting Pay Request Construction Foreman Robert Sapp Extension 2 JP Signed](#)

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

[2024-0621](#) Communication from Jake Pawlak, Director of Office of Management and Budget, submitting to City Council the attached status update from the Grants Office for the week ended June 21, 2024.

**Attachments:** [2024-0621 2024-06-21 Grant Communication](#)

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

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

## COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

[2024-0610](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for June 18, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-0576](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Christopher E. Miles for arbitration services for an amount not to exceed SIX THOUSAND THIRTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND EIGHTY-EIGHT CENTS (\$6,034.88) over one year.  
*(Executive Session held 6/11/24)*

**Attachments:** [2024-0576 Cover Letter-Council Letter Miles Summary 2024-0576](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Kail-Smith, and Council Member Wilson

[2024-0577](#) Resolution authorizing the execution of quitclaim deeds conveying all of the City's right, title and interest in and to the City-owned property located in the 12th Ward of the City and designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block & Lot: 83-S-301, 124-N-3, 6, 8, 20,29, 32, 42, 45, 76, 77, 85, 97, 99, 106, and 125-A-371, to East Liberty Development, Inc. ("ELDI") for consideration set forth herein, relating to the full and final settlement of cases filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at C.S. 21-000043, 44, 46, 47, 49, 50, 52, 60, 61, 62, 65, 67, 68, and 90, at no cost to the City.

*(Executive Session held 6/18/24)*

**Attachments:** [2024-0577 Cover Letter-Council Letter ELDI](#)

[Summary 2024-0577](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Kail-Smith, and Council Member Wilson

[2024-0578](#) Resolution authorizing the execution of quitclaim deeds conveying all of the City's right, title and interest in and to the City-owned property located at 1039 Salter Way in the 23rd Ward of the City and designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block & Lot: 24-F-68, to Weiying Mao for SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$7,500.00) relating to the full and final settlement of a case filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at C.S. 22-000078 over one year.

*(Executive Session held 6/18/24)*

**Attachments:** [2024-0578 Cover Letter-Council Letter Salter](#)

[Summary 2024-0578](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Kail-Smith, and Council Member Wilson

[2024-0579](#) Resolution authorizing the execution of quitclaim deeds conveying all of the City's right, title and interest in and to the City-owned property located at 425 Michigan Avenue in the 18th Ward of the City and designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block & Lot: 14-N-99, to Johnnie Juanita Mohamed for SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$7,500.00) relating to the full and final settlement of a case filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at C.S. 22-000054 over one year.

*(Executive Session held 6/18/24)*

**Attachments:** [2024-0579 Cover Letter-Council Letter Michigan](#)

[Summary 2024-0579](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Kail-Smith, and Council Member Wilson

## **COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

[2024-0611](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure for June 18, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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



[2024-0580](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works and/or the Director of the Department of Finance to enter into a lease, leases, sublease, subleases, and/or amendments for approximately 8,000 square feet at 294 Semple Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15213, with the lessee, the Oakland Planning and Development Corporation (“OPDC”), for the purpose of providing space to OPDC to provide various readiness and training programs for young people and adults, and public community meetings and events for a five (5) year period, at no cost to the City.

**Attachments:** [2024-0580 Cover Letter-DPW Letter to Council, Lease at 294 Semple St. - OPDC - signed](#)  
[Summary 2024-0580](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Kail-Smith, and Council Member Wilson

[2024-0589](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Federal Highway Administration for the purpose of receiving and spending Reconnecting Community Pilot program grant funds in the amount of ONE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED AND THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,432,000) to support planning and engagement in the Manchester neighborhood.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

**Attachments:** [Summary 2024-0589](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Kail-Smith, and Council Member Wilson

## COUNCILPERSON ROBERT CHARLAND PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

[2024-0612](#) Report of the Committee on Human Resources for June 18, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-0574](#) Resolution providing for the filing of applications by the Commonwealth of PA, Department of Human Services for grants in connection with the Joint Jobs Initiative Program Employment Advancement and Retention Network (EARN) and providing for the authorization to enter into agreements with various agencies and to pay for expenditures for costs to support, implement and administer the program. Cost not to exceed Three Million Eight Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Four (\$3,828,594) Dollars.

**Attachments:** [2024-0574 Cover Letter-Signed Ltr to Council 05-29-24](#)  
[2024-0574 Waiver letter- Learn and Earn 2024](#)  
[Summary 2024-0574](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Kail-Smith, and Council Member Wilson

## COUNCILMAN KHARI MOSLEY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS

[2024-0613](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs for June 18, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-0581](#) Resolution ~~authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure~~ **amending Resolution 507 of 2021, to enter which authorized the City of Pittsburgh to enter into an** ~~contribution and cooperation agreement with the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (PWSA) for work in connection with the Fleury Way Project; the City will participate in the project and is willing to reimburse PWSA Five Hundred and Sixty Four Thousand, Seven Hundred, and Nine Dollars, and One Cent (\$564,709.01); and~~ **providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed Eight Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Seven Dollars and Nine Cents (\$859,137.09) an increase of Two Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and Eight Cents (\$294,428.08) from the previously authorized amount.**

**Attachments:** [2024-0581 Cover Letter-Fleury Way Amend letter - signed Summary 2024-0581](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Kail-Smith, and Council Member Wilson

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

## **EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

## **LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER**