



# City of Pittsburgh

## Meeting Minutes

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

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Wednesday, July 19, 2023

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

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### STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

#### ROLL CALL

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

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

**Yvonne Brown**  
**Ikahan-hal-makina**

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

#### NEW PAPERS

[2023-1703](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Reisinger Comber & Miller, LLC for legal services in connection with a police litigation matter at 2:18-cv-01567 for an amount not to exceed Twenty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Two Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$27,472.90) for the 2023 year.

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

[2023-1712](#) Resolution further amending Resolution number 675 of 2008, as amended, entitled "Adopting and approving the 2009 Capital Budget; and approving the 2009 through 2013 Capital Improvement Program" by reducing BROOKLINE BLVD. by \$20,268.07 and increasing COMPLETE STREETS by \$20,268.07.

**SPONSOR /S COUNCIL MEMBER COGHILL**

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

[2023-1724](#)

Resolution authorizing, pursuant to Ch. 210 (“Acceptance of Gifts to City”) of the City Code, the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to accept a donation from Pittsburgh Arena Real Estate Redevelopment LP, Lower Hill Developer LLC, Parking Partners XXIII Block E LLC, and/or an affiliated entity in the amount of NINE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$900,000.00) to support in the rehabilitation of Ammon Recreation Center.

**SPONSOR /S COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE**

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

[2023-1754](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 647 of 2020, effective December 23, 2020, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2021 Capital Budget and the 2021 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2021 through 2026 Capital Improvement Program” by increasing SOUTH SIDE SIGNALS (TIP) by \$210,953.

**A motion was made that this matter be Waived under the Rules of Council. The motion carried.**

**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 July 19th, 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/ COUNCIL AS A BODY**

**Coghill, Anthony—reimbursement for supplies (Dist. 4) 222.00**

**Pennsylvania Resources Council, Inc. – Garbage Olympics support (Dist. 4) 500.00**

**Pennsylvania Resources Council, Inc. – Garbage Olympics support (Dist. 2) 1,000.00**

**Hobson, Diane – reimbursement for food for event (Dist. 4) 121.00**

**Ozanam Inc. – donation for summer camp event (Dist. 6) 963.00**

**Perfetti, Olivia – intern (Dist. 8) 396.00**

**Burny, Mohammed – reimbursement for memorial flowers (Dist. 1) 66.29**

**Northside Youth Athletic Association – donation for security (Dist. 1) 500.00**

**Northeastern Uniforms & Equipment – shirts for staff (Dist. 3) 122.51**

**COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS**

**Post & Schell PC – legal work 1,700.00**

**LAW**

**Department of Court Records—replenishment for online filing 500.00**

**CITY PLANNING**

**Social Pinpoint – additional user licenses 1,200.00**

**PERMITS, LICENSES, & INSPECTIONS**

**Apoorva Juneja – UCC certification 117.60**

**Allen, Raheem – UCC certification 117.60**

**Barszczowski, Autumn D. – reimbursement for duplicate keys 15.90**

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**EMS**

**Kirwan Heights VFA EMS – EMS coverage (Riverhounds) 140.00**

**Eastern Area Pre Hospital Services – EMS coverage (Pirates, Anthrocon) 740.28**

**POLICE**

**Commonwealth of PA—Cops and Kids Camp registration 10.00**

**McKeel, Laurie—cold case investigator 1,440.00**

**Always Compassionate Vet Care—K9 medical services 2,637.14**

**Maurita Bryant Consultant Services -- cold case consulting 3,090.00**

**Golden Bone Pet Resort Inc. – K9 boarding 945.00**

**Schorin Co., Inc. – evidence bags 201.77**

**Dollar Rent a Car, Inc. – vehicle rentals 4,353.87**

**Thick Bikes LLC – electric bike service and parts 64.63**

**Thick Bikes LLC – mountain bike service and repairs 725.97**

**SSA—training academy security monitoring 576.00**

**SF Mobile-Vision Inc. – DVR replacement for squad car 2,028.00**

**Daly, Sharon – clerical services 576.00**

**Ray Allen Manufacturing Co. – K9 special harnesses and collars 445.96**

**FIRE**

**AGAS MFG., Inc. – specialty flags 588.00**

**IAFC—Chief Jones' membership fee 465.00**

## **PARKS & RECREATION**

**New Pittsburgh Courier – Farmers Market advertising 305.44**

**25 Carrick Ave. Project—portable toilets for Carrick farmers market 800.00**

**Coppola, Janice—performer for Bach, Beethoven, and Brunch 600.00**

**Sheldon Sorber Contracting – generator rental 500.00**

**Appel, Joseph C – photographer 500.00**

**Pascoe Media – photographer 500.00**

**Didio, David – 4th of July performer 750.00**

**Constable, Jay -- 4th of July performer 250.00**

**Windswept Events – tent rental 4,629.01**

**Ford, Roland – line dancing 400.00**

**Orjuela Luis – performer 600.00**

**Charelle Unique Munnerlyn – performer 600.00**

**Big Day Entertainment & Video LLC – 4th of July performance 4,000.00**

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

**INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS****To: The Honorable President and Members of Council****From: Office of Management and Budget****Date: 07/14/2023****Re: Intradepartmental transfer****Dear President and Members of Council:**

**Per Resolution 734 of 2022, which authorizes City Council to approve intradepartmental transfers throughout the 2023 Fiscal Year, the Office of Management and Budget would like to make the following transfer(s):**

**Office of Management & Budget****Amount from:****\$4,000.00 from 102200.53901 Professional Services****Amount to:****\$4,000.00 to 102200.55101 Insurance Premiums**

**This transfer is necessary to cover required professional liability insurance.**

**Department of Public Safety – Bureau of Emergency Medical Services****Amount from:****\$40,000.00 from 220000.53301 Workforce Training****Amount to:****\$40,000.00 to 220000.56151 Operational Supplies**

**This transfer is necessary to cover the cost of equipment and supplies for diver training.**

**Department of Public Safety – Bureau of Police**

**Amount from:**

**\$50,000.00 from 230000.56151 Operational Supplies**

**Amount to:**

**\$50,000.00 to 230000.53301 Workforce Training**

**This transfer is necessary to supplement the Bureau’s workforce training budget to allow officers to continue to attend mandatory trainings.**

**Department of Public Works – Bureau of Facilities**

**Amount from:**

**\$90,000.00 from 450000.54501 Land & Buildings**

**Amount to:**

**\$90,000.00 to 450000.56151 Operational Supplies**

**This transfer is necessary to supplement the Bureau’s supply budget to account for continued inflated costs.**

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

**P-CARD APPROVALS**

[Item 76-2023](#)

P-Cards

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



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

[2023-1740](#) Resolution providing for a Supplemental Agreement or Agreements with Larson Design Group, Inc. for costs associated with the South Side Signals project; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed Five Hundred Ninety Five Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Five Dollars and Twenty Four Cents (\$595,665.24), an increase of Eighty One Thousand One Hundred Ninety Two Dollars and Sixty Seven Cents (\$81,192.67) to the amount previously authorized by Resolution 468 of 2021.

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

[2023-1742](#) Resolution providing for an amended Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for costs associated with the Construction phase of the South Side Signals project, and providing for the payment of costs thereof, not to exceed Four Million Three Hundred Ten Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Three Dollars (\$4,310,953.00) dollars, an increase of Two Hundred Twenty Thousand Three Hundred and Thirteen Dollars (\$220,313.00), reimbursable at one hundred percent.

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

[2023-1747](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 446 of 2021, which authorized the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Works to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements and/or Commodity Master Agreement(s) with Direct Energy Business LLC ("Direct Energy") for the supply of electricity to City buildings and facilities, by extending the current term by three years through 2029 and adding additional services such as the purchase of renewable energy certificates from a sleeved Wind Renewable Energy Opportunity, for an annual increase of Twenty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars and Forty-Three Cents (\$25,963.43) and a new total amount not to exceed of Three Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$357,529.20).

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

[2023-1750](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Vermeer, Inc., in an amount not to exceed Nine Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Seven Dollars and Twenty-Six Cents (\$9,437.26), to purchase a Mini Skid Steer needed for the daily operation of the Forestry Division; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof.

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

**NEW PAPERS**[2023-1725](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an AGREEMENT BETWEEN PITTSBURGH ARENA REAL ESTATE REDEVELOPMENT, LOWER HILL DEVELOPER LLC, PARKING PARTNERS XXIII BLOCK E LLC, AND THE CITY OF PITTSBURGH FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY WITHIN THE BLOCK E PARKING STRUCTURE IN THE LOWER HILL NEIGHBORHOOD OF PITTSBURGH, for the construction of a City Rescue station and/or a City Paramedic station within a parking structure in fulfillment of the Developer's obligation which was part of the Option Agreement for Redevelopment of the Lower Hill.

**SPONSOR /S** COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

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

**LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MR. WILSON, CHAIR****DEFERRED PAPERS**[2022-0270](#)

Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title 7: Business Licensing, Article X: Rental of Residential Housing, by creating a new Chapter 783: Short Term Rental Permit Program.

***(Public Hearing held 5/19/22)***

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

**CO-SPONSOR /S** Council Member Wilson, Council Member Gross, Council Member Burgess, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor and Council Member Strassburger

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 7/26/2023. The motion carried.**

[2022-0465](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title V: Traffic, Article VII: Parking, Chapter 549: Residential Parking Permit Program, § 549.08: Visitor Permits; Non-Resident Permits, so as to relate the issuance of residential parking permits for short-term rentals to the issuance of licenses by the Department of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections authorizing the operation of short-term rentals in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR /S** COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 7/26/2023. The motion carried.**

**NEW PAPERS**

[2023-1720](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 816 of 2015, effective December 18, 2015, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2016 Capital Budget and the 2016 Community Development Block Grant Program, and approving the 2016 through 2021 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS by \$57,864.39 and increasing DEMOLITION OF CONDEMNED BUILDINGS by \$57,864.39.

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

**RECREATION, YOUTH AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR****SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS**

[2023-1764](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Campbell Transportation Company, Inc., PO Box 931696, Cleveland, OH 44193, in an amount not to exceed FIFTEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND THREE DOLLARS AND THIRTY-SEVEN CENTS (\$15,803.37), for midstream, fleeting and tug services for the City of Pittsburgh Independence Day events on July 4, 2023.

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

[2023-1765](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Green Gears, 600 Bingham Street, Pittsburgh PA, 15203, in an amount not to exceed FOURTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$14,300.00), for litter and waste control services provided for the City of Pittsburgh Independence Day events on July 4, 2023.

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

[2023-1766](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Marion Hill Associates, Inc. PO Box 252, New Brighton, PA 15066, in an amount not to exceed TWENTY SIX THOUSAND AND THIRTY DOLLARS (\$26,030.00), for transportation, spud, and barge rental for the City of Pittsburgh Independence Day events on July 4, 2023.

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

[2023-1767](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of RJ Brown Towing, 300 Mile Long Hill Road, Kittanning, PA 16201, in an amount not to exceed EIGHT THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY DOLLARS (\$8,320.00), for transportation and rental of a barge for the City of Pittsburgh Independence Day events on July 4, 2023.

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

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

### **DEFERRED PAPERS**

[2022-0641](#)

Resolution of the city of Pittsburgh adopting an amendment to the Steel Valley Authority's Articles of Incorporation to decrease the number of members of the Board of Directors of the Authority

**A motion was made that this matter be Waived under the Rules of Council. The motion carried.**

**A motion was made that this matter be UNTABLED to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Out of Room:** 1 - Council Member Wilson

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Kail-Smith

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs, due back by 7/26/2023. The motion carried.**

### **NEW PAPERS**

[2023-1713](#) Resolution approving execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh or an Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh affiliate and ALCOSAN for the sale of Block 9-B, Lots 7, 14, 15, 16, 19, 52, 53, 55, 56, 57, and 58 in the 23rd Ward of the City of Pittsburgh (Council District No. 1) at no cost to the City.

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs, due back by 7/26/2023. The motion carried.**

[2023-1714](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh or an Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh affiliate to acquire all the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the following Publicly-Owned properties in the 5th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 27-A, Lots 108 and 109 (Council District No. 6) at no cost to the City.

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

[2023-1715](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh or an Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh affiliate to acquire all the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the following Publicly-Owned properties in the 26th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 45-M, Lots 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 109, 110, 114, 116, 117, 118, 132, 133, 134, 134-A, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 145, and 152 (Council District No. 6) at no cost to the City.

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

[2023-1716](#) Resolution amending Resolution 852 of 2019, which authorized a Cooperation Agreement between the City of Pittsburgh (the "City") and the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh (the "URA") to divert 75% of the incremental parking taxes from the Garage (as defined below) up to a maximum of \$25,000,000, to fund general construction costs at the proposed Block E development, part of the greater Lower Hill development project, in the Lower Hill neighborhood of the City of Pittsburgh, by updating the project details in the whereas clauses that have changed since original enactment.

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

[2023-1717](#)

Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh or an Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh affiliate to acquire all the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the following Publicly-Owned properties in the 13th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 174-J, Lots 134, 135, 243, 244, 279, 281, 282, 283, 283-A, 298, 299, 307, and Block 174-N, Lots 85 and 86 (Council District No. 9) at no cost to the City.

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

[2023-1718](#)

Resolution approving execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh or an Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh affiliate and University of Pittsburgh - of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education, or a related entity, for the sale of Block 29-B, Lots 306 and 308, in the 4th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh (Council District No. 3) at no cost to the City.

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

[2023-1719](#)

Resolution providing for the execution of a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh for the administration of certain projects and programs, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, not to exceed \$750,000.00. (Council Districts: All).

***(Briefing held 7/18/23)***

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs, due back by 7/26/2023. The motion carried.**