



# City of Pittsburgh

## Meeting Minutes

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

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Wednesday, February 8, 2023

9:30 AM

Council Chambers

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### STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

#### PRE-AGENDA - APPOINTMENTS AND/OR RE-APPOINTMENTS

[2023-1117](#) Resolution appointing James Robert Martin II as a Member of the Board of Directors for the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority for a term to expire April 30, 2025.

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

Enactment No: 54

[2023-1131](#) Resolution appointing Ariam Ford as a Member of the Civic Design Committee, of the Public Art & Civic Design Commission, for a term concurrent with that of the Mayor.

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

Enactment No: 55

[2023-1132](#) Resolution appointing Lisa Carver as a Member of the Civic Design Committee, of the Public Art & Civic Design Commission, for a term concurrent with that of the Mayor.

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

Enactment No: 56

[2023-1133](#) Resolution appointing Megan Zeigler as a Member of the Civic Design Committee, of the Public Art & Civic Design Commission, for a term concurrent with that of the Mayor.

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

Enactment No: 57

[2023-1134](#) Resolution appointing Celeste Smith as a Member of the Public Art Committee, of the Public Art & Civic Design Commission, for a term concurrent with that of the Mayor.

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

Enactment No: 58

[2023-1135](#) Resolution appointing Christine Bethea as a Member of the Public Art Committee, of the Public Art & Civic Design Commission, for a term concurrent with that of the Mayor.

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

Enactment No: 59

[2023-1136](#) Resolution appointing Mikael Owunna as a Member of the Public Art Committee, of the Public Art & Civic Design Commission, for a term concurrent with that of the Mayor.

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

Enactment No: 60

[2023-1137](#) Resolution appointing Tom Mosser as a Member of the Public Art Committee, of the Public Art & Civic Design Commission, for a term concurrent with that of the Mayor.

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

Enactment No: 61

## ROLL CALL

- Present** 8 - Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson
- Absent** 1 - Council Member Burgess

## PUBLIC COMMENT

**Dr. Ronald Miller**  
**Atan-ti-k-in-ch'ab**  
**ix Pomaj-chakmam-yaj**  
**Yvonne Brown**  
**Flora Williams**

## FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

## SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS

[2023-1223](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$10,000.00) for payment to the Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry for settlement of a compliance matter.

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

Enactment No: 73

**DEFERRED PAPERS**

[2023-1108](#) Ordinance amending Title Two, Article V, Chapter 237 Stop The Violence Fund, Section 237.03 Uses and Restrictions of the Stop The Violence Fund, directing the Mayor's designee thereunder, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to utilize a reporting form approved by City Council to ensure proper and legal use of said funds by grantees thereunder in accordance with Ordinance 237 ("Stop the Violence Fund") of the City of Pittsburgh Code.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 2/22/2023. The motion carried.**

[2023-1149](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Max Petrunya, PC, in the amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$30,000.00) in settlement of litigation filed in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania at docket number 2:22-cv-00614.

*(Executive Session held 2-1-23)*

**A motion was made that this matter be Held the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 2/15/2023. The motion carried.**

[2023-1150](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Tucker Arensberg, P.C., in an amount not to exceed Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Three Dollars and No Cents (\$8,933.00) for professional services for an Early Neutral Evaluation related to litigation in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania at Case 2:21-cv-00443-CCW.

*(Executive Session held 2-1-23)*

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 2/15/2023. The motion carried.**

[2023-1151](#) Resolution amending 260 of 2021, which authorized the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Campbell Durrant, P.C., for professional legal services and expert advice regarding labor matters, by increasing the total spend by \$100,000.00 for a new not to exceed amount of \$490,000.00.

*(Executive Session held 2-1-23)*

*(2nd Executive Session held 2/21/23)*

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 2/15/2023. The motion carried.**

[2023-1152](#)

Resolution amending 527 of 2022, which authorized the Mayor and the City Solicitor, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a professional services agreement with Cohen Law Group to address a matter of pending telecommunications litigation at USDC 2:21-cv-443, by increasing the total spend by \$50,000.00 for a new not exceed amount of \$196,050.00.

*(Executive Session held 2-1-23)*

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

Enactment No: 62

[2023-1153](#)

Resolution amending 458 of 2022, which authorized the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Fisher Phillips for legal services in connection with collective bargaining, by increasing the total spend by \$250,000.00 for a new not to exceed amount of \$300,000.00.

*(Executive Session held 2-1-23)*

*(2nd Executive Session held 2/21/23)*

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 2/15/2023. The motion carried.**

## NEW PAPERS

[2023-1176](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Ruth and John Banovatz and their attorneys, Berger and Green, P.C., 800 Waterfront Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, in the amount of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00 USD) relating to the full and final settlement of a case filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 21-006258.

*(Executive Session held 2-14-23)*

**A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.**

[2023-1177](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Spilman, Thomas & Battle, for legal services in connection with a police litigation matter at 2:18-cv-01567 for an amount not to exceed Five Thousand Two Hundred Three Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$5,203.50).

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

Enactment No: 70

**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 February 8th, 2023 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**

**Carnegie Mellon University—work study student (Dist. 3) 175.50**

**Brookline Together – 2023 membership (Dist. 4) 75.00**

**Guarino Blatz Lea –flyer design (Dist. 4) 1,075.00**

**INNOVATION & PERFORMANCE**

**NW Chapter of the Assessors Association of PA – dues 15.00**

**Hovis, Jeffrey – mileage reimbursement 20.00**

**Index Trading Manufacturing Inc. – office desk phones (25) 1,750.00**

**Stoll Trever – mileage reimbursement 26.00**

**FINANCE**

**Pittsburgh Mailing Systems, Inc. – printing of dog tag application 3,124.31**

**Department of Real Estate – County real estate services 311.00**

**National Band & Tag – dog tags 1,000.00**

**Integra Realty Resources—appraisal services 1,800.00**

**LAW**

**Office of the Court Reporters of Allegheny County – transcript 96.00**

**Lexitas – deposition services 2,921.04**

**Precise Discovery LLC – data hosting 1,504.35**

**The MCS Group Inc. – medical records 40.50**

**Allegheny County Bar Association – legal notices 654.00**

**Planet Depos – transcription 949.40**

**CRCC – certified transcript 321.90**

**Wolters Kluwer Law & Business – legal publications 2,174.08**

**Ralph H. Colflesh Jr. Esquire – arbitration services 3,444.03**

**George T. Bisel Co, Inc. – legal publication 212.53**

**Proquest LLC – on-line research 951.05**

**Thompson West – legal publications 1,741.60**

**POLICE**

**Maurita Bryant Consultant Services – cold case consulting 2,085.00**

**Comcast – Skynet internet services 221.74**

**The Cary Company – training academy barriers and range supplies 2,886.26**

**Comcast – internet at HQ 321.55**

**SSA – security system backup battery 37.50**

**Dollar Rent a Car, Inc. – undercover car rental 1,466.76**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**Sonitrol Security Systems –security service monitoring 1,802.00**

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**CSX Transportation – renewal of right of way agreement 100.00**

**Coit Services Incorporated – cleaning services 1,190.00**

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

**INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS**

**NONE**

**P-CARD APPROVALS**

[Item 54-2023](#) P-Cards

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

**Waive the Rules of Council**

**Approved as Amended**

**PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL,  
CHAIR**

**NEW PAPERS**

[2023-1168](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 203, effective May 14th 2022, entitled “Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources’ Community Conservation Partnerships Program to provide funding for a Trail Condition Study.” to accept the grant and authorize necessary expenditures.

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

Enactment No: 63

[2023-1169](#)

Resolution providing for an amended Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (PWSA) for costs associated with the West Ohio Street Bridge project where PWSA would be responsible for paying 100% of the actual expenses involved in certain work described herein and itemized in Exhibit "B" at an amount not to exceed Two Hundred and Eighty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-Seven Dollars and Twenty-Five Cents (\$285,777.25) an increase of Fifty Four Thousand Three Hundred and Seventy Seven Dollars and Twenty Five Cents from the previously executed agreement (53176) as authorized by Resolution Number 636 of 2018.

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

Enactment No: 64

[2023-1170](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, and the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to enter into a professional services agreement with Traffic Planning and Design, Inc., for work on Frankstown Avenue Signal Design Project at a cost not to exceed Two Hundred Thirty Two Thousand Seven Hundred One Dollars and Sixty Eight Cents (\$232,701.68).

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

Enactment No: 65

[2023-1171](#)

Resolution providing for a Reimbursement Agreement with the Norfolk Southern Railway Company for costs associated with the Preliminary Engineering phase of the 28th Street Bridge Project; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed ~~Thirty One Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Three Dollars (\$31,263.00)~~ **Thirty Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Nine Dollars (\$33,829.00).**

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

Enactment No: 66

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

Enactment No: 66



[2023-1180](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 886 of 2021, effective December 27, 2021, as amended, entitled "Resolution adopting and approving the 2022 Capital Budget and the 2022 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2022 through 2027 Capital Improvement Program" by reducing LED STREET LIGHT UPGRADES by \$1,000,000.00.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

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

Enactment No: 72

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

### **NEW PAPERS**

[2023-1178](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning Code, Article V, Section 925.06, Setbacks, to update the standards for certain HVAC equipment in setbacks.

*(Referred to Planning Commission for a report and recommendation on 2-8-23)*

*(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)*

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER

**A motion was made that this matter be Referred for Report and Recommendation to the Planning Commission. The motion carried.**

[2023-1179](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of City Planning, to enter into an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, between the City of Pittsburgh, the Urban Redevelopment Authority, and Industrial Arts Workshop Inc., for the creation of artwork on land which is owned by the URA and which is intended to be transferred to the City of Pittsburgh.

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

Enactment No: 71

## **RECREATION, YOUTH AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR**

### **NEW PAPERS**

[2023-1181](#) Resolution authorizing renaming Chartiers Field to Chartiers-Windgap Field.  
*(Public Hearing held 2/15/23)*

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

**A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.**

## **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR**

### **NEW PAPERS**

[2023-1172](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 50 26th Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222.

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs, due back by 3/8/2023. The motion carried.**

Enactment No: 67

**A motion was made that the Hold for 4 weeks be Withdrawn. The motion carried.**

Enactment No: 67

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

Enactment No: 67

[2023-1173](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for proposed land development located at 4554-4564 Penn Avenue at the parcels numbered 49-M-121, 49-M-122, 49-M-123, 49-M-124, 49-M-125, 49-M-126, Pittsburgh, PA 15224.

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs, due back by 3/8/2023. The motion carried.**

[2023-1174](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 1100 Shady Ave. Plan of Lots, 1100 Shady Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15232.

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

Enactment No: 68

[2023-1175](#)

Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 3339 Ward Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15213.

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

Enactment No: 69