

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 25, 2018

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

ONE-HUNDRED

FORTIETH COUNCIL

Bruce A. Kraus, President of Council

Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Darlene M. Harris, R. Daniel Lavelle, Corey O'Connor, Theresa Kail-Smith, Erika Strassburger

Brenda F. Pree, City Clerk - Kimberly Clark-Baskin, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**PROCLAMATIONS**

[2018-0916](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the Kelly Strayhorn Theater for continuing to be a staple of entertainment in East Liberty; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, September 25, 2018, to be "***Kelly-Strayhorn Theater Day***" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 639

[2018-0917](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and support the Mahatma Gandhi Birthday Celebration 2018 and celebrates the Alliance for Humanitarian Initiatives, Nonviolence and Spiritual Advancement (AHINSA) and its partners for celebrating Gandhi's teachings in Pittsburgh, promoting peace, cultural understanding, and non-violence, and helping to build a Pittsburgh for all; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare October 2, 2018 to be "***Mahatma Gandhi Day and International Day of Non-Violence***" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. STRASSBURGER AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 640

PUBLIC COMMENTS**PRESENTATION OF PAPERS****COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS:**

[2018-0898](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with DeForest Koscelnik Yokitis & Berardinelli, Koppers Building, 30th Floor, 436 Seventh Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15219 for professional legal services in connection with a police matter in an amount not to exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$20,000.00).
(Executive Session Requested)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2018-0899](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in the total sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00) in favor of Rachel Eleleth and her attorney, G. Clinton Kelley, fully releasing the City from all claims and liability for alleged personal injuries as described in a lawsuit filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 12-020567.
(Executive Session Requested)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2018-0900](#) Resolution providing for the sale of certain property, acquired by the City of Pittsburgh at tax sales. ITEMS A through M: A: 229 N Aiken, B: 5464 Kincaid, C: 5468 Kincaid, D: 5470 Kincaid, E: 979 Washington, F: 981 Washington, G: 983 Washington, H: 985 Washington, I: 987 Washington, J: 401 Sylvania, K: 403 Sylvania, L: 1225 Spring Garden, M: 1418 Loraine

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2018-0901](#) Resolution repealing items in Resolutions approved on various dates, which authorized the sale of property in various wards of the City of Pittsburgh, due to an incompleteness of sale.
Items A & B: A: 5326 Hillcrest, B: 5336 Hillcrest & 5338 Hillcrest

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2018-0902](#) Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain property, acquired at tax sales, to a City of Pittsburgh based Community Development Corporation, for the purpose of advancing the interests of the community through redevelopment. ITEMS A through V.
A: 1844 Webster, B: 2632 Bedford, C: 2702 Bedford, D: 2630 Bedford, E: 760 Anaheim, F: 822 Cherokee, G: 826 Cherokee, H: 7324 Race, I: 7326 Race, J: 845 Henger, K: 922 Manton, L: 952 Industry, M: 954 Industry, N: 11 E Amanda, O: 600 Beltzhoover, P: 1266 High, Q: 1025 High, R: 1136 Voskamp, S: 2115 Straubs, T: 2112 Lautner, U: 2039 Lautner, V: 73 Edenvale

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2018-0903](#) Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh Side Yard Program. ITEMS A through L: A: 5425 Natrona, B: 40 Carver, C: 1241 Paulson, D: 1309 Paulson, E: 7312 Monticello, F: 0 Younger, G: 914 Vista, H: 423 Jay, I: 114 W McIntyre, J: 0 Montview, K: 0 Montview, L: 328 Arabella

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS:

[2018-0904](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code at Title Four: Public Places and Property, so as to amend Chapter 480: Playground Safety

Read and referred to the Committee on Urban Recreation

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:

[2018-0905](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 321, effective May 14, 2018 providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment; and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities; and for administrative/operational costs, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities of various departmental programs/projects for the benefit of the residents of the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed \$502,500.00; so as to add funds to Mayor's Office "Saint Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church/Brookline Meals on Wheels + (2,500.00)

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

[2018-0906](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 549, effective August 6, 2018, Resolution providing for the filing of a Community Development statement by the City of Pittsburgh with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for a grant in connection with the 2016 Community Development Block Grant Program; providing for the execution of grant contracts and for the filing of other data providing for required assurances; providing for execution of payment vouchers on letter of credit and for certification of authorized signature; the deposit of the funds in a bank account and providing for the payment of expenses within categories, so as to reprogram funds from Public Works to Mayor's office: " from Public Works Pool Rehabilitation to-(\$2,500.00) to Mayor's Office Saint Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church/Brookline Meals on Wheels +(\$2,500.00)

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

COUNCILWOMAN DARLENE M. HARRIS PRESENTS:

[2018-0907](#)

Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of MVP Strategies in the amount of \$7,500.00 for Anti-Harassment Training provided to the City of Pittsburgh Leadership (Chiefs, Assistant Chiefs, Directors, Assistant Directors) to help them develop tools to more proactively and effectively address sexual harassment and other types of abuse in their sphere of influence, both professionally and personally.

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Human Resources

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

[2018-0908](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Public Safety, on the behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a grant agreement with the Pennsylvania Auto Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA), for the purpose of receiving grant funds in the amount of five hundred twenty-one thousand dollars (\$521,000.00) that will be used to establish, coordinate and fund activities to prevent, combat and reduce auto theft.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services

[2018-0909](#) Ordinance amending the City Code at Title Eight, Fire Prevention, Chapter 801, Adoption, Enforcement, and Amendments, by repealing Chapter 801 in its entirety and replacing it with a new Chapter 801.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS:

[2018-0910](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 485, effective July 19, 2018, entitled "Providing for the execution of a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh for the performance of certain work in connection with the 2018-2019 Community Development Block Grant Program, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, not to exceed \$4,440,800.00" by increasing the Economic Development & Housing line item for an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 and the total cost thereof by the same amount not to exceed \$4,640,800.00. (Council Districts: All).

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

[2018-0911](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an Application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$750,000 for the Iron Workers Local No. 3 Training Center Expansion project. (Council District 7)

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

[2018-0912](#) Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with the URA's application for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$750,000 for the Iron Workers Local No. 3 Training Center project. (Council District 7)

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

[2018-0915](#) Resolution approving the Cooperation Agreement with the Urban Redevelopment Authority to Fund and Implement the Pittsburgh Housing Opportunity Fund.

SPONSOR /S: MR. O'CONNOR

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2018-0913](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an Agreement between the City of Pittsburgh and Will Schlough, for the creation and installation of public art at Paulson Park located at 1300 Paulson Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15206, at a cost not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

**COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, PRESENTS
COMMITTEE ON HEARINGS**

[2018-0914](#) Communication from William Peduto, Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, submitting the City's 2019 Operating Budget, 2019 Capital Budget and corresponding five-year financial plan of the City of Pittsburgh for the period of 2019-2023, dated September 21, 2018.

Councilwoman Harris Abstained

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

**COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS COMMITTEE
ON FINANCE AND LAW**

[2018-0891](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for September 19, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0845](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Finance to enter, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, into a lease agreement or agreements with The Muddy Cup Coffee House in order that it will utilize a portion of the first floor of the City of Pittsburgh building located at 1555 Broadway Avenue, #102, to operate a commercial coffee shop.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2018-0859](#) Resolution amending Resolution number 797 of 2017, as amended by Resolution number 571 of 2018, entitled "Resolution adopting and approving the 2018 Capital Budget" in order to correct job numbers and departments, clarify fund sources, and re-fund the Comprehensive Plan

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

[2018-0892](#) Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for September 19, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0852](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Safety, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a grant agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, Division of Highway Safety, Police Traffic Services Grant, for the purpose of receiving grant funds in the amount of three hundred fifty thousand twenty four dollars and ninety cents (\$350,024.90) that will be used for Driving Under the Influence enforcement and outreach activities.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2018-0853](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of Public Safety to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with St. Moritz Security Services, Inc. for security guard services at rates in compliance with and subject to any applicable requirements, including but not limited to collective bargaining commitments and the City of Pittsburgh Service Worker Prevailing Wage Ordinance.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2018-0854](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of Public Safety to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with InTime Solutions, Inc. for EMS scheduling and timekeeping services at a total cost not to exceed SEVENTY-NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS and NO CENTS (\$79,725.00).

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

[2018-0893](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for September 19, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0856](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or use of existing Agreements, allowing for compensation paid to PennDot of the local costs associated with the East Carson St. Supplemental Improvement Project being undertaken by PennDot, and further providing for payment of the cost not to exceed \$690,737.35.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2018-0857](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or use of existing Agreements, allowing for compensation paid to PennDot of the local costs associated with the Forbes Ave Improvement Project being undertaken by PennDot, and further providing for payment of the cost not to exceed \$380,480.08.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

[2018-0894](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for September 19, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0849](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of a warrant in favor of Grounded Solutions Network in the amount of \$5,000.00 for creating the Inclusionary Housing and Incentive Zoning Exploratory Committee Recommendations Memo.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2018-0850](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of City Planning to amend an Agreement with Studio Bryan Hanes, LLC, for the purpose of adding remaining funds for the Sheraden Park Master Plan not to exceed Eighty-Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00) to the existing contract to complete all necessary planning studies. The final cost is not to exceed One-Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$160,000.00).

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON URBAN RECREATION

[2018-0895](#) Report of the Committee on Urban Recreation for September 19, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0822](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to execute relevant agreements to receive funding from the Pittsburgh Public Schools for Community Enrichment to operate a STEM/STEAM/STREAM and Art and Enrichment Program at Langley Middle School and further providing for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed THIRTY NINE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETY-NINE DOLLARS AND 30 CENTS (\$39,999.30) for this stated purpose.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Mr. O'Connor

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

[2018-0896](#) Report of the Committee on Performance and Asset Management for September 19, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0858](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 137 of 2018, which authorized the City to enter into an agreement with RGH Enterprises Inc. and Staples Contract & Commercial Inc. for a term of three years, to revise language related to financial system information and the annual authorized amounts.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[2018-0897](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for September 19, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0829](#) Resolution approving a Tenancy In Common Agreement between the City of Pittsburgh, Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh, and Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh, with respect to 420 Boulevard of the Allies.

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

Aye: 6 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 3 - Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

Abstain: 0

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

Aye: 6 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 3 - Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

Abstain: 0

[2018-0855](#) Resolution approving execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land by and between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and Oak Moss Associates, LLC, or an entity to be formed, with respect to the sale of Block 55-P, Lots 37 and 39, situated in the 15th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh, -- Council District No. 5 (commercial development).

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2018-0860](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Office of Management and Budget to enter into a Non-Exclusive License Agreement with the Federal General Services Administration for the Veterans Affairs Highland Drive Campus at 7180 Highland Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15206 for limited use and to conduct due diligence pursuant to the application approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Department of Justice to acquire the property for law enforcement and emergency management purposes.

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

Aye: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS****APPROVAL OF MINUTES****ADJOURNMENT****LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER**