



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

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

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

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

Naomi Mullen
Pomaj-Chakman-Yajaji
Eric Vanisterndale
Yvonne Brown

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2023-1309](#) 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 Seventeen Thousand and Twenty Three Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$17,023.80).

(Executive Session held 3/28/23)

(Second Executive Session held 3/30/23)

(Third Executive Session held 4/4/23)

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

[2023-1312](#) Resolution authorizing the execution of quitclaim deeds conveying all of the City's right, title and interest in and to the City-owned property located in the 15th Ward of the City at 624 Tesla Street designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 55-M Lot 302 and Block 55-M Lot 305, to the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority.

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

[2023-1361](#) Resolution providing for the sale of certain property, acquired by the City of Pittsburgh at tax sales. ITEMS A through J: A: 5463 Broad Street, B: 0 Mountain Avenue, C: 0 Pliney Way, D: 540 Herschel Street, E: 916 Elkton Street, F: 228 Stanhope Street, G: 0 Redknap Street, H: 608 Redknap Street, I: 1551 Clairtonica Street, J: 948 Girder Street

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

[2023-1362](#) Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh Side Yard Program. ITEMS A through N: A: 0 Bethoven Street, B: 5140 Dresden Way, C: 5439 Black Street, D: 0 Apple Street, E: 7316 Hermitage Street, F: 7803 Frankstown Avenue, G: 368 Flowers Avenue, H: 372 Flowers Avenue, I: 955 Manton Way, J: 983 Industry Street, K: 96 Pasadena Street, L: 481 Belonda Street, M: 827 Suismon Street, N: 3616 Grenada Street

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

NEW PAPERS

[2023-1390](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of two (2) warrants totaling One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$150,000.00) in settlement of a case filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 19-005659.

(Executive Session scheduled for 4/18/23)

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

[2023-1391](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Kathleen Spearman, in the amount of Three Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Two Dollars and No Cents (\$3,222.00) in settlement of a claim for damage to her residence entry and storm doors from city Fire personnel on November 5, 2021.

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

[2023-1398](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 864 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 MON-OAKLAND CONNECTOR/FOUR MILE RUN by twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000.00) and increasing FOUR MILE RUN PLAYGROUND by twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000.00).

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WARWICK

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 April 12th, 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

Neofes, Jackson – intern (Dist. 8) 237.50

Lord, Adeline – reimbursement for Mailchimp (Dist. 5) 39.91

Homeless Cat Management Team – spaghetti dinner (Dist. 2) 50.00

Pittsburgh Dilworth PTA – donation to PTA Teacher Appreciation Week 500.00

CivicPlus – Municode updates 1,408.00

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS

Ruder Law, LLC – Fair Housing Litigation skills training for solicitor 2,839.84

Language Select—interpreter services 18.17

LAW

Spillman Thomas & Battle, PLLC. – legal services 4,571.00

Veritext Corporate Services, Inc. – transcript services 820.60

Cavaliere Court Reporting, LLC –transcript services 3,653.60

Allegheny County – transcript services 180.00

Planet Depos – deposition 632.00

Precise Discovery LLC – online storage of electronic data 1,504.36

Dell, Moser, Lane & Lougangy – mediation services 840.00

The MCS Group Inc. – cancellation charge 47.50

Harry M. Paras, Esquire, PC – mediation services 2,977.50

D’Appolonia Engineering – geotechnical survey in landslide matter 1,234.28

PUBLIC SAFETY ADMIN

West, Alisha—reimbursement for food for meeting 105.97

EMS

**Eastern Area Pre-Hospital Services – EMS coverage (Pitt, Penguins, etc.)
2,495.53**

POLICE

Coleman, Gary – street outreach 4,160.00

Rice, Betty – street outreach 4,120.00

FIRE

ABCO Fire Protection – fire extinguisher service 515.00

PUBLIC WORKS

Sonitrol Security Systems – security service monitoring 270.00

Zoresco Equipment Co. – monthly rental of storage trailers 240.00**DOMI****ITS Plus, Inc. – camera system for traffic detection 2,985.00**

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

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

NONE

P-CARD APPROVALS

[Item 63-2023](#) P-Cards

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

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

[2023-1394](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the State Office of the Fire Commissioner for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$15,000.00) to support the purchase of emergency rescue equipment.

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

[2023-1395](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership to provide an ambassador program to assist police with non-criminal matters in the Central Business District, at an overall cost to the City not to exceed SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$600,000.00).

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

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

[2023-1397](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Department of Public Works and the Department of Finance, on behalf of the City, to amend and renew the Lease Agreement with Beaver Avenue Associates, LLC, to continue providing a leased space at 1301 Beaver Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA, for the purposes of housing the Facilities Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works, for the total cost not to exceed Seven Hundred Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred One Dollars and Forty-Two Cents (\$716,401.42), over a five-year period with utilities costs included, and an option to terminate without penalty between the three-through-five-year period if necessary.

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

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, REV. BURGESS, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2023-1392](#)

Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with Keen360, Inc., to provide technical support and development to the Commission on Human Relations for its customer service portal for one (1) year in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$26,700.00).

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](#)

Ordinance 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 Committee to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 5/24/2023. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

[2023-1393](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article I, Section 902.03 Zoning Map, by changing from R1D-L, Residential Single-Unit Detached, Low Density District to UI, Urban Industrial District certain property roughly bounded by Kelly Street, Fifth Avenue, Frankstown Avenue and the Allegheny Valley Railroad Brilliant Line; all in the Allegheny County Block and Lot System, 12th Ward.
(Sent to the Planning Commission for a report and recommendation on 4/14/23)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

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

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

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2023-1368](#)

Resolution authorizing the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, and/or the Director of the Office and Management and Budget to enter into agreements in individual amounts of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) or less with performers, instructors, artists, referees, and persons with specialized skills in connection with the Departments' recreational and instructional programs and special events services.

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