



# City of Pittsburgh

## Meeting Minutes

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Wednesday, May 20, 2020

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

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### STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

**Present** 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

### PUBLIC COMMENT

### ROLL CALL

### FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

### NEW PAPERS

[2020-0335](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a professional services agreement or agreements or a retainer agreement or agreements with the law firm of Motley Rice LLC as special legal counsel to: 1) determine the economic impact that prescription opioids have had on the City of Pittsburgh and its residents and 2) based on such evidence, to investigate and, if appropriate, to commence and prosecute litigation against manufacturers, distributors, insurance companies and/or prescribers of prescription opiates for damages to the City of Pittsburgh arising out of marketing, manufacturing, distribution and/or prescribing of opiates.

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

[2020-0336](#)

Resolution amending Resolution #183 of 2020, entitled "Resolution to authorize and direct the incurring of Non-Electoral Debt through the issuance of a series of General Obligation Refunding Bonds of the City of Pittsburgh, in the maximum aggregate principal amount of One Hundred Sixty One Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$161,250,000.00) by replacing the entirety of Resolution 183 with new language, in order to conform to state and federal laws.

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

[2020-0339](#)

Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 855 of 2011, entitled “adopting and approving the 2012 Capital Budget” by transferring a total of \$70,669.69 from multiple projects within District 1 Neighborhood Needs to District 1 DPW Projects.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

**A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. 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 May 20th 2020 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**

**Burny, Mohammed – reimb./video conferencing equipment (Dist. 1) 85.59**

**Municipal Code – electronic update pages 924.00**

**Stadelman, Sally – reimb./Trello subscription (Dist. 1) 385.17**

**Tkacheva, Brosha – reimb/annual zoom pro membership (Dist. 3) 160.39**

**CONTROLLER**

**Gina DiNardo – reimbursement for notary expenses 99.00**

**Gina DiNardo – reimbursement for notary membership 245.35**

**LAW**

**Clark Hill – legal services for 420 Boulevard of the Allies bond counsel 3,845.50**

**PLI**

**Compucom Inc – replacement supplies for Microfiche machine 158.34**

**Evans, Joshua – reimbursement for state certification 103.63**

**Henderson, Akil – reimbursement for state certification 103.63**

**POLICE**

**Western Partners – repairs, parts, and labor for rented police headquarters  
1,092.67**

**OMI**

**National Internal Affairs Investigators – law enforcement materials & brochures  
50.00**

**Net Transcripts Inc – transcription of case interviews 686.55**

**Net Transcripts Inc – transcription of case interviews 71.64**

**Net Transcripts Inc – transcription of case interviews 497.50**

**Pennsylvania State Police – criminal checks for police candidates 22.00**

**FIRE**

**International Code Council Inc – IFC code manuals for exam 736.00**

**L M Colker – Gojo soap refills 316.10**

**Pro-Am Safety – axes and coveralls 1,365.06**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**Mobile Health Services Inc – quarantining of employees experiencing symptoms  
2,103.00**

**CPRB**

**Dorman, Stephanie – reimbursement for gloves and supplies 85.50**

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

**INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS**

NONE

**P-CARD APPROVALS****A motion was made that this matter be Approved. The motion carried.**[Item 8](#)

P-Cards

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR****SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS**[2020-0344](#)

Resolution vacating a portion of Stoebner Way from Larimer Avenue southeasterly an average distance of 123.47 feet, in the 12th Ward, 9th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

**A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.****NEW PAPERS**[2020-0329](#)

Resolution granting unto SUMMIT HOSPITALITY 139 LLC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, a new projecting sign, at 947 Penn Avenue, in the 2nd Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

**A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.**[2020-0330](#)

Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution number 316 of 2018, previously amended by Resolution number 78 of 2020, originally 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 preliminary design and final design, services during construction, and miscellaneous services for traffic signal installation of the South Side Signals Project; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed \$390,213.38.", which was amended by Resolution 78 of 2020 to authorize a new total project cost up to but not to exceed \$536,000.00 to be further amended with this Resolution to account for an increase in federal funding where costs associated with the Southside Signals project have been converted from 80 percent federal and 20 percent local split to 100 percent federally reimbursable. The total project cost remains the same, not to exceed \$536,000.00.

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

[2020-0331](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 797, effective December 28, 2017, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2018 Capital Budget and the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2018 through 2023 Capital Improvement Program”, by increasing 18TH STREET SIGNAL UPDATES (TIP) by \$39,000.55 to reflect the project now being 100% reimbursable by the Federal Highway Administration.

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

[2020-0337](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of the Department of Public Works, and the Department of City Planning, to enter into an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements between the City of Pittsburgh and James Simon, for the creation and installation of public art at Townsend Park located at 803 Ernie Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15220, at a cost not to exceed Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00).

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

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

### **SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS**

[2020-0350](#) Resolution authorizing the Director of the Department of Innovation and Performance to enter into an agreement with Cohen Law Group and CTC Technology & Energy for the renegotiation of the City’s Cable Franchise Agreements with Comcast and Verizon, and certain additional telecommunications consulting services; and further providing final payment to SmartWorks Partners for work provided under an agreement authorized by Resolutions 741 and 748 of 2018.

**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.**

## **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR**

### **DEFERRED PAPERS**

[2020-0109](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh’s Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the Townhomes on Fifth Avenue project located on Tax Map Parcel 52-G-133 at 5127, 5129, 5131, 5133 and 5135 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15232

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs, due back by 6/10/2020. The motion carried.**

[2020-0299](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a Project Cooperation Agreement or Professional Services Agreements with Grounded Strategies for the purposes of implementing a CityFarms pilot project, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER GROSS AND COUNCIL MEMBER COGHILL

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs, due back by 6/10/2020. The motion carried.**

## NEW PAPERS

[2020-0332](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Human Resources and Civil Service to enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the County of Allegheny and Partner4Work for the shared operation and administration of the 2020 Learn and Earn Summer Youth Employment Program in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00), and for the payment of the costs thereof.

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

[2020-0333](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Human Resources and Civil Service to enter into an agreement with Goodwill of Southwestern PA for administrative services related to the 2020 Learn and Earn Summer Youth Employment Program at a cost not to exceed \$227,374.26.

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

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

### DEFERRED PAPERS

[2020-0252](#)

Resolution consenting to an amendment to the eTRID Planning Study and authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of City Planning, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to take necessary actions to seek necessary consent for and, if obtained, to undertake an amended Planning Study as a prerequisite to considering an amendment to the current East Liberty Transit Revitalization Investment District Boundary.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

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

**Aye:** 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghil, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 5/27/2020. The motion carried.**