

City of Pittsburgh

*510 City-County Building
414 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

ONE-HUNDRED

FORTIETH COUNCIL

Bruce A. Kraus, President of Council

Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Darlene M. Harris, R. Daniel Lavelle, Corey O'Connor, Theresa Kail-Smith, Erika Strassburger

Brenda F. Pree, City Clerk - Kimberly Clark-Baskin, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

Absent 1 - Mr. Kraus

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**PROCLAMATIONS**

[2018-0455](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the Morningside Little League Association for years of dedication to their community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Saturday, May 12th to be “Morningside Little League Association Day” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MS. GROSS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

[2018-0456](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and honor Allegheny General Hospital, its Auxiliary organization, the Northside Leadership Conference, and our students and teachers, for their commitment to educating local youth and making their lives safer through the **Stranger Awareness** Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the month of May 2018, to be “**Stranger Awareness Month**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

[2018-0457](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Charles “Chuck” Senft; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Saturday, May 5, 2018, to be “***Chuck Senft Day***” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MR. COGHILL AND ALL MEMBERS

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

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

[2018-0458](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Andrea James for her commitment and dedication to her community, for her advocacy for health and education for women and girls, for her work ethic and unmatched volunteer service and congratulates **Andrea James** for receiving the Nabhi Christian Ministries “**Community SHERO**” Award.

SPONSOR /S: MR. O'CONNOR AND ALL MEMBERS

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

[2018-0459](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Gary J. Niels for his strong leadership, commitment to quality education, and impact on the community during his time as Head of School for Winchester Thurston School; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare May 11, 2018 to be “**Gary Niels Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. STRASSBURGER AND ALL MEMBERS

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS:

[2018-0444](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Kittelson LLC, 1008 Woodcreek Drive, College Station, TX 77845 in an amount not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Ninety-One Dollars and Seventeen Cents (\$15,091.17) for professional services in connection with a lawsuit filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas.
(Executive Session Requested)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2018-0445](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Gleason & Associates PC, P.O. Box 644816, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-4816 in an amount not to exceed Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Two Dollars and No Cents (\$8,902.00) for professional services in connection with a lawsuit filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas.
(Executive Session Requested)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2018-0446](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Paul M. Paris, MD, FACEP, 2300 McKee Place, Suite 500, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 in an amount not to exceed One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$1,500.00) for professional services in connection with a lawsuit filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas.
(Executive Session Requested)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2018-0447](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Pittsburgh Collision & Reconstruction Services LLC, 10 Grandview Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15214 in an amount not to exceed Five Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-One Dollars and Eighty-Four Cents (\$5,621.84) for professional services in connection with a lawsuit filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas.
(Executive Session Requested)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:

[2018-0448](#) Resolution approving an updated 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 UPMC Mercy “Institutional Master Plan” dated April 9, 2018 on property zoned EMI, Educational/Medical Institution District, 1st Ward, Council District 6.

Read and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS:

[2018-0449](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Department of Public Safety to enter into an Agreement with the Urban Redevelopment Authority for the use of vacant lot property located at 812 Penn Circle North (83-P-60) for the 2018 Farmers’ Market season.

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2018-0450](#) Resolution granting Edward Lai, owner of Bae Bae’s Kitchen LLC, 951 Liberty Ave Unit 1B Pittsburgh, PA 15222 an encroachment authorizing construction, maintenance, and use of a public seating area (also known as a Spark) on the right-of-way of Liberty Avenue in the 2nd Ward, 6th City Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2018-0451](#) Resolution granting Diana Ngo, Brooks Criswell, Elyse Hoffman, co-owners of Onion Maiden LLC, 639 East Warrington Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15210 an encroachment authorizing construction, maintenance, and use of a public seating area (also known as a Spark) on the right-of-way of Warrington Avenue in the 18th Ward, 3rd City Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2018-0452](#) Resolution granting unto 2601 Smallman Associates, LLC, 1251 Waterfront Place, Suite 510, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, their successors and assigns, an encroachment to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, landscaping areas, stairs and handicap ramp in the 2nd Ward, 7th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2018-0453](#) Resolution vacating Sandusky Court from Henderson Street to its terminus in the 25th Ward, 1st Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

[2018-0454](#) Communication from Michael Lamb, City Controller, submitting the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the year ended December 31, 2017.

A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[2018-0386](#) Resolution appointing Richard C. Snipe to serve as a member of the Historic Review Commission for a term to expire April 30, 2021.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

[2018-0439](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for May 2, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.

[2018-0358](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in the total sum of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00) by way of two (2) separate checks, each payable in the amount of \$62,500 to: Desiree Williamson, as Administratrix of the Estate of Henry Walker, deceased, and her attorneys Swensen & Perer and to: Desiree Williamson, as Administratrix of the Estate of Christine Williamson Walker and her attorneys Swensen & Perer, One Oxford Centre, Suite 2501, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219, fully releasing the City from all claims and liability for alleged personal injuries as described in a lawsuit filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 16-002201.

(Executive Session Held 5/1/18)

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

[2018-0399](#) Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh Side Yard Program. ITEMS A through F: A: 5132 Dearborn, B: 5121 Lytle, C: 0 Suburban, D: 735 Wills, ~~E: 1035 Salter~~, F: 0 Lucina

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

[2018-0411](#) Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution 855 of 2011 entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2012 Capital Budget and the 2012 Community Development Block Grant Program” so as to transfer \$10,000 from Lawrenceville Corporation to Lawrenceville United within District 7 Neighborhood Needs.

SPONSOR /S: MS. GROSS

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

[2018-0412](#) Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution number 479 of 2013, as amended 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 the City Council Neighborhood Needs Program in Council District 7; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof” so as to transfer \$10,000 from Lawrenceville Corporation to Lawrenceville United.

SPONSOR /S: MS. GROSS

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

[2018-0413](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title One, Administrative; Article IX, Boards, Commissions and Authorities; Chapter 177A, Equal Opportunity Review Commission; Section 177A.01, Purpose, Authority and Definitions; Section 177A.05, Proposal Requirements; Section 177A.06, Proposal Review Process; and adding a new Section, Section 177A.06A, Waivers.
SPONSOR /S: MR. LAVELLE

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

[2018-0440](#) Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for May 2, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.

[2018-0409](#) An Ordinance amending and supplementing the City of Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title Six: Conduct, Article III: Dogs, Cats and Other Animals, Chapter 633: Dogs and Cats, Section 633.22: 633.22: Off-Leash Exercise Areas by incorporating clarifying language and removing outdated verbiage.
SPONSOR /S: MR. O'CONNOR

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

[2018-0441](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for May 2, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.

[2018-0381](#) Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts, an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, providing for the preliminary design and final design, services during construction, and miscellaneous services for traffic signal installation of the South Side Signals Project; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed \$390,213.38.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

[2018-0384](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works and the Director of the Department of Finance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to grant to The Peoples Natural Gas Company, LLC, a Pennsylvania Corporation located at 375 North Shore Drive, Suite 600, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15212, an easement for a gas pipeline located in Highland Park that services the Highland Park Pool and Maintenance Building.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

[2018-0405](#) Resolution amending Resolution 590 of 2016, entitled “Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of materials, equipment, supplies and professional services in connection with the Liberty Avenue SINC UP, and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed \$929,306.00” to add additional local funding to the current scope of work.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

[2018-0406](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure of the City of Pittsburgh to apply for grant funding from the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County (RAAC) through the Gaming Economic Development Fund to implement a Landslide Disaster Prevention and Mitigation Program. In the event the grant is awarded, this resolution provides for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$500,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

**COUNCILWOMAN DARLENE M. HARRIS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON
HUMAN RESOURCES**

[2018-0442](#) Report of the Committee on Human Resources for May 2, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.

[2018-0403](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Human Resources and Civil Service to enter into an Agreement with Integrated Health 21, LLC for services relating to the administration and management of a wellness portal for the City of Pittsburgh's employees, for a sum not to exceed Four Hundred Eighty Four Thousand, Seven Hundred Forty Dollars (\$484,740.00) over three (3) years and for the payment of the costs thereof.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

[2018-0404](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 523 of 2015, providing that the City of Pittsburgh enter into a Professional Services Agreement and/or Contract with Ceridian HCM, Inc. for the purpose of on-going time entry and data access services and related support services and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, by extending contract end date to December 31, 2019 and increasing total cost from \$376,500.00 to \$596,559.00.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

**COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON
LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

[2018-0443](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for May 2, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.

[2018-0401](#) Resolution amending Resolution 814, effective December 28, 2017, Resolution providing for the filing of a Community Development statement by the City of Pittsburgh with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for a grant in connection with the 2016 Community Development Block Grant Program; providing for the execution of grant contracts and for the filing of other data providing for required assurances; providing for execution of payment vouchers on letter of credit and for certification of authorized signature; the deposit of the funds in a bank account and providing for the payment of expenses within categories, so as to reprogram funds within Mayor's Office from "DePaul School for Hearing and Speech" (-\$2,500.00) and transfer these funds to" Stand Up Now Network/Project Love Coalition" (+\$2,500.00)

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

[2018-0402](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 106, effective March 6, 2017 providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment; and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities; and for administrative/operational costs, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities of various departmental programs/projects for the benefit of the residents of the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed \$500,000.00; so as to transfer funds within the Mayor's Office from "DePaul School for Hearing and Speech" (-\$2,500.00) and transfer these funds to" Stand Up Now Network/Project Love Coalition" (+\$2,500.00)

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kraus

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS - MR. KRAUS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER