

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, October 16, 2012

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-SEVENTH COUNCIL**

Darlene M. Harris, President

**Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Patrick Dowd, Bruce A. Kraus, R. Daniel Lavelle,
Corey O'Connor, William Peduto, Natalia Rudiak, Theresa Kail-Smith**

**Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk
Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk**

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Peduto, Ms. Rudiak and Mrs. Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No.

[2012-0852](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the Federation of War Veterans' Societies, Inc. for their continued dedication and hard work in making each year's Veteran's Day parade a success; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, October 16, 2012, to be "The Federation of War Veterans' Societies' Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): THERESA SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2012-0853](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the 2012 Community Heroes Awardees for their services to the disabled community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare October 18 to be "United Cerebral Palsy/Community Living and Support Services Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2012-0854](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the Homeless Children's Education Fund, its staff, and volunteers for their dedication and their sincere service to the community; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby designate the week of October the 14th through 20th, 2012, as "Homeless Children's Awareness Week" in Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): PATRICK DOWD AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2012-0855](#)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh joins with the Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children in celebration of their 125th anniversary; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Friday, October 19th, 2012 to be Western Pennsylvania

School for Blind Children Urban Trail Dedication Day in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): NATALIA RUDIAK AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2012-0856](#)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh honors the tremendous impact Spencer United Methodist Church has had on the Carrick community; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, October 16th, 2012 to be Spencer United Methodist Church Day in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): NATALIA RUDIAK AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2012-0857](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees for the invaluable hours of service that its members have contributed to their communities in Pittsburgh, and for the city resources that have therefore been saved; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, October 16, 2012, to be "School Retirees Volunteer Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): THERESA SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2012-0858](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend and congratulate Deborah Fidel, Holly McCullogh, and the staff of the Squirrel Hill Branch of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, Robert Qualters and the Manor Theater for their outstanding dedication and many contributions to their community and, for their well deserved recognition as a Squirrel Hill Urban Coalition Treasure. We, too, offer our most sincere thanks for your service and conduct most becoming of a citizen of this great city; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Thursday, October 18, 2012, to be "SQUIRREL HILL URBAN COALITION TREASURES DAY" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): COREY O'CONNOR, WILLIAM PEDUTO AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2012-0859](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby congratulate Catherine Baron for her length of years and vitality of spirit and sends birthday wishes on the occasion of her 100th birthday; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby

declare Friday, October 19, 2012, to be "CATHERINE BARON DAY" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): COREY O'CONNOR AND ALL MEMBERS

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS:

Bill No. [2012-0848](#) Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 855, effective January 1, 2012 entitled "Adopting and approving the 2012 Capital Budget and the 2012 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2012 through 2017 Capital Improvement Program," by transferring \$500,000 of bond funds from the Riverview Community Center project and adding \$500,000 to Portman Slope Remediation.

Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee

COUNCILMAN PATRICK DOWD PRESENTS:

Bill No. [2012-0851](#) Resolution requesting the approval of an inter-municipal transfer of restaurant liquor license, License No. R-6449, from Pintail Group, LLC, Monroeville Mall, Unit 300, Monroeville PA 15146 to Applicant TBM PA01, LLC, 204 Auila Road, West Palm Beach FL 33405; into the premises to be known as The Beer Market, 110 Federal St., pursuant to amended Pennsylvania Liquor Code, §4-461.

Read and referred to Intergovernmental Affairs Committee

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

Bill No. [2012-0849](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 855, effective, January 1, 2012, as amended, entitled "Adopting and approving the 2012 Capital Budget and the 2012 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2012 through 2017 Capital Improvement Program," by transferring \$400,000.00 in bond funds from the "Building Improvements Program" line item to the "Wenzell Avenue/Carnahan Road" line item.

Read and referred to Public Works Committee

COUNCIL PRESIDENT DARLENE M. HARRIS PRESENTS:

Bill No. [2012-0850](#) Resolution adopting the Reapportionment Plan for the City Council Districts in the City of Pittsburgh, as set forth in the final report of the Reapportionment Advisory Committee.

SPONSOR(S): DARLENE HARRIS

Read and referred to Finance and Law Committee

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILMAN REV. RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

Bill No. [2012-0844](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for October 10, 2012 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. [2012-0760](#) Resolution authorizing and directing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Galls, in the amount of Fifty Four Thousand Five Hundred Sixty One Dollars and Six Cents, (\$54,561.06), for costs incurred when the current uniform contract expired on March 31, 2012.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Peduto, Ms. Rudiak and Mrs. Smith
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No. [2012-0784](#) Resolution authorizing issuance of a warrant in the sum of \$3,425.00, in favor of Robert S. Gray, 2544 Woodward Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15226, in settlement of a claim for a damaged vehicle due to felled branches from a City tree on or about February 12, 2012.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Peduto, Ms. Rudiak and Mrs. Smith
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

Bill No. [2012-0845](#) Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for October 10, 2012 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. [2012-0761](#) Resolution authorizing the Department of Public Safety to enter into a contract or contracts, agreement or agreements, lease or leases, professional service agreements or the use of existing contracts, leases or agreements, and other services, along with other approved expenditures and for the payment of supplies, equipment, materials, rentals,

and other services for portable radios to be used by Public Safety Bureaus, at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.000.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Peduto, Ms. Rudiak and Mrs. Smith
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

Bill No. [2012-0846](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for October 10, 2012 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. [2012-0736](#) Resolution granting to Equitable Gas Company a permanent easement for installation of an above ground gas regulator on a portion of City of Pittsburgh property Parcel 19-G-131 in the 20th Ward.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Peduto, Ms. Rudiak and Mrs. Smith
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

COUNCILWOMAN NATALIA RUDIAK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PERFORMANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT

Bill No. [2012-0847](#) Report of the Committee on Performance and Asset Management for October 10, 2012 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. [2012-0785](#) Resolution providing for an agreement or agreements for enhancements and upgrades to the City's Public Safety systems, mobile data computers, and Automated Police Reporting Systems for a sum not to exceed \$200,000 and for the payment of the costs thereof.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Peduto, Ms. Rudiak and Mrs. Smith
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No.

[2012-0786](#)

Resolution providing for an agreement or agreements for Information Systems Modernization to include upgrades to the City's existing information and telecommunication systems, public safety systems, and public works systems for a sum not to exceed \$300,000 and for the payment of the costs thereof.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Peduto, Ms. Rudiak and Mrs. Smith

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER