

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 24, 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**

[2018-0750](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby celebrate the dedication of Paul Carey and his commitment to the South Craig Street business district, the Oakland community, and the entire city of Pittsburgh and wishes him the best during his retirement; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare July 24th, 2018 to be “Paul Carey Day” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. STRASSBURGER AND ALL MEMBERS

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

[2018-0751](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does recognize and celebrate the work of the Allegheny County Coalition for Recovery and honors First Responders for their invaluable service to our community; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare to Tuesday, July 24th, 2018 to be “*Allegheny County Coalition for Recovery and First Responders Day*” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MR. KRAUS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

[2018-0752](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby oppose any federal increases in truck size or weight at this time.

SPONSOR /S: MR. KRAUS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

[2018-0753](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh urges President Donald Trump to respect the sovereignty of the Cuban people and renew productive and cooperative mutual engagement with Cuba and re-open a fully operational Embassy in Havana and allow Cuba to restore all diplomatic staff and services at their Washington, D.C. Embassy; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh urges the Congress to pass the strategic pieces of legislation that would completely repeal the blockade and travel ban and that this Resolution be sent to the White House, Members of Congress, National Conference of Mayors, state and local legislative entities, and be promoted publicly.

SPONSOR /S: MR. COGHILL 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:

[2018-0738](#)

Resolution appointing individuals from the Department of Finance to represent the City of Pittsburgh as delegates to the Tax Collection Committee to be established for the Allegheny Central Tax Collection District pursuant to the requirements of Act 32 of 2008.

Councilwoman Harris Abstained

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

[2018-0749](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of Finance to enter into a contract(s) or agreement(s) or use of existing contract(s) or agreement(s) on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh with the Pittsburgh Land Bank for administrative service for the 2018 Land Bank implementation at a cost not to exceed TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$200,000.00).

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS

Councilwoman Harris Abstained

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

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:

[2018-0739](#) Resolution urging the State of Pennsylvania’s Department of Labor and Industry to adopt more progressive and inclusive accessibility standards through the Uniform Construction Code (UCC).

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

[2018-0747](#) Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts, an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, providing for the planning, design, repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies, operations, and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the Smallman Street network planning component.

SPONSOR /S: MS. GROSS

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2018-0748](#) Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts, an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, providing for the planning, design, repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies, operations, and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the Smallman Street parking mitigation service demonstration.

SPONSOR /S: MS. GROSS

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2018-0754](#) Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Structure under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain structure known as the Albright United Methodist Church, located at 486 S. Graham Street, block and lot number 51-M-155 and 51-M-155-0-2, in the 8th Ward, City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MS. GROSS

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

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

[2018-0740](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of the Port Authority of Allegheny County in the amount of \$19,120.00 for bus shuttle services for the 2017 Richard S. Caliguiri City of Pittsburgh Great Race.

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS:

[2018-0741](#) Resolution providing for the acceptance by the City of Pittsburgh from the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh of its rights, title and interest in and to certain property in the 2nd Ward of the City of Pittsburgh for public purpose to become part of the I-579 Cap Project.

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

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

[2018-0742](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of City Planning to enter into a Programmatic Agreement with the Federal Highway Administration, the Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Officer, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, and the Sports & Exhibition Authority regarding the SR 0579 Section A10 Cap Project.

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:

[2018-0743](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an Agreement between the City of Pittsburgh and OOA Design, LLC, for the creation and installation of public art at Wightman Park located at 5612 Solway Street Pittsburgh, PA 15217, at a cost not to exceed Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00).

Waived under Rule 8

A motion was made that this matter be Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works . The motion carried.

[2018-0744](#) Resolution authorizing the execution of a reimbursement agreement with the Borough of Mt. Oliver in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 providing for reimbursement from the City for certain costs to be incurred by the Borough of Mt Oliver related to the Brownsville Road Streetscape Improvement Project in the Knoxville neighborhood of the City of Pittsburgh (Council District 3).

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER:

[2018-0745](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Five: Traffic, Article VII: Parking, Chapter 549: Residential Parking Permit Program by amending section 549.17 (b) Minor Expansions.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. STRASSBURGER

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

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

[2018-0746](#) Resolution re-appointing Paul Leger to serve as a member of the Pittsburgh Land Bank Board for a term to expire July 31, 2021.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

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

[2018-0735](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for July 18, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0659](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of Metals Treatment Technologies 2, in the amount of \$61,657.07, for emergency remediation services at the Pittsburgh Bureau of Police Firing range; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof.

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

[2018-0736](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for July 18, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0560](#) Resolution approving a Conditional Use Application under the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article V, Chapter 911.2, Section 911.02.A.64 for Waldorf School of Pittsburgh for authorization to expand an Elementary/Secondary School (General) at 201 S. Winebiddle Street, zoned “R2-M” Residential Two-Unit, Moderate Density District, 8th Ward, Council District No. 7
(Public Hearing held 7/11/18)

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

[2018-0737](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for July 18, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0604](#) Ordinance authorizing the City of Pittsburgh (“City”) to enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the Borough of Mount Oliver (“Borough”) with regard to the City providing animal control services to the Borough pursuant to the General Local Government Code, 53 Pa. C.S. §§2301 *et seq.*

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

Aye: 2 - Mr. Kraus, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 7 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

Abstain: 0

[2018-0652](#) Resolution authorizing the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure, on behalf of the city of Pittsburgh, to enter into a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts, an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, providing for the reimbursement from Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority "PWSA" costs related to the Penn Avenue Reconstruction project.

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