



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 15, 2020

9:30 AM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

PRE-AGENDA - APPOINTMENTS AND/OR RE-APPOINTMENTS

[2020-0457](#)

Resolution appointing Ms. Diamonte Walker to serve as a Commissioner for the Gender Equity Commission of the City of Pittsburgh for a term to expire June 30, 2023. Ms. Walker will be filling a seat that had been vacant.

A motion was made that this matter be Interview Held. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

ROLL CALL

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

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2020-0447](#)

Ordinance Directing the Allegheny County Board of Elections to place before the qualified voters of the City of Pittsburgh at the 2020 November General Election a referendum question, "Shall the Pittsburgh Home Rule Charter, Article Two, Executive, be amended and supplemented by amending the language and adding new language to Sections 229 and 230 and by adding a new section, Section 231, to expand the powers of the Independent Citizen Police Review Board to allow the Board to carry out its mandate to investigate police misconduct and improve police-community relations?"

(Cablecast Public Hearing held 7/8/20)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

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

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

NEW PAPERS

[2020-0483](#) Resolution approving a fee schedule presented by the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure for use in the City's permitting and agreements involving small cell facilities.

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

[2020-0506](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Vijay Kapoor, The Kapoor Company, 8 Braddock Way, Asheville, NC 28803LLC, for professional services in connection with FOP interest arbitration, in an amount not to exceed Thirty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$35,000.00).

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

[2020-0507](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Howard J. Woods, Jr. & Associates, LLC, 49 Overhill Road, East Brunswick, NJ 08816-4211 for professional services in connection with PUC litigation and related matters, in an amount not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$50,000.00).

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

[2020-0508](#) Resolution amending Resolution #829 authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Campbell Durrant, P.C., 535 Smithfield St., Suite 700, Pittsburgh, PA 15222 for professional legal services and expert advice regarding labor matters by increasing the total cost Thirty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$35,000.00), from Three Hundred Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$305,000.00) to Three Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$340,000.00).

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

[2020-0509](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Curtin & Heefner, LLP, 2005 S. Easton Road, Suite 100, Doylestown, PA 18901, in an amount not to exceed Eleven Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Four Dollars and Five Cents (\$11,864.05) for professional legal services and expert advice regarding Source of Income litigation.

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

[2020-0510](#) Resolution amending Resolution #587 authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Fox Rothschild LLP, 2000 Market St., 20th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103 for professional consulting and legal services in relation to False Claims Act litigation by increasing the total cost Forty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$45,000.00), from Two Hundred Thirty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$235,000.00) to Two Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$280,000.00).

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

[2020-0511](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a professional services agreement with Cohen Law Group to address a matter of pending telecommunications and cable regulatory litigation at an amount not to exceed twenty-nine thousand dollars (\$29,000).

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

[2020-0512](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Jones Passodelis, PLLC, Gulf Tower, Suite 3410, 707 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 for professional legal services for an employment related matter before the Human Relations Commission for an amount not to exceed Twenty Four Thousand and No Cents (\$24,000.00).

A motion was made to Withdrawl the motion for a Executive Session. The motion carried.

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.

[2020-0513](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Cozen O'Connor, One Oxford Centre, 301 Grant Street, 41st Floor, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 for professional legal services in connection with an employment related matter for an amount not to exceed Fifteen Thousand and No Cents (\$15,000.00).

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 July 15th 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.

COUNCIL/CLERK

City View Church – donation (District 1) 2,500.00

Conrad, Curt – reimb/one month of Zoom & PAHRC Digital Conf. (Dist. 5) 66.79

Singer, Matt – reimb/PAHRC Digital Conf. (Dist. 5) 50.75

Smith, Micah – intern (Dist. 9) 1,400.00

OFFICE OF EQUITY

Informing Design Inc – BigBurgh computer maintenance subscription, 3rd quarter 3,750.00

OMB

Tru Blue Studio – buying plan design consultation 144.00

I&P

Spok Inc – pager service 883.99

Sutariya, Mantra – reimbursement for out of pocket expense for supplies 20.99

CHR

Rachel Lange – specialists for a webinar panel on gender awareness 50.00

Kristina Marusic – specialists for a webinar panel on gender awareness 50.00

Ross Murray – specialists for a webinar panel on gender awareness 50.00

Meg Fair – specialists for a webinar panel on gender awareness 50.00

**Pittsburgh Community Broadcasting Corp – advertisements on WESA & WYEP
379.02**

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3,710.98**

CONTROLLER

Gina DiNardo – notary registration 80.00

FINANCE

Formax – folder/sealer for pension checks 832.00

Margaret Lanier – reimbursement for ink cartridges 71.78

Lets Cut A Deal Services – emergency tree removal 1200 Rogers St 3,000.00

Lets Cut A Deal Services – emergency tree removal 2129 Mazette St 2,600.00

Lets Cut A Deal Services – emergency tree removal 1229 Point View St 2,900.00

Lets Cut A Deal Services – emergency tree removal 2108 Mazette St 3,000.00

LAW

The Allegheny County Bar Association – membership dues 150.00

The Allegheny County Bar Association – membership dues 140.00

The Allegheny County Bar Association – membership dues 150.00

The Allegheny County Bar Association – membership dues 185.00

The Allegheny County Bar Association – membership dues 360.00

AKF Reporters Incorporated – payment for transcript 2,029.50

Baumiller, Lawrence – reimbursement for notary fee for litigation case 16.00

Constance Lee & Co – payment for transcript 1,720.38

Dentons Cohen & Grisby – legal fees for immigration matters 2,145.00

Iron Mountain Records Management – off-site legal storage 1,318.21

Manko, Jeanne – payment for transcripts 213.20

Mistick, Kelly – reimbursement for continuing legal education 399.00

Office of the Court Reporters – payment for transcript 81.00

The Legal Intelligencer – legal publications 336.00

Veritext Corporate Services – payment for transcript 317.90

West Payment Center – online legal research 2,589.13

West Payment Center – online legal research 753.55

Wolters Kluwer Law & Business – legal publications 524.47

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HUMAN RESOURCES

Common Census Inc – specialized reports for benefits for billing purposes 260.00

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1,235.00**

Military Guides – advertisements 2,600.00

Military Guides – advertisements 2,815.00

PLI

Augello, Joseph – reimbursement for IAEEI membership 120.00

**Building and Fire Code Academy – departmental training for inspectors (day 1)
3,000.00**

**Building and Fire Code Academy – departmental training for inspectors (day 2)
3,000.00**

Evans, Joshua – reimbursement for state certification 103.63

Jordan, Herman Jr – reimbursement for state certification 322.63

Kern, Robert – reimbursement for state certification 322.63

**Professional Graphic Communications Inc – printing services for license holders
115.05**

POLICE

Active911 Inc – subscription for SDD alerts 3,062.50

Coit Services Incorporated – black out blinds for the academy 1,192.00

TransUnion – intelligence searches 614.30

**Borough of West Mifflin – FMCSA grant, outside agencies hours worked
1,490.28**

**Castle Shannon Police Department – FMCSA grant, outside agencies hours
worked 565.04**

Township of South Park – FMCSA grant, outside agencies hours worked 597.44

Pennsylvania State Police – JNET subscription 2,550.00

S&D Calibration Services – Accutrak certification 437.00

Sonitrol Security Systems – alarm monitoring at police headquarters 240.00

OMI

TransUnion Corporation – credit checks on candidates for employment 56.49

FIRE

Pennsylvania State Police – background checks for hazmat team 1,166.00

Premier Safety & Service Inc – ladder 108.00

PUBLIC WORKS

Zoresco Equipment Co – long term rental of storage trailers 240.00

Hill, Lamar – reimbursement for CDL 98.50

PARKS & RECREATION

**Allegheny County Health Department – food service permits for HAL centers
272.00**

Sonitrol Security Systems – monitoring at Schenley Park ice rink 218.75

Sonitrol Security Systems – monitoring at Mellon tennis bubble 525.00

Sonitrol Security Systems – service charge for Hazelwood HAL center 179.50

**Sonitrol Security Systems – monitoring payment for Bloomfield & West Penn pool
300.00**

Sonitrol Security Systems – monitoring of Biddle building 150.00

**Sonitrol Security Systems – monitoring at 11 community recreation facilities
2,292.50**

Sonitrol Security Systems – monitoring at 5 HAL senior center facilities 1,002.50

Sonitrol Security Systems – monitoring at Highland Park pool facility 345.00

DOMI

Pennsylvania One Call System – PA One call service 3,008.60

Praxair Distribution Inc – gas rental 57.60

**Universal Scaffold Systems – temporary loading docks along Smallman St
2,382.70**

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 17](#)

P-Cards

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR

RECOMMITTED PAPERS

[2020-0484](#) Ordinance amending Title Four: Public Places and Property, Article II: Telecommunications, Chapter 427: Telecommunications Systems in the Right-of-Way, Sections 427.03 Definitions and 427.11 Consideration For ROW Use Agreement; to provide for updated definitions and fee structures for wireless small cell facilities.

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

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

SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS

[2020-0531](#) Ordinance amending the City of Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances at Title IV: Public Places and Property; Article I: Public Right of Way; Chapter 416: Obstructions: Sections 416.20 Approval Process for Sidewalk Café, Including Permits and Fees; to provide for certain temporary expedited measures for the City of Pittsburgh sidewalk café permit application process.

A motion was made that this matter be AMENDED.to change to 60 days.The motion carried.

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

NEW PAPERS

[2020-0500](#) Resolution authorizing the Director of the Department of Finance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh to enter into temporary construction easements, in lieu of eminent domain, with the owners of certain properties in the 24th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh, adjacent to Cowley Park, for landslide remediation work related to public park purposes.

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

[2020-0501](#)

Resolution authorizing the Director of the Department of Finance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh to enter into temporary construction easements, in lieu of eminent domain, with the owners of certain property in the 19th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh, known as 1599 Fallowfield Avenue and 1545 Fallowfield Avenue, for landslide remediation work related to public roadway purposes.

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

[2020-0502](#)

Resolution granting unto Mark DiNatale, 242 Bigham Street, Pittsburgh, Pa, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to install a new retaining wall and fence, at Sycamore Street and Redoak Way, in the 19th Ward, 2nd Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

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

SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS

[2020-0555](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Department of City Planning to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with BOOM Concepts and/or Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation to coordinate a program of responsive temporary art by local artists for temporary display on City-owned structures in the public realm, at a cost not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).

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

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2020-0492](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreement(s) with Community Based Organizations for community and economic development for planning assistance in various neighborhoods in the City and providing operating support for these groups, and provide for the payment at a cost thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$500,000.00.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 7/22/2020. The motion carried.

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

[2020-0505](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into an agreement or agreements with Cycom Data Systems, Inc., for professional services relating to continuing maintenance, support and upgrades to CityLaw, the Department of Law's legal case management and administrative support software system at a cost not to exceed \$11,376.00 (Eleven Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars and No Cents).

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

[2020-0515](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation & Performance to enter into a three (3) year Contract or Agreement with Esri, granting uncapped, citywide access to Esri's products for all departments. To build and maintain a City authoritative system of record, make data-driven decisions, share information across departments, perform advanced analytics and share information with the public, to meet the needs of the City of Pittsburgh at a sum not to exceed Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$600,000).

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

[2020-0516](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation and Performance to enter into Startup Participation Agreements with selected entities as part of the sixth cohort of PGH Lab and further authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Innovation and Performance to enter into Program Participation Agreements with local municipal entities to allow such entities to test products and services as part through PGH Lab.

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

[2020-0521](#)

Resolution repealing, amending and re-enacting Resolution Number 18 of 1983, effective January 20, 1983, titled, “Resolution authorizing and directing that the Bureau of Cable Communications, Department of Public Works, broadcast all of Council’s regular legislative sessions, standing committee meetings;”, setting forth the responsibilities of the Department of Innovation and Performance with respect to meetings of City Council, and to reflect various changes in the City’s Departmental organization structure and other changes to reflect technological innovations since 1983.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Innovation, Performance and Asset Management, due back by 7/22/2020. The motion carried.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR

SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS

[2020-0564](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the URA, HACP, Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Officer, and 327 NN LLC.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

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