



# City of Pittsburgh

## Meeting Minutes

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Wednesday, March 15, 2023

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

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### STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

#### ROLL CALL

- Present** 6 - Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson
- Absent** 3 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, and Council Member Kail-Smith

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

**Naomi Mullen**  
**Pomaj-chakman-yajala**

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

#### 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 3/29/2023. The motion carried.**

#### NEW PAPERS

[2023-1293](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Belinda Martin and her attorneys, Friday and Cox, 1405 McFarland Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15216, in the amount of Twenty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$27,500.00 USD) relating to the full and final settlement of a case filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 21-000491.

*(Executive Session Requested)*

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

[2023-1294](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement or agreements with Loeb & Loeb, LLP, in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$150,000.00) for legal services related to real estate matters.

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

[2023-1297](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 863 of 2018, effective January 1, 2019, as amended, entitled "Resolution adopting and approving the 2019 Capital Budget and the 2019 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2019 through 2024 Capital Improvement Program" by reducing SMALLMAN STREET RECONSTRUCTION by two hundred seventeen thousand two hundred forty three dollars and thirty seven cents (\$217,243.37) and increasing COMPLETE STREETS one hundred seventeen thousand two hundred forty three dollars and thirty seven cents (\$117,243.37) and increasing SLOPE FAILURE REMEDIATION by one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00).

**SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER GROSS**

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

**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 March 15th, 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**

**Carrick Community Council – donation for Easter egg hunt (Dist. 4) 250.00**

**Plavchak, Blake—reimbursement for lunch meeting (Dist. 4) 63.30**

**Brookline Together – reimbursement for holiday lighting drive (Dist. 4) 500.00**

**Neofes, Jackson – intern (Dist. 8) 275.00**

**Pagan, Joyce – Lyft reimbursement for urgent delivery (Dist. 3) 10.67**

**Burny, Mohammed—lunch meeting reimbursement (Dist. 1) 164.87**

**Fishing Rod Foundation – contribution towards fundraiser (Dist. 1) 250.00**

**Morningside Area Community Council – reimbursement for event food (Dist. 8)  
472.00**

**OCHS**

**Bolger, Saskia—mileage and parking reimbursement 63.54**

**LAW**

**Department of Court Records—filing fees 105.00**

**Allegheny County Office of the Court Reporters—transcription services 700.00**

**Cavaliere Court Reporting, LLC – transcript with exhibits 245.20**

**The MCS Group Inc. – medical records 1,190.25**

**Dentons Cohen & Grigsby, PC – legal service for immigration matters 205.00**

**Justus ADR Services – mediation services 2,000.00**

**Sargents Court Reporting – transcript of deposition 456.80**

**Planet Deps – transcript 1,494.25**

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES & CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Coro Center for Civic Leadership—Coro Fellow placement 3,000.00**

#### **CITY PLANNING**

**Yourmembership.com Inc. – job posting 249.00**

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY ADMIN**

**911 Rapid Response LLC – repainting of light bezels on vehicle 712.56**

#### **EMS**

**Bound Tree Medical – medical supplies not available on contract 137.00**

#### **POLICE**

**B&R Starters Inc. –undercover narcotics car repairs 2,107.80**

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**Markl Supply—rifle scope and mount 2,394.50**

**Butch, Victoria – uniform alterations 222.99**

**Jack Lafferty’s Truck Parts – auto squad vehicle inspection 142.50**

**Comcast – Skynet services for Narcotics/Vice 221.76**

**Daly, Sharon – clerical services 576.00**

**S&D Calibration Services – Accutrak certification 252.00**

**Setcom—headset kits for cycle officers 883.61**

**Scanlon Counseling & Consulting LLC – post incident fitness sessions 450.00**

**Maurita Bryant Consultant Services – cold case consulting 750.00**

## **OMI**

**Net Transcripts Inc. – transcription of case interviews 317.55**

## **FIRE**

**Unifirst Corp. – towels and mats 221.10**

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**Hydro Test Products – recalibration of hydro test machine 127.83**

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

**Asphalt Surface Enterprises, Inc. – basketball court blackout and striping  
3,700.00**

## **PARKS & RECREATION**

**Jermon Drake – tennis instructor 355.90**

**Hassan Shan – tennis instructor 255.51**

**Haffner, Mark – tennis instructor 100.14**

**Parks, Richard – tennis instructor 700.95**

**Camillo, Joseph M – tennis instructor 1,110.00**

**Paull, Mark J – tennis instructor 433.90**

**Lacaria, Aldene – tennis instructor 475.00**

**DOMI**

**Traffic Control Products, Inc. – LED lights 2,510.00**

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**A Folino Construction Inc. – batch basin and grate 1,427.00**

**A Folino Construction Inc. – materials to stabilize hillside 928.17**

**A Folino Construction Inc. – PVC pipe, glue, and primer 4,391.07**

**Engineers’ Society of Western PA—professional membership 50.00**

**Tech Support—tape used in screen fabrication 168.76**

**Martinez, Angela – reimbursement for supplies 40.00**

**Barbati, John – reimbursement for supplies 117.57**

**A motion was made to Waive the Rules of Council. The motion carried.**

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

**INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS**

NONE

**P-CARD APPROVALS**[Item 59-2023](#) P-Cards

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

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR****DEFERRED PAPERS**

[2023-1249](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency and Operation Better Block for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$2,500,000.00) to support the Safe Passages Program, which places community elders in schools to prevent violence.

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Public Safety and Wellness, due back by 3/22/2023. The motion carried.**

**NEW PAPERS**

[2023-1288](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Duquesne University for the purpose of spending grant funds not to exceed ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$150,500.00) dollars to support the Pittsburgh Bureau of Police Inside-Out training program.

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

[2023-1289](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Department of Justice COPS Mini Grant Program for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$150,500.00) dollars to support the Police Inside-Out training program with program partner Duquesne University.

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

**PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE, MR. KRAUS,  
CHAIR****NEW PAPERS**

[2023-1290](#) Resolution authorizing acceptance by the City of Pittsburgh of the dedication of a portion of Harvard Street (83-P-167), being Parcel B, as laid out on the Subdivision Plan of Block and Lot 83-P-165, as recorded in the Allegheny County Department of Real Estate, in Plan Book Volume 290, Page 4, in the 11th Ward, 9th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

[2023-1291](#) Resolution granting unto GARDEN THEATER BLOCK LLC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to install a grease interceptor below the sidewalk, at 4 W. North Avenue, in the 22nd Ward, 1st Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2023-1292](#) Resolution granting a vacation of an unopened portion of Wabash Street, located in the rear of McKnight Street, as shown on Plan of the Denny Estate as recorded in Plan Book Volume 7, page 2, in the 20th Ward, 2nd Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

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

[2022-0661](#) Resolution accepting a new street name, WOODRING COURT in the Twenty-Third Ward of the City of Pittsburgh as per recommendation by the City of Pittsburgh Addressing Committee (CPAC). The following street name was approved by CPAC in June 2022. The name listed in this ordinance shall be made official in accordance with the Pittsburgh Code, Title Four, Public Places and Property, Chapter 420 Uniform Street Naming and Addressing.

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 4/12/2023. The motion carried.**



[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 2-8-23)*

*(Report & Recommendation received 3-8-23)*

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

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER

**A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing.  
The motion carried.**

## **INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE, ASSET MANAGEMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE, MS. WARWICK, CHAIR**

### **NEW PAPERS**

[2023-1295](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 532-2022, authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation and Performance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into an agreement or agreements and amendments thereto for professional services with ePlus Technology, Inc. for system critical adjustments, improvements, and upgrades to maintain the City of Pittsburgh's network functionality at an additional cost not to exceed \$20,000.

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