



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

ROLL CALL

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~~ **238** - 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 AMENDED. The motion carried.

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

[2021-1986](#)

Ordinance amending the City Code at Title One: Administrative, Article XI: Human Resources, Chapter 192: Pensions, Section 192.01: Definitions, Section 192.20: Municipal Benefit Plan No. 2, Section 192.21: Establishment of Municipal Benefit Plan No. 2, Section 192.22: Membership, Section 192.23: Contributions by Members, Section 192.24: Contributions by the City, Section 192.26: Pension Allowance, and Section 192.27: Death Benefits, and adding a Section 192.22A: Membership in Municipal Benefit Plan No. 3, in order to remove the Social Security Offset for certain non-union members and to fund the removal of the offset.

(Public Hearing held 11/18/21)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH, COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE, COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS, COUNCIL MEMBER KRAUS AND COUNCIL MEMBER COGHILL

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

A motion was made that this matter be brought back on the Agenda. The motion carried.

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

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

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2147](#)

Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title One: Administrative, Article III: Organization by adding a new Chapter 141: Offices Generally to establish the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 12/15/2021. The motion carried.

[2021-2148](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh City Code, Title One: Administrative, Article VII: Procedures, Chapter 169A: Electronic Signatures to mandate the use of electronic signatures by City Departments.

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

[2021-2149](#)

Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title One: Administrative, Article VII: Procedures, Chapter 161: Contracts by repealing Section 161.39: Environmentally Preferred Purchases in its entirety and replacing it with a new Section 161.39: Sustainable and Socially Responsible Procurement.

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

[2021-2150](#)

Resolution authorizing twenty-four (24) Open-End Professional Services Agreements with twelve (12) vendors to provide professional services on an on-call basis as required related to professional IT services as needed by the various Departments of the City of Pittsburgh, each Agreement being at an amount not-to-exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) annually for a two (2) year term with up to two additional one year options, and providing for funding of the costs thereof,

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

[2021-2151](#) Resolution authorizing Thirty-nine (39) Open-End Professional Services Agreements with twenty-four (24) vendors to provide professional services on an on-call basis as required related to professional IT services as needed by the various Departments of the City of Pittsburgh, each Agreement being at an amount not-to-exceed two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) annually for a two (2) year term with up to two additional one year options, and providing for funding of the costs thereof,
A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

[2021-2152](#) Resolution making appropriations to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the City of Pittsburgh and for meeting the debt charges thereof for the Fiscal Year, beginning January 1, 2022.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 12/15/2021. The motion carried.

[2021-2153](#) Resolution fixing the number of officers and employees of the City of Pittsburgh for the 2022 fiscal year, and the rate of compensation thereof, and setting maximum levels for designated positions.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 12/15/2021. The motion carried.

[2021-2154](#) Resolution adopting and approving the 2022 Capital Budget and the 2022 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2022 through 2027 Capital Improvement Program

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 12/15/2021. The motion carried.

[2021-2155](#) Resolution authorizing appropriations and salaries of the Stop the Violence Fund for the 2022 Fiscal Year, beginning January 1, 2022.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 12/15/2021. The motion carried.

[2021-2156](#) Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to participate in applicable cooperative purchasing agreements for goods, materials, equipment, supplies, services, professional services, or construction, as authorized by the Commonwealth Procurement Code and the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Law for the 2022 Fiscal Year.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

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

[2021-2157](#) Resolution providing for the letting of contracts and for the use of existing contracts for the purchase of materials, supplies and equipment for City Departments, and the maintenance, repair, rental and/or leasing, rehabilitation, renovation, inspection or servicing of City buildings and facilities, and for any miscellaneous services in and for any City Departments, and providing for the payment of the costs thereof for the 2022 Fiscal Year.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

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

[2021-2158](#) Resolution authorizing City Council to approve intra-departmental transfers throughout the 2022 Fiscal Year.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

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

[2021-2167](#) Resolution amending the Rules of Council, Rule IV Standing Committees, Section 2 and Rule V Regular Meetings, Section 1; to provide for certain changes to the order of business in accordance with applicable law.

(Executive Session Requested)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

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

[2021-2168](#) Resolution authorizing the fee schedule for 2022 pursuant to Chapter 170 of the City Code.

(Public Hearing scheduled for Dec. 13)

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

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 12/15/2021. The motion carried.

[2021-2169](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article IX: Property Taxes, Chapter 263: Real Property Tax and Exemption, by fixing the rate of real estate taxation for 2022.

(Public Hearing scheduled for Dec. 13)

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

[2021-2170](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article IX: Property Taxes, Chapter 263: Real Property Tax and Exemptions, Section 263.02: Payment Options, Discount and Delinquency Penalty, so as to set the payment, discount, and delinquent dates for the 2022 fiscal year.

(Public Hearing scheduled for Dec. 13)

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

[2021-2171](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article VII: Business Related Taxes, Chapter 246: Home Rule Tax, Section 246.03: Declaration and Payment of Tax, at subsection (d) so as to fix the rate of interest on delinquent Home Rule Tax for the year 2022.

(Public Hearing scheduled for Dec. 13)

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

[2021-2172](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article VII: Business Related Taxes, Chapter 245: Earned Income Tax, Section 245.03: Declaration and Payment of Tax, at subsection (d) so as to fix the rate of interest on delinquent Earned Income Tax for the year 2022.

(Public Hearing scheduled for Dec. 13)

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

[2021-2173](#) Resolution authorizing all City departments, in conjunction with the Department of Finance, to enter into facilities usage agreements for the purpose of permitting groups and individuals to rent City-owned facilities for recreational and community-focused activities during the 2022 calendar year. The City shall not charge more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per rental agreement.

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

INVOICES

A motion was made that this matter be Amended. 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 17th 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

Brillman, Laura – intern (Dist. 8) 288.00

Community Leaders United for Beechview – donation (Dist. 4) 500.00

Plavchak, Blake – reimb/food for meeting (Dist. 4) 52.15

OMB

Hill Community Development Corp. – Neighborhood Needs (Dist. 6) 1,500.00

LAW

Dentons Cohen & Grigsby – legal fees for immigration matters 490.87

Department of Court Records – filings, copying at Prothonotary's office 490.00

PLANNING

Kossis, Andrea Lavin – reimbursement for memberships 297.50

OMI

Pennsylvania State Police – criminal checks for police candidates 374.00

**Assured Polygraph Services – polygraphing of candidates for employment
1,200.00**

EMS

Plum Emergency Medical Services – EMS coverage at Pitt game 1,458.87

Medical Rescue Team South Authority – EMS coverage at Steelers game 741.38

Center for Emergency Medicine – EMS coverage at Pitt game 654.17

Munhall Area Prehospital Services – EMS coverage at Pitt games 1,395.55

POLICE

S&D Calibration Services – Accutrak certification 195.00

Quality Services Inc – landscaping at police zones 4,860.00

POLICE, PCCD GUN VIOLENCE REDUCTION GRANT

Watts, Harry – PCCD outreach worker 4,980.00

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Bey, Ernest – PCCD outreach worker 2,640.00

Rice, Betty – PCCD outreach worker 3,500.00

Akers, Jason – PCCD outreach worker 1,640.00

PUBLIC WORKS

Amcom Office Systems – equipment rental 452.20

Praxair Distribution – propane tank rentals/gas refills 127.92

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Praxair Distribution – propane tank rentals/gas refills 56.55

Dominion Elevator Inspection Services – elevator safety inspections 800.00

Barker Earl – reimbursement for plumbing license 125.00

PARKS & RECREATION TRUST FUNDS

Camillo, Joseph M – tennis clinic instruction at Mellon tennis bubble 1,365.00

Haffner, Mark – tennis clinic instruction at Mellon tennis bubble 473.00

Hassan, Shan – tennis clinic instruction at Mellon tennis bubble 414.00

LaCaria, Aldene – tennis clinic instruction at Mellon tennis bubble 376.25

Parks, Richard – tennis clinic instruction at Mellon tennis bubble 999.75

Paull, Mark J – tennis clinic instruction at Mellon tennis bubble 731.00

Tennant Sales & Service – maintenance service on sweeper machine 224.80

North Fork Grinding & Machining Inc – sharpening Zamboni blades 495.00

**Allegheny County Health Department – food service permit for Hazelwood HAL
136.00**

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: 11/12/2021

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 Law

Amount from:

\$22,000.00 from 108000.51101 Salaries

\$11,000.00 from 108000.53301 Workforce Training

\$80,000.00 from 108000.53513 Court Related Fees

\$95,000.00 from 108000.53517 Legal Fees

\$28,000.00 from 108000.53901 Professional Services

\$900.00 from 108000.55309 Regulatory Advertising

\$1,500.00 from 108000.56101 Office Supplies

\$300.00 from 108000.56105 Postage

\$7,000.00 from 108000.56151 Operational Supplies

Amount to:**\$245,700.00 to 108000.58105 Judgments**

The transfer is necessary to cover judgments expected through the remainder of the year.

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.

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P-Cards

PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES COMMITTEE, MR. O'CONNOR, CHAIR**NEW PAPERS**[2021-2174](#)

Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title Five: Traffic, Article One: Administration, Chapter 503: Enforcement and Control, by adding a new section, Section 503.17: "Equitable and Fair Enforcement of Motor Vehicle Laws."

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS, COUNCIL MEMBER KRAUS, COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON, COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE, COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER AND COUNCIL MEMBER COGHILL

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Public Safety Services, due back by 11/22/2021. The motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR**DEFERRED PAPERS**[2021-1744](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a Lease Agreement with the Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Garden for the City facility known the Garden Center for a period of ten (10) years an annual rental fee of One Dollar (\$1.00) per year, with the possibility of renewal.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Public Works , due back by 12/1/2021. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2142](#) Resolution providing for a supplementary Agreement with Allegheny County for local costs associated with the 6th Street Bridge project and providing for the payment of local costs thereof, not to exceed Twenty Four Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy Four Dollars and Thirty Eight Cents (\$24,274.38).

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

[2021-2143](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement with Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Department of Transportation (PennDOT) for local costs associated with the State Route 0060 project and providing for the payment of local costs thereof, not to exceed Six Thousand Two Hundred and Forty-Eight Dollars (\$6,248.00)

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

[2021-2164](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Four: Public Places and Property, Article I: Public Rights-of-Way, Chapter 416: Obstructions, by adding new definitions and amending permitting requirements for construction activities, encroachments and minor encroachments.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER

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

LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MR. WILSON, 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 Committee to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 11/22/2021. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2165](#) Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Building under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances the certain site known as Engine Company 28 located at 700 Filbert Street (52-D-346) in Shadyside, in the 7th Ward, City of Pittsburgh.
(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)

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

INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2159](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Innovation and Performance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh to enter into an Agreement or Agreement(s) with the Change Agent Training for access to their Learning Management System and consultative assistance to adapt the City of Pittsburgh Gold Belt Workshop for e-Learning for (1) one year at a cost not to exceed \$18,000 (Eighteen Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents)

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

[2021-2160](#) Resolution amending Resolution 642 of 2019, a resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation & Performance to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Computronix (USA) Inc., for the provision of a permitting and licensing package, at an additional cost not to exceed Two Hundred and Fifty Five Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$255,000.00).

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

[2021-2161](#) Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to enter into a cable franchise agreement and certain subsidiary agreements for other services arising from the cable franchise agreement with Comcast Cable Communications Management, LLC.

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

[2021-2162](#) Resolution amending Resolution 138 of 2020, authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Innovation & Performance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to revise the not-to-exceed funding amount to Three Million Five Hundred Thirty Thousand One Hundred Thirty One Dollars and zero cents (\$3,530,131)

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

[2021-2163](#) Resolution providing for the creation of the Technology Modernization Trust Fund, and setting conditions for the deposit of revenue into and expenditure from the Technology Modernization Trust Fund

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Innovation, Performance and Asset Management, due back by 11/22/2021. The motion carried.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2021-2144](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the 5941 Penn Avenue project, 5941 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15206.

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

[2021-2145](#) Resolution authorizing the approval of the 2022 Housing Opportunity Fund Annual Allocation Plan. (Council Districts All).

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

[2021-2146](#) Resolution approving Execution of a Deed by and between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and the City of Pittsburgh, for the sale of Block 25-A, Lot 2, in the 24th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh (River Avenue - Council District No. 1). *(Executive Session scheduled for 11/19/21)*

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

[2021-2166](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an application to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Keystone Communities Enterprise Zone Designation Program. (Council Districts: All).

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