

# City of Pittsburgh

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



## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, April 4, 2023**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

## City Council

***ONE-HUNDRED  
FORTY-SECOND COUNCIL***

*Theresa Kail-Smith, President of Council*

*Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Bruce A. Kraus,  
R. Daniel Lavelle, Erika Strassburger, Barbara Warwick, Bobby Wilson*

*Kimberly Clark-Baskin, City Clerk*

**ROLL CALL**

**Present** 7 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**Absent** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

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

[2023-1400](#) ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend The Watchful Shepherd USA for providing such a unique and useful system of watching over our most valuable possessions: our children; and,

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare, Tuesday, April 4, 2023 to be “**The Watchful Shepherd USA 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: 183

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - Naomi Mullen, Pomaj-chakmam-yajalaji, Devin McClain, and Yvonne F. Brown****PRESENTATION OF PAPERS****COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS:**

[2023-1392](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with Keen360, Inc., to provide technical support and development to the Commission on Human Relations for its customer service portal for one (1) year in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$26,700.00).

**Attachments:** [2023-1392 Cover Letter Keen360 final 20230322](#)

[Summary 2023-1392](#)

[2023-1392-RFP AWARD RECOMMENDATION Form](#)

[2022-RFP-226 PghCHR Customer Service Portal](#)

[2023-1392-Waiver letter- Customer Service Portal - Human Relations](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Human Resources**

[2023-1393](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article I, Section 902.03 Zoning Map, by changing from R1D-L, Residential Single-Unit Detached, Low Density District to UI, Urban Industrial District certain property roughly bounded by Kelly Street, Fifth Avenue, Frankstown Avenue and the Allegheny Valley Railroad Brilliant Line; all in the Allegheny County Block and Lot System, 12th Ward. *(Needs to be sent to the Planning Commission for a report and recommendation)*

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

**Attachments:** [2023-1393 Parcels to be Rezoned Fifth and Frankstown](#)

[2023-1393 Zoning Map w Rezone Parcels](#)

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

**COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS:**

[2023-1394](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the State Office of the Fire Commissioner for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$15,000.00) to support the purchase of emergency rescue equipment.

**Attachments:** [2023-1394 Cover Letter Fire Commissioner grant letter](#)

[Summary 2023-1394](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Wellness**

[2023-1395](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership to provide an ambassador program to assist police with non-criminal matters in the Central Business District, at an overall cost to the City not to exceed SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$600,000.00).

**Attachments:** [2023-1395 Cover Letter PDP Downtown Ambassadors 2023](#)

[letter - signed](#)

[Summary 2023-1395](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Wellness**

**COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:**

[2023-1396](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the City Code at Title Six: Conduct, Article I: Regulated Rights and Actions, by adding a new Chapter 610 entitled “Prohibition on Use of Certain Bags and Checkout Bag Charge,” to permit the use of only certain bags by retail establishments at the point of sale or for a delivery; and establishing a charge, payable by the customer to the establishment, for the provision of other types of bags; all under certain terms and conditions.

**Attachments:** [2023-1396 Cover Letter PBB-letter](#)  
[Summary 2023-1396](#)

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

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

[2023-1397](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Department of Public Works and the Department of Finance, on behalf of the City, to amend and renew the Lease Agreement with Beaver Avenue Associates, LLC, to continue providing a leased space at 1301 Beaver Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA, for the purposes of housing the Facilities Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works, for the total cost not to exceed Seven Hundred Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred One Dollars and Forty-Two Cents (\$716,401.42), over a five-year period with utilities costs included, and an option to terminate without penalty between the three-through-five-year period if necessary.

**Attachments:** [2023-1397 Cover Letter DPW Letter to Council, Beaver Ave. Lease - DPW Facilities Division \(Maint.\) - gm edit - executed](#)  
[Summary 2023-1397](#)

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

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

## **COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:**

[2023-1385](#) Resolution ratifying the 2023-2025 Fraternal Order of Police Lodge No. 1 Collective Bargaining Agreement.

**Attachments:** [2023-1385 Cover Letter FOP CBA - Letter](#)  
[Summary 2023-1385](#)

**A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.**

**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**

[2023-1390](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of two (2) warrants totaling One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$150,000.00) in settlement of a case filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 19-005659.  
*(Executive Session Requested)*

**Attachments:** [2023-1390 Cover Letter Montgomery letter to council](#)

[Summary 2023-1390](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

[2023-1391](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Kathleen Spearman, in the amount of Three Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Two Dollars and No Cents (\$3,222.00) in settlement of a claim for damage to her residence entry and storm doors from city Fire personnel on November 5, 2021.

**Attachments:** [2023-1391 Cover Letter Claim of Kathleen Spearman - Council Letter](#)

[Summary 2023-1391](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

#### **COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS:**

[2023-1398](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 864 of 2018, effective January 1, 2019, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2019 Capital Budget and the 2019 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2019 through 2024 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing MON-OAKLAND CONNECTOR/FOUR MILE RUN by twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000.00) and increasing FOUR MILE RUN PLAYGROUND by twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000.00).

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WARWICK

**Attachments:** [2023-1398 Summary](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

#### **COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:**

[2023-1399](#) Resolution to approve the reporting forms for Stop the Violence and Group Violence Intervention (GVI) pursuant to Chapter 237.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

**Attachments:** [2023-1399 Stop the Violence Grantee Evaluation and Monitoring Report Form](#)  
[2023-1399 GVI Support and Outreach Evaluation Monitoring Report Form](#)

**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**

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

### COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

[2023-1386](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for March 29, 2023 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2023-1108](#) Ordinance amending Title Two, Article V, Chapter 237 Stop The Violence Fund, Section 237.03 Uses and Restrictions of the Stop The Violence Fund, directing the Mayor's designee thereunder, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to utilize a reporting form approved by City Council to ensure proper and legal use of said funds by grantees thereunder in accordance with Ordinance 237 ("Stop the Violence Fund") of the City of Pittsburgh Code.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

**A motion was made that this matter be AMENDED BY SUBSTITUTE. The motion carried.**

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

**Aye:** 6 - Council Member Coghil, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Out of Room:** 1 - Council Member Gross

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

[2023-1334](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement or agreements with Rizer Consulting LLC in an amount not to exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$20,000.00) for professional services related to litigation in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania at Case 2:22-cv-523-CRE.

**Attachments:** [2023-1334 Cover Letter-Rizer Consulting Council letter](#)  
[Summary 2023-1334](#)

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

**Aye:** 6 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Out of Room:** 1 - Council Member Gross

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

[2023-1335](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of THIRTY SEVEN THOUSAND TWENTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS (\$37,027.50) to reimburse the city for the installation of 10 duel hosed electric charging stations.

**Attachments:** [2023-1335 Cover Letter-2021 Alternative Fuels Incentive Grant Infrastructure Letter\\_031423\\_JP\\_Signed](#)  
[Summary 2023-1335](#)

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

**Aye:** 6 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Out of Room:** 1 - Council Member Gross

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

[2023-1336](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Office and Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY FIVE (\$253,125.00) dollars to reimburse the city for the purchase of 45 all electric vehicles.

**Attachments:** [2023-1336 Cover Letter-2022 Alternative Fuels Incentive Grant EV Fleet Letter\\_031223\\_JP\\_Signed Summary 2023-1336](#)

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

**Aye:** 6 - Council Member Coghil, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Out of Room:** 1 - Council Member Gross

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

[2023-1337](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of ONE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE THOUSAND (\$1,345,000) Dollars to purchase three electric recycling packers and five compressed natural gas garbage trucks.

**Attachments:** [2023-1337 Cover Letter-2022 Driving PA Forward Grant EV Recycling Packers\\_Letter\\_03142023\\_JP\\_Signed Summary 2023-1337](#)

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

**Aye:** 6 - Council Member Coghil, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Out of Room:** 1 - Council Member Gross

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle



[2023-1341](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 647 of 2020, effective December 23, 2020, as amended, entitled "Resolution adopting and approving the 2021 Capital Budget and the 2021 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2021 through 2026 Capital Improvement Program" by reducing TRAIL DEVELOPMENT by five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) and increasing FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS - SPORT FACILITIES by two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) and COMPLETE STREETS by three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00).

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

**Attachments:** [2023-1341 SUMMARY VERSION 2](#)

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

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

**Aye:** 6 - Council Member Coghil, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Out of Room:** 1 - Council Member Gross

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

## **COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

[2023-1387](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure for March 29, 2023 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2023-1330](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the State Office of the Fire Commissioner for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000.00) dollars to support repairs to Medic 10.

**Attachments:** [2023-1330 Cover Letter-OFC-Medic10 - signed1](#)

[Summary 2023-1330](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

[2023-1331](#) Resolution providing for a Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for costs associated with the Final Design and Construction phases of the Frankstown Ave Signal Improvement project, and providing for the payment of costs thereof, not to exceed Four Million One Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Three Hundred and Forty Nine Dollars (\$4,153,349.00) dollars, reimbursable at eighty percent; and the municipal share of Commonwealth Incurred Costs not to exceed Thirteen Thousand (\$13,000.00) dollars.

**Attachments:** [2023-1331 Cover Letter-Frankstown Ave RA Letter rev](#)  
[Summary 2023-1331](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

## **COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

[2023-1388](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for March 29, 2023 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2023-1338](#) Ordinance clarifying a street name discrepancy of ALLEQUIPPA STREET between Sutherland Drive and Utterback Drive as located **in** the Fourth/ **and** Fifth Wards of the City of Pittsburgh as per recommendation by the City of Pittsburgh Addressing Committee (CPAC). The following street name was clarified by CPAC in January 2023. The name listed in this ordinance shall be made official in accordance with the Pittsburgh Code, Title Four, Public Places and Property, Chapter 420 Uniform Street Naming and Addressing.

**Attachments:** [2023-1338 Cover Letter-Allequippa Street Naming letter - signed](#)

[2023-1338-Clarifying Allequippa Street 8 5x11LB](#)

[Summary 2023-1338](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

[2023-1339](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Department of City Planning and the Department of Finance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a license agreement or agreements with Duquesne Light Company, Inc. and Pittsburgh Parking Authority for the installation and maintenance of electric vehicle charging stations at 6117 Kirkwood Street.

**Attachments:** [2023-1339 Cover Letter-EV Legislation PPA \(1\)](#)

[Summary 2023-1339](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

[2023-1340](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Department of City Planning and the Department of Finance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a license agreement or agreements with Duquesne Light Company, Inc. and Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens for the installation and maintenance of electric vehicle charging stations at One Schenley Drive.

**Attachments:** [2023-1340 Cover Letter-EV Legislation Phipps \(1\)](#)

[Summary 2023-1340](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

## **COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS**

[2023-1389](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs for March 29, 2023 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2023-1327](#) Resolution adopting the Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the Arena and Sports Performance Complex project which will involve the development of a new six-story arena and associated three-story sports performance complex. The site address is 3719 Terrace Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15261, in the 4th Ward.

**Attachments:** [2023-1327 Cover Letter-3719 Terrace Sewer Module](#)

[2023-1327-City Council - SFPM Package\\_ASPC](#)

[2023-1327-Sewer Module Questionnaire for Council\\_ASPC](#)

[Summary 2023-1327](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

[2023-1328](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 806 of 2018, entitled “Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with the URA’s application for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant of up to \$1,000,000 for the Stevens Elementary School Redevelopment project” to increase the grant amount to up to \$1,500,000 and authorize spending.

**Attachments:** [2023-1328 Cover Letter-Stevens RACP legislation - signed \(1\)](#)

[Summary 2023-1328](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

[2023-1329](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of PA Municipal League, in the amount of \$52,962.24 for 2023 Pennsylvania Municipal League Dues.

**Attachments:** [2023-1329 Cover Letter-PA Municipal League warrant](#)

[letter JP Signed](#)

[2023-1329-City of Pittsburgh Dues \(Inv. 2023-38\)](#)

[Summary 2023-1329](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

[2023-1333](#) Resolution providing for a Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission (SPC) to recoup yearly costs associated with the City's participation and attendance in the Member Planning Agency Participation Services.

**Attachments:** [2023-1333 Cover Letter-UPWP Member Planning Agency Participation Services RA Letter - signed rev Summary 2023-1333](#)

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Burgess, and Council Member Lavelle

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

## **EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

## **LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER**

## **MEETING RECESSED**