

City of Pittsburgh

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414 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219*



MEETING MINUTES

Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh

Tuesday, February 26, 2008

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIFTH COUNCIL**

Douglas Shields, President

**Council Members: Reverend Ricky V. Burgess, Dan Deasy, Patrick Dowd, Darlene M. Harris,
Bruce A. Kraus, Jim Motznik, Tonya D. Payne, William Peduto**

Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk

Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Mr. Deasy, Rev. Burgess, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2008-0157](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, honors the memory of Mrs. Evelyn Page Parker; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, hereby declares March 1, 2008, "Mrs. Evelyn Page Parker Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No. [2008-0158](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby proclaim February 23, 2008, to be designated, "Roger Humphries Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No. [2008-0159](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, does hereby recognize and commend Lisa G. Sarneso, for her philanthropic contributions to the Sickel Cell Society, Inc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh, does hereby declare Thursday, February 28, 2008, to be designated as "LISA G. SARNESO DAY" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No. [2008-0160](#) NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Will Cross for his contribution to furthering the science of managing diabetes; proving its manageability; and inspiring many others to envision diabetes not as an obstacle, but as a lifelong drive to overcome new challenges every day; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh proclaims that Tuesday, February 26, 2008, the eve of his expedition to Lhotse, the fourth highest mountain on earth, be hereby declared as "Will Cross Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): PATRICK DOWD AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No. [2008-0161](#) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh honors the memory of Mikey Butler and commends Drs. Joel and Tova Weinberg for

their courage and compassion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares March 1, 2008, "Melava Malka Dinner 2008 Day" in the City of Pittsburgh

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2008-0162](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend the 2007 retirees and awardees of Fort Pitt Lodge #1 Fraternal Order of Police for their dedication and commitment to protecting and serving the people of the City of Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Friday, February 22, 2008 to be "Fort Pitt Lodge #1 Fraternal Order of Police Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): BRUCE A. KRAUS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

REV. BURGESS, CHAIRPERSON OF PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE, PRESENTS

Bill No.

[2008-0154](#)

Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title One: Administrative, Article VII - Procedures, by adding a new Chapter 166, entitled City Vehicles.

SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

MRS. HARRIS, CHAIRPERSON OF PUBLIC WORKS AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, PRESENTS

Bill No.

[2008-0155](#)

Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 258, effective April 26, 2000, as amended, entitled "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or use of existing Agreements and/or a Contract or Contracts, or use of existing Contracts, and for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services for various projects in connection with the Neighborhood Needs Program in Council District 1; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," by adjusting various projects in Council District 1. The total amount of all projects is not to exceed \$1,000,000.

SPONSOR(S): DARLENE HARRIS

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No.

[2008-0156](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 2000, as amended, entitled: "Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital; and approving the 2000 through 2005 Capital Improvement Program, by adjusting various line items in conformance with City Council's 2000 Capital Budget amendments," by adding \$2,000 to "Animal Care and Welfare Inc," and by reducing "District 1 Community Organizational Support" by the same amount in Council District 1.

SPONSOR(S): DARLENE HARRIS

Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee

MR. PEDUTO, CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING, PRESENTS

Bill No. Resolution providing that the City of Pittsburgh enter into Professional Service 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 (Police Officer Recruits, Paramedics), and providing for payment of the cost thereof, not to exceed \$20,000.00.

[2008-0148](#)

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No. Resolution repealing items in Resolutions approved on various dates, authorizing the sale of properties in various wards of the City of Pittsburgh, in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984. Item A: 323 Mansion.

[2008-0149](#)

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No. Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984; having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh/City Source Associates Sideyard Program. ITEMS A through P. A: 137 Furley; B: 414 Sloan; C: 2423 Vodeli; D: 2304 Cobden; E: 40 Holt; F: 3608 Colmar; G: 3610 Colmar; H: 3634 Purdue; I: 217 Carrington; J: 4001 Grizella; K: 325 Ravilla; L: 1302 Gifford; M: 233 Dunseith; N: 715 Glenside; O: 605 Jefferson; P: 5420 Carnegie.

[2008-0150](#)

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No. Resolution providing for conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

[2008-0151](#)

ITEMS A and B. A: 1215 Fairdale; B: 700 N. Aiken.

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No. Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales, in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

[2008-0152](#)

ITEMS A through D: A: 134 Beltzhoover; B: 653 S. Main; C: 7626 Tioga; D: 7620 Tioga.

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

Bill No. Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.

[2008-0153](#)

ITEMS A through K. A: 806 Selby; B: 7 Telescope; C: 5312 Duncan; D: 1614-1616 Fifth; E: 22 Pius; F: 2639 Norwood; G: 172 Robinson; H: 231, 233, 235 & 237 Corliss; I: 241 & 247 Corliss; J: 2938 Leander;

K: 1006 Moyer.

Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

MR. PEDUTO PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Bill No. [2008-0145](#) Report of the Committee on Finance, Law and Purchasing for February 20, 2008 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. [2008-0094](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a \$2,965.06 warrant in favor of Burke & Michael, Inc., 833 Beech Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15226, in settlement of a claim for sidewalk damage due to City tree roots on September 24, 2007.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FACILITIES, TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS

Bill No. [2008-0146](#) Report of the Committee on Facilities, Technology and the Arts for February 20, 2008 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. [2008-0136](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title One - Administrative, Article IX - Boards, Commissions and Authorities, Chapter 177, Equal Opportunity Review Commission, Section 177A.04, so as to reformat this section and add new language.

SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS

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

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznik, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 1 - Ms. Payne
Abstentions: 0

REV. BURGESS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Land Use for February 20, 2008
[2008-0147](#) with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. Ordinance providing for the designation as a Historic Structure under Title 11 of the
[2008-0069](#) Code of Ordinances that certain structure known as the former August Wilson House, located at 1727 Bedford Avenue, block and lot number 09-S-036, in the 3rd Ward, City of Pittsburgh.
PUBLIC HEARING HELD JANUARY 18, 2008.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of City Planning to enter into an
[2008-0120](#) agreement or agreements with members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, for payment of services for duties related to any and all activities of the Zoning Board of the City of Pittsburgh. Cost not to exceed \$39,000.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Deasy, Mr. Dowd, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT