

# **City of Pittsburgh**

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



## **MEETING MINUTES**

*Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh*

**Tuesday, June 19, 2007**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council**

**ONE-HUNDRED  
THIRTY-FOURTH COUNCIL**

**Douglas Shields, President**

**Council Members: Len Bodack, Twanda Carlisle,**

**Dan Deasy, Darlene M. Harris, Jeffrey S. Koch, Jim Motznik, Tonya D. Payne, William Peduto**

**Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk**

**Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk**

## ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Absent: 1 - Mr. Deasy

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No. [2007-1556](#)  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh commends Mr. Baskins for his commitment to our youth, both on and off the field, and hereby proclaims Tuesday, June 19, 2007 as "Sam L. Baskins Jr. Day" in the City of Pittsburgh in recognition of his exemplary volunteer service.

**SPONSOR(S): DARLENE HARRIS AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2007-1557](#)  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh recognizes the recent Charcot-Marie-Tooth Patient-Family Conference held in Pittsburgh in June 2007, and its ongoing work to provide patient support, public education and awareness, promotion of research and ultimately, the treatment and cure of CMT; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the week of June 18, 2007, to be CMT AWARENESS WEEK in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2007-1558](#)  
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby CONGRATUALTE the Pittsburgh Passion Women's Full-Contact Football team for their undefeated 2007 season and first round playoff bid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Saturday June 23, 2007, PITTSBURGH PASSION DAY in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No. [2007-1559](#)  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh congratulates Chatham Village on Their 75th Anniversary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Saturday, June 16th is declared "CHATHAM VILLAGE HOMEOMING DAY" in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): DAN DEASY**

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

Bill No.

[2007-1560](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend and congratulate James P. Covert for his many achievements, both on and off the field of play and heartily welcomes him back to the City of Pittsburgh. We also commend Mr. Covert for his leadership at the Central Blood Bank of Pittsburgh and his efforts to secure the health and well-being of the people of Pittsburgh and the region; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare June 19, 2007, to be "JAMES 'JIMBO' COVERT DAY in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

Bill No.

[2007-1565](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby wish to commend the Gamaliel Foundation, its African American Leadership Commission, the Reverend John Welch, and all of the AALC's many "Juneteenth Conference" speakers, participants and attendees for their dedication and commitment to creating communities that promote equality for all people, regardless of their race, class, or creed.

**SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE AND ALL MEMBERS**

*This proclamation was introduced at the Standing Committee Meeting of June 20, 2007.*

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

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

## **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

### **MS. CARLISLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION**

Bill No.

[2007-1555](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 2000, as amended, entitled: "Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital Budget and the 2000 Community Development Block Grant Program; 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 "The Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation \$3,000 and by reducing "District 6 Neighborhood Initiatives" by the same amount.

**SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE**

**Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee**

### **MR. KOCH, ON BEHALF OF MR. DEASY, PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING**

Bill No. [2007-1553](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 403, effective June 14, 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 6; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," by adding "The Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation \$3,000 and by reducing "District 6 Neighborhood Initiatives" by the same amount. Total cost of all projects not to exceed \$1,000,000.

**SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE**

**Read and referred to Finance, Law and Purchasing Committee**

### **MR. KOCH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

Bill No. [2007-1551](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Departments of Public Works and the Department of Finance to enter into a License Agreement with the Urban Redevelopment Authority to construct various public improvements for the Bedford Hill Apartments Phase II adjacent tot the Ammon Recreation Center.

**Read and referred to Public Works & Environmental Services Committee**

### **MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE**

Bill No. [2007-1552](#) Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Structure under Section 513 of Chapter 1007 of the Code of Ordinances that certain structure located at 836 West North Avenue, known as the Allegheny City Stables, and all of the property designated as Block and Lot Number 023-N-135, in the 22nd Ward, City of Pittsburgh.

**Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee**

Bill No. [2007-1554](#) Ordinance Amending the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title Nine, Zoning, Article II, Chapter 904, Mixed Use Zoning Districts, Section 904.02, Local Neighborhood Commercial District, to amend the Site Development Standards by adding a maximum permitted front setback and a minimum permitted height in that district.

**SPONSOR(S): LEN BODACK**

**Read and referred to Planning, Zoning & Land Use Committee**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Bill No. [2007-1473](#) Resolution authorizing the appointment of Dr. Elizabeth Lee Fogarty, 307 4th Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa 15222, as a member of the Human Relations Commission for a term to expire April 1, 2011.

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

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

Bill No. [2007-1475](#) Resolution authorizing the appointment of Curtis Smith, 5555 Hampton Street, Pittsburgh, Pa 15206, as a member of the Human Relations Commission for a term to expire April 1, 2009.

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

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

Bill No.

[2007-1476](#)

Resolution authorizing the appointment of Mary McDonald, 1111 Oliver Building, 535 Smithfield Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222-2307 as a member of the Human Relations Commission for a term to expire April 1, 2011.

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

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

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

### MR. KOCH, ON BEHALF OF MR. DEASY, PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Bill No.

[2007-1545](#)

Report of the Committee on Finance, Law & Purchasing for June 13, 2007.

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

Bill No.

[2007-1510](#)

Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of Gentile-Meinert & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$4,729.76 for Corfu Street surveillance; and providing for the payment thereof.

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.

[2007-1512](#)

Resolution providing that the City of Pittsburgh enter into a professional services contract or contracts with Employee Benefit Data Services, Inc. for the purpose of administering the City's COBRA program and Flexible Spending Account program and providing for the payment of the cost thereof. Cost not to exceed \$16,750

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

Bill No.

[2007-1521](#)

Resolution Further amending Resolution No.204, effective April 12, 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 7; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," by adding "Bloomfield Garfield Corporation-Traffic Study" \$2,000 and "District 7 Neighborhood Safety and Security" \$40,000. Total of all projects should not exceed \$1,000,000.

**SPONSOR(S): LEN BODACK**

**This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.**

### Passed The Consent Agenda

**A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznic, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Absent: 1 - Mr. Deasy

## **MR. KOCH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

Bill No. [2007-1546](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for June 13, 2007.

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

Bill No. [2007-1519](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an agreement or agreements for wild life management services for the City of Pittsburgh. These services are in connection with wildlife such as raccoons, groundhogs and skunks being delivered by the City of Pittsburgh's Animal Control Division for the detention, and humane method of euthanizing these animals by sodium pentobarbital injection. Disposal of the euthanized wildlife shall be of a legal and appropriate means. Cost not to exceed \$50,000 . (LEGISLATION WAS TABLED ON JUNE 19, 2007)

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznic, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Absent: 1 - Mr. Deasy

Bill No. [2007-1522](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Public Works to rename Ammons Field, located at 2217 Bedford Avenue in the 5th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh, to JOSH GIBSON FIELD.

**SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE**

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznic, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields  
Noes: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
Absent: 1 - Mr. Deasy

## **MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Land Use for June 13, 2007.

[2007-1547](#)

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

Bill No.

[2007-1514](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities and the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh; and further, authorizing various City Departments to enter into contract or contracts or use existing contract or contracts for street paving, the purchase of equipment and/or furniture and other related costs at a costs not to exceed 800,000.00.

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor and the Director of the Department of City Planning of the City of Pittsburgh are hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement or Agreements, in a form approved by the City Solicitor, with the following various community organizations, for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh and further, authorizing various departments to enter into contract(s) or use existing contract(s) for street paving and other related costs, for the purchase of equipment and/or furniture and installation thereof, at a cost not to exceed 800,000.00 chargeable to and payable from the 2007 Community Development Block Grant Program "City Council".

SEE ATTACHMENT

**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:**

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Deasy

Bill No.

[2007-1515](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment; and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities; and for administrative/operational costs, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities of various departmental programs/projects for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed 800,000.00.

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Deasy

### **MS. CARLISLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION**

Bill No. [2007-1548](#) Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for June 13, 2007.

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

Bill No. [2007-1523](#) Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 2000, as amended, entitled: "Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital Budget and the 2000 Community Development Block Grant Program; 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 "Bloomfield Garfield Corporation Traffic Study" \$2,000 and "District 7 Neighborhood Safety and Security" \$40,000 in Council District 7.

**SPONSOR(S): LEN BODACK**

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Deasy

### **MR. MOTZNIK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PARKS, RECREATION & YOUTH POLICY**

Bill No. [2007-1549](#) Report of the Committee on Parks, Recreation and Youth Policy for June 13, 2007.

**Read, Received and Filed**

Bill No. [2007-1500](#) Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to accept deeds from the Urban Redevelopment Authority for seven (7) parcels of land in the 22nd Ward in the Allegheny Center and Allegheny South Renewal Areas that were designated to be transferred to the City of Pittsburgh for public parks purposes.



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

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Deasy

## **MR. BODACK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES**

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for June 13, 2007.

[2007-1550](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Chief of the Bureau of Police to enter into an agreement with Allegheny County (Department of Human Services) to receive monies for the City to fund a Crisis Intervention Team ("CIT") Coordinator position from September 2006 through February 2009. Amount to be received is \$148,351.00.

[2007-1516](#)

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

**Votes:** Ayes: 8 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absent: 1 - Mr. Deasy

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Bill No. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh calls on U.S. Representatives Jason Altmire and Tim Murphy, and all other members of Pennsylvania's Congressional Delegation, to join Mike Doyle and the other members of the Pennsylvania delegation who have co-sponsored HR 969.

[2007-1561](#)

**SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO AND ALL MEMBERS**

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

## **EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

**A motion was made to excuse the absent member(s)Mr. Deasy. The motion carried.**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made to adjourn the meeting The motion carried.**