

# City of Pittsburgh

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



## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, October 16, 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**

[2018-0987](#)

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Black Women for Positive Change; and,

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare October 14 through 20, 2018, to be ***“2018 Week of Non-Violence, Justice, Positive Change and Opportunities”*** in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR /S:** MR. COGHILL AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 680

[2018-0988](#)

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Kevin Stevens and Familylinks; and,

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, October 16, 2018, to be ***“Kevin Stevens and Familylinks Day”*** in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR /S:** MR. COGHILL AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 681

[2018-0989](#)

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED*** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh commends and celebrates the efforts of the Homeless Children’s Education Fund and joins them in commemorating Homeless Children’s Awareness Week; and,

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare ***October 14th to 20th, 2017*** to be ***“Homeless Children’s Awareness Week”*** in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR /S:** MR. KRAUS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 682

[2018-0990](#)

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby celebrate **Women In Bio-Pittsburgh** and **Babs Carryer** as she receives the **WIB-Pittsburgh P.O.W.E.R. Award** for her excellent services to the women in our region; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Thursday, October 11, 2018 to be “**Women In Bio P.O.W.E.R. event**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR /S:** MRS. HARRIS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 683

[2018-0991](#)

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend the **Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens** for being a leading collaborator in ecological regeneration, green energy and healthy living issues by fulfilling its mission and congratulates the **Phipps** for 125 years of remarkable contributions to the City of Pittsburgh; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Friday, December 7, 2018, to be “**PHIPPS CONSERVATORY AND BOTANICAL GARDENS 125TH ANNIVERSARY DAY**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR /S:** MR. O'CONNOR AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 684

[2018-0992](#)

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend University of Pittsburgh Community Engagement Centers for showing its commitment and dedication to the community; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Thursday, October 18, 2018, to be “**University of Pittsburgh Community Engagement Centers 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: 685

[2018-0993](#)

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Mr. Humphries for a life committed to hard work and continuing to mentor young people; and,

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Saturday, October 13, 2018, to be “***James Humphries 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: 686

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

## **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

### **COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS:**

[2018-0994](#)

Resolution amending Resolution #282 of 2016, which authorized the City of Pittsburgh to enter into a Professional Service Agreement(s) with Maher Duessel, which provides independent auditing services for the city, by extending the term of the contract by one year.

**SPONSOR /S:** REV. BURGESS

Councilwoman Harris Voted No

**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:**

[2018-0977](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 596, effective September 10, 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 2017 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 Change a group name within City Council budget: “Westside Mustangs (-\$2,500.00)” to Birmingham Foundation/Westside Mustangs (+2,500.00) “Also a name change within the Mayor’s Office from “Homewood Concerned Citizens” (-\$2,500.00) shall now read “Trinity Temple Church/Homewood Concerned Citizens(+2,500.00).

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

[2018-0978](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 595, effective September 10, 2018 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; 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 \$825,000.00 so as to reprogram funds within City Council so as to Change a group name within City Council budget: “Westside Mustangs (-\$2,500.00)” to Birmingham Foundation/Westside Mustangs (+2,500.00)

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

[2018-0979](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 541 effective August 6, 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 \$365,000.00. Name change: shall now read; Intro to the Trades (-\$10,000.00) to Energy Innovation Center Institute, Inc (+\$10,000.00)

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

[2018-0980](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 493, effective August 10, 2017, 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 \$315,000.00. A name change from “Homewood Concerned Citizens” (-\$2,500.00) shall now read “Trinity Temple Church/Homewood Concerned Citizens (+\$2,500.00).

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

[2018-0981](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 535, 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 2018 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: Name changes within City Council budget shall now read: “Mt. Washington Community Center formerly Ream (-\$10,000.00) to Birmingham Foundation/Mt. Washington Community Center (+\$10,000.00), “Saint Rosalia Food Bank (-\$3,000.00) to Saint Rosalia Church/Saint Rosalia Food Bank (+\$3,000.00), “Pittsburgh Aids Task Force (-\$5,000.00) to Alliance for Health and Wellbeing (+\$5,000.00). JDE number corrections within City Council for the following organizations: Union Project, Western PA Conservancy, and Pittsburgh Community Services-Safety. Name change within Mayor’s Office shall now read: Intro to the Trades (-\$10,000.00) to Energy Innovation Center Institute, Inc (+\$10,000.00)

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

[2018-0982](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 538 effective August 6, 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 \$735,000.00: Name changes as follows: “Mt. Washington Community Center formerly Ream (-\$10,000.00) to Birmingham Foundation/Mt. Washington Community Center (+\$10,000.00), “Saint Rosalia Food Bank (-\$3,000.00) to Saint Rosalia Church/Saint Rosalia Food Bank (+\$3,000.00), “Pittsburgh Aids Task Force (-\$5,000.00) to Alliance for Health and Wellbeing (+\$5,000.00) JDE number corrections within City Council for the following organizations: Union Project, Western PA Conservancy, and Pittsburgh Community Services-Safety.

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

**COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS:**

[2018-0983](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance to execute a quit claim deed or deeds, and any other necessary or appropriate documents, agreements, and instruments conveying AS IS all of the City's right, title and interest, if any, in designated City-owned properties to the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh (“URA”) for consideration of \$1.00 each, contingent upon the Mayor and Director of the Department of Finance first entering into a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the URA setting forth the rights and obligations of the City and the URA relating to these initial conveyances and further setting forth the rights and obligations of the City and the URA relating to the subsequent disposition of these properties to third parties.

**Not introduced by Councilman O'Connor, Chair of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs.**

**COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:**

[2018-0984](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 149 of 2015, which authorized the City of Pittsburgh to enter into an agreement or agreements with eDocs Technologies, LLC ("eDocs") for licensing services and maintenance and support services, to include OnBase Application Enabler at an additional cost not to exceed Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00).

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

[2018-0986](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation and Performance to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with SmartWorks Partners, Inc. for the provision of professional services relating to telecommunications strategy, with a 65/35 revenue sharing split.

**SPONSOR /S:** MRS. STRASSBURGER

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

**COUNCILMAN BRUCE KRAUS PRESENTS:**

[2018-0985](#) Communication from City Controller Michael Lamb submitting the City's Single Audit Report for the year ended December 31, 2017.

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

[2018-0995](#) Resolution appointing Yvonne S. Hilton, Esq., as City Solicitor of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

**A motion was made that this matter be Referred for Interview to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION**

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

[2018-0973](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for October 10, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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



[2018-0874](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in the amount of Six Thousand Thirty-Eight Dollars and Ninety-Nine Cents (\$6,038.99) payable to Schnader Harrison Segal & Lewis LLP, P.O.Box 826404, Philadelphia, PA 19182-6404, for professional services in connection with a police matter.  
*(Executive Session held 10/3/18)*

**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

[2018-0875](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Tucker Independent Medical Experts, Inc., 2400 Ansys Dr., Suite 102, Canonsburg, PA 15317 in an amount not to exceed Three Thousand One Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$3,100.00) for professional services in connection with litigation.  
*(Executive Session held 10/3/18)*

**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

[2018-0876](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in the amount of Sixty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$68,852.50) to Pepper Hamilton LLP, Suite 5000, 500 Grant St., Pittsburgh, PA 15219 for professional consulting and legal services in relation to False Claims Act litigation.  
*(Executive Session held 10/3/18)*

**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 R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES**

[2018-0974](#) Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for October 10, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[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.  
*(Public Hearing set for 10/29/18)*

**A motion was made that this matter be RECOMMENDED to the Committee on Public Safety Services. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

**No:** 2 - Mrs. Harris, and Mr. Kraus

**Abstain:** 0

**A motion was made that this matter be Held for Public Hearing to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.**

## **COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS**

[2018-0975](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for October 10, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0931](#) Resolution providing for a resolution for the Mayor, the Acting Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Quetica for professional services relating to fleet telematics and snow route optimization at a cost not to exceed \$1,453,924.00 over a three year period with two one-year optional renewals.

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

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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 1 - Mrs. Harris

**Out of Room:** 2 - Ms. Gross, and Mrs. Strassburger

## **COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS**

[2018-0976](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for October 10, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0927](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement, or Agreements with the Fair Housing Partnership, to provide comprehensive fair housing training to all relevant staff members of the City of Pittsburgh, the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh, the Urban Redevelopment Authority, and private housing providers. Training will include understanding affirmatively furthering fair housing, reasonable accommodation and modifications, and general fair housing laws, in an amount not to exceed \$56,600.00.

**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, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Out of Room:** 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

[2018-0928](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire all the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the Publicly-Owned Properties in the 13th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 174-J, Lots 96 and 97 (Council District No. 9 - Residential Development - 625 and 627 N. Homewood Avenue)

**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, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Out of Room:** 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

[2018-0929](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire all the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the Publicly-Owned Property in the 31st Ward of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 184-E, Lot 80 (Council District No. 5 - Future Development - 1201 Mifflin Road)

**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, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Out of Room:** 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

[2018-0930](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire all the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the following Publicly-Owned Properties in the 25th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 22-H, Lot 49, and Block 22-M, Lot 35, - Council District No. 6 - (906 California Avenue and 1517 Brighton Place - Side yards)

**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, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Out of Room:** 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

## MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

## EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER**