

# **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, December 11, 2007**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council**

**ONE-HUNDRED  
THIRTY-FOURTH COUNCIL**

**Douglas Shields, President**

**Council Members: Len Bodack, Dan Deasy, Darlene M. Harris, Jeffrey S. Koch, Jim Motznik,  
Tonya D. Payne, William Peduto**

**Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk**

**Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk**

## ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motzник, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2007-2015](#) NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, December 11, 2007 “South Pittsburgh Development Corporation Day” in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): JIM MOTZNIK AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2007-2016](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh embraces the concept of a Single Payer Improved Medicare for All system and encourages all residents to participate in a National Healthcare Day sponsored by the W. PA Coalition for Single Payer Healthcare and State Senator Jim Ferlo on Friday, December 14, 2007, from 11-4 in the lobby of the City County Building; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare December 14, 2007, to be NATIONAL HEALTHCARE 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. [2007-2017](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh declare Saturday, December 22, 2007 as “Campbell Family Celebration Day” in honor of Paps and Mame Campbell whom loved their family, tradition, and the season of Christmas.

**SPONSOR(S): LEN BODACK AND DAN DEASY**

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

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

## PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

### MR. SHIELDS PRESENTS THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION

Bill No. [2007-2010](#) Resolution accepting the dedication of certain streets in Revision No. 1 to Liberty Park Phase I Plan of Lots in the 11th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh for public highway and utility purposes, accepting the grading, paving, lighting, curbing and traffic signals, and fixing the width and position of the roadway and sidewalk thereof. (Council District 9).

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

**MR. DEASY, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING, PRESENTS**

Bill No. Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two, Fiscal, Article VII, Business  
[2007-2005](#) Related Taxes, Chapter 245, Earned Income Tax, by fixing the rate of interest on certain delinquent Earned Income Tax for [2007] 2008.

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

Bill No. Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two, Fiscal, Article VII, Business  
[2007-2006](#) Related Taxes, Chapter 246, Home Rule Tax, by fixing the rate of interest on certain delinquent Earned Income and Home Rule Taxes for [2007] 2008.

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

Bill No. Resolution Amending Resolution No. 480, effective August 21, 2007 entitled:  
[2007-2011](#) 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 the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh; and further, authorizing various City Departments to enter into contract or contracts or use existing contract or contracts for street paving, the purchase of equipment and/or furniture and other related costs at a costs not to exceed 800,000.00, so as to reprogram funds in City Council from "District 2-Equipment" (-3,000) and transfer these funds to: "Sheraden United Methodist Church (SUM) for Success" (+3,000).

**SPONSOR(S): DAN DEASY**

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

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No.636 , effective December 3, 2007 entitled: by  
[2007-2012](#) 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 2007 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 in City Council from "District 2-Equipment" (-3,000) and transfer these funds to: Sheraden United Methodist Church (SUM) for Success" (+3,000).

**SPONSOR(S): DAN DEASY**

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

Bill No. Resolution transferring the amount of \$16,000.00 from Account 511000, Sub-Class  
[2007-2013](#) 010 Salaries, Fund 1000, Organization 101200, Budget Year 2004 to Account 526125, Sub-Class 150 Miscellaneous Services, Fund 1000, Organization 101200, Budget Year 2007, both within the Office of the City Clerk.

**SPONSOR(S): DAN DEASY**

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the City Clerk to enter into a professional services contract(s),  
[2007-2014](#) or use of existing professional services contract(s) with a consultant or consultants to provide professional services to Pittsburgh City Council for the purpose of including, but not limited to financial advisory, legal, writing, research, stenography, Legistar or other services, in an amount not to exceed \$39,900.00.

**SPONSOR(S): DAN DEASY**

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

**MRS. HARRIS, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING, FLEET AND FORESTRY, PRESENTS**

Bill No. Resolution transferring the amount of \$2,000.00 from Account 511000, Sub-Class 010  
[2007-2007](#) Salaries, Fund 1000, Organization 101100, Budget Year 2007, City Council, to Account 526125, Sub-Class 150 Miscellaneous Services, Fund 1000, Organization 101210, Budget Year 2007, City Clerk's Office. (Council District #1)

**SPONSOR(S): DARLENE HARRIS**

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts,  
[2007-2008](#) providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, allowing for tree removal, tree pruning and maintenance, and tree planting in CDBG eligible areas throughout the City of Pittsburgh, and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00.

**Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee**

**MS. PAYNE, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE, PRESENTS**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh to submit a Tree Vitalize  
[2007-2009](#) grant application to and execute relevant agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Also allowing the Mayor to execute relevant agreements with pertinent governmental units, pertinent non-profit entities, and contractors for the disbursement of Tree Vitalize funds under the terms of the Tree Vitalize Agreement.

**Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION**

**MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance, Law and Purchasing for December 5, 2007 with  
[2007-2001](#) an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of the Richard S. Caliguiri  
[2007-1957](#) Amyloidosis Foundation in an amount not to exceed eleven thousand and three dollars, in connection with the 2007 Great Race in the Department of Parks and Recreation, without previous authority of law; and providing for the payment thereof. Cost not to exceed eleven thousand and three dollars (\$11,003.00).

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for December  
[2007-2002](#) 5, 2007 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. Resolution granting unto Folino's Ristorante, 1715-1721 E. Carson Street, Pittsburgh,  
[2007-1858](#) PA 15203, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, decorative steel fencing on the sidewalk area of 1717-1721 E. Carson Street in the 17th Ward, 3rd Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 5 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch and Ms. Payne

Noes: 2 - Mr. Motznik and Mr. Peduto

Abstentions: 1 - Mr. Shields

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for  
[2007-1958](#) the purchase of one (1) Street Sweeper, and one (1) Street Flusher, for the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Operations, and provide for the payment thereof, and/or transfer of funding to the Equipment Leasing Authority, at a cost not to exceed \$320,000.00.

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

Bill No. Resolution granting unto Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, 3705 Fifth Avenue,  
[2007-1959](#) Pittsburgh, PA 15213, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, a pedestrian protective railing along the 3400 block of Fifth Avenue in the 4th Ward, 6th & 8th Council Districts of the City of Pittsburgh.

**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, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0

## MRS. HARRIS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING, FLEET AND FORESTRY

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Engineering, Fleet and Forestry for December 5, 2007  
[2007-2003](#) with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a grant agreement with the  
[2007-1960](#) Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to receive monies to construct the Route 28/Three Rivers Heritage Trail 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 \$ 1,000,000.

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a grant agreement with the Pittsburgh  
[2007-1961](#) Downtown Partnership to receive monies to secure technical support for managing and upgrading the city's Computerized Traffic Response and Traffic Control System (CTRCS) 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 \$ 33,000.00.

**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, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0

## MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Land Use for December 5, 2007  
[2007-2004](#) with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the assignment to Lamar Outdoor Advertising Company of the  
[2007-1963](#) License Agreement, dated June 1, 2001, between the City of Pittsburgh and Adshel, Inc.

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.**