

# **City of Pittsburgh**

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Pittsburgh, PA 15219*



## **MEETING MINUTES**

*Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh*

**Tuesday, July 11, 2006**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council**

## ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Koch, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl

Absent: 1 - Mr. Motznik

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No.

[2006-0597](#)

Whereas, Pittsburgh has a rich history as a city at the forefront of examining the moral issues related to worker treatment in an industrialized economy and as a place where the rights of labor are passionately protected; and

Whereas, "sweatshop" conditions, which include poverty wages, forced overtime, unsafe working conditions, firings and blacklisting in response to attempts to organize unions, mandatory pregnancy tests, firings for pregnancy, and other violations of women's rights, are so widespread in the apparel industry that they could be considered the norm and not the exception; and

Whereas, the City of Pittsburgh and the State of Pennsylvania have adopted sweatshop-free procurement policies, which correctly reflect the values of our city and state; and

Whereas, there is an "academic standard" of sweatshop accountability supported by over 160 universities nationwide, including Carnegie Mellon University; and

Whereas, there are many well known companies and organizations that are very closely linked to Pittsburgh in the mind of the public and have benefited from the continuous support of this city. These institutions should be expected to behave in such a way that is consistent with the morals and values of the people who provided them with the opportunity to succeed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, does urge all organizations that are part of the Pittsburgh community to commit themselves to eliminating the use and sale of products that were produced in sweatshop conditions.

**SPONSOR(S): TWANDA CARLISLE AND TONYA D. PAYNE**

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

Bill No.

[2006-0598](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh wishes to pay tribute to the commitment and dedication of Ronald Wilburn, as he sought to make a real and lasting difference in the lives of youth through education, mentorship, and vocational training; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby wishes to recognize the 3rd Saturday in July as "Ronald Wilburn Community Day," with special acknowledgement being paid to the Wesley Center A.M.E. Zion Church

for its efforts in continuing Ronald Wilburn's vision for creating a strong and empowered community that seeks to nurture the potential and dignity inherent in each and every person.

**SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE, TWANDA CARLISLE, WILLIAM PEDUTO, LEN BODACK AND LUKE RAVENSTAHL**

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

Bill No.

[2006-0599](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh commends the Opera Theater of Pittsburgh for their dedication to the development of the arts in Pittsburgh; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares, Friday, July 14th, "Opera Theater of Pittsburgh's Ring Cycle Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO**

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

Bill No.

[2006-0600](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh declares July 11, 2006 Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix Day and honors the organizers of this premier summer event for providing a venue for vintage auto enthusiasts to celebrate their passion while raising funds for developmentally disabled people in our community.

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS, LEN BODACK, TWANDA CARLISLE, DAN DEASY, TONYA D. PAYNE AND WILLIAM PEDUTO**

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

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

## **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

### **MR. KOCH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING, FLEET AND FORESTRY**

Bill No.

[2006-0579](#)

Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts or the use of existing Contracts; providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements; providing for repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the South Side Market House; and further providing for the payment of the costs thereof, cost not to exceed \$75,000.00.

**Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee**

### **MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION**

Bill No.

[2006-0580](#)

Resolution approving execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land by and between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh for the sale of Block 10-K, Lots 46, 55, 56, 58, 59, and Block 10-P, Lot 24, in the 5th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh, 2165-2177 Centre Avenue, 2170-2174

Wylie Avenue, and 505-517 Kirkpatrick Street -- Council District No. 6 (Centre Avenue Corridor - Library Construction).

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.

[2006-0581](#)

Resolution approving execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land by and between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and the Hill House Association for the sale of Block 10-J, Lots 259 and 260, in the 5th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh - Council District No. 6 - 223 and 233 Erin Street (Parking).

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.

[2006-0582](#)

Resolution approving execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land by and between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and Condon Brothers Company, Inc. for the sale of Block 22-D, Lots 138, 138A, 138C, 139 and 169, in the 25th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh, Flocker Way -Council District No.6 (parking).

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.

[2006-0583](#)

Resolution approving Execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land by and between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and Ronald E. Moye for the Sale of Disposition Parcel 59B, Block 22-L, Lots 159 and 160A, in the 21st Ward of the City of Pittsburgh - Redevelopment Area No. 27 - Council District No. 6 (sideyard).

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.

[2006-0584](#)

Resolution approving Execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land by and between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and Adrienne Pate for the Sale of Block 50-G, Lots 40 and 40A, in the 10th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh - Council District No. 9 - (sideyard).

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.

[2006-0585](#)

Resolution approving execution of a Deed between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh with respect to the conveyance of the following properties, in the 3rd and 5th Wards of the City of Pittsburgh, in Redevelopment Area Nos. 31 and 42 - Council District No. 6:

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.

[2006-0586](#)

Resolution approving execution of a Deed by and between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and the City of Pittsburgh for the sale of Disposition Parcel 137, Block 2-D, Lots 368 and 371, and Block 2-H, Lots 284 and 285, in the 3rd Ward of the City of Pittsburgh, in Redevelopment Area No. 31 - Vine and Foreside Street - Council District No.6 (Public Parklet).

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.

[2006-0587](#)

Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh providing for the transfer to URA of \$2,000,000 for public improvements projects in Lawrenceville, East Liberty, South Side and Browns Hill Road. (Council Districts 3, 7, and 9)

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.  
[2006-0588](#) Resolution 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 2006-2007 Community Development Block Grant Program, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, not to exceed \$7,278,345. (Council Districts: All).

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.  
[2006-0589](#) Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with URA's application for a \$5,500,000 Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant for the Magee-Womens Research Institute project. (Council District No. 6)

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.  
[2006-0590](#) 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 in the amount of \$5,500,000 for the Magee-Womens Research Institute project. (Council District No. 6)

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.  
[2006-0591](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire all of the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the following Publicly-Owned Properties in the City of Pittsburgh (Centre Avenue Corridor -- Council District No. 6 - Site Assemblage for Commercial/Residential Development).

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.  
[2006-0592](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire all of the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the Publicly-Owned Property in the 5th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh Designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 10-J, Lot 259, under the Residential Land Reserve Fund - 223 Erin Street - (Council District No. 6).

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

Bill No.  
[2006-0596](#) Resolution Amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 2000, as amended, entitled: "Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital Budget and the 2000 Community Development Block Grant Program; 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 deleting line items KDKA-TV Beat Auto Theft \$7,300.00 and Public Safety Initiatives and by changing the name of line item Public Safety Initiatives, St. Clair/Mt. Oliver Block Watch to Public Safety Initiatives, St. Clair/Mt. Oliver Guide Rail and by reducing the amount from \$4,000.00 to \$3,997.04 and by increasing amounts in various other projects by \$7,300.00, in Council District 3.

**SPONSOR(S): JEFFREY S. KOCH**

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

**MR. SHIELDS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING**

Bill No.  
[2006-0576](#) Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984; having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh/City Source Associates Sideyard Program. ITEM A. A: 3426 and 3428 Ligonier.

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

Bill No.  
[2006-0577](#) Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales, in accordance with Act No.171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

Bill No.  
[2006-0578](#) Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.  
ITEMS A thru G. A: 3100 Tretow; B: 2913, 2915 & 2917 Glen Mawr;  
C: 2207, 2213, 2217, 2219-2223 Forbes and 117 Brady; D: 1077 Blackadore;  
E: 5417 Dresden Way; F: 228 Dinwiddie; G: 218 Dinwiddie; H: 6 Allequippa;  
I: Four (4) lots on Windom.

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

Bill No.  
[2006-0595](#) Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 180, effective April 5, 2000, 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 3; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," By deleting line items KDKA-TV Beat Auto Theft \$7,300.00 and Public Safety Initiatives and by changing the name of line item Public Safety Initiatives, St. Clair/Mt. Oliver Block Watch to Public Safety Initiatives, St. Clair/Mt. Oliver Guide Rail and by reducing the amount from \$4,000.00 to \$3,997.04 and by increasing amounts in various other projects by \$7,300.00, in Council District

**SPONSOR(S): JEFFREY S. KOCH**

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

## **MR. RAVENSTAHL, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HEARINGS**

Bill No.  
[2006-0593](#) Communication from Susan Malie, City Solicitor, submitting the Claims Report for the first and second quarter of 2006.

**Read, Received and Filed**

Bill No.  
[2006-0594](#) Communication from Patrick Ford, Director of City Planning, submitting a report on the re-certification of Area "D" Central Oakland, for the Residential Parking Permit Program.

**Read, Received and Filed**

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

#### MR. SHIELDS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance, Law and Purchasing for July 5, 2006.

[2006-0573](#)

##### **Read, Received and Filed**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into an agreement or agreements for the hiring of outside legal counsel and consultants to represent the City of Pittsburgh in connection with the conduct of labor negotiations and certain litigation matters at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00 (Fifty Thousand Dollars).

[2006-0536](#)

##### **This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into an agreement or agreements for the hiring of Cycom Data Systems, Inc., to maintain and upgrade the CityLaw Computer program on the City of Pittsburgh Department of Law's computer system at a cost not to exceed \$7,275.00 (Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars).

[2006-0537](#)

##### **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: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Koch, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Absent: 1 - Mr. Motznik

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

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Land Use for July 5, 2006.

[2006-0574](#)

##### **Read, Received and Filed**

Bill No. Ordinance Amending certain portions of the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title Nine, Zoning, Chapter 902.03 (Zoning Map) to change the Zoning Classification from RM-M / Residential Multi-Unit, Moderate Density to LNC / Local Neighborhood Commercial all certain properties bounded by Maeburn Rd, Morrowfield Ave, Block and Lot #87-K-033 in the Allegheny County block and lot system, Forward Ave, and Block and Lots #87-F324 and -320 in the aforesaid system, 14th Ward.

[2006-0033](#)

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS**

**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: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Koch, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Absent: 1 - Mr. Motznik

**MS. CARLISLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for July 5, 2006.

[2006-0575](#)

**Read, Received and Filed**

Bill No. Resolution authorizing an Agreement or Agreements with a consultant or consultants for medical direction services for the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Department of Public Safety, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, cost not to exceed \$21,500.00.

[2006-0534](#)

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Koch, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto, Mr. Shields and Mr. Ravenstahl  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Absent: 1 - Mr. Motznik

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

**A motion was made to excuse the absent member(s) Mr. Motznik. 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.**