

City of Pittsburgh



City Council

Regular Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, May 2, 2006

10:00 AM

ROLL CALL**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****PROCLAMATIONS****PUBLIC COMMENTS****PRESENTATION OF PAPERS****MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

Bill No. Resolution vacating a portion of Preble Avenue in the 27th Ward, 1st Council District, of the City of Pittsburgh.
[2006-0356](#)

Legislative History

5/2/06

City Council

Read and referred

MR. SHIELDS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & BUDGET

Bill No.

Bill No. RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE INCURRING OF
[2006-0353](#) NON-ELECTORAL DEBT THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF THREE SERIES OF
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY OF PITTSBURGH,
PENNSYLVANIA (THE "LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT") IN THE AGGREGATE
PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED FORTY-ONE MILLION NINE
HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$241,975,000).FOR THE
PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO REFUND CERTAIN OF THE LOCAL
GOVERNMENT UNIT'S OUTSTANDING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, TO
FUND THE ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, EQUIPPING AND FURNISHING OF
LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT FACILITIES OR ALTERATIONS, ADDITIONS
AND RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO EXISTING LOCAL
GOVERNMENT UNIT FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE LOCAL
GOVERNMENT UNIT, AND TO PAY THE COST OF ISSUING AND INSURING
THE BONDS, OR ANY OR ALL OF THE SAME; STATING THE PURPOSE OF
THE REFUNDING; STATING THAT REALISTIC COST ESTIMATES HAVE
BEEN MADE FOR THE PROJECT, AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF OTHER
CAPITAL PROJECTS UPON APPROPRIATE AMENDMENT HERETO AND
STATING THE ESTIMATED PROJECT COMPLETION DATE; STATING THE
REALISTIC ESTIMATED USEFUL LIFE OF THE PROJECT FOR WHICH SAID
BONDS ARE ISSUED; DESCRIBING CERTAIN PRIOR PROJECTS AND
RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING THE ORIGINALLY ESTIMATED REALISTIC
USEFUL LIFE THEREOF AND STATING THE REMAINING USEFUL LIFE
THEREOF; DIRECTING THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL
GOVERNMENT UNIT TO PREPARE, CERTIFY AND FILE THE REQUIRED
DEBT STATEMENT AND BORROWING BASE CERTIFICATE; COVENANTING

THAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT SHALL INCLUDE THE AMOUNT OF ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE IN ITS BUDGET FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR; PROVIDING FOR FULLY REGISTERED BONDS, DATE OF THE BONDS, INTEREST PAYMENT DATES, PROVISIONS FOR REDEMPTION AND STATED PRINCIPAL MATURITY AMOUNTS AND FIXING THE RATES OF INTEREST ON SUCH BONDS AND PROVIDING FOR BOOK-ENTRY ONLY BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT TO CONTRACT WITH A BANK OR BANK AND TRUST COMPANY FOR ITS SERVICES AS SINKING FUND DEPOSITORY, PAYING AGENT AND REGISTRAR AND STATING A COVENANT AS TO PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST WITHOUT DEDUCTION FOR CERTAIN TAXES; PROVIDING FOR THE REGISTRATION, TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE OF BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE EXECUTION, DELIVERY AND AUTHENTICATION OF BONDS AND THE DISPOSITION OF THE PROCEEDS THEREOF; APPROVING THE FORM OF THE BONDS, PAYING AGENT'S AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE AND ASSIGNMENT AND PROVIDING FOR CUSIP NUMBERS TO BE PRINTED ON THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR TEMPORARY BONDS; AWARDING SUCH BONDS AT NEGOTIATED SALE AND STATING THAT SUCH SALE IS IN THE BEST FINANCIAL INTEREST OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT; CREATING A SINKING FUND AND APPROPRIATING ANNUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE PAYMENT OF DEBT SERVICE ON THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT TO CERTIFY AND TO FILE WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CERTIFIED COPIES OF THE NECESSARY PROCEEDINGS; COVENANTING THAT THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS SHALL NOT BE USED IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO CAUSE CERTAIN SERIES OF BONDS TO BE ARBITRAGE BONDS UNDER FEDERAL TAX LAW PROVISIONS, APPROVING THE CONTENT AND FORM OF A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRIBUTION THEREOF AND AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND THE UNDERTAKING OF CERTAIN CONTINUING DISCLOSURE; APPROVING THE FORM OF, AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ONE OR MORE ESCROW AGREEMENTS AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT'S OUTSTANDING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, AS DESCRIBED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE RESOLUTION; APPOINTING CERTAIN PROFESSIONS; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT TO PAY ISSUANCE COSTS; REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT RESOLUTIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS; AND STATING THE EFFECTIVE DATE.

Legislative History

5/2/06

City Council

Read and referred

Bill No. Resolution providing for the issuance of a \$3,145.85 warrant in favor of Katherine M. Secrest, 1413 Morningside Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15206, in settlement of a claim for vehicle damage due to a PWSA truck, leased from the City of Pittsburgh Equipment Leasing Authority on March 1, 2006.

[2006-0354](#)

Legislative History

5/2/06 City Council Read and referred

Bill No. Resolution providing for the issuance of a \$3,000.00 warrant in favor of Eileen & Paul Schmidt, c/o Brian C. Fawber, Esquire, Schiffman & Wojdowski, 1300 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, in settlement of a lawsuit in which Plaintiff's wife was injured on November 29, 2001.

[2006-0355](#)

Legislative History

5/2/06 City Council Read and referred

MR. RAVENSTAHL, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HEARINGS

Bill No. Communication from Acting Controller Tony Pokora submitting the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) as of December 31, 2005.

[2006-0357](#)

Legislative History

5/2/06 City Council Read, Received and Filed

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Appointment of Paul Leger as the Director of the Department of Finance, pending Council's confirmaiton.

[2006-0332](#)

Legislative History

4/25/06	City Council	Held, Pending Interview	
4/26/06	Hearings Committee	Interview Held	Passed
5/2/06	City Council	Approved	Passed

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

MR. SHIELDS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & BUDGET

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance and Budget for April 26, 2006.

[2006-0348](#)

Legislative History

5/2/06 City Council Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Amending the Rules of Council, RULE IX and X, by making various changes to the Standing Committees of Council,

[2006-0342](#)

SPONSOR(S): LUKE RAVENSTAHL

Legislative History

4/25/06	City Council	Waived under Rule 8	Passed
4/25/06	City Council	Read and referred	
4/26/06	Finance & Budget Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed

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	5/2/06	City Council	AMENDED	Passed
	5/2/06	City Council	Passed Finally, As Amended	Passed

MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for April 26, 2006.
[2006-0349](#)

Legislative History

5/2/06	City Council	Read, Received and Filed
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Bill No. Resolution granting unto Duquesne University, 600 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15282, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, two security cameras adjacent to City steps located between Second Avenue and the Boulevard of the Allies in the 1st Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.
[2006-0317](#)

Legislative History

4/18/06	City Council	Read and referred	
4/26/06	Public Works & Environmental Services Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
5/2/06	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

Bill No. Resolution vacating a 10 Foot Unnamed Way at Pretense Way in the 17th Ward, 3rd Council District, of the City of Pittsburgh.
[2006-0318](#)

Legislative History

4/18/06	City Council	Read and referred	
4/26/06	Public Works & Environmental Services Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
5/2/06	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

Bill No. Resolution urging the Port Authority of Allegheny County to conduct a traffic study on the effectiveness of the HOV restrictions at the Wabash Tunnel, and to report back to City Council on the findings.
[2006-0320](#)

SPONSOR(S): JIM MOTZNIK

Legislative History

4/18/06	City Council	Read and referred	
4/26/06	Public Works & Environmental Services Committee	AMENDED	Passed
4/26/06	Public Works & Environmental Services Committee	Affirmatively Recommended as Amended	Passed
5/2/06	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for April 26, 2006.

[2006-0350](#)

Legislative History

5/2/06 City Council Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Resolution directing the Mayor and the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to convene working meetings with major Downtown stakeholder groups to examine future development incentives and tax abatement programs as a means to spur economic development for residential and office commercial office space and hotel opportunities downtown to create the new Pittsburgh "Shared Tax Abatement for Neighborhood Development" (STAND) District for Downtown; and further directing that recommendations be submitted in ordinance form as a critical part of the Mayor's vision for a new downtown development plan.

[2006-0321](#)

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO

Legislative History

4/18/06	City Council	Read and referred	
4/26/06	Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
5/2/06	City Council	AMENDED	Passed
5/2/06	City Council	Passed Finally, As Amended	Passed

MR. PEDUTO PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES, TECHNOLOGY & THE ARTS

Bill No. Report of the Committee on General Services, Technology and the Arts for April 26, 2006.

[2006-0351](#)

Legislative History

5/2/06 City Council Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements by and between the City of Pittsburgh ("City") and the Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership, a not-for-profit corporation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ("Partnership"), for the purpose of supporting the Partnership's effort to construct and operate a wireless communications network in the City's central business district.

[2006-0300](#)

Legislative History

4/11/06	City Council	Waived under Rule 8	Passed
4/11/06	City Council	Read and referred	
4/12/06	General Services, Technology & the Arts	Held for Public Hearing	Passed
4/20/06	Hearings Committee	Public Hearing Scheduled	Passed
4/24/06	Hearings Committee	Public Hearing Held	Passed
4/26/06	General Services, Technology & the Arts	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
5/2/06	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

**MR. MOTZNIK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PARKS, RECREATION & YOUTH
POLICY**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Parks, Recreation and Youth Policy for April 26, 2006.

2006-0352**Legislative History**

5/2/06 City Council Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into a license agreement with Union Real Estate Company of Pittsburgh for the use of property behind Carrick Shopping Center for the 2006 Farmers' Market.

2006-0319**Legislative History**

4/18/06	City Council	Read and referred	
4/26/06	Parks, Recreation & Youth Policy Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
5/2/06	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS****APPROVAL OF MINUTES****ADJOURNMENT**