

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, May 1, 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: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No.

[2007-1413](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, does recognize the Young Preservationists Association on its historical marker dedication ceremony for the National Negro Opera House, and commends the Young Preservationists Association for their concentrated efforts to celebrate Pittsburgh's historical site.

SPONSOR(S): TWANDA CARLISLE, DAN DEASY, WILLIAM PEDUTO, TONYA D. PAYNE, LEN BODACK AND DARLENE HARRIS

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

Bill No.

[2007-1414](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in celebration and gratitude for his tireless efforts, the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby wishes to sincerely commend the Reverend Dr. J. Van Alfred Winsett for thirty four years of dedicated service to both his congregation and to the Hill District community in its entirety.

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE, TWANDA CARLISLE, DAN DEASY, DOUGLAS SHIELDS, WILLIAM PEDUTO, LEN BODACK, JIM MOTZNIK, JEFFREY S. KOCH AND DARLENE HARRIS

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

Bill No.

[2007-1415](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh thanks Catholic Charities for its dedication to the community, and congratulates this year's Caritas Award Recipients; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares May 4, 2007, "Catholic Charities Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO, DOUGLAS SHIELDS, LEN BODACK, TWANDA CARLISLE, DAN DEASY, DARLENE HARRIS, JEFFREY S. KOCH, JIM MOTZNIK AND TONYA D. PAYNE

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

Bill No.

[2007-1416](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh salutes the Carnegie Science Center Awards, commends the Carnegie Science Center for continuing to raise the profile of science in our everyday lives, and thanks the Carnegie Science Center Awardees for excellence in innovation.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO, DOUGLAS SHIELDS, LEN BODACK, TWANDA CARLISLE, DARLENE HARRIS, JEFFREY S. KOCH, JIM MOTZNIK AND TONYA D. PAYNE

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

Bill No.

[2007-1417](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh commends and thanks Concerned Citizens Advocating for Youth for its efforts to improve the quality of life for local youth; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares April 24, 2007, "Concerned Citizens Advocating for Youth Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO, DOUGLAS SHIELDS, LEN BODACK, TWANDA CARLISLE, DAN DEASY, DARLENE HARRIS, JEFFREY S. KOCH, JIM MOTZNIK AND TONYA D. PAYNE

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

Bill No.

[2007-1418](#)

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend and congratulate the Italian Sons & Daughters, Brookline Lodge #262, for their thirty-five years of existence.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh proclaims that today, Sunday, April 22nd 2007, shall be hereby declared "Italian Sons & Daughters Brookline Lodge #262 Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): JIM MOTZNIK

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

Bill No.

[2007-1419](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend Pastor Eugene M. Downing, Jr. of the Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church for his work strengthening his congregation and the Lincoln-Larimer community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh declares April 25th thru April 29th 2007 as Pastor Eugene M. Downing, Jr. Days in the City of Pittsburgh and we further recognizes Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church for all their community and City wide involvement.

SPONSOR(S): TWANDA CARLISLE

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

Bill No.

[2007-1420](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend Mr. Carmen P. Rummo for his many contributions and service to the City of Pittsburgh, his students and colleagues in and out of the music community:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby proclaim Sunday May 6th, 2007 as "Carmen P. Rummo Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): JEFFREY S. KOCH, DAN DEASY, WILLIAM PEDUTO, LEN BODACK, DARLENE HARRIS AND JIM MOTZNIK

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

Bill No.

[2007-1421](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby wish to commend and thank all past and present brothers of the OMEGA PSI PHI Fraternity , and in particular, the brothers of OMEGA PSI PHI's IOTA PHI Chapter, for utilizing their organizational unity and personal talents toward improving our communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby also wish to welcome the IOTA PHI Chapter of OMEGA PSI PHI Fraternity, Inc. to our city, as they prepare to host their upcoming, 59th Annual, 2nd District Conference.

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE, TWANDA CARLISLE, DAN DEASY, DOUGLAS SHIELDS, WILLIAM PEDUTO, LEN BODACK, JIM MOTZNIK, JEFFREY S. KOCH AND DARLENE HARRIS

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

Bill No.

[2007-1422](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh congratulates Chatham University, and thanks the school for its dedication to higher education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares May 1, 2007, "Chatham University Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO, DOUGLAS SHIELDS, LEN BODACK, TWANDA CARLISLE, DAN DEASY, JEFFREY S. KOCH, JIM MOTZNIK AND DARLENE HARRIS

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

Bill No.

[2007-1423](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declares April 24, 2007, to be Yom Ha'atzmaut Day in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Bill No.

[2007-1408](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance to enter into an Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Office of Commonwealth Libraries to receive Keystone Recreation, Park, and Conservation Fund grant monies in the amount of \$500,000 that will be used by the Carnegie

Library of Pittsburgh to construct a new Library branch in the Hill District.

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

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No.

[2007-1409](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh regarding the Library's expenditure of Keystone Recreation, Park, and Conservation Fund grant monies in the amount of \$500,000 that will be used to construct a new Library branch in the Hill District.

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

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No.

[2007-1410](#)

Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 256, effective April 26, 2000, as amended, 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 9; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," by amending various line items in Council District 9. Total of all projects is not to exceed \$932,000.

SPONSOR(S): TWANDA CARLISLE

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

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

Bill No.

[2007-1411](#)

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 deleting "North Point Breeze Initiative" \$10,000 and by adding that amount to "North Point Breeze Community Development Corporation" in Council District 9.

SPONSOR(S): TWANDA CARLISLE

Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee

MR. BODACK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

Bill No.

[2007-1412](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Public Safety and or the Director of City Information Systems and or the Chief of Police to enter into a professional services contract(s), with CitizenObserver.com for the purpose of providing a city-wide online alert system for the enhancement of Public Safety to both City Departments and the residents of the city of Pittsburgh. Cost not to exceed \$55,000.00.

SPONSOR(S): LEN BODACK, TWANDA CARLISLE, DAN DEASY, DARLENE HARRIS, JEFFREY S. KOCH, JIM MOTZNIK, TONYA D. PAYNE, WILLIAM PEDUTO AND DOUGLAS SHIELDS

Read and referred to Public Safety Services 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 April 25, 2007.

[2007-1404](#)

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

Bill No.

[2007-1367](#)

Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984; having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh/City Source Associates Sideyard Program. ITEMS A through G: A: 3605 Colmar; B: 3609 Colmar; C: 1501 Napoleon; D: 224 Morton; E: 1309-1313 Warner; F: 7208 Idlewild; G: 618 Freeland.

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

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Motzник, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 1 - Mr. Koch

Bill No.

[2007-1336](#)

Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in the sum of \$6,000 to Patricia DeFazio, c/o of Michael J. Colarusso, Esquire, of koerner & colarusso, 1 Gateway Center, 13th Floor North, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, in full and final settlement of an action filed at GD 01-2528, and arising from an incident concerning a City Refuse truck and a Laidlaw Bus that occurred on March 22, 1999.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2007-1366](#)

Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor to issue and the City Controller to countersign a warrant in the amount of One Hundred Thousand, Four Hundred and Sixty Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$100,460.20) to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania representing payment required for unclaimed funds for the year 2001, pursuant to the provisions of Deposition of Abandoned and Unclaimed Property Act, Act of August 9, 1971 P.L. 74.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales, in accordance with Act No.171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

[2007-1368](#)

ITEMS A through G: A: 108 Brim; B: 1215 Reddour; C: 102 Sampsonia; D: 108 Sampsonia; E: 730 N. Euclid; F: 722 N. Euclid; G: 910 Bryn Mawr.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

[2007-1369](#)

ITEMS A thru Q. A: 340 N. Aiken; B: 2117 Wilson; C: 6070 Butler; D: 413 Jonathan; E: 6038 Butler; F: 1617 McBride; G: 7019 Idlewild; H: 935 Manton; I: DELETED J: DELETED; K: 161 Plymouth; L: 1140 Province; M: 2728 Berg; N: 916 Oranmore; O: 150 Syrian; P: 3351 W. Carson; Q: 362 Ophelia.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution providing for conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

[2007-1370](#)

ITEMS A through D: A: 1019, 1021 & 1023 N. Lang; B: Dunster Lot 3; C: Dunster Lot 1; D: Dunster Lot 2.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution providing for conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

[2007-1371](#)

ITEM A: 715 Burton.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to enter into an Agreement with the County of Allegheny, for the purpose of sharing services for an analysis of cash management practices, analysis of investment practices, benchmark fines and fees, potential for shared services and create a profile of current information systems.

[2007-1377](#)

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: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznic, 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 April 25,
[2007-1405](#) 2007.

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

Bill No. Resolution adopting official sewage facilities plan for Noah Development LLC,
[2007-1373](#) Copperleaf Plan of lots, private sanitary sewer system

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznic, 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 April 25, 2007.
[2007-1406](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements or Contract or Contracts, or use
[2007-1374](#) of existing Agreements or Contracts, with a Consultant or Consultants, or Vendor or Vendors, for the purpose of conducting planning and management studies, and related activities in support of such studies including the purchase of data and data analysis equipment at a cost not to exceed \$250,000.00.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznic, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

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

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for April
[2007-1407](#) 25, 2007.

A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No. Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban
[2007-1376](#) Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with URA's application for a \$7,000,000 Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant for the RiverParc project. (Council District No. 6)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an
[2007-1375](#) Application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant in the amount of \$7,000,000 for the RiverParc project. (Council District No. 6)

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: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, 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 adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.