

City of Pittsburgh

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414 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219*



MEETING MINUTES

Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh

Monday, December 23, 2013

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-SEVENTH COUNCIL**

Darlene M. Harris, President

Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Deborah L. Gross, Bruce A. Kraus, R. Daniel Lavelle, Corey O'Connor, William Peduto, Natalia Rudiak, Theresa Kail-Smith

**Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk
Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk**

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Peduto, Ms. Rudiak and Mrs. Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2013-2136](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend and congratulate Eagle Scout Benjamin Retcofsky for his outstanding achievement of attaining the rank of Eagle Scout; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Monday, December 23, 2013, to be "Benjamin Retcofsky Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): THERESA SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS:

Bill No. [2013-2134](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works and/or the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into a Project License Agreement with The Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy, The Allegheny County Sanitation Authority, and The Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority to provide certain storm water pilot intervention projects for the Panther Hollow Watershed in Schenley Park.

SPONSOR(S): COREY O'CONNOR

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

Read and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILMAN REV. RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

Bill No. [2013-2132](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for December 16, 2013 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 628, effective November 21, 2008 by providing
[2013-2024](#) for the continued designation of an Oakland Business Improvement District.

SPONSOR(S): BRUCE A. KRAUS

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Peduto, Ms. Rudiak and Mrs. Smith
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

COUNCILWOMAN NATALIA RUDIAK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PERFORMANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Performance and Asset Management for December 16,
[2013-2133](#) 2013 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

Read, Received and Filed

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of CIS to enter into an agreement
[2013-2099](#) with Richland Towers to extend the current radio tower contract located at Montana Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15214. The contract will run for a term of 20 years with the city able to implement a 10 year extension. An annual payment of \$25,000 with a 3% yearly escalator beginning in year 2 will be deposited in the recently created MBRO.

A motion was made that this matter be RECOMMITTED to the Committee on Performance and Asset Management. The motion carried.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Bill No. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh
[2013-2135](#) stands with the millions of unemployed Americans and their families, as we continue to struggle with tough economic times; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh supports extending the federal Emergency Unemployment Compensation program, and calls upon the members of Pennsylvania's Congressional Delegation to take action immediately; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Will of Council shall be circulated to the President of the United States, the U.S. Senate, and the U.S. House of Representatives.

SPONSOR(S): DARLENE M. HARRIS

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT