

# **City of Pittsburgh**

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



## **MEETING MINUTES**

*Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh*

**Tuesday, June 21, 2005**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council**

**ONE-HUNDRED  
THIRTY-THIRD COUNCIL**

**Gene Ricciardi, President**

**Council Members: Len Bodack, Twanda Carlisle,  
Dan Deasy, Jim Motznik, William Peduto, Luke Ravenstahl, Douglas Shields, Sala Udin**

**Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk**

**Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk**

## ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Motznic, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Ravenstahl and Mr. Udin  
Absent: 2 - Mr. Shields and Mr. Ricciardi

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2005-1504](#) NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Joyce on her retirement from the teaching profession and further commends her for her years of outstanding professional accomplishment, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, June 21, 2005, to be Joyce Munns Day here in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS, GENE RICCIARDI, LUKE RAVENSTAHL, TWANDA CARLISLE, WILLIAM PEDUTO, LEN BODACK, SALA UDIN AND JIM MOTZNIK**

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

Bill No. [2005-1505](#) NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Pittsburgh City Council joins the students, parents, teachers, staff, principal and assistant principal of Schiller Classical Academy in congratulating and thanking Mary Worthy for her tenure at the school on the occasion of her retirement from service to the Pittsburgh Public Schools.

**SPONSOR(S): SALA UDIN AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

## PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

### MS. CARLISLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION

Bill No. [2005-1500](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire all of the City's right, title and interest, if any, in and to the following Publicly Owned Property in Redevelopment Area No. 40 in the 15th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh (Council District No. 5)

Ward	Block/Lot	Address
15th	56-F-113	4837 Second Avenue

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No. [2005-1501](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire all of the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the following Publicly-Owned Property in the City of Pittsburgh (Centre Avenue Corridor -- Council District No. 6 - Site Assemblage for Residential/Commercial Development).

Ward	Block/Lot	Address
5th	10-P-105	2154 Centre Avenue
5th	10-P-159	2152 Festus Way

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.

[2005-1502](#)

Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire all of the City's right, title and interest, if any, in and to the following Publicly Owned Property in the City of Pittsburgh (Council District No. 9 - Site Assemblage for Residential Construction).

Ward	Block/Lot	Address
13th	125-S-78	7048 Hamilton Avenue

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.

[2005-1503](#)

Resolution approving Execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land by and between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and Jerome E. Steck, Jr. for the Sale of Block 20-R, Lot 302, in the 20th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh - Council District No. 2 – residential (sideyard).

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

**MR. RAVENSTAHL PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

Bill No.

[2005-1495](#)

Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for a lease to own contract, for a Forestry Bucket Truck, for the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Operations, Forestry Division and provide for the payment thereof, at a total cost not to exceed \$168,000.00, payable over four years, with a term beginning in January 2006 through Budget Year 2009.

**Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee**

Bill No.

[2005-1496](#)

Resolution granting unto the University of Pittsburgh, 124 Cathedral of Leaning, Pittsburgh, PA 15260, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, tiebacks at the right-of-way at Sutherland Drive in the 4th Ward, 8th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

**Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee**

Bill No.

[2005-1497](#)

Resolution granting unto the Lawrenceville Corporation, 5170 Butler Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15201, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain, and use at their own cost and expense, a private sewer lateral at 3504 Penn Avenue in the 6th Ward, 7th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

**Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee**

Bill No.

[2005-1498](#)

Resolution vacating a portion of Heretick Way in the 31st Ward, 5th Council District, of the City of Pittsburgh.

**Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee**

Bill No. Resolution vacating an unnamed four (4') foot walkway between Gregory and  
[2005-1499](#) Magdalene Streets in the 17th Ward, 3rd Council District, of the City of Pittsburgh.

**Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee**

### **MR. SHIELDS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & BUDGET**

Bill No. Resolution further amending Resolution No. 230, effective April 19, 2000, entitled  
[2005-1494](#) "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or use of existing Agreements and/or a Contract or Contracts, or use of existing Contracts, and for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services for various projects in connection with the Neighborhood Needs Program in Council District 4; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," by adding "Moore Park Replacement Equipment" \$5,792.04 and decreasing District Four Contingency by the same amount. Total of all projects is not to exceed \$943,050.90.

**A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion carried.**

**Read and referred to Finance & Budget Committee**

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION**

#### **MR. RAVENSTAHL PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for June 15,  
[2005-1490](#) 2005.

**Read, Received and Filed**

Bill No. Resolution further amending Resolution No. 948, effective January 1, 2004, as  
[2005-1450](#) amended, entitled "Adopting and approving the 2004 Capital Budget and the 2004 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2004 through 2009 Capital Improvement Program," by increasing the line item entitled "Improvements to the Southside Riverfront Park Boat Launch" by \$100,000.00 from \$200,000.00 to \$300,000.00.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No. Resolution further amending Resolution No. 605, effective December 15, 2004, as  
[2005-1451](#) amended by Resolution No. 133, effective March 18, 2005, entitled "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements and providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, in connection with the improvements to the Southside Riverfront Park Boat Launch; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof," by increasing the total project allocation by \$100,000.00 from \$200,000.00 to \$300,000.00.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.  
[2005-1452](#)

Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, and providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of equipment, materials and supplies in connection with the on-going maintenance, rehabilitation and new construction of City-owned walls, steps and fences; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof, cost not to exceed \$265,000.00

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.  
[2005-1453](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or use of existing Agreements, in connection with the procurement of professional services for inspection of and subsequent repairs to the Charles Anderson Bridge; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, cost not to exceed \$100,000.00.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.  
[2005-1454](#)

Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, and providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of equipment, materials and supplies in connection with the design and construction of Grandview Avenue Improvements in Mt. Washington; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, cost not to exceed \$200,000.00.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.  
[2005-1455](#)

Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts or the use of existing Contracts; providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements; providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the design and construction of handicap ramps and sidewalks at various city-owned locations throughout the City of Pittsburgh; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof, cost not to exceed \$40,000.00.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.  
[2005-1456](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the investigation, design, construction and/or remediation for critical slope failures throughout the City; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, cost not to exceed \$505,000.00.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.  
[2005-1457](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or use of existing Agreements, in connection with the preliminary engineering for the reconstruction of Wenzell Avenue from Banksville Road to Broadway Avenue; providing for a Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation; providing for a Cooperation Agreement with the Borough of Dormont; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, cost not to exceed \$612,500.00.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

**Passed The Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Votes:** Ayes: 7 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Motznic, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Ravenstahl and Mr. Udin

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absent: 2 - Mr. Shields and Mr. Ricciardi

**MR. UDIN PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING & LAND USE**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Land Use for June 15, 2005.

[2005-1491](#)

**Read, Received and Filed**

Bill No. Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Zoning Code, Title Nine, Article One, Chapter 902 Section 902.03, and Zoning District Map No's 11 and 12 by changing various zoning district classifications in the North Oakland, Bloomfield, Friendship, Shadyside and East Liberty neighborhoods as a function of the Baum - Centre Corridor Planning Initiative.

[2005-1314](#)

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 7 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Motznic, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Ravenstahl and Mr. Udin

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absent: 2 - Mr. Shields and Mr. Ricciardi

**MS. CARLISLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for June 15, 2005.

[2005-1492](#)

**Read, Received and Filed**

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 257, effective May 5, 2005 entitled: "Resolution providing for the filing of a Community Development statement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for a grant in connection with the 2002 CDBG Program; providing for execution of grant contracts, filing of data, execution of payment vouchers and certification of signature; the deposit of funds in a bank account and providing for payment of expenses" so as to reallocate funds in the Mayor's Office from "East End Multi-Purpose Center" (-88,911.96) and "Faith Based Initiative" (-125,000), to the URA - Oak Hill Infrastructural (+213,911.96).

[2005-1392](#)

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.

[2005-1407](#)

Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh providing for the transfer to URA of \$250,000.00 for the Oak Hill project. (Council District No. 6).

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.

[2005-1459](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 2000, as amended, entitled: Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital Budget and the 2000 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2000 through 2005 Capital Improvement Program, by adding Pittsburgh Pridefest \$3,500, Friendship Development Baum Grove tree planting/maintenance \$4,000, Oakland BID - Farmer's Market Project \$ 2,700 and Kelly Strayhorn Theatre \$1,000 and by reducing Craig Street Corridor tree maintenance and replacement from 20,000 to \$8,148 to reflect actual expenditures in Council District 8.

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO****This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.

[2005-1460](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 2000, as amended, entitled: Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital; and approving the 2000 through 2005 Capital Improvement Program, by adjusting various line items in conformance with City Council's 2000 Capital Budget amendments," by increasing East Allegheny Community Council Welcome Sign from \$731.37 to \$2,906.37 in Council District 1.

**SPONSOR(S): LUKE RAVENSTAHL****This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.

[2005-1483](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 2000, as amended, entitled: Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital Budget and the 2000 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2000 through 2005 Capital Improvement Program, by adjusting various line items in conformance with City Council's 2000 Capital Budget amendments, by adding Moore Park Replacement Equipment \$5,792.04 and decreasing Various Other Projects District Four by \$5,792.04 to \$26,949.10 in Council District 4.

**SPONSOR(S): JIM MOTZNIK****This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.****Passed The Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Votes:** Ayes: 7 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Ravenstahl and Mr. Udin  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Absent: 2 - Mr. Shields and Mr. Ricciardi

## **MR. BODACK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for June 15, 2005.

[2005-1493](#)

### **Read, Received and Filed**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing an Agreement or Agreements with a Consultant or Consultants for the provision of professional services for pre-employment background investigations at a cost not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), and providing for the payment of the cost thereof.

[2005-1458](#)

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 7 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Ravenstahl and Mr. Udin  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Absent: 2 - Mr. Shields and Mr. Ricciardi

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

*MOTZNIK/MEMBERS: Discussion re: Swimming Pools for 2005; Act 47 approved 12 openings; Additional RAD, state/DCED, and private fund may permit 2-3 additional openings this season.*

*MOTZNIK: Responding to Public Comment; Open Government Referendum welcome; Dissolution of Community Advisory Boards: 1977-2000.*

*RAVENSTAHL--Announces the opening of Riverview Park Pool.*

*DEASY: Wishes to thank the Administration & Director Duane Ashley (Parks) for the support and acceptance of the private fund donation made from local business owner Ed Dunlap (LeMont Restaurant) to open Ream Pool in the Mt Washington neighborhood.*

## **EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

**A motion was made to excuse the absent member(s) Mr. Riccairdi & Mr. Shields. The motion carried.**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**



**A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.**