

# **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 12, 2007**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council**

**ONE-HUNDRED  
THIRTY-FOURTH COUNCIL**

**Douglas Shields, President**

**Council Members: Len Bodack, Twanda Carlisle,**

**Dan Deasy, Darlene M. Harris, Jeffrey S. Koch, Jim Motznik, Tonya D. Payne, William Peduto**

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

**Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk**

## ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No.

[2007-1541](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend Areya Simmons for all of her outstanding academic achievements and wish her well on future endeavors.

**SPONSOR(S): TWANDA CARLISLE, DOUGLAS SHIELDS, DAN DEASY, JIM MOTZNIK, LEN BODACK, WILLIAM PEDUTO, TONYA D. PAYNE, DARLENE HARRIS AND JEFFREY S. KOCH**

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

Bill No.

[2007-1542](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby commemorates 98 years of a great working relationship between Harley-Davidson and the Pittsburgh Bureau of Police.

**SPONSOR(S): DAN DEASY, DARLENE HARRIS, JEFFREY S. KOCH, JIM MOTZNIK, DOUGLAS SHIELDS, TONYA D. PAYNE, LEN BODACK, WILLIAM PEDUTO AND TWANDA CARLISLE**

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

Bill No.

[2007-1543](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City Pittsburgh recognizes Mr. Shabalov's prestigious achievements and congratulates him on his fourth national title; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares June 12, 2007, "Alex Shabalov Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO, DOUGLAS SHIELDS, DAN DEASY AND TONYA D. PAYNE**

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

Bill No.

[2007-1544](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh congratulates the citizens of Israel on the 40th anniversary of the Six Day War in which Israel defeated enemies aiming to destroy the Jewish State and congratulates the residents of Jerusalem and the people of Israel on the 40th anniversary of the reunification of that historic city; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh commends those former combatant states of the Six Day War, Egypt and Jordan, who in subsequent years had the wisdom and courage to embrace a vision of peace and coexistence with Israel and commends Israel for its administration of the undivided

city of Jerusalem for the past 40 years, during which Israel has respected the rights of all religious groups; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh reiterates its support for a commitment to the provisions of the Jerusalem Embassy Act of 1995 and calls upon the President and all United States officials to abide by its provisions and urges the Palestinians and Arab countries to join with Israel in peace negotiations to resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict, including realization of the vision of two democratic states, Israeli and Palestinian, living side-by-side in peace and security.

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO, DOUGLAS SHIELDS, LEN BODACK, TWANDA CARLISLE, DAN DEASY, DARLENE HARRIS AND JIM MOTZNIK**

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

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

Bill No. [2007-1539](#) Resolution providing for the execution of a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh for the performance of certain work in connection with the 2007-2008 Community Development Block Grant Program, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, not to exceed \$6,050,000. (Council Districts: All).

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

### **MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING**

Bill No. [2007-1535](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a grant agreement with The Heinz Endowments to receive monies to support a pension summit meeting and further providing for legitimate expenditures for payments and agreement or agreements for professional services in connection with the execution of said grant agreement. Said agreement or Agreements or expenditures shall not exceed \$7,000.

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

Bill No. [2007-1537](#) Further amending the Capital and Community Development Budget Resolution No. 759, effective January 1, 2006, by providing for the filing of a Community Development statement by the City of Pittsburgh with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for a grant in connection with the 2007 Community Development Block Grant Program; providing for the execution of grant contracts and for the filing of other data providing for required assurances; providing for execution of payment vouchers on letter of credit and for certification of authorized signature; the deposit of the funds in a bank account and providing for the payment of expenses within categories; and further increasing the Community Development Block Grant Budget from \$16,000,000 to 17,158,500 (+1,158,500).

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

Bill No. [2007-1540](#) An Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title One, Administration, Article XI: Personnel Administration, Chapter 185 Vacations, Section

185.03 Duration, by changing the accumulation rate for certain employees.

**SPONSOR(S): JEFFREY S. KOCH AND TWANDA CARLISLE**

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

## **MRS. HARRIS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING, FLEET AND FORESTRY**

Bill No. [2007-1538](#) 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, providing for services for the removal of trees, pruning and maintenance throughout the City of Pittsburgh, and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$250,000.00.

**Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee**

## **MR. PEDUTO PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FACILITIES, TECHNOLOGY & THE ARTS**

Bill No. [2007-1536](#) Amending Resolution No. 727, effective December 14, 2005, entitled: "Resolution authorizing and directing the Manager of the Equal Opportunity Review Commission to enter into a professional services agreement or agreements, contract or contracts to design a Sheltered Market contracting program for the City of Pittsburgh and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, not to exceed Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00)."

**Read and referred to Facilities, Technology and the Arts Committee**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Bill No. [2007-1471](#) Resolution authorizing the appointment of Neil Parham, 4812 Hatfield Street, Apt. #3, Pittsburgh, PA 15201 as a member of the Human Relations Commission for a term to expire April 1, 2011.

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

Bill No. [2007-1471](#) Resolution authorizing the appointment of Neil Parham, 4812 Hatfield Street, Apt. #3, Pittsburgh, PA 15201 as a member of the Human Relations Commission for a term to expire April 1, 2011.

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

Bill No. [2007-1517](#) Resolution authorizing the appointment of Lauren Byrne, 628 Maryland Avenue Apartment 1, Pittsburgh, PA 15232, as a member of the Shade Tree Commission for a term to expire April 1, 2010.

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

Bill No. [2007-1518](#) Resolution authorizing the appointment of Jennifer Andrade of 6393 Stanton Heights, Pittsburgh, PA 15206 as a member of the Human relations Commission for a term to expire April 1, 2010.

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

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

### MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance, Law & Purchasing for June 6, 2007.

[2007-1532](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of the Sheraton Hotel Station Square in an amount not to exceed eleven thousand four hundred seventeen dollars and seventeen cents (\$11,417.17), for the Citiparks Seniors Program Volunteer Recognition Gala; and providing for the payment thereof.

[2007-1486](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution providing the authorization to make all legitimate expenditures for payments and agreements or agreements with various agencies to provide job development and employment services, wages and fringe benefits for supervisor, staff, workers' compensation, unemployment compensation, vocational skills training and on-the-job training, outreach, recruitment costs and administrative expenditure necessary to implement the 2007 Pittsburgh Partnership Employment Program; and providing the periodic transfer of funds to be used in the Pittsburgh Partnership Employment Program, and for payment of cost thereof, cost not to exceed \$100,000.00

[2007-1487](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for the filing of an application or applications by the City of Pittsburgh with the U.S. Department of Labor and/or Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for a grant or grants in connection with the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA) and/or the Joint Jobs Initiative Program Employment Advancement and Retention Network (EARN); Providing for the execution of grant contracts and for the filing of requisitions and other data; providing authorization for the Workforce Investment Board and the City of Pittsburgh to enter into agreements authorized by the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA) and/or the Joint Jobs Initiative Program Employment Advancement and Retention Network (EARN), as amended; Providing for required assurances; providing for execution of payment vouchers and of certification of authorized signatures; providing for a contract or contracts with various agencies/employers for services and programs related to training and employment for Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA) and/or the Joint Jobs Initiative Program Employment Advancement and Retention Network (EARN); and providing for the deposit of funds into a bank account.

[2007-1488](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance to enter into a license agreement with the Borough of Blawnox and the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority granting to the Borough of Blawnox a revocable non-exclusive

[2007-1489](#)

license to enter upon property owned by the City within the Borough of Blawnox, at the corner of Freeport Road and Lewis Avenue, on a parcel designated in the Deed Registry of Allegheny County as Block/Lot 292-G-236, and to construct, maintain, repair, renew and finally remove a Portal at the entrance to the Borough.

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

Bill No.

[2007-1490](#)

Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984; having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh/City Source Associates Sideyard Program.

ITEMS A through F: A: 7415 Monticello; B: 2303 Vodeli; C: 3007 Marcella; D: 3009 Marcella; E: Normandy; F: 455 Michigan.

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

Bill No.

[2007-1491](#)

Resolution providing for conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

ITEMS A through E: A: 3034 Glen Mawr; B: 1018 Fordham; C: 50 Wabash; D: 72 ½ Wabash; E: 215 Dunseith.

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

Bill No.

[2007-1492](#)

Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales, in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

ITEMS A through F: A: 462 Grace; B: 330 Grace; C: 470 Grace; D: 514 Grace; E: 522 Grace; F: 315 37th.

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

Bill No.

[2007-1493](#)

Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

ITEMS A thru R: A: 209 East End; B: 7623 & 7629 Hamilton and 7629 Formosa; C: 7341 Idlewild; D: 412 Althea; E: 1915, 1917 & 1919-1927 Fifth; F: 1944 Federal; G: 3248 Dawson; H: 1418 Stedman; I: 1420 Stedman; J: 3507 Frazier; K: 1517 & 1519 McCullough and 1532 Brighton; L: 7225 Hilliards;

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

Bill No.

[2007-1494](#)

Resolution providing for the authorization to make all legitimate expenditures for payments and agreements or agreements with various agencies for job development and employment services necessary to implement the 2007 Neighborhood Employment Program, and providing the periodic transfer of funds to be used in the Neighborhood Employment Program for payment of cost thereof, cost not to exceed \$100,000.00.

**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: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Out of Room: 1 - Ms. Carlisle

## MR. KOCH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for June 6,  
**2007-1533** 2007.

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works  
[2007-1519](#) to enter into an agreement or agreements for wild life management services for the City of Pittsburgh. These services are in connection with wildlife such as raccoons, groundhogs and skunks being delivered by the City of Pittsburgh's Animal Control Division for the detention, and humane method of euthanizing these animals by sodium pentobarbital injection. Disposal of the euthanized wildlife shall be of a legal and appropriate means. Cost not to exceed \$50,000 . (LEGISLATION WAS TABLED ON JUNE 19, 2007)

**A motion was made that this matter be RECOMMENDED to the Public Works & Environmental Services Committee. The motion carried.**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor and or the Director of Public Works  
[2007-1520](#) and the City Controller to review, investigate and report back to City Council on or before October 31, 2007 the feasibility of providing all legally required animal control services in-house.

**SPONSOR(S): DARLENE HARRIS**

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Out of Room: 1 - Ms. Carlisle

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

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for June  
[2007-1534](#) 6, 2007.

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with the URBAN LEAGUE  
[2007-1495](#) OF PGH., for the implementation/administration of the HOUSING COUNSELING PROGRAM, and related costs, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban  
[2007-1496](#) Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with URA's application for a \$400,000 Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant for the Grandview Avenue Streetscape Project. (Council District No. 2)

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an  
[2007-1497](#) Application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant in the amount of \$400,000 for the Grandview Avenue Streetscape Project. (Council District No. 2)

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

Bill No. Resolution approving Execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land by and  
[2007-1498](#) between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and Nicole D. Manison, for the Sale of Block 22-R, Lot 130, in the 21st Ward of the City of Pittsburgh - 1230 Sheffield Street - Council District No. 6 (Sideyard).

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire  
[2007-1499](#) all of the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the Publicly-Owned Property in the 3rd and 5th Wards of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 10-P, Lots 120 & 168 and Block 11-A, Lots 150 & 151, (Centre Avenue Corridor , Council District No. 6 Site Assemblage for Residential/Commercial Development - 2211 Centre Avenue, 2130 Hemans Street, 47 and 300 Heldman Street).

**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: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne,  
Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Ms. Carlisle

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

### **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.**