



# City of Pittsburgh

## Meeting Minutes

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Wednesday, September 4, 2024

1:30 PM

Council Chambers

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### STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

#### ROLL CALL

- Present** 8 - Council Member Wilson, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Charland, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Warwick, Council Member Gross, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Mosley
- Absent** 1 - Council Member Coghill

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

**Dr. Ronald Miller**  
**Jacob Evangelista**  
**Eric Boerer**  
**Joe Nurre**  
**Madeline McGrady**  
**Daniel Noe**  
**Emily Sawyer**  
**David Breingan**  
**Bethani Cameron**  
**Laura Perkins**  
**Marian Kaelin**

#### FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR

#### DEFERRED PAPERS

- [2024-0705](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Six: Conduct, Article V: Discrimination, Chapter 651: Findings and Policy, and Chapter 659: Unlawful Practices to make medical marijuana patients a protected class and restrict discrimination against them.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WARWICK

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 9/18/2024. The motion carried.**

#### NEW PAPERS

[2024-0800](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a professional services agreement with the law firm of Fisher Phillips LLP, in connection with issues involving labor disputes, at a cost not-to-exceed Sixty-Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$60,000) over one (1) year.

*(Waiver of Competitive Process Received)*

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

[2024-0801](#)

Resolution authorizing the execution of quitclaim deeds conveying all of the City's right, title and interest in and to the City-owned property located at 3133 Brunot Avenue in the 20th Ward of the City and designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block & Lot: 42-H-293, to City Steps Realty LLC (dba 2nd Chance Property Renovation and Consulting LLC) for TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$23,000.00), to be deposited into the Three Taxing Bodies Trust fund account relating to the full and final settlement of a case filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at C.S. 23-000067.

*(Executive Session held 8/27/24)*

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

[2024-0802](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Noblemediation, LLC for mediation services for an amount not to exceed EIGHT THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$8,925.00) over one year.

*(Executive Session held 8/27/24)*

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

[2024-0803](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Holly Bartlett, and her attorney, Swartz Culleton, P.C., for a single payment in 2024 in an amount not to exceed FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$500,000.00), in full and final settlement of litigation, filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 20-007886.

*(Executive Session held 8/27/24)*

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

[2024-0804](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Marc A. Winters for arbitration services for an amount not to exceed FIVE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIX DOLLARS AND SIXTEEN CENTS (\$5,306.16) over one year.

*(Executive Session held 8/27/24)*

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

[2024-0808](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant payable in favor of the Regional Opportunity Center, DBA Vibrant Pittsburgh, for annual membership dues in the amount of FIFTY THOUSAND Dollars and Zero Cents (\$50,000.00).

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

[2024-0809](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with six organizations to produce arts programming as part of the “Funding for the Arts” American Rescue Plan Act allocation, at a total cost not to exceed Six Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$625,000.00).

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

[2024-0810](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Casey Droege Cultural Productions for professional services relating to the administration and management of a program to disburse American Rescue Plan Act funds to support local artists impacted by COVID-19, at a cost not to exceed One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$160,000.00).

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

[2024-0811](#) Resolution amending Resolution 92 of 2019 to provide for the extension of a professional services agreement by a term of one year with Dickie McCamey & Chilcote for costs associated with the provision of legal services for the City Controller’s Office at no additional cost beyond the original not to exceed amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000).

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

[2024-0826](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances at Title Five - Traffic, Article VII - Parking, Chapter 543 - Parking Meters, Section 543.01 - Parking Meter Zones and Rates, by creating a meter zone and a meter rate for Hazelwood Green in chapter 543.01 section (b).

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

**INVOICES****INVOICES FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL**

The following departmental invoices not covered under a contract with the City shall be paid by the City Controller after the invoices have been approved by City Council at the September 4th, 2024 Standing Committees meeting. A completed standard form detailing the expenditures is attached to all of the below listed invoices. No payments will be made to any of the below listed vendors prior the approval of City Council.

**CITY COUNCIL/ CITY CLERK**

Ralph, Antoinette – face painting for community event (Dist. 2) 360.00

Crafton-Ingram Giant Eagle – refreshments for community event (Dist. 2) 218.88

Hazelwood Initiative – event donation (Dist. 5) 150.00

**DEPT OF INNOVATION & PERFORMANCE**

Grober, Katherine – supply reimbursement 16.98

**CONTROLLER'S OFFICE**

[ Zeo Technologies – Open Book program development 5,000.00 - DELETED]

**DEPT OF FINANCE**

New Pittsburgh Courier – treasurer's sale advertising 3,062.34

The Master's Touch – in-house billing envelopes 2,050.00

The Master's Touch –tax billing envelopes 4,815.00

The Master's Touch – universal window envelopes 8.25

**Recorder of Deeds – billable internet copies 354.25**

**Pittsburgh File – file boxes 397.50**

**DEPT OF LAW**

**West A Thomson Reuters Business – legal publication subscription 3,447.37**

**AA Court Reporters – court reporter for transcripts 267.90**

**Reisinger Comber & Miller LLC – legal services/outside legal counsel 2,608.50**

**Cavaliere Court Reporting LLC – court reporter for transcripts 916.20**

**OFFICE OF MUNICIPAL INVESTIGATIONS**

**Net Transcripts Inc – case interview transcriptions 109.50**

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**DEPT OF CITY PLANNING**

**Volz, Pam – professional speech coaching 1,200.00**

**BUREAU OF POLICE**

**Galls – handcuffs 4,255.00**

**Golden Bone Pet Resort – K9 boarding 405.00**

**Golden Bone Pet Resort – K9 boarding 500.00**

**MCI A Verizon Company – substation long distance calls 7.10**

**DEPT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**Sonitrol Security Systems – battery replacement 137.50**

**DEPT OF PARKS & RECREATION**

**Runner's High – timing services for Historical Hill 5k 487.65**

**S&S Trophy Inc – trophy plate engravings ('23 basketball, '24 Mayor's Cup)  
253.00**

**S&S Trophy Inc – Greenfield Glide awards 266.00**

**Aiken, Samantha – reimbursement for work boots 145.00**

**Peart, Bram – reimbursement for work boots 149.95**

**Schaefer, Nancy – reimbursement for work boots 89.99**

**Balloons Instead – balloon arches and garland 2,000.00**

**Castillo, Luis Jr – concert performance 600.00**

**Gluzman, Benji – tennis clinic instruction 268.25**

**Haffner, Mark – tennis clinic instruction 168.75**

**Jermon, Drake – tennis clinic instruction 564.25**

**James B Marcus – tennis clinic instruction 1,428.75**

**Paull, Mark J – tennis clinic instruction 1,276.89**

**Parks, Richard – tennis clinic instruction 1,406.25**

**Kilpatrick, Spencer – tennis clinic instruction 135.00**

**Sanislawczyk, Michael Patrick – pickleball clinic instruction 180.00**

**Lacaria, Aldene – tennis clinic instruction 262.50**

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

**A motion was made to be Reconsidered. The motion carried.**

**A motion was made to strike Zeo Technologies – Open Book program development 5,000.00. The motion carried.**

**A motion was made to Waive the Rules. The motion carried.**

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

**INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS**

**To: The Honorable President and Members of Council**

**From: Office of Management and Budget**

**Date: 08/30/2024**

**Re: Intradepartmental transfer**

**Dear President and Members of Council:**

**Per Resolution 860 of 2023, which authorizes City Council to approve intradepartmental transfers throughout the 2024 Fiscal Year, the Office of Management and Budget would like to make the following transfer(s):**

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**Office of Management and Budget**

**Amount from: \$300,000.00 from 102200.54201 Maintenance**

**\$248,199.54 from 102200.56201 Fuel**

**\$451,800.46 from 102000.56401 Materials**

**Amount to: \$1,000,000.00 to 102200.53901 Administrative Fees**

**This transfer is necessary to arrange funding for an anticipated professional services agreement with VisitPittsburgh related to the 2026 NFL Draft.**

**Department of Finance**

**Amount from: \$4,130.86 from 107000.55701 Transportation**

**Amount to: \$4,130.86 to 107000.58191 Refunds**



**This transfer is to cover costs associated with the annual escheat transfer.**

**Department of Public Works – Bureau of Environmental Services**

**Amount from: \$200,000.00 from 430000.54103 Disposal - Refuse**

**Amount to: \$200,000.00 to 430000.56151 Operational Supplies**

**This transfer is to cover costs associated with additional uniform and contractual requirement needs**

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

**P-CARD APPROVALS**

[Item](#)  
[0029-2024](#)

P-Cards

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

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR**

**DEFERRED PAPERS**

[2024-0622](#) Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title Six, Conduct, Article 1, Regulated Rights and Actions, by adding Chapter 619A entitled Quality of Life Violations.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER CHARLAND AND COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER

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

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Public Safety and Wellness, due back by 10/16/2024. The motion carried.**

[2024-0792](#) Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title Six, Conduct, Article I, Regulated Rights and Actions, by adding Chapter 625 entitled Automated Red Light Enforcement Systems.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER

**CO-SPONSOR /S:** Council Member Warwick

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

**NEW PAPERS**

[2024-0795](#) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center for the purchase of pharmaceutical supplies, medications, and related support services necessary for the daily operations of the City's Bureau of Emergency Medical Services at an overall cost not to exceed TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$275,000.00) over five years.

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

[2024-0796](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with FMD Architecture, LLC, DBA Shelter Planners of America, to conduct a study of the feasibility of the City owning and operating its own animal shelter, at a total cost not to exceed FORTY-NINE THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$49,400.00) over one year.

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

## **PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE, MRS. WARWICK, CHAIR**

### **NEW PAPERS**

[2024-0812](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a utility easement agreement or agreements with Crown Castle Inc. to access, excavate, bore, and install fiber internet connectivity infrastructure under, across, and over city-owned property located at Pittsburgh EMS Medic 03-Police Zone 6 (312-320 S Main St., Block and Lot Nos. 6-A-97 & 6-A-99) at no cost to the City.

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

[2024-0813](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a utility easement agreement or agreements with Duquesne Light Company to install, use, own, operate, maintain, repair, renew, and finally remove five poles and one anchor to pole located on City-owned property (Lot and Block No. 119-B-300) at no cost to the City.

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

[2024-0814](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of Public Works, and Director of Finance to enter into agreements with Duquesne Light Company for vegetation management on parcel ID 34-D-20; anchor installation and maintenance on parcel ID 14-N-258; and pole and anchor installation and maintenance on parcel ID 33-A-200 at no cost to the City.

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

[2024-0817](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to apply for a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's Multimodal Transportation Fund for the Smallman Street Complete Street Project. The grant proposal includes an ask of TWO MILLION TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO DOLLARS and THIRTY CENTS (\$2,279,662.30) with a local match of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS and ZERO CENTS (\$117,100.00) from the 2024 Capital Budget for a total grant project cost of TWO MILLION THREE HUNDRED NINETY-SIX THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO DOLLARS and THIRTY CENTS (\$2,396,762.30) for this stated purpose.

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

[2024-0818](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a Consent and Order Agreement and Amendments with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection ("DEP"), as decreed by the Commonwealth for the City of Pittsburgh to execute corrective action in solid waste management, and providing payment of civil penalties at a City cost not to exceed Twenty-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$28,000.00) over one (1) year.

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

## HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, MR. CHARLAND, CHAIR

### NEW PAPERS

[2024-0794](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 96 of 2024, which authorized the City of Pittsburgh to enter into a Professional Services Agreement(s) and/or Contracts with consultants and/or service providers for professional services in connection with Civil Service and MPOETC required assessment and evaluation of Public Safety candidates, and providing for payment of the cost thereof. Cost not to exceed Ninety Five Thousand Dollars (\$95,000.00).

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

## LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MR. WILSON, CHAIR

### DEFERRED PAPERS

[2024-0221](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article 902.03, Zoning Map, by changing From RM-H, Residential Multi-Unit - High Density to UNC - Urban Neighborhood Commercial, certain properties located on Shady Avenue in the 7th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh known in the Allegheny County Office of Deed Registry as Block and Lot Numbers: 84-G-239 and a portion of 84-G-258.  
*(Sent to Planning Commission for Report & Recommendation on 3/15/24)*  
*(Report & Recommendation received 5/24/24)*  
*(Public Hearing scheduled for 10/10/24)*

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER

**A motion was made to bring bill back to the table. The motion carried.**

**A motion was made to extend 120 day deadline for Council to hold Public Hearing. The motion carried.**

[2024-0749](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreement(s) with Auberle for services relating to Non-Congregate Shelter Services related to the HOME-ARP program, for a total not to exceed One Million Five-Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00).

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 9/18/2024. The motion carried.**

### NEW PAPERS

[2024-0819](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning Code, Article I, Introduction and Establishment, Section 902.03, Zoning Map, to rezone parcels 83-J-300, 83- K-104, and 83-K-102 from R2-M (Two-Unit Residential, Moderate Density) to RM-VH (Multi-Unit Residential, Very High Density) and parcels 83-J-301, 83-K-48, 83-K-60, and a portion of 83-K-61 from RM-M (Multi-Unit Residential, Moderate Density) to RM-VH (Multi-Unit Residential, Very High Density) in the East Liberty neighborhood.  
*(Needs to be held for Public Hearing)*

**A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing. The motion carried.**

## INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE, ASSET MANAGEMENT, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR

**NEW PAPERS**[2024-0797](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 471-2024, authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation & Performance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into an agreement or agreements and amendments thereto with CIS (Center for Internet Security) for Albert MD Monitoring application which predicts malicious activity on the City network by monitoring, alerting and analyzing information gathered by sensors, by increasing the approved 2024 amount by Thirty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$38,880) for an amended total cost not-to-exceed Ninety-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$94,980) over seven years.

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

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE,  
MR. MOSLEY, CHAIR****NEW PAPERS**[2024-0798](#)

Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 2700 Penn Avenue, 6th Ward, Pittsburgh PA 15222, at no cost to the City.

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

[2024-0799](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Finance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a license agreement with Action Housing, Inc., the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh and the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in order to allow Action Housing, Inc. access to portions of the real estate located at 200 Ross Street to perform limited exploratory demolition as part of a feasibility study for the residential conversion of the property at no cost to the City.

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