



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 10, 2024

9:30 AM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

PRE-AGENDA - APPOINTMENTS AND/OR RE-APPOINTMENTS

[2024-0281](#) Resolution appointing Kirk Burkley as a Member of the Land Bank Board of Directors replacing Karen Brean with a term to expire January 1, 2027.

A motion was made that this matter be Interview Held. The motion carried.

ROLL CALL

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kat Weiser
Aaron Sukenik
Steve Mazza
Yvonne Brown

PROCLAMATIONS

[2024-0379](#) ***NOW, THEREFORE***, Ed Gainey, Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, and R. Daniel Lavelle, President of the Council, do hereby proclaim **Wednesday, April 10, 2024, "Cameron "Cam" Heyward Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.**

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 248

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2024-0089](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 909 of 2023 titled "Resolution authorizing the fee schedule for 2024 pursuant to Chapter 170 of the City Code" to reduce the cost of employee parking.

(Need to be held for a Public Hearing)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 4/17/2024. The motion carried.

[2024-0216](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Citron Alex, P.C. for legal services in connection with a litigation matter in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania filed at 2:18-cv-01567 for an amount not to exceed TEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND EIGHTY-EIGHT CENTS (\$10,475.88) over one year.

(Executive Session held 4/3/24)

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

[2024-0256](#)

Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code, Title Two: Fiscal, Article IX: Property Taxes, by creating a new Chapter 268: Real Estate Tax Exemptions for Construction or Adaptive Reuse of Buildings in Downtown Pittsburgh.

(Briefing held 3/20/24)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

CO-SPONSOR /S: Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Mosley and Council Member Charland

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

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

[2024-0300](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Diana Stefanyszyn, and her attorney, Phillips, Phillips & Smith-Delach, P.C. for a single payment in 2024 in an amount not to exceed ELEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$11,000.00), in full and final settlement of litigation, filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 23-004984.

(Executive Session held 4/3/24)

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

NEW PAPERS

[2024-0323](#) Resolution amending Resolution 703 of 2023 effective 10/31/2023 authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into an amended Professional Services Agreement with Fisher Phillips LLP for legal services in connection with collective bargaining, by increasing the approved amount by EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$85,000.00) for an amended total cost not-to-exceed THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$385,000.00) over three years.

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

[2024-0324](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of the Allegheny County Department of Court Records for the purpose of adding funds to a designated drawdown account for filing legal papers on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh for an amount not to exceed EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$8,000.00) over one year.

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

[2024-0325](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Ejetta Roberson, and her attorneys, Ainsman Levine, LLC for a single payment in 2024 in an amount not to exceed TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$25,000.00), in full and final settlement of litigation, filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 21-002922.

(Executive Session held 4/3/24)

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

[2024-0326](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 857 of 2023, effective December 27, 2023, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2024 Capital Budget, the proposed 2024 Community Development Program, and the 2024 through 2029 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing CHARLES ANDERSON BRIDGE (TIP) by ONE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,350,000), increasing COMPLETE STREETS by FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-NINE DOLLARS AND FIFTY-THREE CENTS (\$577,299.53), increasing FLOOD CONTROL PROJECTS by TWO HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND EIGHT CENTS (\$294,428.08), and increasing SLOPE FAILURE REMEDIATION by FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO DOLLARS AND THIRTY-NINE CENTS (\$478,272.39).

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 April 10th, 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

Crafton-Ingram Giant Eagle – refreshments for community event (Dist. 2) 710.44

Marabello, Lori – reimbursement for Easter egg hunt supplies (Dist. 2) 82.74

Icy Treatz – refreshments for community event (Dist. 2) 580.00

Ralph, Antoinette – face painting services (Dist. 2) 140.00

Jumping Jumperoo – bounce castle for Easter egg hunt (Dist. 2) 150.00

Carnegie Mellon University – community work study (Dist. 3) 45.90

Greenfield School PTO – bingo night fundraiser (Dist. 5) 150.00

VFW Post 5321 – Memorial Day Parade (Dist. 5) 200.00

Milan, Alina - legislative/policy analysis research (Dist. 8) 420.0

DEPT OF FINANCE

The Master’s Touch – large window envelopes 7.50

Formax, A Division of Bescorp – folder/sealer services rental 832.00

DEPT OF LAW

AKF Reporters Inc – court reporter/transcripts 1,242.15

Proquest LLC – legal publication subscription 979.58

George T. Bisel Co -legal publication subscription 214.02

Veritext Corporate Services - court reporter/transcripts 1,104.60

U.S. Legal Support - court reporter/transcripts 492.40

Justus ADR Services – mediation services 1,500.00

OFFICE OF MUNICIPAL INVESTIGATIONS

Aqua Filter Fresh – water 23.50

DEPT OF PERMITS LICENSES, AND INSPECTIONS

Schaefers, Kurt – training reimbursement 185.00

Brown, Andrew – training reimbursement 121.12

Hughes, Coleman – training reimbursement 121.12

DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

Johnson, Chrisarah – supplies reimbursement for community event 18.27

BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Foxwall Emergency Medical – reimbursement for EMS coverage 254.16

Pfund Superior Sales – replacement of high pressure oxygen hoses 1,430.00

BUREAU OF POLICE

Lewis, Michael – training reimbursement 38.78

Fabus, Joseph – training reimbursement 407.75

Monteleone, Jenny – training reimbursement 16.00

Monticelli, Robert – catering reimbursement 166.25

Royal, Alexander – reimbursement for training supplies 173.26

Daly, Sharon - Zone 4 clerical services 639.00

Greenawalt, Matthew – shoeing services for Mounted Unit 2,855.00

RR Donnelley – citation printing 4,934.88

Guth Laboratories – training machines 2,412.17

DEPT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Sonitrol Security Systems – security service monitoring 270.00

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

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

NONE

P-CARD APPROVALS

[Item](#) P-Cards
[0013-2024](#)

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

PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2024-0321](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of the Major Cities Chiefs Association in an amount not to exceed SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$7,500.00), for payment of annual member dues.

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

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

NEW PAPERS

[2024-0327](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of Laswell Steel, in the amount of Twenty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$23,500.00), for the purpose of Replacement of all missing handrails at Mon Wharf Switchback Pedestrian Bridge; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof.

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

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

SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS

[2024-0343](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 772 of 2016, effective January 1, 2017, as amended, entitled "Resolution adopting and approving the 2017 Capital Budget and the 2017 Community Development Block Grant Program; approving the 2017 through 2022 Capital Improvement Program" by reducing SOUTHSIDE SLOPES NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION by five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) and increasing BRASHEAR ASSOCIATION by five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), and authorize subsequent agreements.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER CHARLAND

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

[2024-0344](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 840 of 2019, effective January 1, 2020 as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2020 Capital Budget and the 2020 Community Development Block Grant Program; approving the 2020 through 2025 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing PITTSBURGH ACTION AGAINST RAPE by five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) and increasing SOUTHSIDE SLOPES NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION by five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), and authorize subsequent agreements.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER CHARLAND

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

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2023-2330](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article 902.03, Zoning Map, by changing from UC-E, Urban Center Employment to R-MU, Residential - Mixed Use, certain properties located on McKee Place in the 4th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh known in the Allegheny County Office of Deed Registry as Block and Lot Numbers: 28-F-314, 28-F-310, 28-F-308, 28-F-306, 28-F-304, and 28-F-302.

(Sent to the Planning Commission for a Report and Recommendation on 12/18/23)

(Report and Recommendation received on 4/4/24)

(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KRAUS

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

NEW PAPERS

[2024-0328](#)

Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Site under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain site known as Beth Abraham Cemetery, located at 800 Stewart Avenue (138-G-140, 138-L-6, 138-L-30, 138-L-40, 138-L-150, 138-L-54, 138-M-1), in Overbrook, in the 32nd Ward, City of Pittsburgh. The owner of the property supports the nomination and there is no cost to the City.

(Needs to be held for Public Hearing)

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

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE,
MR. MOSLEY, CHAIR**

SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS

[2024-0348](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 2024-0291 requiring a Council vote on the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement or Agreements between the City of Pittsburgh and Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh, and County of Allegheny, Pittsburgh Public School District and Pittsburgh Land Bank for the shared operation and administration of the Pittsburgh Land Bank.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs, due back by 4/17/2024. The motion carried.