

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, September 9, 2008

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIFTH COUNCIL**

Douglas Shields, President

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

Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk

Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2008-0725](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Council of the City of Pittsburgh recognizes the achievement of the Start on Success program and its dedication to the Pittsburgh Public Schools System and the children in the Pittsburgh community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares September 9, 2008 "Start on Success 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. [2008-0726](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby congratulate Mineo's Pizza House on its 50th year in business and commend and Dominic and Giovanni Mineo Jr. for maintaining their father's vision of excellence and service to make Mineo's Pizza a Pittsburgh tradition; and ,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Monday, September 15, 2008, to be "MINEO'S PIZZA HOUSE 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. [2008-0727](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby congratulate the Western Pennsylvania Slovak Cultural Association for promoting Slovak culture throughout the Western Pennsylvania region and for holding the Fourth Consular Testimonial Awards Dinner on September 14, 2008; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Sunday, September 14, 2008 to be "WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CULTURAL ASSOCIATION 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

REVEREND BURGESS, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PRESENTS

Bill No. [2008-0721](#) Ordinance Amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Chapters 907, 919 and 921, by revising various sections relating to Electronic Message Signs, creating a definition and requirements for Electronic Advertising Signs and Temporary Event Banners and clarifying abandonment of nonconforming advertising signs.

SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS

Read and referred to Land Use and Economic Development Committee

MR. DEASY, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, PRESENTS

Bill No. [2008-0718](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an Application for Financial Assistance in the amount of up to \$6,711,600 to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for the operation and administration of certain programs in FY 2008-2009. (Council Districts: All).

Read and referred to Intergovernmental Affairs Committee

Bill No. [2008-0719](#) Resolution authorizing a 2008-2009 Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh providing for the designation of the local matching share for a grant applied for in a Single Application for Assistance filed with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development under the Housing and Redevelopment Assistance Program. (Council Districts: All).

Read and referred to Intergovernmental Affairs Committee

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

Bill No. [2008-0716](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements; providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts; for the reconstruction of Forbes Avenue from Market Square to Wood Street and Market Street from Liberty Avenue to Fifth Avenue; providing for the payment of the costs thereof; and further providing for a Reimbursement Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation. Cost not to exceed \$3,200,000.00.

Read and referred to Public Works Committee

Bill No. [2008-0717](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a grant agreement with the Cultural Trust to receive monies to secure funds for infrastructure improvements within the Cultural District and further providing for legitimate expenditures for payments and agreement or agreements, or contract or contracts for any services required in connection with the execution of said grant agreement. Said agreement or agreements, contract or contracts or expenditures shall not exceed \$500,000.00.

Read and referred to Public Works Committee

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

Bill No. [2008-0713](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Bulldog Office Products Inc in the amount not to exceed eight thousand seven hundred and ninety two dollars and ninety four cents (\$8,792.94) for services provided to the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services.

Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee

Bill No. [2008-0714](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Chief of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to enter into a grant agreement with the Pennsylvania Alliance for Security and Preparedness(PAASP) to receive monies for training. Said agreement or agreements, contract or contracts or expenditures shall not exceed \$34,239.48

Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee

Bill No. [2008-0715](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Chief of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to enter into a grant agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Office of Health Equity to receive monies to support the City's efforts to increase diversity in the workforce. Said agreement or agreements, contract or contracts or expenditures shall not exceed \$149,206.72.

Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee

Bill No. [2008-0722](#) Resolution Amending Resolution 180, effective April 16, 2008, entitled, "Resolution authorizing and directing the Director of City Planning, the Zoning Administrator and the Chief of the Bureau of Building Inspection to place a Six (6) month moratorium on the erection, size modification and/or approval of all advertising signs in all zoning districts" so as to extend the moratorium until a report and recommendation is received, and the legislative process is complete on Council Bill 2008-0222.

SPONSOR(S): BRUCE A. KRAUS AND DOUGLAS SHIELDS

Read and referred to Land Use and Economic Development Committee

MR. MOTZNIK, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES, PRESENTS

Bill No. [2008-0723](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 27, effective February 15, 2008, entitled "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 \$9,460,000.00" by increasing the authorized spending amount.

SPONSOR(S): JIM MOTZNIK, DARLENE HARRIS, DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND DAN DEASY

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

Read and referred to Public Works Committee

Bill No. Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No.704, effective January 1, 2008, as amended, entitled: "Adopting and approving the 2008 Capital Budget and the 2008 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2008 through 2012 Capital Improvement Program," by increasing funds for street resurfacing.

[2008-0724](#)

SPONSOR(S): JIM MOTZNIK, DARLENE HARRIS, DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND DAN DEASY

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

Read and referred to Public Works Committee

MS. PAYNE, ON BEHALF OF MR. PEDUTO, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW, PRESENTS

Bill No. Resolution providing for a professional services agreement or agreements for accounting, auditing and consulting services to the City related to tax collection, internal controls, financial reporting, performance and fiscal auditing, and financial systems implementation. Cost not to exceed \$125,000.00.

[2008-0706](#)

Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to issue a quit claim deed for City of Pittsburgh owned parcels in the 23rd and 24th Ward to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for right-of-way expansion and improvement to State Route 28, Section A-09.

[2008-0707](#)

Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to issue a quit claim deed for City of Pittsburgh owned parcels in the 24th Ward to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for right-of-way expansion and improvement to State Route 28, Section A-10.

[2008-0708](#)

Read and referred to Finance and Law 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 through O. A: 1516 Sedgwick; B: 1520 & 1522 Sedgwick; C: 224 Moore; D: 2921 Harcum; E: 244 Winston; F: 1039 Uvilla; G: 1725 Buena Vista and 1722 Columbia; H: 2733 Berg; I: 1843 Diaz; J: 258 Sardis; K: 106 Kenova; L: 3106 Mission; M: 172 Arlington; N: 1906 Larkins; O: 3233-35 Josephine

[2008-0709](#)

Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee

Bill No. Resolution repealing items in Resolutions approved on various dates, authorizing the sale of properties in various wards of the City of Pittsburgh, in accordance with Act

[2008-0710](#)

No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984. Items A thru C: A: 1401 & 1403 Nixon; B: 413 Jonathan; C: 203 Walter.

Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee

Bill No.

[2008-0711](#)

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 V. A: 4724 Chatsworth; B: 4728 Chatsworth;
C: 213-215 Henderson; D: 1335-37 West North; E: 2000 Tustin; F: 1606 Hatteras;
G: 718 Estella; H: 1417 Columbus; I: 7440 Monticello; J: 7207 Kedron;
K: 5229 Kent; L: 1245 High; M: 1523 Cameron; N: 2053 Frankella;
O: 524 Fairywood; P: 226 Ophelia; Q: 409 Alpine; R: 5220 Coral; S: 3132 Ashlyn;
T: 6930 & 6932 Hamilton; U: 846 Phineas; V: 4409 Milgate.

Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee

Bill No.

[2008-0712](#)

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 C: A: 19 Lanark; B: 212 Beltzhoover; C: 352 Enright.

Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee

Bill No.

[2008-0720](#)

Resolution providing for a professional services agreement or agreements for consulting services, but not limited to auditing, accounting, and technical services for the City Controller's Office for a two year period with a cost not to exceed \$140,000.00 upon yearly appropriation.

Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

No reports following Council's Recess

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBER, MR. PEDUTO

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT