

# City of Pittsburgh

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



## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, August 26, 2025**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

### **City Council**

***ONE-HUNDRED  
FORTY-THIRD COUNCIL***

***R. Daniel Lavelle, President of Council***

***Council Members: Robert Charland, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Khari Mosley, Theresa  
Kail-Smith, Erika Strassburger, Barbara Warwick, Bobby Wilson***

***Kimberly Clark-Baskin, City Clerk - Ashley Robinson, Assistant City Clerk***

**ROLL CALL**

**Present** 8 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

**Absent** 1 - Council Member Wilson

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

[2025-2166](#) **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize that this rich legacy shall be honored as a precious artifact in the canon of American music, where jazz and hip-hop converse not only in sound, but in spirit.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare, July 26th, 2025 to be “**Nas Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER MOSLEY AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 487

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Carlino Giampolo, Dr. Ronald Lynn Miller, John Illson, Jessica Saxton, Tanawah Downing, Chris Curd, Ikhana-hal-makina, Eyas Azzuni, Jason Poole, Bernadette Mosey, Sam Gibson, Shawntell Snead, Yvonne F. Brown, Special Agent Sunshine, David Tessitore, Rev. Robert Tenner**

**PRESENTATION OF PAPERS****COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS:**

[2025-2157](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Public Safety to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with various organizations as part of the Stop the Violence community grant program, at a total cost not to exceed ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY DOLLARS (\$1,748,460.00).

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Wellness**

**COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:**

[2025-2140](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation & Performance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into an agreement or agreements or amendments thereto with ePlus Technology, Inc. for a Voice over Internet Protocol Unified Communications Platform (UCaaS) to implement convergence of systems to support Citywide communications, at a cost not-to-exceed Two Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,100,000) over three years.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Innovation, Performance, Asset Management, and Technology**

**COUNCILMAN KHARI MOSLEY PRESENTS:**

[2025-2129](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 2854 Smallman Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, at no cost to the City.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs**

[2025-2130](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 901-903 Liberty Avenue, at no cost to the City.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs**

[2025-2131](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for Project Willow, 4215 Willow St, Pittsburgh, PA 15201, at no cost to the City.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs**

[2025-2142](#) Resolution providing for a Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission (SPC) to recoup yearly costs associated with the City's participation and attendance in the Member Planning Agency Participation Services, at no cost to the city.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs**

**COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:**

[2025-2134](#) Resolution authorizing, pursuant to Ch. 210 ("Acceptance of Gifts to City") of the City Code, the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to accept a donation from the 14th Ward Youth Baseball Association of a Mastodon Engineered Batting Cage System and foundation concrete to be installed at the Frick Park ball fields, valued at TWENTY THOUSAND (\$20,000.00) dollars.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Recreation, Youth, and Senior Services**

**COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:**

[2025-2132](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Service Agreement or Agreements and Amendments thereto with Buchanan, Ingersoll & Rooney PC for legal consulting services in connection with fiscally complex real property litigation and related matters, for an amount not-to-exceed Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$75,000.00) over one (1) year.  
*(Executive Session held 8/26/25)*

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

[2025-2137](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 797 of 2017, as amended, 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 increasing BRIDGE UPGRADES by One Million Two Hundred Three Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Three Dollars and Forty-Eight Cents (\$1,203,423.48) to account for the reimbursement by Smallman Street Tax Increment Financing District proceeds of City of Pittsburgh prior expenditures.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

[2025-2138](#) 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 increasing BRIDGE UPGRADES by Four Thousand One Hundred Seventeen Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$4,117.86) to account for the reimbursement by Smallman Street Tax Increment Financing District proceeds of City of Pittsburgh prior expenditures.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

[2025-2139](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 840 of 2019, effective December 23, 2019, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2020 Capital Budget and the 2020 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2020 through 2025 Capital Improvement Program” by increasing BRIDGE UPGRADES by One Hundred Eighty Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty-One Dollars and Forty Cents (\$182,161.40) to account for the reimbursement by Smallman Street Tax Increment Financing District proceeds of City of Pittsburgh prior expenditures.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

[2025-2148](#) Resolution amending Resolution 471 of 2025, which authorized the issuance of a warrant in favor of the New Pittsburgh Courier, doing business as Real Times, Inc., for legal advertisements published on June 4, 2025 in connection with City of Pittsburgh Quiet Title actions for an amount not to exceed FIVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX DOLLARS AND SIXTY-EIGHT CENTS (\$5,156.68), by correcting the JDE account information.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

**COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS:**

[2025-2133](#) Resolution amending resolution 336 of 2024, which authorized the Mayor and the Director of the Department Mobility and Infrastructure to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) to develop a transit plan in the West End by increasing the grant amount by One Hundred Thousand Dollars \$100,000 for a new total project cost of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000).

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

[2025-2135](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, and the Office of Management and Budget to apply for a grant from Pennsylvania Department of Economic Development's Multimodal Transportation Fund for the Lincoln Avenue Multimodal Safety & Accessibility Improvement Project. The grant proposal includes an ask of SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED THIRTY SIX DOLLARS AND SIXTY NINE CENTS (\$750,236.69) for this stated purpose.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

[2025-2136](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, and the Office of Management and Budget to apply for a grant from Pennsylvania Department of Economic Development's Multimodal Transportation Fund for the Planning and Engineering of the Liberty Avenue, Main Street, and Bloomfield Bridge Intersection. The grant proposal includes an ask not to exceed FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED ELEVEN (\$533,111.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

[2025-2141](#) Resolution authorizing the Director of the Department of Finance and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh to enter into certain temporary construction easements in order to advance the Herndon Street Landslide Remediation project, at no cost to the city.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

[2025-2143](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to take all necessary actions to acquire and secure a right-of-way, aerial easements, and permanent and/or temporary construction easements, as-needed, including the taking of property by eminent domain if necessary, involving the Swinburne Bridge, at no cost to the City.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

[2025-2144](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to take all necessary actions to acquire and secure a right-of-way, aerial easements, and permanent and/or temporary construction easements, as-needed, including the taking of property by eminent domain if necessary, involving the 28th Street Bridge project, at no cost to the City.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

[2025-2145](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into an agreement or agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the maintenance of safety improvements along Second Avenue as part of the Safe Routes to School Program, at no cost to the City of Pittsburgh.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

[2025-2146](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Verra Mobility for costs associated with the design, construction, and maintenance of the Automated Red Light Enforcement Program; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed Thirteen Million Nine Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Three Dollars (\$13,977,973.00), with costs assessed on a fixed per-system basis and payable only upon usage, reimbursable at 100% under a five-year contract term.

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

[2025-2147](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to commit future year capital funding for an Award and/or Awards to Franjo Construction, First American, Right Electric, and Wheels Mechanical Contracting and Supplier, Inc., for the new construction of Fire Station 20/Medic 12 in Lincoln Place. The additional funding needed beyond what has already been allocated is not to exceed Four Million Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$4,450,000).

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

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

**COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS:**

[2025-2149](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine: Zoning Code, Article V: Use Regulations, Chapter 911: Primary Uses and Chapter 912 Accessory Uses; and Article VIII, Review and Enforcement, Chapter 922 Development Review Procedures, all to amend Outdoor Retail Sales and Service Primary and Accessory Uses.

*(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)*

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

[2025-2150](#) Ordinance amending the City Code at Title Seven, Business Licensing, Article III, Sales Businesses, Chapter 719, Vendors and Peddlers, by repealing Chapter 719 in its entirety and replacing it with a new Chapter 719 to update Pittsburgh's vending program.

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

[2025-2151](#) Resolution approving Conditional Use Application under the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article V, Chapter 911, Section 911.02 for Pittsburgh Water, property owners, for authorization of new construction and site work at the Pittsburgh Water campus located at 900 Freeport Road, Block and Lot 171-B-1-2, zoned "RIV-IMU" Riverfront Industrial Mixed Use, 12th Ward, Council District No. 9.

*(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)*

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

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

[2025-2152](#) Resolution providing for the designation as Historic Structures under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain structures known as the Ross and Aspinwall Pumping Stations, located at 900 Freeport Road (171-B-1-0-2), in the Lincoln-Lemington-Belmar Neighborhood, in the 12th Ward, in the City of Pittsburgh. The owner of the property supports the nomination and there is no cost to the City.

*(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)*

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

[2025-2153](#)

Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Structure under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain structure known as the Rachel Carson Bridge, also known as the Ninth Street Bridge spanning the Allegheny River in the North Shore and Central Business District neighborhoods in the City of Pittsburgh. The owner of the property supports the nomination and there is no cost to the City.

*(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)*

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

[2025-2154](#)

Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Structure under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain structure known as the Roberto Clemente Bridge, also known as the Sixth Street Bridge spanning the Allegheny River in the North Shore and Central Business District neighborhoods in the City of Pittsburgh. The owner of the property supports the nomination and there is no cost to the City.

*(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)*

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

[2025-2155](#)

Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Structure under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain structure known as the Andy Warhol Bridge, also known as the Seventh Street Bridge spanning the Allegheny River in the North Shore and Central Business District neighborhoods in the City of Pittsburgh. The owner of the property supports the nomination and there is no cost to the City.

*(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)*

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

[2025-2156](#)

Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Site under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain site known as Schenley Park, located in the Squirrel Hill North and Squirrel Hill South Neighborhoods, in the 14th Ward, City of Pittsburgh. The included parcels are 29-H-237, 29-H-238, 29-H-284, 29-H-300, 29-H-320, 29-M-290, 29-M-305, 29-M-315, 27-S-150-0-1, 28-D-2, 28-M-200, 28-M-175, 28-M-200, 28-S-140, 28-S-230, 28-S-235, 29-D-240, 29-H-167, 29-H-233, 29-H-237, 28-S-250, 28-H-300-0-1, 28-M-190, 28-S-138, 29-S-320, 28-H-284, and 29-H-320. The owner of the property supports the nomination and there is no cost to the City.

*(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)*

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



[2025-2165](#) Resolution authorizing Council's consent to an extension, pursuant to § 922.05.D of the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances (the "Zoning Code"), of the deadline for the Planning Commission to act on Council Bill #2024-0959.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

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

**Aye:** 8 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Wilson

**COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:**

[2025-2158](#) Communication from Rachael Heisler, City Controller, submitting a performance audit report on City Council and the Office of the City Clerk, dated July 2025.

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

[2025-2159](#) Communication from Mayor Ed Gainey, submitting a Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency After-Action Quick-Look Report (QLR) on the April 29, 2025 High Wind Events.

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

[2025-2160](#) Communication from Mayor Ed Gainey submitting an Executive Order relative to establishing a Right-of-Way Safety Advisory Committee.

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

[2025-2161](#) Communication from Sally Stadelman, Manager, Pittsburgh Land Bank, submitting the Pittsburgh Land Bank's Financial Report for the Third Quarter 2025.

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

[2025-2162](#) Communication from Rachael Heisler, City Controller, submitting a special report of the Department of Public Safety ShotSpotter System, dated August 2025.

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

[2025-2163](#)

Communication from Jake Pawlak, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, submitting the City of Pittsburgh Quarterly Financial and Performance Report for the period ending June 30, 2025.

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

[2025-2164](#)

Communication from Jake Pawlak, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, submitting to City Council the attached status update from the Grants Office for the week ended August 22, 2025.

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

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION**

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

## **EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

## **ADJOURNMENT**