



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

[2021-2175](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and honor all Veterans for their bravery and courage and commends the Federation of War Veterans Societies, Inc. of Allegheny County for their continued dedication and hard work in making each year's Veterans Day parade a great success; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Thursday, November 11, 2021 to be the ***"Federation of War Veterans Societies of Allegheny County Day"*** in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

A motion was made that this matter be Waived under the Rules of Council. The motion carried.

Enactment No: 758

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

Enactment No: 758

ROLL CALL

- Present** 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghil, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson
- Absent** 1 - Council Member O'Connor

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2020-0057](#)

Ordinance amending the City of Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title Two: Fiscal, Article V: Special Funds, Chapter 237 - The City of Pittsburgh Parks Trust Fund, to conform with the Home Rule Charter Article Nine (9) in order to establish the creation of the Pittsburgh Parks Trust Fund.

(Public Hearing held 3/5/20)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER COGHILL AND COUNCIL MEMBER GROSS

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 11/17/2021. The motion carried.

[2021-2091](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of two warrants with the total sum of Four Hundred Ninety Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$495,000.00), which shall be allocated and paid as follows: Two Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$200,000.00) made payable to Brandon Firman and Two Hundred Ninety Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$295,000.00) made payable to Tucker Arensberg, P.C., in final settlement related to litigation at USDC 2:16-cv-01393.

(Executive Session held 11/8/21)

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

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2119](#)

Resolution providing for the sale of certain property, acquired by the City of Pittsburgh at tax sales. ITEMS A through F: A: 1380 Montezuma, B: 1382 Montezuma, C: 1384 Montezuma, D: 1384 Montezuma, E: 215 Chalfont, F: 1612 Brighton

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

[2021-2120](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh to enter into a temporary construction easement(s) and permanent easement(s) with the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority on certain parcels of real property located on Toboggan Street and Rising Main Avenue in the 25th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

[2021-2133](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 844 of 2019, effective December 23, 2019, entitled, “Resolution establishing the All-In Cities Investment Fund”, to facilitate and prioritize investments made by the Greater Pittsburgh Affordable Housing Fund.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Post Agenda to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

[2021-2134](#)

Resolution establishing an Affordable Housing Grade as part of Pittsburgh’s Annual Housing Plan, pursuant to Resolution No. 650 of 2021, effective October 11, 2021.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

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

A motion was made to Withdrawl the Amendment. The motion carried.

A motion was made that this matter be Held for a Cablecast Post Agenda. The motion carried.

[2021-2135](#)

Resolution establishing the Greater Pittsburgh Affordable Housing Trust (“GPAHT”) Implementation Committee.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Post Agenda to the Committee on Hearings . 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 November 9th 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.

CITY COUNCIL

DiBella's Subs – food for Reapportionment Meeting 10/26/21 151.84

Municipal Code – electronic update pages 1,320.00

The Open Door – donation (Dist. 2) 1,000.00

INNOVATION & PERFORMANCE

Spok Inc – pager service 902.13

Spok Inc – pager service 275.53

HUMAN RELATIONS

Creative Incentives – promotional items for the Commission 1,448.90

Global Wordsmiths – translation of Commission web pages 3,208.92

FINANCE

Maher Duessel – bank fees, overage from 2020 contracted amount 1,923.86

K-7 Parking Company – commercial parking lease 155.00

Pittsburgh File Box Co – special file slide boxes for document storage 297.60

Pittsburgh Mailing Systems – printing Treasurer Sale notices 430.00

LAW

Allegheny County Bar Association – legal publication 150.00

Esquire Deposition Solutions – deposition transcripts 270.61

Cavaliere Court Reporting – deposition transcripts 87.50

ProQuest – online legal research 923.35

Pacer Service Center – online federal research 74.70

Zimmer Kunz PLLC – one-third mediators fee 750.00

National Business Institute – continuing legal education online seminar 349.00

Rose, Pamela J – deposition transcript 153.70

HUMAN RESOURCES

American Payroll Institute – payroll membership renewals 1,310.00

PLANNING

Rakus, Kate – American Planning Association conference 150.00

PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

Northview Heights Citizens Council Inc – annual community festival 1,000.00

EMS

Penn Care Inc – oxygen lines and medical supplies 1,143.75

Foxwall Emergency Medical Services – EMS coverage at Pitt game 809.05

Parkview VFD/EMS – EMS coverage at Pitt game 945.60

Plum Emergency Medical Services – EMS coverage at Pitt game 1,324.64

FIRE

WB Mason Co – bottled water 29.40

WB Mason Co – bottled water 47.04

Premier Safety – streamlight light 128.52

Hydra-Ram Inc – repair and parts for hydra ram equipment 239.68

Lewis, Charles – surface water technician training reimbursement 350.00

Rider, Richard – surface water technician training reimbursement 350.00

Murphy, Kevin – surface water technician training reimbursement 350.00

Reinheimer, Kurt – surface water technician training reimbursement 350.00

Fuerst, Michael – surface water technician training 350.00

Epps, Lisa – reimbursement for public education supplies (candy) 23.00

PARKS & RECREATION

**Sonitrol Security Systems – security monitoring, pools and recreation centers
1,728.36**

**Sonitrol Security Systems – security monitoring, pools and recreation centers
864.18**

Sonitrol Security Systems – security monitoring, senior centers 668.34

Sonitrol Security Systems – security monitoring, senior centers 334.17

Sonitrol Security Systems – security monitoring, Schenley Skating Rink 145.84

Sonitrol Security Systems – security monitoring, Schenley Skating Rink 72.92

**Sonitrol Security Systems – security monitoring, Mellon Park tennis bubble
350.00**

**Sonitrol Security Systems – security monitoring, Mellon Park tennis bubble
175.00**

Sonitrol Security Systems – security monitoring, Highland Park pool 100.00

Sonitrol Security Systems – security monitoring, Highland Park pool 50.00

Sonitrol Security Systems – security monitoring, Biddle Building 100.00

Sonitrol Security Systems – security monitoring, Biddle Building 50.00

**Information Age Technologies – annual subscription fee for senior center
1,690.00**

Tennant Sales & Service – maintenance, Mellon Tennis Bubble sweeper 223.59

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

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

To: The Honorable President and Members of Council

From: Office of Management and Budget

Date: 11/5/2021

Re: Intradepartmental transfer

Dear President and Members of Council:

Per Resolution 650 of 2020, which authorizes City Council to approve intradepartmental transfers throughout the 2021 Fiscal Year, the Office of Management and Budget would like to make the following transfer(s):

Department of Public Works – Bureau of Facilities

Amount from:

\$50,000.00 from 450000.57571 Furniture & Fixtures

Amount to:

\$50,000.00 to 450000.56401 Materials

The transfer is to facilitate various new and ongoing facilities repair projects that will conclude over the next seven (7) weeks, and allow the DPW Warehouse to stock various materials for the winter season.

Department of Parks and Recreation

Amount from:

\$1,000.00 from 500000.56151 Operational Supplies

Amount to:

\$1,000.00 to 500000.57501 Machinery & Equipment

The transfer is to cover costs of a new laptop for the Department's Rec2Tech program.

Office of Community Health & Safety

Amount from:

\$650.00 from 102300.56151 Operational Supplies

Amount to:

\$650.00 to 102300.53301 Workforce Training

The transfer is to cover costs associated with an intervention training course

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

P-CARD APPROVALS

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

[Item 76](#)

P-Cards

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2110](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into an agreement with the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority for coordination of certain work surrounding the operation and maintenance of Liberty Green Park.

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

[2021-2111](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 283, effective May 6, 2021, entitled “Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Works to apply for grant funding from the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Keystone Communities Grant program to provide funding for the construction of a community center in the Robert E Williams Memorial Park” to add language to decrease the amount of the grant, allow the City to accept the grant, and allow the City to spend the funds.

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

[2021-2112](#)

Resolution vacating a portion of Watson Street, laid out in the Proposed Duquesne Light Company Parcel in the "Lot Consolidation Plan" as recorded in Plan Book Volume 308, Pg. 106, in the 4th Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

[2021-2113](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 461 of 2021, entitled “Resolution amending Resolution 375 of 2020, entitled ‘Resolution providing for an amended reimbursement agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for costs associated with the Preliminary Engineering phase of the Smithfield Street reconstruction project, and providing for the payment of municipal incurred costs thereof, not to exceed Eight Hundred Thousand (\$800,000.00) dollars; and the previously authorized municipal share of Commonwealth Incurred Costs not to exceed Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars.’ To increase the total not to exceed to Nine Million Eighty Thousand dollars (\$9,080,000.00) for the addition of the Final Design, Utility Work, Right of Way and Construction Phases to the project; federally reimbursable at eighty percent; and the municipal share of Commonwealth Incurred Costs not to exceed Eighteen Thousand (\$47,000.00) dollars, an increase of Forty Two Thousand dollars (\$42,000.00)” To clarify municipal incurred and total project costs.

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

[2021-2114](#) Resolution amending Resolution 105 of 2021, entitled “Resolution amending Resolution 447 of 2020 entitled ‘Resolution providing for an amended reimbursement agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for costs associated with the Preliminary Engineering phase of the Penn Avenue Reconstruction Phase II project, and providing for the payment of municipal incurred costs thereof, not to exceed Eight Hundred Twenty Five Thousand (\$825,000.00) dollars; federally reimbursable at eighty percent; and the municipal share of Commonwealth Incurred Costs not to exceed Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars.’ To increase the total not to exceed to One Million Nine Hundred Seventy Five Thousand dollars (\$1,975,000.00); federally reimbursable at eighty percent; and the municipal share of Commonwealth Incurred Costs not to exceed Eighteen Thousand (\$18,000.00) dollars.” To clarify municipal incurred and total project costs.

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

[2021-2115](#) Resolution granting unto NEW GRANADA DEVELOP LLC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to reconstruct a historical marquee and vertical sign, at 2007 Centre Ave, in the 5th Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2021-2116](#) Resolution granting unto URBAN REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF PITTSBURGH, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, an entrance ADA accessible ramp, at 2178 Centre Avenue, in the 5th Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2021-2117](#) Resolution granting unto OLANDER FAMILY IRREVOCABLE TRUST, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to install a new projecting sign, at 5993 Centre Ave, in the 8th Ward, 9th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2021-2118](#) Resolution granting unto THREE PNC RESIDENTIAL LLC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to install a letter set on a low profile raceway on an existing canopy, at 510 Market Street, in the 2nd Ward, 6th 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**DEFERRED PAPERS****NEW PAPERS**

[2021-2122](#) Resolution approving a new Institutional Master Plan under the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article II, Chapter 905, Section 905.03.D and Article VII, Chapter 922, Section 922.12.G for Duquesne University entitled “Duquesne University Institutional Master Plan” dated September 2021 on property currently zoned EMI, Educational/Medical Institution District, 1st Ward, Council District No. 6.
(Needs to be held for Public Hearing)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

[2021-2123](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article I, Section 902.03 Zoning Map, by changing from Uptown Public Realm, Subdistrict A (UPR-A) to Educational/Medical Institution (EMI), a certain property at 1323 Forbes Avenue, Block Number 1-L, lot number 42, in the Allegheny County Block and Lot System. A portion of the parcel is currently zoned Uptown Public Realm, Subdistrict A (UPR-A).
(Needs to be held for Public Hearing)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing. The motion carried.

[2021-2124](#) Resolution approving a new Institutional Master Plan under the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article II, Chapter 905, Section 905.03.D and Article VII, Chapter 922, Section 922.12.G for The Pittsburgh Theological Seminary named “Institutional Master Plan” dated October 6, 2021 on property zoned EMI, Educational/Medical Institution District, 11th Ward, Council District No. 9.
(Needs to be held for Public Hearing)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

[2021-2125](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 863 of 2018, effective January 1, 2019, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2019 Capital Budget and the 2019 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2019 through 2024 Capital Improvement Program” so as to reduce COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS by \$4,300.29, increase NEIGHBORHOOD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT by \$4,300.29, and authorize a subsequent Agreement or Agreements.

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

URBAN RECREATION COMMITTEE, REV. BURGESS, CHAIR**DEFERRED PAPERS**

[2021-1885](#) Resolution authorizing, pursuant to Chapter 173 of the Pittsburgh City Code, the renaming of Roberto Clemente Drive in the Fourth Ward to Roberto and Vera Clemente Drive.

(Public Hearing held 11/3/21)

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

[2021-2121](#) Resolution authorizing, pursuant to Chapter 173 of the City Code, entitled “Commission on Naming Public Properties”, section 173.02 “Powers and Duties,” subsection (f), City Council hereby names the park created by the I-579 Cap Urban Connector Project which spans over a portion of I-579 Crosstown Boulevard and is bounded by Washington Place, Centre Ave, Chatham Street, Bigelow Boulevard and includes land to the north of Bigelow Boulevard, as Frankie Pace Park. The area in question occupies lot-block numbers 2-B-107, 2-B-257, 2-B-406, and 2-B-402.

(Public Hearing held 11/8/21)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

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

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2108](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Parks & Recreation to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into a License Agreement or Agreements with Carnegie Mellon University for the Smart Parks Deployment project in Mellon Park at no cost to the City.

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

[2021-2109](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to receive grant funding from the United States Tennis Association to reimburse the City for costs incurred by the tennis program not to exceed FOUR THOUSAND (\$4,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

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

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR**DEFERRED PAPERS**

[2021-2101](#)

Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code of Ordinances in multiple locations with provisions related to lead safety and mitigation in order to reduce, and thereby mitigate the health risks of, exposure of City residents, and particularly young children, to lead (Pb) hazards.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER, COUNCIL MEMBER O'CONNOR, COUNCIL MEMBER GROSS AND COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs, due back by 11/17/2021. The motion carried.