

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

ONE-HUNDRED

THIRTY-NINTH COUNCIL

Bruce A. Kraus, President of Council

***Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Dan Gilman, Deborah L. Gross, Darlene M. Harris,
R. Daniel Lavelle, Corey O'Connor, Natalia Rudiak, Theresa Kail-Smith***

Mary Beth Doheny, City Clerk - Kimberly Clark-Baskin, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**PROCLAMATIONS**

[2017-1447](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the thousands who participate and urges all members of the Pittsburgh School District community to actively support and participate in this worthwhile event; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Friday, May 19th, 2017 to be “**Take a Father to School Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMR. KRAUS AND SPONSOR/SALL MEMBERS

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

[2017-1448](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby asks for all Pittsburghers to help raise the public awareness of autism and the many issues surrounding the disorder, and does hereby declare **April, 2017** to be “**Autism Awareness Month**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMR. KRAUS AND SPONSOR/SALL MEMBERS

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

[2017-1449](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Tom Duer, Lauren Schieb, and Big Brother Big Sister of Greater Pittsburgh for their work to ensure that children in our region are provided the support they need to thrive; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, April 25th to be “**Big Brother Big Sister of the Year Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMS. GROSS AND SPONSOR/SALL MEMBERS

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

[2017-1450](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Dr. Larry Leahy for receiving the PATF Kerry Stoner Award in honor of his lifelong and deep-rooted dedication to serving the HIV/AIDS community in Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare to April 26th, 2017 be “**Dr. Larry Leahy Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMR. GILMAN AND SPONSOR/SALL MEMBERS

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

[2017-1451](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare **Saturday, June 3, 2017** to be “**Randyland Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMRS. HARRIS AND SPONSOR/SALL MEMBERS

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

[2017-1452](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Bike Pittsburgh, Assemble, Sprout Fund, youth-serving organizations, and student participants for organizing the #PGHYouthVision campaign and for their efforts to boost civic engagement among Pittsburgh youth; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare April 27th, 2017 to be “**#PGHYouthVision Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMR. GILMAN AND SPONSOR/SALL MEMBERS

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

[2017-1453](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Dr. Peter Cooke for being named a Member of the Order of Australia and serving the local, national, and international communities through his work in theater and dance; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare April 30th, 2017 to be “**Dr. Peter Cooke Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMR. GILMAN AND SPONSOR/SALL MEMBERS

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

[2017-1454](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend and congratulate **Judy Bannon** for her dedicated commitment to our regions’ children, for the contributions she has made to make Pittsburgh the most livable city and for her remarkable accomplishments that have made safe sleep a reality for thousands of infants each year; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Wednesday, April 26, 2017 to be “**JUDY BANNON DAY**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMR. O'CONNOR AND SPONSOR/SALL MEMBERS

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

[2017-1455](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the work of Emanuel United Methodist Church and its service to the community; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Sunday, April 30, 2017 to be “***Emanuel United Methodist Church Day***” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMRS. KAIL-SMITH AND SPONSOR/SALL MEMBERS

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

[2017-1456](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare April 29th through the 30th as “**The Harmony Singers of Pittsburgh Happy Harmony Days.**”

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMR. KRAUS AND SPONSOR/SALL MEMBERS

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS:

[2017-1437](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Finance to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with N. Harris Computer Corporation for the provision of a self-assessed business tax & revenue management software system for a sum not to exceed Two Million Thirty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Five Dollars (\$2,036,925.00) over ten years and for the payment of the costs thereof.

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

COUNCILMAN DAN GILMAN PRESENTS:

[2017-1438](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the Tata Consultancy Center, 4665 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213.

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

[2017-1439](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for Sehr Abodes at 955 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222.

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

[2017-1445](#) Resolution directing the Director of Finance to waive any penalties for the local earned income tax caused by the differing federal tax deadline.

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMR. GILMAN

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2017-1446](#) Resolution directing the Director of Finance to work with the Pittsburgh Public School District and Mt. Oliver Borough to develop a policy ensuring that the local and federal tax deadlines occur on the same day each year.

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMR. GILMAN

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:

[2017-1440](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 775, effective December 29, 2016 entitled “Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Chief and Director of Innovation and Performance to enter into a grant agreement with the City Energy Project, a program of the Natural Resources Defense Council and Institute for Market Transformation to receive \$200,000 in funding to support (1) energy consultant advisor for two-years; (2) Participation in the City Energy Project and (3) the development of a city-wide energy efficiency policy and programs.”

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

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

[2017-1441](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 693 of 2016, authorizing the Mayor, Director of Office of Management and Budget and the Chief of Police/Director of Public Safety, to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, into a Lease Agreement or Agreements with the Community College of Allegheny County (CCAC) for the use of certain property located at 900 and 918 N. Lincoln Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15233 by adding contractual language regarding parking guidelines. Said Amendment(s) to Lease Agreement(s) at a cost not to exceed One-Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00), raising the overall cost of the Lease Agreement(s) to Two Million Three-Hundred Thirteen Thousand Three-Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars and Eighty-Eight Cents (\$2,313,366.88).

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

[2017-1442](#)

Resolution appointing Chaton T. Turner, 50 Foster Square, Pittsburgh PA 15212, as a member of the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Board of the City of Pittsburgh for a term effective May 1, 2017 and expire on April 30, 2020.

A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

[2017-1443](#)

Resolution appointing Debbie M. Lestitian, 689 Southcrest Drive, Pittsburgh PA 15226, as a member of the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Board of the City of Pittsburgh for a term effective May 1, 2017 and expire on April 30, 2020.

A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

[2017-1444](#) Resolution appointing James W. Turner, 1305 King Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15206, as a member of the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Board of the City of Pittsburgh for a term effective May 1, 2017 and expire on April 30, 2020.

A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILWOMAN NATALIA RUDIAK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

[2017-1433](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for April 19, 2017 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2017-1388](#) 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 incompleion of sale.
Items A: 310 Felmeth

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2017-1389](#) 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 I. A: 3335 Milwaukee, B: 908 Adelaide, C: 438 N. Fairmount, D: 312 Flowers, E: 335 Flowers, F: 421 Flowers, G: 379 Flowers, H: 847 Tripoli, I: 849 Tripoli

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2017-1390](#) 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 G: A: 900 Chislett, B: 7335 Monticello, C: 7306 Kelly, D: 209 Renova, E: 211 Renova, F: 218 Hallock, G: 245 E. Jefferson

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

[2017-1434](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for April 19, 2017 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2017-1308](#) Resolution vacating a portion of Flossie Way between Zebina Way and S. Neville Street in the 4th Ward 8th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.
(Public Hearing Held, April, 18, 2017)

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2017-1393](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Works to execute relevant agreements and to receive grant funding to support the construction of a new Aquatic Spray Park, ADA access, minor site work and Bath House Renovations, and further providing for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed (\$175,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON URBAN RECREATION

[2017-1435](#) Report of the Committee on Urban Recreation for April 19, 2017 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2017-1392](#) An Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title Four, Public Places and Property, Article XI: - Parks and Playgrounds, Chapter 473: - Use Regulations, Section 473.05 - Behavior, by including ballfields as a place where dogs must be on leash and under the control of the owner or person having charge of the dog.

SPONSORS: SPONSOR/SMS. RUDIAK AND SPONSOR/SMR. KRAUS

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMAN DAN GILMAN PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[2017-1436](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for April 19, 2017 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2017-1386](#) Resolution adopting Plan Addition to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the Miller Street Apartments at 318 Miller Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219.

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2017-1387](#) Resolution adopting Plan Addition to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the Forbes at Coltart Office Building at 3420 & 3422 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213.

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER