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City of Pittsburgh

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414 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219*



MEETING MINUTES

Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh

Tuesday, February 24, 2009

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIFTH COUNCIL**

Douglas Shields, President

Council Members: Reverend Ricky V. Burgess, Patrick Dowd, Darlene M. Harris, Bruce A. Kraus, Jim Motznik, Tonya D. Payne, William Peduto, Theresa Smith

Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk

Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mrs. Smith
Absent: 1 - Mr. Shields

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2009-1124](#)
Now, Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby commends the Pittsburgh Duffers for overcoming the discrimination and adversity that for so long has shut African-Americans out of the golf arena. Their dedication and commitment to the game of golf and to the spirit of brotherhood has inspired many to follow in their legacy; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby proclaim Tuesday, February 24, 2009 as "Pittsburgh Duffers Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No. [2009-1125](#)
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh honors Dr. Robert Levovitz, Dr. Jennifer Rudin, and Malka Markovic for their efforts to strengthen Pittsburgh's Jewish Community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares February 28, 2009, "Melava Malka Dinner Day" in the City of Pittsburgh

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No. [2009-1126](#)
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend the Center for Victims of Violence and Crime for creating a unique continuum of education, prevention and intervention services in Southwestern Pennsylvania which reduces the proliferation of violence and its impact in our community while increasing capacity for collaboration, peace and healing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Wednesday, February 25, 2009, to be designated as "PEACE-IT-TOGETHER COMMUNITY INITIATIVE DAY" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No. [2009-1127](#)
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Friends of CAPA for their unending support and commitment to the current and former students of the school and congratulates Chris Garver for his achievements in the arts ; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Monday, March 2, 2009 to be "CHRIS GARVER DAY" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

MRS. HARRIS, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS, PRESENTS

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for Construction Division Materials at various locations throughout the City of Pittsburgh, and providing for the payment thereof, at a cost not to exceed 100,000.00.

[2009-1119](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Read and referred to the Public Works Committee. The motion carried.

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for street resurfacing programs to include, hot mix asphalt, crack sealing, equipment purchases, sawing and sealing, asphalt milling, truck rental, brick and blockstone repairs, handicap ramps, concrete slab replacement and parks related asphalt work at various locations throughout the City of Pittsburgh, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$7,000,000.00.

[2009-1120](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Read and referred to the Public Works Committee. The motion carried.

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for flexible beam guiderail maintenance and repair at various locations throughout the City of Pittsburgh, and providing for the payment thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00.

[2009-1121](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Read and referred to the Public Works Committee. The motion carried.

MR. KRAUS, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES, PRESENTS

Bill No. Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title Six, Conduct, Article I: Regulated Rights and Actions, by adding Chapter 614 entitled, Outdoor Storage of Furniture.

[2009-1123](#)

SPONSOR(S): BRUCE A. KRAUS

A motion was made that this matter be Read and referred to the Public Safety Services Committee. The motion carried.

**MS. PAYNE, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES,
PRESENTS**

Bill No. Resolution providing for an agreement to enter into a contract with the Fair Housing Partnership of Greater Pittsburgh in order to facilitate a partnership agreement required by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development for specific and varied education and outreach services. Cost not to exceed \$15,000.00.

[2009-1122](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Read and referred to the Human Resources Committee. The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION****MR. KRAUS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for February 18, 2009 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

[2009-1116](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for a contract or contracts from time to time in connection with demolition and removal of condemned buildings and providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$3,300,000.

[2009-1094](#)

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

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mrs. Smith

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Shields

**MR. DOWD FOR REV. BURGESS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE &
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for February 24, 2009 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

[2009-1117](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for the Emergency Shelter Grant Program for fiscal year 2009.

[2009-1095](#)

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

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznic, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mrs. Smith
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0
Absent: 1 - Mr. Shields

MR. DOWD PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Bill No. [2009-1118](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for February 18, 2009 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. [2009-1098](#) Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with URA's application for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$1,500,000 for the South Hills High School project. (Council District 3)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. [2009-1099](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an Application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$1,500,000 for the South Hills High School project. (Council District 3)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. [2009-1100](#) Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with URA's application for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$750,000 for the Pittsburgh Opera project. (Council District 6)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. [2009-1101](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an Application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$750,000 for the Pittsburgh Opera project. (Council District 6)

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 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznic, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mrs. Smith
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0
Absent: 1 - Mr. Shields

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

A motion was made to excuse the absent member(s) 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.