

# City of Pittsburgh

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



## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, January 23, 2024**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

### **City Council**

***ONE-HUNDRED  
FORTY-THIRD COUNCIL***

***R. Daniel Lavelle, President of Council***

***Council Members: Robert Charland, Anthony Coghil, Deborah L. Gross, Khari Mosley, Theresa  
Kail-Smith, Erika Strassburger, Barbara Warwick, Bobby Wilson***

***Kimberly Clark-Baskin, City Clerk - Ashley Robinson, Assistant City Clerk***

**ROLL CALL**

**Present** 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA**

**PROCLAMATIONS**

[2024-0056](#) **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize January 23, 2024 as Maternal Health Awareness Day in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WARWICK AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 8

[2024-0057](#) **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby celebrate the outstanding service of Avi Baran Munro; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Saturday, January 27, 2024, to be “Avi Baran Munro Day” in the City of Pittsburgh.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER, COUNCIL MEMBER WARWICK AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 9

**WILLS OF COUNCIL**

[2024-0039](#)

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh calls on The Allegheny County Department of Human Services and County Executive Sara Innamorato, to use Controller O'Connor's forthcoming audit to guide the funding of all of the recommendations provided by City Council's Unhoused Committee.

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

**CO-SPONSOR /S:** Council Member Charland, Council Member Gross, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick and Council Member Wilson

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

Enactment No: 10

[2024-0058](#)

**NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED**, the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby urges the Pennsylvania General Assembly and the U.S. Congress to pass any pending legislation regarding the safeguarding and improvement of maternal health care and standards in Pennsylvania and in the United States; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Will of Council will be distributed to the Allegheny County delegations of the Pennsylvania State General Assembly and the United States Congress.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WARWICK AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 11

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Christopher Beam, Dr. Ronald Lynn Miller, Armin Samii, Naomi Mullen, Marc Patti, Neil Desai, Melvin Walls, John Howe Billings Jr., Morgan Shaw, Jon Hanrahan, Vlad Kaplun, Lucas Godshalk, Bernadette, Jakob Poole, Allison Keatan**

## **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

### **COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:**

[2024-0046](#) Resolution amending Resolution 681 of 2022, authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation & Performance to enter into an amended agreement with B-Three Solutions, Inc. for the continued provision of software maintenance and support services for critical applications and transition guidance, by increasing the approved amount by \$200,000 and extending the contract for (1) year until December 31, 2024. The amended total cost not-to-exceed of the contract will now be Two Million One Hundred Twenty Nine Thousand Three Hundred Twenty One Dollars (\$2,129,321) over a period not to exceed seven (7) years.

**Attachments:** [2024-0046 Cover Letter-B-Three Solutions legislation letter - signed](#)  
[2024-0046 B-Three Solutions request for waiver of competitive process - FINAL](#)  
[Summary 2024-0046](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Innovation, Performance, Asset Management, and Technology**

**COUNCILMAN KHARI MOSLEY PRESENTS:**

[2024-0047](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh’s Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 107 & 109 Natchez Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15211, at no cost to the City.

**Attachments:** [2024-0047 Cover Letter-Gary Hall Sewer Cover Letter](#)  
[2024-0047 Gary Hall SFPM](#)  
[2024-0047 Gary Hall Sewer Questionnaire](#)  
[Summary 2024-0047](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs**

**COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:**

[2024-0060](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 683 of 2022 titled, “Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Dick’s Sporting Goods Foundation for the purpose of receiving and spending grant funds in the amount of NINETY THOUSAND (\$90,000.00) dollars to support youth sports programming in each council district” to add the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation as a signatory on grant awards.

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

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

**COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:**

[2024-0048](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Jeffrey Kertis, and his attorney, Howard F. Murphy, Esquire for a single payment in 2024 in an amount not to exceed SEVENTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$17,500.00), payable over one year, in settlement of a case filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 17-014825.

**Attachments:** [2024-0048 Cover Letter-Warrant for Settlement - Council Letter](#)  
[Summary 2024-0048](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

[2024-0049](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Judith Hulick, and her attorney, Andrew D. Sysak, Esquire for a single payment in 2024 in an amount not to exceed TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$10,000.00), payable over one year, in settlement of a case filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 16-016565.

**Attachments:** [2024-0049 Cover Letter-Warrant for Hulick Settlement - Council Letter](#)  
[Summary 2024-0049](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

**COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS:**

[2024-0050](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)'s Local Share Account Statewide to provide funding for the Smallman Complete Street Project. The grant proposal includes an ask of NINE HUNDRED NINETY NINE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETY NINE DOLLARS AND THIRTEEN CENTS (\$999,999.13) for this stated purpose.

**Attachments:** [2024-0050 Cover Letter DCED LSA Smallman Letter - signed](#)  
[Summary 2024-0050](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure**

**COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS:**

[2024-0051](#) Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Site under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain site known as Frick Park, located at 2005 Beechwood Boulevard (127-H-100-01), in the Swisshelm Park, Squirrel Hill South, Regent Square, Point Breeze neighborhoods, in the 14th Ward, City of Pittsburgh. The owner of the property supports the nomination and there is no cost to the City.  
*(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)*

**Attachments:** [2024-0051 Cover Letter-Frick Park Cover Letter](#)

[Summary 2024-0051](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development**

[2024-0054](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the City of Planning to enter into a Professional Services Agreement(s) and/or Contracts with HR&A Advisors & Urban American City for the purpose of assisting in the development of a Citywide Comprehensive Plan. Cost not to exceed \$3,255, 000 over two years.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON, COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE, COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER AND COUNCIL MEMBER MOSLEY

**Attachments:** [2024-0054 DCP Memorandum - Comprehensive Plan](#)

[2024-0054 DCP RFP for Technical Services](#)

[Summary 2024-0054](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development**

[2024-0055](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the City of Planning to enter into a Professional Services Agreement(s) and/or Contracts with Common Cause Consulting & Sasaki for the purpose of developing a citywide engagement strategy to support the Citywide Comprehensive Plan process. Cost not to exceed \$2,645,000 over two years.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON, COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE AND COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER

**Attachments:** [2024-0055 DCP Memorandum - Comprehensive Plan](#)

[2024-0055 DCP RFP for Engagement Services](#)

[Summary 2024-0055](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development**

[2024-0059](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine: Zoning Code, Article V: Use Regulations, Chapter 911: Primary Uses, at Section 911.02: Use Table and Chapter 911.04.A.69, Use Standards, to Permit Single-Unit Attached Residential Uses in Residential Single-Unit Detached Districts subject to certain standards.

*(Needs to be sent to the Planning Commission for a Report and Recommendation)*

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

**CO-SPONSOR /S:** Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger and Council Member Warwick

**Read and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development**

**COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:**

[2024-0053](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 840 of 2019, effective January 1, 2020 as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2020 Capital Budget and the 2020 Community Development Block Grant Program; approving the 2020 through 2025 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing PITTSBURGH COMMUNITY SERVICES - SAFETY by \$15,000.00 and increasing PITTSBURGH COMMUNITY SERVICES - HUNGER by \$15,000.00, and authorize subsequent Agreements.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

**Attachments:** [Summary 2024-0053](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development**

[2024-0052](#) Communication from Jake Pawlak, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, submitting acting pay requests on behalf of the Department of Public Works for Robert Sapp, Kelli Lewis, the Mayor's Office for Michelle King and the Department of City Planning for Flore Marion, per the Acting Pay Policy revised in June 2018.

**Attachments:** [2024-0052 Acting Pay Memo\\_PW\\_CP\\_MO](#)

2024-0052 Acting Pay Request - Michelle King\_JP\_Signed

2024-0052 Acting Pay Request-Flore Marion-2\_JP\_Signed

2024-0052 DPW Acting Pay Request\_Construction

Foreman\_Robert Sapp\_Extension\_LF\_JP

2024-0052 Kelli Lewis\_JP\_Signed

**A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.**

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

## COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

[2024-0042](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for January 17, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

**A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.**

[2024-0008](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Office of Management and Budget to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)'s Local Share Account Statewide to provide funding for the purchase of vehicles for the Pittsburgh Park Rangers. The grant proposal includes an ask of NINETY THOUSAND (\$90,000) dollars for this stated purpose.

**Attachments:** [2024-0008 Cover Letter-DCED LSA Ranger Letter\\_JP\\_Signed](#)

[Summary 2024-0008](#)

**A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 8 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0



**Abstain:** 0

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

[2024-0016](#) Resolution authorizing ~~and directing~~ the Pittsburgh City Controller to perform an audit of code violations that escalate to Magisterial District Court from point of origin to resolution, pursuant to the powers outlined in the Home Rule Charter.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER CHARLAND

**CO-SPONSOR /S:** Council Member Kail-Smith and Council Member Coghill

**Attachments:** [2024-0016 GOLD Plan Report](#)

[2024-0016 KPB-Litter-Cost-Study](#)

**A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 8 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

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

## **COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

[2024-0043](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for January 17, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

**A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.**

[2024-0011](#) Resolution Amending Resolution 614 of 2023 entitled “Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the City of Planning to enter into a Professional Services Agreement(s) and/or Contracts with HR&A Advisors for the purpose of assisting in the development of a strategic plan for the Department of City Planning at a cost not to exceed ONE HUNDRED NINE THOUSAND (\$109,000) over one year.”

**Attachments:** [2024-0011 Cover Letter-revised Letter to Council - DCP Strategic Plan JDE amendment Summary 2024-0011](#)

**A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

[2024-0012](#) Resolution amending Resolution 766 of 2023, entitled “Resolution further amending Resolution No. 772 of 2023, effective January 1, 2017 as amended, entitled "Resolution adopting and approving the 2017 Capital Budget and the 2017 Community Development Block Grant Program; approving the 2017 through 2022 Capital Improvement Program" by reducing LYNN WILLIAMS HIGH RISE by \$2,500 and ST. AMBROSE MANOR by \$1,299.35 and increasing PITTSBURGH HIGHER GROUND FOUNDATION, INC. by \$3,799.35, and authorize subsequent Agreements.” by adding the information for Pittsburgh Higher Ground Foundation Inc. to Section 1 and by changing the JDE job number in Section 2.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

**A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

## **COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE, ASSET MANAGEMENT AND TECHNOLOGY**

[2024-0044](#) Report of the Committee on Innovation, Performance, Asset Management, and Technology for January 17, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

**A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.**

[2024-0018](#) Resolution amending Resolution 156 of 2023, which provided for “the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with RouteSmart Technologies, Inc., which provides trash and recycling routing optimization, for the purchase and implementation of navigation software that will provide turn-by-turn directions to Environmental Service Drivers,” by extending the term through December 31, 2026 and by increasing the total amount by \$24,680 (Twenty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Dollars) for a total not to exceed of \$174,420 (One Hundred Seventy-Four Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Dollars).

**Attachments:** [2024-0018 Cover Letter-DPW Letter to Council, Amend Professional Service Legislation - RouteSmart \(signed\)](#)  
[2024-0018 -Rqt for Waiver of Competitive Process - RouteSmart 2023 \(executed, 2023\)](#)  
[Summary 2024-0018](#)

**A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

## **COUNCILMAN KHARI MOSLEY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS**

[2024-0045](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs for January 17, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

**A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. The motion carried.**

[2024-0006](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh’s Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 5203 Columbo St, Pittsburgh, PA 15224, at no cost to the City.

**Attachments:** [2024-0006 Cover Letter-5203 Columbo Cover Letter](#)  
[2024-0006-5203 Columbo Questionnaire](#)  
[2024-0006-5203 Columbo SFPM & 4A](#)  
[Summary 2024-0006](#)

**A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

[2024-0007](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of Public Works, and the Director of Finance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a permanent easement with the Pennsylvania American Water Company (PAWC) for the installation, maintenance, repair, operation, and removal of a water line on city-owned property (Parcel ID 0061-H-00143-0000-00).

**Attachments:** [2024-0007-Cover Letter\\_Edgebrook Ave Easement](#)

[2024-0007-EXHIBIT A site plan PAWC-Edgebrook WL City of Pgh easement 61-H-143](#)  
[Summary 2024-0007](#)

**A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

[2024-0009](#) Resolution authorizing a cooperation agreement or agreements providing for the transfer of funds not to exceed Twelve Million Six Hundred Twenty Two Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Two Dollars and Zero Cents (\$12,622,642.00) to the City of Pittsburgh Equipment Leasing Authority for the purchase and leasing of vehicles, equipment and accessories, equipment support infrastructure, and professional services for use by City of Pittsburgh Departments.

**Attachments:** [2024-0009 Cover Letter-2024 ELA Cooperation Agreement Letter 01022024](#)  
[Summary 2024-0009](#)

**A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER**