



CITY OF PITTSBURGH

Department of Innovation & Performance
William Peduto, Mayor
Heidi Norman, Acting Director of Innovation & Performance

March 23, 2021

The Honorable President and Members of Council
510 City-County Building
414 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

RE: To enter into an agreement with Johns Hopkins University Center of Government Excellence (GovEx)

Dear President and Members:

This letter is to request approval for a Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation & Performance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a no-cost professional service agreement to work with experts from the Johns Hopkins University Center for Government Excellence (GovEx) to elevate data governance practice across the City. Data governance is defined as the exercise of authority and control (planning, monitoring, and enforcement) over the management of data.

This project with GovEx will build our ability to articulate a pathway to use data governance to lead to data-driven decision making, introduce assessment frameworks and training tools recommended by GovEx partners, facilitate the identification and development of data stewards and users in City departments and produce standards for consistency and reliability across City departments for data collection methods, data cleaning and organization, and products built as a result of data services provided (i.e. dashboards, visualizations, open data).

We are requesting a waiver of Rule 8 because Johns Hopkins only has a team available for 100 days, and this project needs to be finished by July 2021.

Your favorable consideration is appreciated.



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Sincerely,



Sylvia D. Harris, CISO & Assistant Director, Security
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