

# **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, April 25, 2006**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council**

## ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl

Absent: 1 - Ms. Carlisle

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PROCLAMATIONS

### Proclamation; Darfur

Bill No. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh commends the Pittsburgh Darfur Emergency Coalition and all the dedicated Pittsburghers fighting for human rights in Darfur and around the world; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh urges President Bush to continue to push for a multinational peacekeeping force presence in Sudan to end the genocide in Darfur.

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO, LUKE RAVENSTAHL, JIM MOTZNIK, DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND TWANDA CARLISLE**

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

Bill No. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh congratulates all the members of the 2006 St. Bede's Future City Competition team; and

[2006-0345](#)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares Tuesday, April 25, 2006 as "St. Bede's Future City Competition Team Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO, LUKE RAVENSTAHL, DAN DEASY, JIM MOTZNIK, DOUGLAS SHIELDS, TWANDA CARLISLE AND TONYA D. PAYNE**

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

Bill No. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, in honor of this endeavor, does hereby declare April 25, 2006, to be the "Pittsburgh Voyager" Day in the City of Pittsburgh.

[2006-0346](#)

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS, LUKE RAVENSTAHL, WILLIAM PEDUTO AND JIM MOTZNIK**

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

Bill No. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, acknowledges the esteemed playwright William F. Brown, producer Bernadine Srocki, and the cast and crew of the Allderdice production of "The Wiz" for bringing this classic tale to the stage; and

[2006-0347](#)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, in honor of this artistic achievement, does hereby declare April 25, 2006, to be the "The Wiz" Day in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS, LUKE RAVENSTAHL, WILLIAM PEDUTO AND JIM MOTZNIK**

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

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

## **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

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

Bill No. [2006-0339](#) Resolution granting unto Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership 925 Liberty Avenue, Pgh PA 15222, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, a public art and music installation over the right-of-way of Strawberry Way in the 2nd Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

### **MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMTION**

Bill No. [2006-0340](#) Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with URA's application for a \$6,500,000 Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant for the August Wilson Center for African American Culture. (Council District No. 6)

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

Bill No. [2006-0341](#) 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 in the amount of \$6,500,000 for the August Wilson Center for African American Culture. (Council District No. 6)

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

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

Bill No. [2006-0333](#) Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to grant to Duquesne Light Company permanent utility easement for the installation, use, operation, maintenance, repair, renewal and for the removal of an underground electrical transmission line across City of Pittsburgh property designated as Block 82-H, Lot No. 1 located along Washington Boulevard between the Leech Farm Road intersection and Negley Run Boulevard in the 11th and 12th Wards of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 772, Item D, effective December 30, 2005, which authorized the sale of a vacant lot 50.71' X 60', known as 607 W. Jefferson Street, 25th Ward, Block 23 E, Lot 128, to Paul Johnson and Janet Moore for the sum of \$2,000.00, so as to correct the Lot Size to read 20 X 70 and the Treasurer's Sale date to read October 7, 1985.

[2006-0334](#)

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

Bill No. 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.

[2006-0335](#)

ITEM. A: 1136 Brabec.

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

Bill No. 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-D. A: 1029 Newcomer; B: 5509 Armitage; C: 72 Holt D: 15 Kosciusko.

[2006-0336](#)

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

Bill No. 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.

[2006-0337](#)

ITEMS A thru W. A: 1517 & 1519 McCullough and 1532 Brighton; B: 343 Grace; C: 2820 Shadeland; D: 2142 Wightman; E: 7257 Somerset; F: Fritz; G: 234 Chalfont; H: 522 Sickles; I: 7239 Finance; J: 120 Tarragonna; K: 137 46th Street; L: 4023 ½ Eden; M: 1630 Harpster; N: 7332 Lemington; O: 2359 South 18th; P: 4437 Sweetbay; Q: 1210 Loraine; R: 322 Bothwell; S: 266 Kennedy; T: 3629 Charlotte; U: Jefferson; V: 412 Jefferson; W: Balboa and Lisbon.

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

Bill No. 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.

[2006-0338](#)

ITEM. A: 240 Alpine; B: 242 Alpine.

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

Bill No. Amending the Rules of Council, RULE IX and X, by making various changes to the Standing Committees of Council,

[2006-0342](#)

**SPONSOR(S): LUKE RAVENSTAHL**

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

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

Bill No. Resolution creating the Market Based Revenue Opportunities Task Force (MBROT) which shall investigate potential revenue generating opportunities for the City of Pittsburgh including but not limited to outdoor and indoor advertising on or in all city owned property including, street furniture, website, cable television, naming rights of property or facilities, leasing of facilities for events or telecommunications equipment.

[2006-0343](#)

**SPONSOR(S): LUKE RAVENSTAHL**

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

### **MR. RAVENSTAHL, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HEARINGS**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Appointment of Paul Leger as the Director of the Department of Finance, pending Council's confirmaiton.

[2006-0332](#)

**Held, Pending Interview to Hearings Committee**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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

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

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance and Budget for April 19, 2006.

[2006-0328](#)

**Read, Received and Filed**

Bill No. Resolution requesting the approval of an inter-municipal transfer of a restaurant liquor license, License No. R-14396 from Green Forest Brazilian Restaurant & Lounge, Inc., 655 Rodi Road, Penn Hills, PA 15235, to Applicant, P-Town, Inc., c/o Garry Altavilla, President, 101 Mayflower Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15238, for the premises located at 4740 Baum Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15213, known as P-Town, pursuant to amended Pennsylvania Liquor Code, §4-461.

[2006-0282](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for the issuance of Warrants in the sum of \$12,162.42 to William Lance Parker, c/o Erin J. Fucci, Esquire, 2201 Grant Building, 330 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, and in full and final settlement of the action filed at GD04-9153 relating to the City of Pittsburgh arising from the alleged personal injury and property damage sustained due to a vehicle collision at Smallman Street and 29th Street, on or about January 29, 2003, and \$2,837.58 to the Treasurer of the City of Pittsburgh for indebtedness to the City of Pittsburgh.

[2006-0295](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 730, effective December 14, 2005, entitled, "Resolution providing that the City of Pittsburgh enter into a professional services Contract/s for the purposes of insuring that on-going medical care is provided to City of Pittsburgh employees who require treatment for service related injuries and/or

[2006-0296](#)

illnesses under the Pennsylvania Workers' Compensation Act, plus Administrative Costs for Year 1 of service"; so as to increase the amount by \$ 368,894.00, from \$4,307,436 to \$4,676,330.

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for an agreement or agreements with Quadrant Systems, LLC. to provide a cashing receipt system and related maintenance services for the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) and providing for the cost thereof.

[2006-0297](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution further amending Resolution No. 121 of 2003, effective March 14, 2003 entitled, "Resolution 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 City Council's 2003 Community Needs Program; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," by adding Young Field Fencing \$12,576.00 in Council District 1 and by adding Arlington Street Lighting \$1,800.00 and making various changes in Council District 3 and by reducing Hill CDC \$21,390.00 and adding District 6 Public Works Projects \$21,390.00 in Council District 6.

[2006-0308](#)

**SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE, JEFFREY S. KOCH AND LUKE RAVENSTAHL**

**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, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Absent: 1 - Ms. Carlisle

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

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for April 19, 2006.

[2006-0329](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for the purchase of A Tire Cutter and Wheel Crusher for the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Environmental Services, and provide for the payment thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$23,018.00.

[2006-0298](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a right of way agreement with Duquesne Light Company allowing Duquesne Light Co. to erect, install, use, own, operate, maintain, repair, renew and finally remove an electric line consisting of two (2) poles (362352-362353), together with cross-arms, cables, wires, one anchor, guys and other fixtures and apparatus thereto belonging, upon, over, under, along, across and through City-owned land, leased to Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, Inc., fronting on Frew Street Extension, situate in the 14th Ward, for providing, transmitting and/or distributing electric services only (and/or lines for internal communications only).

[2006-0299](#)

**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, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Absent: 1 - Ms. Carlisle

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

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for April 19, 2006.

[2006-0330](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 891, effective January 1, 2003, as amended, entitled: "Adopting and approving the 2003 Capital Budget and the 2003 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2003 through 2008 Capital Improvement Program, by adjusting various line items in conformance with City Council's 2003 Capital Budget amendments." by adding Young Field Fencing \$12,576.00 in Council District 1 and by adding Arlington Street Lighting \$1,800.00 and making various changes in Council District 3 and by reducing Hill CDC \$21,390.00 and adding District 6 Public Works Projects \$21,390.00 in Council District 6.

[2006-0309](#)

**SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE, JEFFREY S. KOCH AND LUKE RAVENSTAHL**

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Absent: 1 - Ms. Carlisle

## **MS. CARLISLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for April 19, 2006.

[2006-0331](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements for the purchase of an Airboat, Sector Scan Sonar system and other related and adjunctive equipment for the River Rescue Unit of the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, cost not to exceed \$188,083.

[2006-0301](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing and directing the City Controller to create a special trust fund, to be designated as the Emergency Medical Services Pulse Trust Fund ( EMSPTF), for the deposit of monies received from the Pulse Foundation.

[2006-0302](#)

### **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, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Absent: 1 - Ms. Carlisle

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

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