

City of Pittsburgh

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414 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219*



MEETING MINUTES

Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh

Monday, March 20, 2006

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-FOURTH COUNCIL**

Luke Ravenstahl, President

**Council Members: Len Bodack, Twanda Carlisle,
Dan Deasy, Jim Motznik, Tonya D. Payne, William Peduto, Douglas Shields**

Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk

Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Ms. Payne, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl
Absent: 1 - Mr. Bodack

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2006-0230](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, does hereby recognize and commend "Dress for Success Pittsburgh" for the outstanding achievements in dressing the women of this region for success in their futures.

SPONSOR(S): TWANDA CARLISLE

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

Bill No. [2006-0231](#) WHEREAS, founded in 1975, the National Society of Black Engineers works to, "increase the number of culturally responsible Black engineers who excel academically, succeed professionally and positively impact the community,

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO, TWANDA CARLISLE AND TONYA D. PAYNE

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

Bill No. [2006-0232](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby congratulates Eagle Scout M. Robert Marks on his recent achievements and commends him for all of his accomplishments.

SPONSOR(S): DAN DEASY

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

Bill No. [2006-0233](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVLED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh wishes to also recognize March as Women's History Month, with special acknowledgement paid to the YWCA of Greater Pittsburgh for its continued work on behalf of addressing the needs and aspirations of local women with great sincerity and commitment.

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE, DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND WILLIAM PEDUTO

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

MS.CARLISLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

Bill No. [2006-0225](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements for the purchase of Pharmaceutical Services, Supplies, and Medications necessary for the operations of the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services for a period of three years (2006, 2007 and 2008), cost not to exceed \$35,000 per year.

Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee

Bill No. [2006-0226](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 467 of 2004 entitled: Resolution authorizing the City to use grant monies received from the U.S. Department of Justice to enter into an agreement with LiveWave, Inc. to purchase robotic cameras and related equipment, software, and services for public safety purposes; by increasing the total aggregate amount from \$495,947 to \$1,114,716.92.

Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee

Bill No. [2006-0227](#) Resolution providing for a contract or contracts or the use of existing contract or contracts; or agreement or agreements for the purchase of computers, mobile data computers, warranties, mounting equipment and accessories at a cost not to exceed One Hundred Eighty Five Thousand, Eight Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$185,850.00) and providing for the payment of the costs thereof.

Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee

Bill No. [2006-0228](#) Resolution providing for a contract or contracts or the use of existing contract or contracts; or agreement or agreements for the purchase of two canine vehicles, three patrol vehicles, twenty two mobile data computers and accessories at a cost not to exceed Two Hundred Eighty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Five Dollars (\$289,905.00) and providing for the payment of the costs thereof.

Read and referred to Public Safety Services Committee

MR. SHIELDS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & BUDGET

Bill No. [2006-0222](#) Resolution amending Res. 764, effective January 1, 2006 entitled, Res. making Appropriations to pay the expenses of conducting the Public Business of the City of Pittsburgh and for meeting the debt charges thereof for the Fiscal Year, beginning January 1, 2006 by increasing the total budget amount from \$418,152,874.00 to \$427,501,378.00.

Read and referred to Finance & Budget Committee

Bill No. [2006-0223](#) Resolution amending Res. 763, effective January 1, 2006 entitled, Res. fixing the number of officers and employees of the City of Pittsburgh, and the rate of compensation thereof, and setting minimum levels for designated positions, by making various changes.

Read and referred to Finance & Budget Committee

Bill No. [2006-0224](#) Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor to issue and the City Controller to countersign a warrant in the amount of Forty Thousand, Eight Hundred and Thirty-two Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$40,832.70) to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania representing the final payment required for unclaimed funds for the year 2000 and payroll 2003, pursuant to the provisions of Deposition of Abandoned and Unclaimed Property Act, Act of August 9, 1971 P.L. 74.

Read and referred to Finance & Budget Committee**MR. MOTZNIK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PARKS AND RECREATION AND YOUTH POLICY**

Bill No. [2006-0229](#) Authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Public Works to name Frick Park Field #1 at Forbes and Braddock Avenues in the 14th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh for Jeff Rosenthal, to be called Jeff Rosenthal Field.

SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS

Read and referred to Parks, Recreation & Youth Policy Committee

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION****MR. SHIELDS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & BUDGET**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance and Budget for March 15, 2006.

[2006-0218](#)

Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Resolution providing that the City of Pittsburgh enter into an agreement or agreements for maintaining equipment necessary for the processing and administration of Personnel and Civil Service applications and examinations and providing for the payment of the cost thereof. Cost not to exceed \$13,000.00.

[2006-0172](#)

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

Votes: Ayes: 7 - Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Ms. Payne, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Bodack

Bill No. Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 258, effective April 26, 2000, as amended, entitled "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or use of existing Agreements and/or a Contract or Contracts, or use of existing Contracts, and for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services for various projects in connection with the Neighborhood Needs Program in Council District 1; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," by changing the project name of Brighton Duplex Project to Brighton Heights Citizens Federation and increasing the amount from \$10,000 to 20,000 and by adding Spring Garden Street Lighting \$1,200 and Perry Athletic Association Equipment \$4,000 in Council District 1. Total amount of all projects not to exceed \$824,095.42.

[2006-0191](#)

SPONSOR(S): LUKE RAVENSTAHL

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

Bill No. [2006-0191](#) Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 258, effective April 26, 2000, as amended, entitled "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or use of existing Agreements and/or a Contract or Contracts, or use of existing Contracts, and for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services for various projects in connection with the Neighborhood Needs Program in Council District 1; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," by changing the project name of Brighton Duplex Project to Brighton Heights Citizens Federation and increasing the amount from \$10,000 to 20,000 and by adding Spring Garden Street Lighting \$1,200 and Perry Athletic Association Equipment \$4,000 in Council District 1. Total amount of all projects not to exceed \$824,095.42.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally, As Amended. The motion carried.

MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Bill No. [2006-0219](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for March 15, 2006.

Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. [2006-0066](#) Resolution granting unto Duquesne University, 600 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15282, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, a pedestrian bridge and two canopies at 1015 Forbes Avenue in the 1st Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

Votes: Ayes: 7 - Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Ms. Payne, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0
Absent: 1 - Mr. Bodack

MR. BODACK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING & LAND USE

Bill No. [2006-0220](#) Report of the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Land Use for March 15, 2006.

Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. [2006-0042](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning Map by changing zoning district boundaries by extending the SP-1 district beyond the Hot Metal Bridge, and amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning amending text for the SP-1 / Pittsburgh Technology Center district.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of City Planning to enter into an agreement or agreements with members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, for payment of services for duties related to any and all activities of the Zoning Board of the City of Pittsburgh. Cost not to exceed \$39,000.

[2006-0174](#)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 7 - Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Ms. Payne, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0
Absent: 1 - Mr. Bodack

MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for March 15, 2006.

[2006-0221](#)

Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Resolution adopting the Pittsburgh Technology Center Tax Increment Financing Plan presented by the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and making certain findings. (Council Districts 3 and 6).

[2006-0017](#)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing a cooperation agreement or agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh, the County of Allegheny and the School District of Pittsburgh providing for the financing, monitoring, implementation and termination of the Pittsburgh Technology Center Tax Increment Financing District. (Council Districts 3 and 6).

[2006-0018](#)

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 794, effective December 31, 2005 entitled: Providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh and further, authorizing various departments to enter into contract or contracts or use existing contract or contracts for street paving and other related costs the purchase of equipment and/or furniture at a cost not to exceed \$972,000.00; so as to reprogram funds in City Council from "Central Baptist Church Central Development Corp." (-14,000) to the "Arch Street Senior High Rise" (+2,500), and to the "Millones Manor High Rise" (+2,500); and to the "Central Out Reach Resource & Referral Center" (+9,000).

[2006-0178](#)

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2006-0179](#)

Resolution Amending Resolution No. 793, effective December 31, 2005 entitled: 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 2005 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 in City Council from "Central Baptist Church Central Development Corp" (-1,174.74) and "Schenley Heights Development Corp." (-2,225.26) to the "Dinwiddie Community Alliance (+1,900) and to the "Corporate Collections (aka "Dress for Success")" (+1,500).

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2006-0180](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 792, effective December 31, 2005 entitled: The Mayor and the Director of the Department of City Planning of the City of Pittsburgh are hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement or Agreements, in a form approved by the City Solicitor, with the following various community organizations, for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh and further, authorizing various departments to enter into contract(s) or use existing contract(s) for street paving and other related costs, for the purchase of equipment and/or furniture and installation thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 chargeable to and payable from the 2005 Community Development Block Grant Program "City Council" so as to reprogram funds in City Council from "Schenley Heights Development Corp." (-2,225.26) and from the "Central Baptist Church Central Development Corp." (-1,174.74) and reallocate these funds to the "Dinwiddie Community Alliance" (+1,900) and to "Corporate Collections (aka "Dress For Success")" (+1,500).

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2006-0181](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 791, effective December 31, 2005 entitled: "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 1997 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 in City Council from the "Schenley Heights Community

Development Corporation" (-4,000) to "Gwen's Girls" (+1,500) and to the "Pittsburgh Community Services" (+2,500).

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2006-0182](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 41, effective February 14, 2006, as entitled, "Providing for the filing of a Community Development statement by the City of Pittsburgh with the U.S. Department of HUD for a grant in connection with the 2000 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 in City Council from "Schenley Heights C.D.C." (-2,960) and reallocate these funds to the "Uptown Community Action Group" (+2,960).

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2006-0183](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 40 effective February 14, 2006, entitled: "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements, with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh and further, authorizing various departments to enter into contract or contracts or use existing contract or contracts for the purchase of equipment and/or furniture at a cost not to exceed \$1,440,896.62" so as to transfer funds from City Council, "Schenley Heights C.D.C." (-2,960) and reallocate these funds to the "Uptown Community Action Group" (+ 2,960).

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2006-0184](#)

Resolution Amending Resolution No. 801, effective December 31, 2005, entitled, "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 2001 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 in City Council from "Schenley Heights Community Development Corporation" (-5,638) to the "Central Outreach Resource & Referral Center" (+5,638); and from "District 1 Equipment" (-1,000) to the "North Shore Community Alliance" (+1,000).

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2006-0185](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 800, effective December 31, 2005, which presently reads as follows: The Mayor and the Director of the Department of City Planning of the City of Pittsburgh are hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement or Agreements, in a form approved by the City Solicitor, with the following various community organizations, for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh and further, authorizing various departments to enter into contract(s) or use existing contract(s) for the purchase of equipment and/or furniture and installation thereof, at a cost not to exceed \$1,153,750.00, chargeable to and payable from the 2001 Community Development Block Grant Program "City Council", so as to reprogram funds in City Council from the "Schenley Heights Community Development Corp." (-5,638) to the "Central Outreach Resource & Referral Center" (+5,638) and from "District 1 Equipment" (-1,000) to the "North Shore Community Alliance" (+1,000).

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2006-0186](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 797, effective December 31, 2005, entitled "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 1999 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 transfer funds in City Council from "Schenley Heights Community Development Corp." (-5,176.74) to the "Fineview Citizens Council" (+5,176.74).

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2006-0187](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 795, effective December 31, 2005, entitled: 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 2004 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 in City Council from "Central Baptist Church Central Development Corp." (-14,000) to the "Arch Street Senior High rise" (+2,500); and to the "Millones Manor High Rise" (+2,500); and to the "Central Outreach Resource & Referral Center" (+9,000).

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2006-0188](#)

Resolution amending No. 796, effective December 31, 2005 entitled "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements, with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh and further, authorizing various departments to enter into contract or contracts or use existing contract or contracts for the purchase of equipment and/or furniture at a cost not to exceed \$1,129,744.64, "so as to reprogram funds in City Council from "Schenley Heights Community Development Corp." (-5,176.74) to the "Fineview Citizens Council" (+5,176.74).

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2006-0189](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No.790 effective December 31, 2005, entitled: "Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment; and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed \$1,076,844.90, chargeable to and payable from the 1997 Community Development Block Grant Program" so as to reprogram funds in City Council from "Schenley Heights Community Development Corporation" (-4,000) to the "Gwen's Girls" (+1,500); and to the "Pittsburgh Community Services" (+2,500).

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 7 - Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Ms. Payne, Mr. Motzник, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Bodack

Bill No.

[2006-0190](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 2000, as amended, entitled: "Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital; and approving the 2000 through 2005 Capital Improvement Program, by adjusting various line items in conformance with City Council's 2000 Capital Budget amendments," by changing the project name of Brighton Duplex Project to Brighton Heights Citizens Federation and increasing the amount from \$10,000 to 20,000 and by adding Spring Garden Street Lighting \$1,200 and Perry Athletic Association Equipment \$4,000 in Council District 1.

SPONSOR(S): LUKE RAVENSTAHL

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

Bill No.

[2006-0190](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 2000, as amended, entitled: "Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital; and approving the 2000 through 2005 Capital Improvement Program, by adjusting various line items in conformance with City Council's 2000 Capital Budget amendments," by changing the project name of Brighton Duplex Project to Brighton Heights Citizens Federation and increasing the amount from \$10,000 to 20,000 and by adding Spring Garden Street Lighting \$1,200 and Perry Athletic Association Equipment \$4,000 in Council District 1.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally, As Amended. The motion carried.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

MS. CARLISLE AND MEMBERS

Acknowledging the life and legacy of former Speaker of the House K. Leroy Irvis

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

A motion was made to excuse the absent member(s) Mr. Bodack. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.