

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

*ONE-HUNDRED
FORTY-SECOND COUNCIL*

Theresa Kail-Smith, President of Council

*Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Bruce A. Kraus,
R. Daniel Lavelle, Corey O'Connor, Erika Strassburger, Bobby Wilson*

Brenda F. Pree, City Clerk - Kim Clark-Baskin, Assistant City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA****PROCLAMATIONS**

[2022-0090](#) **WHEREAS**, Majors Earnest and Vanessa L. Fullwood have a combined total of 44 years of ministry with The Salvation Army and will be celebrating their retirement on Saturday, February 12;

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 35

[2022-0097](#) **WHEREAS**, Norene Beatty spent her childhood in several states including Indiana, Arizona, and Ohio. Once Norene graduated High School, she moved to the West End neighborhood of Pittsburgh, where her mother called home; and,

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 36

[2022-0098](#) **WHEREAS**, the Old Stone Tavern, located in the West End neighborhood of the City of Pittsburgh, was built around 1782 and is considered the oldest commercial building left in the city; and,

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 37

[2022-0099](#) **WHEREAS**, Sheriff William P. Mullen of Banksville will celebrate his retirement on Saturday, February 12, 2022, after 52 years in law enforcement; and,

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 38

[2022-0100](#) **WHEREAS**, February 1-28, 2022, has been designated Career and Technical Education Month by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and,
SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 39

WILLS OF COUNCIL

[2022-0096](#) **WHEREAS**, rates of drug use, fatal overdoses, HIV, and Hepatitis C diagnoses are increasing in the City of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County; and
SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

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

Enactment No: 40

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS:

[2022-0095](#) Resolution establishing the Pittsburgh Affordable Housing Implementation and Finance Committee.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS:

[2022-0086](#) Resolution amending resolution No. 303, effective May 24, 2021, entitled “Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Works to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Community Conservation Partnerships Program, to provide funding for the West Penn Playground Reconstruction Project,” to accept the grant and authorize necessary expenditures.

Attachments: [2022-0086 Cover Letter-PW letter](#)

[Summary 2022-0086](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:

[2022-0087](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 154 S. 15th Street, 17th Ward, Pittsburgh, PA 15206.

Attachments: [2022-0087 Cover Letter-Sewer Module Cover Letter - 154 South 15th St](#)
[2022-0087-The Auditorium - 154 S 15th St - City Resolution Submission](#)
[2022-0087-Sewer Module Questionnaire for Council - 154 S 15th St](#)
[Summary 2022-0087](#)

Not introduced

COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS:

[2022-0088](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article I, Section 902.03 Zoning Map, by changing from R1A-H, Residential Single-Unit Attached High Density, to LNC, Local Neighborhood Commercial, a portion of one parcel in the Allegheny County Block and Lot System, 9th Ward.
(Needs to be held for Public Hearing)

Attachments: [2022-0086 Cover Letter-PW letter](#)
[2022-0088-DCP-MPZC-2021-01300 Ella Street ZCP](#)
[2022-01-25 Hearing Report](#)
[2022-0088-DCP-MPZC-2021-01300_234 Ella St 2022-01-11 Map](#)
[Summary 2022-0088](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development

[2022-0093](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code, Title Four: Public Places and Property, Article XI: Parks and Playgrounds, Chapter 473: Use Regulations, Section 473.03: Traffic.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

Read and referred to the Committee on Urban Recreation

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2022-0089](#) Communication from Jake Pawlak, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, submitting a TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY THREE (\$2,293.00) dollar donation from the Pittsburgh Foundation to the Department of City Planning for conservation work to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

Attachments: [2022-0089 Communication to Council Pittsburgh Foundation](#)

[2022-0089 Donation Acceptance Form - Vietnam Veterans Monument - v2](#)

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

[2022-0091](#) Resolution appointing Lee Schmidt as Director of the Department of Public Safety.

Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings

[2022-0094](#) Resolution informing City Council of the re-appointment of Sylvia Fields to the Board of Directors of the Allegheny Regional Asset District, for a term of 5 years ending December 31st, 2026.

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

Enactment No: 41

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

[2022-0083](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for February 2, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0040](#) Ordinance to Either Consent to or Disapprove of Proposed Annexation of Wilksburg Borough pursuant to Petition presented in the Court of Common Pleas at Docket Number GD-21-14817.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 2 - Council Member Coghill, and Council Member O'Connor

Abstain: 0

Enactment No: 3

[2022-0046](#) Resolution authorizing a cooperation agreement or agreements, providing for the transfer of funds not to exceed Twelve Million Five Hundred Forty Three Thousand Two Dollars and Eighty One Cents (\$12,543,002.81) to the City of Pittsburgh Equipment Leasing Authority for the purchase and leasing of vehicles, equipment and accessories, and equipment support infrastructure for use by City of Pittsburgh Departments.

Attachments: [2022-0046 Cover Letter-ELA Legislation Letter](#)
[Summary 2022-0046 VERISON 3](#)

A motion was made that this matter be AMENDED BY SUBSTITUTE. The motion carried.

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2022-0050](#) Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh Council to conduct investigations dealing with the legislative and administrative matters of whether or not unification(s) with other municipalities starting with the Borough of Wilkinsburg would be the desire of and in the best interest of the Citizens of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 1 - Council Member Kraus

Abstain: 0

[2022-0079](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 796 of 2013, effective December 19, 2013, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2014 Capital Budget and the 2014 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2014 through 2019 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING by \$36,820.21 and increasing CAPITAL EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION by \$36,820.21.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER COGHILL

Attachments: [2022-0079 Summary](#)

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2022-0080](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 772 of 2016, effective January 1, 2017, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2017 Capital Budget and the 2017 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2017 through 2022 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing INTEGRATED SELF-ASSESSED BUSINESS TAX AND REVENUE MANAGEMENT by \$3,976.00 and increasing CAPITAL EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION by \$3,976.00.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER COGHILL

Attachments: [2022-0080 Summary](#)

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2022-0081](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 797, effective December 28, 2017, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2018 Capital Budget and the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2018 through 2023 Capital Improvement Program”, by reducing ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING by \$137,037.60 and increasing CAPITAL EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION by \$137,037.60.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER COGHILL

Attachments: [2022-0081 Summary](#)

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2022-0082](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 863 of 2018, effective January 1, 2019, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2019 Capital Budget and the 2019 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2019 through 2024 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing CONSULTANTS FOR PLANS AND STUDIES by \$100,000, reducing PARK RECONSTRUCTION by \$141,000, and increasing CAPITAL EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION by \$241,000.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER COGHILL

Attachments: [2022-0082 Summary VERISON 2](#)

A motion was made that this matter be AMENDED BY SUBSTITUTE. The motion carried.

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

[2022-0084](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for February 2, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0048](#) Resolution amending Resolution number 950 of 2021, which amended Resolution number 675 of 2008, entitled “Adopting and approving the 2009 Capital Budget” to correct account numbers on the funds being transferred to the East Ohio Streetscape Planning and Design project.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

Attachments: [Summary 2022-0048 corrected 2009 West Ohio capital to East Ohio Streetscape](#)

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2022-0049](#) Resolution amending Resolution number 951 of 2021, which amended Resolution number 768 of 2009, entitled “Adopting and approving the 2010 Capital Budget” to correct account numbers on the funds being transferred to the East Ohio Streetscape Planning and Design project.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

Attachments: [Summary 2022-0049 corrected 2010 D1 capital to East Ohio Streetscape](#)

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT

[2022-0085](#) Report of the Committee on Innovation, Performance and Asset Management for February 2, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0047](#) Resolution amending Resolution 818-2021, a resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation & Performance to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Computronix (USA) Inc., for the provision of a permitting and licensing package, at an additional cost not to exceed One Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$175,000.00).

Attachments: [2022-0047 Cover Letter-Computronics letter 2022 new - signed](#)

[Summary 2022-0047](#)

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

Aye: 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER