

City of Pittsburgh

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

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 17, 2025 10:00 AM Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Council Member Wilson, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Warwick, Council Member Gross, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Mosley

PUBLIC COMMENT

Harvey Holtz	Regina Hendley	Emily Sawyer
Tim Gaber	Zachary Michaels	Sierra van Dijk
Sue Joseph	Sam W	Jonathan Daybear
Dr. Phoebe	Raymond Chandler III	Mark Daybear
Elina Beigal	Richard Swartz	Dr. Howard B.
Slaughter Jr		
Nicholas D. Lardas	Tim Ludwig	Jeremy Bingham
Catherine Stamoolis	Seth Davis	Ro Ramirez
Ikhana hal-makina	Angela V. Williams	Tyler Blau
Craig Silverblatt	Ryan Burns	Bucky van Dijk
Daniel Nolan	Isaac Falvey	Renee Dolney
Nico Hall	Lee Walls	Luna Pena Soto
Henry Bard	Fawn Walker Montgomery Jim Palmer	
Miriam Perez-Putnam	Mallory Brangan	Cali Sabato
Chelsea Perron	James Coen	Jim Palmer
Yvonne F. Brown	Special Agent Sunshine	David Tessitore

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

2025-2109

Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title One, Administrative, Article Nine, Boards, Authorities and Commissions, Chapter 178E, Registered Community Organizations, by temporarily suspending the enforcement of Chapter 178E until further action of Council.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 10/8/2025. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

<u>2025-2211</u>

Resolution amending Resolution No. 378 of 2025, which authorized a Professional Services Agreement with Exponent, Inc., in connection with claims and litigation involving the Fern Hollow Bridge, by increasing the approved amount by One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) for a new not-to-exceed total of One Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$140,000) over one (1) year.

(Wavier of Competitive Process Received) (Executive Session held 9/9/25)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

2025-2212

Resolution amending Resolution No. 419 of 2025, which authorized the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Artex Risk Consultants for insurance consulting services, by updating the legal vendor name to Risk International Holdings, LLC, at no additional term or cost to the City.

(Wavier of Competitive Process Received)

(Executive Session held 9/9/25)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

2025-2213

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Service Agreement or Agreements and Amendments thereto with Bernstein-Burkley P.C. for legal consulting services in connection with bankruptcy collection litigation and related matters, for an amount not-to-exceed One-Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$125,000.00) over one (1) year.

(Wavier of Competitive Process Received) (Executive Session held 9/9/25)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

2025-2218

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Finance to enter into, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, a lease agreement or agreements with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC, to utilize a portion of that certain City-owned building located at 822 Crucible Street, 20th Ward, Council District 2, City of Pittsburgh, for the purpose of placing and maintaining telecommunications equipment, at no cost to the City.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

INVOICES

INVOICES FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL

The following departmental invoices not covered under a contract with the City shall be paid by the City Controller after the invoices have been approved by City Council at the September 17th, 2025 Standing Committees meeting. A completed standard form detailing the expenditures is attached to all of the below listed invoices. No payments will be made to any of the below listed vendors prior the approval of City Council.

CITY COUNCIL/ CITY CLERK

Brighton Heights Citizens Federation – event donation (Dist. 2) 200.00

Hilltop Alliance – donation for Hilltop Summit (Dist. 3) 250.00

Wilson, Leigh Ann – parking reimbursement (Dist. 3) 18.00

Wilson, Leigh Ann – reimbursement for ice cream social supplies (Dist. 3) 59.90

Brookline K-8 PTA – reimbursement for pavilion rental (Dist. 4) 166.06

MAYOR'S OFFICE

Olzing, Jennifer – reimbursement for DJ used at City in the Streets 300.00

DEPT OF INNOVATION & PERFORMANCE

McGrath, Scott - mileage reimbursement 63.00

DEPT OF HUMAN RESOURCES & CIVIL SERVICE

Griffith, Mary – reimbursement for supplies for Wellness Fair 54.28

BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Lower Valley Ambulance Service – special event coverage (Pirates) 220.00

Kirwan Heights VFA EMS – special event coverage (Steelers) 1,245.29

Kirwan Heights VFA EMS – special event coverage (Monster Jam, Mt. Joy, Post Malone) 3,361.56

Ford City Hose Co #1 – special event coverage (Powerlifting, How Wheels, Steelers) 2,791.45

Foxwall Emergency Medical Services – special event coverage (Pirates) 220.00

Foxwall Emergency Medical Services – special event coverage (Steelers) 280.00

Harmony EMS – special event coverage (Steelers) 1,612.87

Monroeville Volunteer Fire Co #4 – special event coverage (Disney Descendants) 317.35

Monroeville Volunteer Fire Co #4 – special event coverage (Pirates, mike.) 537.35

Cranberry Township EMS – special event coverage (Lord Huron) 285.62

Butler Ambulance Service – special event coverage (Steelers) 280.00

Butler Ambulance Service – special event coverage (Steelers) 2,093.28

Plum EMS – special event coverage (Riveters) 253.88

Plum EMS – special event coverage (Hot Wheels practice) 253.88

Plum EMS – special event coverage (JCC Maccabi Games) 666.44

Burks Lawn & Saw Inc – equipment repairs 643.28

Rock N Rescue – aluminum carabiners 215.91

BUREAU OF POLICE

Transunion Risk & Alternative Data Solutions – background checks 343.40

Foley, Kevin – training reimbursement 168.50

BUREAU OF FIRE

Rectenwald, Mark – reimbursement for HazMat supplies 55.61

Martello, J.L. – photography for Girls Fire Camp 600.00

Uline – wire containers with canisters 2,523.18

DEPT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Lake Forest Gardens – flowers/plants for Highland Park 1,969.75

Republic Services – metal rear load type container 1,500.00

Zoresco Equipment Co – storage trailer rental 195.00

Fort Pitt Exterminators Inc – pest control 445.00

Yocca Business Systems Inc – installation of playground equipment 1,375.00

New Pittsburgh Courier – ad for 2024 Equitable Street Planting bid 1,092.56

DEPT OF PARKS & RECREATION

North Hills Flute Society – Beethoven, Bach, and Brunch performance 350.00

Begler, Max Z. – JAG concert series performance 600.00

Greene, Kyle Kenneth – performance for Northside Beer Gardens 300.00

Hannigan, Chris – performance for Northside Beer Gardens 300.00

Northside Youth Athletic Association – DSG Grant reimbursement 571.66

Paint Monkey Inc – painting instructor/supplies for CitiCamp 2,215.00

West End Senior Center Advisory – reimbursement for Sr. games refreshments 89.00

Wild Flying Pig Productions – set-ups and designs for 3 events 2,450.00

Stanislawczyk, Michael Patrick II – pickleball clinic instruction 455.00

Paull, Mark J – tennis clinic instruction 1,604.02

Parks, Richard – tennis clinic instruction 1,387.89

James B Marcus – tennis clinic instruction 1,706.44

Kilpatrick, Spencer – tennis clinic instruction 318.53

Dieffenbach, George – tennis clinic instruction 170.65

Lacaria, Aldene – tennis clinic instruction 337.50

Jermon Drake – tennis clinic instruction 508.92

Haffner, Mark – tennis clinic instruction 102.39

DEPT OF MOBILITY & INFRASTRUCTURE

Traffic Products LLC - Polara wire button 4,809.00

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

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

To: The Honorable President and Members of Council

From: Office of Management and Budget

Date: 9/12/2025

Re: Intradepartmental transfer

Dear President and Members of Council:

Per Resolution 927 of 2024, which authorizes City Council to approve intradepartmental transfers throughout the 2025 Fiscal Year, the Office of Management and Budget would like to make the following transfer(s):---

Department: Department of Public Works - Operations

Amount from: \$50,000 from 420000.56401 Materials

Amount to: \$50,000 to 420000.53701 Repairs

This transfer is to cover the cost of repairs through the remainder of the year.

Department: Department of Public Works - Facilities

Amount from: \$300,000 from 450000.54201 Maintenance

Amount to: \$300,000 to 450000.56151 Operational Supplies

This transfer is to cover the cost of Facilities supplies for the remainder of the year.

Department: Department of Public Safety – Bureau of Police

Amount from: \$5,000 from 230000.54101 Cleaning

\$1,750 from 230000.54201 Maintenance

\$5,000 from 230000.54301 Building - General

Amount to: \$5,000 to 230000.53529 Protective / Investigation

\$1,750 to 230000.55201 Telephone

\$5,000 to 230000.56151 Operational Supplies

This transfer is to cover the cost of supply needs and recurring witness protection and telephone expenses in the Bureau.

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

P-CARD APPROVALS

<u>Item</u> P-Cards 0032-2025

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

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE, MRS. WARWICK, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

2025-1967

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Henningson Durham & Richardson of Pennsylvania Architects & Engineers P.C. (HDR) for costs associated with the Master Plan of a Public Safety training campus, and providing for the payment of costs thereof, not to exceed One Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,800,000.00), over a period of two (2) years.

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

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended as Amended. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

2025-2221

Resolution amending Resolution No. 386, effective June 19, 2019, entitled "authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works, to enter into an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, between the City of Pittsburgh and Pashek + MTR, for the professional landscape architectural services for South Side Park Phase I Design, at a cost not to exceed Four Hundred Sixty-One Thousand, Two hundred and Twenty Dollars (461,220.00)," by increasing the total allocation by the amount of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars and Eighty-Two Cents (\$116,835.82) for a new total of Five Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Fifty-Five Dollars and Eighty-Two Cents (\$578,055.82).

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MR. WILSON, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

2025-1968

Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Structure under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain Structure known as the Anathan House, located at 1620 Murray Avenue (86-G-201), in the Squirrel Hill North Neighborhood, in the 14th Ward, City of Pittsburgh. The owner of the property supports the nomination and there is no cost to the City.

(Public Hearing held 9/11/25)

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

2025-2214

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 647 of 2020, effective December 23, 2020, as amended, entitled "Resolution adopting and approving the 2021 Capital Budget and the 2021 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2021 through 2026 Capital Improvement Program" by increasing HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM-AMERICAN RECOVERY PROGRAM (HOME-ARP) by Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars and Zero Cents (\$12,448.00) to account for additional U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development funding being received by the City of Pittsburgh.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

2025-2215

Resolution amending Resolution 561 of 2024, which authorized Agreements or Agreements with agencies to provide Supportive Services related to the HOME-ARP, by increasing the allocations for Jubilee Association by Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) and the Salvation Army by Two Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand, Four Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars (\$262,448.00), for a new total cost not to exceed Five Hundred Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars (\$512,448) over 2 years.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

2025-2224

Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title Nine: Zoning Code, Article I: Introduction and Establishment, Chapter 902: Zoning Districts in General, Section 902.01 - Establishment of Zoning Districts, by adding a new Specially Planned District at Subsection 902.01.D.1 to be identified as (I) SP-12, Banksville Golden Horizons; at Article IV: Planning Districts, Chapter 909: Planned Development Districts, Section 909.01: SP, Specially Planned District, by creating a new district to be identified as SP-12: Banksville Golden Horizons including rules and regulations; and by amending the City of Pittsburgh Zoning Map by changing from RM-M, Residential Multi-Unit Moderate Density and R1D-L, Residential Single-Unit Detached Low Density to SP-12: Banksville Golden Horizons property consisting of the present Marian Manor and an adjacent parcel of vacant commercial land bisected by Greenboro Lane, all located in the 20th Ward.

(Needs to be sent to the Planning Commission for a Report & Recommendation)

(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

A motion was made that this matter be Referred for Report and Recommendation to the Planning Commission. The motion carried.

DEFERRED PAPERS

2025-2194	Resolution submitting the recommendation of the Commission on Naming Public Properties to name the playground within Townsend Park the "Bill Coleman Memorial Playground" (Public Hearing held 9-17-25) SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH
2025-2195	Resolution submitting the recommendation of the Commission on Naming Public Properties to rename Herschel Field to "Bessy Miller Field" (Public Hearing held 9-17-25)
2025-2196	SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH Resolution submitting the recommendation of the Commission on Naming Public Properties to rename the Baseball/Softball field at Banksville Park from "Tower Field" to "Bill Mullen Field"
	(Public Hearing held 9-17-25)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

RECREATION, YOUTH, AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE, MRS. KAIL-SMITH, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

2025-2223 Resolution expressing the City of Pittsburgh's support and endorsement of the Pennsylvania Commission for the United States semi-quincentennial through its initiative: AMERICA250PA.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE, ASSET MANAGEMENT, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

2025-2216 Resolution amending Resolution No. 716 of 2024, which authorized the City of Pittsburgh to extend a Professional Service Agreement(s) with STR Grants, LLC for software services relating to the eProperties Plus profiling system, by extending the term by one year at an additional cost not to exceed Sixty Thousand, Two Hundred and Sixty-One Dollars and Sixty-Six Cents (\$60,261.66).

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MR. MOSLEY, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

2025-2217

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance to execute a special warranty deed or deeds, and any other necessary or appropriate documents, agreements, and instruments, accepting all of the Sports and Exhibition Authority's right, title, and interest in parcels 8-J-98, 8-N-50, 8-K-12, 8-K-26, 7-M-150, 8-K-24, 8-K-25, 8-K-28, 8-K-16 and an agreed upon portion of Parcel 8-L-8 (collectively, "North Shore Riverfront Park"), in the 22nd Ward, Council District 6 of the City of Pittsburgh, and authorizing the payment of One Dollar (\$1.00) plus costs in exchange for the parcels.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

2025-2219

Resolution amending Resolution 285 of 2024, which authorized the City of Pittsburgh to negotiate a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the County of Allegheny, the Pittsburgh Public School District, and the Pittsburgh Land Bank, by fully authorizing the execution of said Agreement or Agreements.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

2025-2220

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Department of Finance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a Bill or Bills of Sale, Assignment, and Indenture with Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (d/b/a Pittsburgh Water) for Leased Property, pursuant to the July 1995 Capital Lease Agreement, for total amount not to exceed One Dollar (\$1.00).

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

Councilwoman Kail-Smith motioned to remove her Land Bank Public Hearing the motion carried.