

# **City of Pittsburgh**

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



## **MEETING MINUTES**

*Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh*

**Friday, September 7, 2007**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council**

**ONE-HUNDRED  
THIRTY-FOURTH COUNCIL**

**Douglas Shields, President**

**Council Members: Len Bodack, Twanda Carlisle,**

**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. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Absent: 1 - Ms. Carlisle

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2007-1734](#) WHEREAS, on September 7th, 2007, Gateway to the Arts will commemorate its 50th Anniversary with a celebration event, Tap into Art; and

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2007-1735](#) WHEREAS, this year heralds the 20th anniversary of the founding of Shepherd Wellness Community, the only AIDS Community Center in Western Pennsylvania; and

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2007-1736](#) WHEREAS, Family House is an affordable home away from home for patients and families who travel to Pittsburgh for the evaluation and treatment of serious or life threatening illnesses; and,

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2007-1737](#) WHEREAS, Thomas E. Starzl, M.D., Ph.D is being honored at the American Liver Foundation Western Pennsylvania Chapter Inaugural Tribute to Excellence event held on Thursday, August 23, 2007 at the Longue Vue Club in Verona, PA; and,

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS**

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

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

## PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

### MR. BODACK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

Bill No. [2007-1726](#) Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for the purchase of fire hose and SCBA parts and related accessories for the Fire Bureau at a cost not to exceed One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) and providing for the payment thereof.

**Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee**

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for  
[2007-1727](#) the purchase of fire hose and SCBA parts for the Fire Bureau at a cost not to exceed  
Two Hundred Thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) and providing for the payment thereof.  
**Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee**

## **MS. CARLISLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban  
[2007-1721](#) Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh, the County of Allegheny and the School  
District of Pittsburgh providing for the financing, monitoring, implementation and  
termination of the Bakery Square Tax Increment Financing District. (Council District  
9).  
**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No. Resolution adopting the Bakery Square Tax Increment Financing Plan presented by the  
[2007-1722](#) Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh, and making certain findings. (Council  
District 9).  
**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No. Resolution revising the boundaries of the Center Triangle TIF District. (Council  
[2007-1723](#) District 6).  
**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No. Resolution revising the boundaries of the North Shore Tax Increment Financing  
[2007-1724](#) District. (Council District 1).  
**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No. Resolution revising the boundaries of the Station Square TIF District. (Council  
[2007-1725](#) District 2).  
**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No. Resolution Amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1,  
[2007-1730](#) 2000, as amended, entitled: "Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital Budget and the  
2000 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2000  
through 2005 Capital Improvement Program, by adjusting various line items in  
conformance with City Council's 2000 Capital Budget amendments." By adding  
\$88,287.47 to "District 3 Public Works Initiatives" and \$2,212.53 to "Wattage  
Upgrade at Brownsville and Warrington", and by adjusting amounts in various other  
projects in Council District 3.  
**SPONSOR(S): JEFFREY S. KOCH**

**A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion  
carried.**

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

Bill No. [2007-1731](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 538, effective September 27, 2005 entitled "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements, with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh and further, authorizing various departments to enter into contract or contracts or use existing contract or contracts for the purchase of equipment and/or furniture at a cost not to exceed \$1,492,500.00", so as to reprogram funds in City Council from "Urban League" (-1,000) to "Better Block Development" (+1,000)  
**SPONSOR(S): TWANDA CARLISLE**

**A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion carried.**

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

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

Bill No. [2007-1715](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a \$6,393.53 warrant in favor of Lease Plan Risk Services as Representatives for Philip Morris, Inc. 5350 Keystone Court, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008, in settlement of a claim for a damaged vehicle due to a City GS vehicle on December 21, 2006.

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

Bill No. [2007-1716](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a \$3,000.00 warrant in favor of Global Promo Group, c/o Liberty Mutual, P.O. Box 6057, Indianapolis, IN 46206-6057, in settlement of a claim for a damaged trailer due to an incorrectly marked clearance of a bridge on November 2, 2006.

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

Bill No. [2007-1717](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Commission on Human Relations to enter into an agreement or agreements for the hiring of legal counsel to provide representation to complainants in fair housing cases who have elected to proceed through the court of common pleas or require legal representation at public hearings before the commission. Total cost not to exceed \$25,000.00.

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

Bill No. [2007-1729](#) Resolution Further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 180, effective April 5, 2000, entitled "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 Neighborhood Needs Program in Council District 3", by adding \$88,287.47 to "District 3 Public Works Initiatives" and \$2,212.53 to "Wattage Upgrade at Brownsville and Warrington", and by adjusting various other projects. Total cost is not to exceed \$1,000,000.

**SPONSOR(S): JEFFREY S. KOCH**

**A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion carried.**

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee****MR. KOCH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 810, approved January 10, 2007 effective  
[2007-1718](#) December 231, 2006 entitled "Granting unto University of Pittsburgh 3400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15260 their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, utilities at the right-of-ways of Aliquippa, Darragh and Terrace Streets in the 4th & 5th Ward, 6th & 8th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

**Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee**

Bill No. Resolution providing for the first amendment to an agreement effective as of October  
[2007-1728](#) 1, 1970 by and among City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County Sanitary Authority and Indiana Township and the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority. (PRESENTED BY MR. MOTZNIK)

**A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion carried.**

**Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee****MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE**

Bill No. Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Zoning Code, Title Nine, Article One, Chapter  
[2007-1720](#) 902 Section 902.03, Zoning District Map Nos. 2 and 6 by changing various zoning district classifications in the Esplen neighborhood in accord with Map Pittsburgh: Zoning for your Neighborhood, the city's zoning re-mapping project relative to the city's new Urban Zoning Code.

**Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee****MR. PEDUTO PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FACILITIES, TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS**

Bill No. Resolution providing for an Agreement(s) and Contract(s) with the Minority  
[2007-1719](#) Education Labor Agency to provide pre-apprentice training in the construction trades to individuals from under represented ethnic groups to assist in improving entry level positions in the labor unions. The cost thereof is not to exceed \$50,000.00.

**Read and referred to Facilities, Technology and the Arts Committee****MR. SHIELDS, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HEARINGS**

Bill No. Communication from City Clerk Linda M. Johnson-Wasler submitting the Travel  
[2007-1732](#) Report for the third quarter of 2006.

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

Bill No. Communication from City Clerk Linda M. Johnson-Wasler submitting the Travel

2007-1733

Report for the fourth quarter of 2006.

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

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*Councilman William Peduto requested a CABLECAST POST AGENDA to discuss the City of Pittsburgh's Pension Plan as a result of recent financial losses in its portfolio and the Administration's plans to solicit professional management firms for a new contract.*

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION**

*None*

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

## **EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBER**

**A motion was made to excuse the absent member(s)Ms. Carlisle. The motion carried.**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.**