

City of Pittsburgh



City Council

Regular Meeting Agenda

Monday, November 5, 2007

10:00 AM

**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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****PROCLAMATIONS****PUBLIC COMMENTS****PRESENTATION OF PAPERS****MR. BODACK, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES, PRESENTS**

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for the purchase of protective clothing and equipment for the Fire Bureau at a cost not to exceed One Hundred Thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) and providing for the payment thereof.

[2007-1906](#)

Legislative History

11/5/07 City Council Read and referred

MS. CARLISLE, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION, PRESENTS

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 479, effective August 21, 2007 entitled: by 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 "Change the name of a project in the Public Safety Department.

[2007-1904](#)

Legislative History

11/5/07 City Council Read and referred

Bill No. Resolution approving Execution of a Contract For Disposition of Land By and Between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and Trammel Crow Investments Inc., for the sale of Parcel E1b (Block 29-J, Lot 200) and the lease of Parcel E1f (Block 29-N, Lot 316) in the Sixteenth Ward of the City of Pittsburgh in Redevelopment Area No. 55, Hot Metal and Sidney Streets, Council District No. 3 (construction of office building and parking lot).

[2007-1905](#)

Legislative History

11/5/07 City Council Read and referred

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

Bill No. Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two, Fiscal; Article IX, Property Taxes; Chapter 267, Exemptions for Industrial and Commercial Improvements; Section 267.01, Definitions; paragraph (k), Qualified Conversion to Commercial Residential

[2007-1897](#)

Use, paragraph (o), Downtown District, and paragraph (u), Qualified Conversion to Residential Use; and Section 267.03, Exemption Schedule, paragraph (c), subparagraph (3); and Section 267.04, Exemption Conditions, paragraph (e), so as to eliminate the fifty (50) percent threshold requirement for conversions, to clarify the location of properties included within the Downtown District, and to eliminate the ownership restriction for qualified conversions to residential use.

Legislative History

11/5/07 City Council Read and referred

Bill No.

2007-1898

Ordinance amending and Supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two, Fiscal; Article IX, Property Taxes; Chapter 265, Exemptions for Residential Improvements; Section 265.01, Definitions; paragraph (a), Board, and paragraph (v), Downtown District; and Section 265.06, Procedures for Obtaining Exemption, so as to clarify the identify of the agency responsible for administration of exemption applications and the location of properties included within the Downtown District, to provide for a filing period of one hundred-eighty (180) days, and also to add a prohibition pertaining to tax delinquency.

Legislative History

11/5/07 City Council Read and referred

Bill No.

2007-1899

Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, a grant from the Department of Justice in the amount of \$200,000, and authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with qualified drug treatment programs for drug treatment services, with qualified non-profit agencies for project coordination services, with qualified organizations for community surveying, social, educational, recreational, youth development, and other related services including transfer of salaries and fringe benefits, supply purchases, equipment purchases, travel reimbursement, and other expenses in connection with the City's Operation Weed and Seed Program in the Lawrenceville neighborhood.

Legislative History

11/5/07 City Council Read and referred

Bill No.

2007-1900

Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, a grant from the Department of Justice in the amount of \$175,000, and authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with qualified drug treatment programs for drug treatment services, with qualified non-profit agencies for project coordination services, with qualified organizations for community surveying, social, educational, recreational, youth development, and other related services including transfer of salaries and fringe benefits, supply purchases, equipment purchases, travel reimbursement, and other expenses in connection with the City's Operation Weed and Seed Program in the neighborhoods of Chartiers City, Crafton Heights, Elliott, Esplen, Fairywood, Sheraden, West End, and Windgap.

Legislative History

11/5/07 City Council Read and referred

Bill No.

2007-1901

Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, a grant from the Department of Justice in the amount of \$200,000, and authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with qualified drug treatment programs for drug treatment services, with qualified non-profit agencies for

project coordination services, with qualified organizations for community surveying, social, educational, recreational, youth development, and other related services including transfer of salaries and fringe benefits, supply purchases, equipment purchases, travel reimbursement, and other expenses in connection with the City's Operation Weed and Seed Program in the neighborhoods of East Liberty, Garfield, and Larimer.

Legislative History

11/5/07

City Council

Read and referred

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

Bill No. Resolution further amending Resolution No. 833, effective January 1, 2002, as amended, entitled "Adopting and approving the 2002 Capital Budget and the 2002 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2002 through 2007 Capital Improvement Program," by decreasing the "Inspection Services" line item in the amount of \$88,051.65, from \$200,000.00 to \$111,948.35 and increasing the "Wall, Step & Fence" line item in the amount of \$88,051.65, from \$700,000.00 to \$788,051.65.

[2007-1884](#)

Legislative History

11/5/07 City Council Read and referred

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, and providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of equipment, materials and supplies in connection with the on-going maintenance, rehabilitation and new construction of City-owned walls, steps and fences; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$88,051.65.

[2007-1885](#)

Legislative History

11/5/07 City Council Read and referred

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts or for the use of existing Contracts, providing for the purchase of materials and supplies in connection with the construction of a Concession Stand at Ammon (Josh Gibson) Field, and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Cost not to exceed \$50,000.00.

[2007-1903](#)

Legislative History

11/5/07 City Council Read and referred

MR. KOCH, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, PRESENTS

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts for the purchase of one (1) Wood Chipper, for the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Operations, Forestry Division, and provide for the payment thereof, and/or transfer of funding to the Equipment Leasing Authority, at a cost not to exceed \$32,000.00.

[2007-1902](#)

Legislative History

11/5/07 City Council Read and referred

MR. SHIELDS, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON HEARINGS, PRESENTS

Bill No. Petition from the residents of the City of Pittsburgh requesting a public hearing on the matters of granting encroachments for restaurants and other businesses in the East Carson Street business district.

[2007-1907](#)

Legislative History

11/5/07 City Council Waived under Rule 8 Passed
11/5/07 City Council Read and referred

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Bill No. [2007-1893](#) Report of the Committee on Finance, Law & Purchasing for October 31, 2007, with a NEGATIVE RECOMMENDATION.

Legislative History

11/5/07	City Council	Read, Received and Filed	Passed
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Bill No. [2007-1575](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title One: Administrative, Article III: Organization, Chapter 111: Departments: Generally, Section 111.01, Establishment; Rules And Regulations; Organization and Control, and Section 111.02: Deputy Directors; Designation; Powers And Duties; Revocation, by making various changes as it relates to "Acting Directors."

SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS

Legislative History

6/26/07	City Council	Read and referred	
7/2/07	Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee	Held in Committee	Passed
7/18/07	Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee	Held in Committee	Passed
7/25/07	Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee	Held in Committee	Passed
9/12/07	Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee	Held in Committee	Passed
10/24/07	Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee	Held in Committee	Passed
10/31/07	Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee	AMENDED	Passed
10/31/07	Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee	Negatively Recommended	
11/5/07	City Council	Passed Finally	Failed

Bill No. [2007-1894](#) Report of the Committee on Finance, Law & Purchasing for October 31, 2007, with an AFFIRMATIVE RECOMMENDATION.

Legislative History

11/5/07	City Council	Read, Received and Filed	Passed
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Bill No. [2007-1845](#) Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to issue a Request for Proposals for the purpose of conducting a Gender Race Wage Disparity Study of the city's workforce.

SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND WILLIAM PEDUTO

Legislative History

10/16/07	City Council	Read and referred	Passed
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10/24/07	Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee	Held in Committee	Passed
10/31/07	Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
11/5/07	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

Bill No.

[2007-1870](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 231, effective April 19, 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 8; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," by adding \$18,000 to Bloomfield Miscellaneous Projects and by adjusting various other projects in Council District 8. Total cost of all projects not to exceed \$1,000,000.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO**Legislative History**

10/23/07	City Council	Read and referred	
10/31/07	Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
11/5/07	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

MR. KOCH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Bill No.

[2007-1895](#)

Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for October 31, 2007.

Legislative History

11/5/07	City Council	Read, Received and Filed	Passed
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Bill No.

[2007-1858](#)

Resolution granting unto Folino's Ristorante, 1715-1721 E. Carson Street, Pittsburgh, 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.

Legislative History

10/23/07	City Council	Read and referred	
10/31/07	Public Works & Environmental Services Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
11/5/07	City Council	RECOMMITTED	Passed

Bill No.

[2007-1859](#)

Resolution vacating a portion of Sassafras Way in the 6th Ward, 7th Council District, of the City of Pittsburgh.

Legislative History

10/23/07	City Council	Read and referred	
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10/31/07	Public Works & Environmental Services Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
11/5/07	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

Bill No. Resolution vacating a portion of 10' Unnamed Way between Republic Street and Seward Street in the 19th Ward, 2nd Council District, of the City of Pittsburgh.

[2007-1860](#)

Legislative History

10/23/07	City Council	Read and referred	
10/31/07	Public Works & Environmental Services Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
11/5/07	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

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

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for October 31, 2007.

[2007-1896](#)

Legislative History

11/5/07	City Council	Read, Received and Filed	Passed
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Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 641, effective October 24, 2006, entitled "Authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an Application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant in the amount of \$4,500,000 for the Children's Home of Pittsburgh project" by increasing the grant to \$5,500,000. (Council District No. 7)

[2007-1861](#)

Legislative History

10/23/07	City Council	Read and referred	
10/31/07	Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
11/5/07	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 632, effective October 24, 2006, entitled "Authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with URA's application for a \$4,500,000 Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant for the Children's Home of Pittsburgh project" by increasing the amount of the grant to \$5,500,000. (Council District No. 7)

[2007-1862](#)

Legislative History

10/23/07	City Council	Read and referred	
10/31/07	Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
11/5/07	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

Bill No. [2007-1863](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an Application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the Jewish Community Center of Greater Pittsburgh project. (Council District No. 5)

Legislative History

10/23/07	City Council	Read and referred	
10/31/07	Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
11/5/07	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

Bill No. [2007-1864](#) Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with URA's application for a \$1,000,000 Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant for the Jewish Community Center of Greater Pittsburgh project. (Council District No. 5)

Legislative History

10/23/07	City Council	Read and referred	
10/31/07	Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
11/5/07	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

Bill No. [2007-1865](#) Resolution providing for the execution of a License and Maintenance Agreement between the City of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation and Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh providing for the installation and maintenance of accent lighting on the Hot Metal Bridge. (Council Districts 3 and 6).

Legislative History

10/23/07	City Council	Read and referred	
10/31/07	Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
11/5/07	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

Bill No. [2007-1871](#) Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 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 \$18,000 to Bloomfield Miscellaneous Projects and by adjusting various other projects in Council District 8.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO

Legislative History

10/23/07	City Council	Read and referred	
10/31/07	Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee	Affirmatively Recommended	Passed
11/5/07	City Council	Passed Finally	Passed

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT