

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

***ONE-HUNDRED
FORTY-THIRD COUNCIL***

R. Daniel Lavelle, President of Council

Council Members: Robert Charland, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Khari Mosley, Theresa Kail-Smith, Erika Strassburger, Barbara Warwick, Bobby Wilson

Kimberly Clark-Baskin, City Clerk - Ashley Robinson, Assistant City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA****PROCLAMATIONS**

[2024-0013](#) **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the month of January 2024 to be "**National Human Trafficking Awareness Month**" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER CHARLAND AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 1

[2024-0014](#) **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize John Weinstein and thank him for his service to Allegheny County and the City of Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare, Saturday, January 13, 2024 to be "**John K. Weinstein Day**" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 2

[2024-0015](#) **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the significant City service of Celia Behrend Liss and congratulates her on her retirement; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, January 2, 2024, to be "**CELIA BEHREND LISS DAY**" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 3

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mary Moses, Dr. Ronald L. Miller, Naomi Mullens, Melanie Redden, Chad Ringbloom, Pastor Joe Griffo, Yvonne F. Brown, Bernadette

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

COUNCILPERSON ROBERT CHARLAND PRESENTS:

[2024-0016](#) Resolution authorizing and directing the Pittsburgh City Controller to perform an audit of code violations that escalate to Magisterial District Court from point of origin to resolution, pursuant to the powers outlined in the Home Rule Charter.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER CHARLAND

CO-SPONSOR /S: Council Member Kail-Smith and Council Member Coghill

Attachments: [2024-0016 GOLD Plan Report](#)

[2024-0016 KPB-Litter-Cost-Study](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

Enactment No: 18

COUNCILMAN KHARI MOSLEY PRESENTS:

[2024-0006](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh’s Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 5203 Columbo St, Pittsburgh, PA 15224, at no cost to the City.

Attachments: [2024-0006 Cover Letter-5203 Columbo Cover Letter](#)

[2024-0006-5203 Columbo Questionnaire](#)

[2024-0006-5203 Columbo SFPM & 4A](#)

[Summary 2024-0006](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs

Enactment No: 12

[2024-0007](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of Public Works, and the Director of Finance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a permanent easement with the Pennsylvania American Water Company (PAWC) for the installation, maintenance, repair, operation, and removal of a water line on city-owned property (Parcel ID 0061-H-00143-0000-00).

Attachments: [2024-0007-Cover Letter_Edgebrook Ave Easement](#)

[2024-0007-EXHIBIT A_site plan PAWC-Edgebrook WL City of Pgh easement 61-H-143](#)
[Summary 2024-0007](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs

Enactment No: 13

[2024-0009](#) Resolution authorizing a cooperation agreement or agreements providing for the transfer of funds not to exceed Twelve Million Six Hundred Twenty Two Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Two Dollars and Zero Cents (\$12,622,642.00) to the City of Pittsburgh Equipment Leasing Authority for the purchase and leasing of vehicles, equipment and accessories, equipment support infrastructure, and professional services for use by City of Pittsburgh Departments.

Attachments: [2024-0009 Cover Letter-2024 ELA Cooperation Agreement Letter 01022024](#)
[Summary 2024-0009](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs

Enactment No: 15

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2024-0012](#) Resolution amending Resolution 766 of 2023, entitled “Resolution further amending Resolution No. 772 of 2023, effective January 1, 2017 as amended, entitled "Resolution adopting and approving the 2017 Capital Budget and the 2017Community Development Block Grant Program; approving the 2017 through 2022 Capital Improvement Program" by reducing LYNN WILLIAMS HIGH RISE by \$2,500 and ST. AMBROSE MANOR by \$1,299.35 and increasing PITTSBURGH HIGHER GROUND FOUNDATION, INC. by \$3,799.35, and authorize subsequent Agreements.” by adding the information for Pittsburgh Higher Ground Foundation Inc. to Section 1 and by changing the JDE job number in Section 2.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

Not introduced

Enactment No: 17

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:

[2024-0008](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Office of Management and Budget to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)'s Local Share Account Statewide to provide funding for the purchase of vehicles for the Pittsburgh Park Rangers. The grant proposal includes an ask of NINETY THOUSAND (\$90,000) dollars for this stated purpose.

Attachments: [2024-0008 Cover Letter-DCED LSA Ranger Letter JP Signed](#)
[Summary 2024-0008](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

Enactment No: 14

[2024-0010](#) Resolution to authorize and direct the incurring of non-electoral debt through the issuance of a series of general obligation bonds of the city of Pittsburgh, in the maximum aggregate principal amount of sixty-two million four hundred ninety-five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$62,495,000.00).

Attachments: [2024-0010-Cover Letter Debt Ordinance](#)
[Summary 2024-0010](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS:

[2024-0011](#) Resolution Amending Resolution 614 of 2023 entitled "Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the City of Planning to enter into a Professional Services Agreement(s) and/or Contracts with HR&A Advisors for the purpose of assisting in the development of a strategic plan for the Department of City Planning at a cost not to exceed ONE HUNDRED NINE THOUSAND (\$109,000) over one year."

Attachments: [2024-0011 Cover Letter-revised Letter to Council - DCP Strategic Plan JDE amendment](#)
[Summary 2024-0011](#)

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

Enactment No: 16

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Councilwoman Kail-Smith motioned for a Cablecast Post Agenda relative to Human Trafficking. The motion carried.

Councilwoman Kail-Smith motioned for a briefing on the 2024 Budget. The motion carried.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER