

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 14, 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**

[2024-0481](#) **WHEREAS**, Gino Palmosina was named 2024 Pittsburgh Post-Gazette Coach of the Year and one of the 2024 winners of the KDKA Radio Super 7 Basketball Coach of the Year Awards. Both awards take into consideration all coaches in the WPIAL and Pittsburgh City League; and,

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 310

[2024-0482](#) **WHEREAS**, the Linden Garden Club was founded in 1924 by Mrs. William H. Mercur and the membership was made up of women from the Point Breeze neighborhoods surrounding Linden Elementary School; and,

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER AND COUNCIL MEMBER MOSLEY

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

Enactment No: 311

[2024-0483](#) **WHEREAS**, Ms. Emma Alper was born on May 5, 1924, in Orsha, Belarus to Haya and Moishe (Moses) Alper, and celebrated her 100th birthday on May 5, 2024; and,

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WARWICK AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 312

[2024-0484](#) **WHEREAS**, Pittsburgh Poetry Exchange (PPE) is a voluntary, nonhierarchical organization that is marking its 50th anniversary of promoting and supporting poets and poetry; and,

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WARWICK AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 313

[2024-0485](#)

WHEREAS, affordable housing is one of Pittsburgh’s greatest needs, and;

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER GROSS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 314

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Ronald L. Miller, Carmen Brown, Tony Moreno, William Parker, B. Marshall, Ikhana-hal-makina, Martha Conley, Howard P. Jackson, Yvonne F. Brown, Michael Bonniwell

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:

[2024-0469](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 586-2023, authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Departments of Innovation and Performance and Public Safety, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh to enter into an Agreement or Agreement(s) and amendments thereto with OST, Inc as needed to fulfill a number of critical IT and device related projects related to database management and migration and software development to replace key systems by increasing the approved amount by Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) and extending the contract by one (1) additional year for an amended total cost not-to-exceed Six Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Six Dollars and Two Cents (\$626,346.02) over 4 years.

Attachments: [2024-0469 Cover Letter-OST revised legislation letter 5-3-24 - signed Summary 2024-0469](#)

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

[2024-0470](#) Resolution amending Resolution 360-2021, authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation & Performance to adopt an existing government contract and enter into any related agreements through the National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO) cooperative purchasing program with CherryRoad Technologies, permitting the provision of cloud solutions to support the JDE application, by increasing the approved amount by \$1,341,442.56 for an amended total cost not-to-exceed Two Million Three Hundred Ninety-One Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Two Dollars and Fifty-Six Cents (\$2,391,442.56) over seven years.

Attachments: [2024-0470 Cover Letter-CherryRoad revised legislation letter 5-7-24 - signed](#)
[Summary 2024-0470](#)

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

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2024-0471](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department Parks and Recreation, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a professional services agreement with Green Gears for waste management services in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh's Independence Day Festival at an amount not to exceed TWENTY TWO THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$22,300.00).

Attachments: [2024-0471 Cover Letter-Green Gears Resolution Letter](#)
[Summary 2024-0471](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Recreation, Youth, and Senior Services

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:

[2024-0472](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Bounce Marketing & Events to assist in supporting the arts and related artistic production services for a public Juneteenth event in 2024 for an amount not to exceed One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00) and for the payment of the costs thereof.

Attachments: [2024-0472 Cover Letter-Juneteenth Letter JP Signed](#)
[Summary 2024-0472](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-0473](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Marc A. Winters for arbitration services for an amount not to exceed TEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED ELEVEN DOLLARS AND THIRTY-EIGHT CENTS (\$10,311.38) over one year.

(Executive Session scheduled for 5/14/24)

Attachments: [2024-0473 Cover Letter-Council Letter Winters](#)

[Summary 2024-0473](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-0474](#) Resolution providing for the sale of certain property, acquired by the City of Pittsburgh at tax sales. ITEMS A through AN: A: 225 Wick Street (Council District No. 6), B: 223 Wick Street (Council District No. 6), C: 221 Wick Street (Council District No. 6), D: 2303 Centre Avenue (Council District No. 6), E: 2301 Centre Avenue (Council District No. 6), F: 2518 Wyandotte Street (Council District No. 6), G: 5316 Hillcrest Street (Council District No. 9), H: 0 Laxton Street (Council District No. 9), I: 7004 Lemington Avenue (Council District No. 9), J: 7002 Lemington Avenue (Council District No. 9), K: 7000 Lemington Avenue (Council District No. 9), L: 7100 Monticello Street (Council District No. 9), M: 7030 Monticello Street (Council District No. 9), N: 335 Hale Street (Council District No. 9), O: 333 Hale Street (Council District No. 9), P: 327 Hale Street (Council District No. 9), Q: 7925 Susquehanna Street (Council District No. 9), R: 4417 Chatsworth Street (Council District No. 5), S: 4500 Monongahela Street (Council District No. 5), T: 4502 Monongahela Street (Council District No. 5), U: 119 Millbridge Street (Council District No. 3), V: 965 E Warrington Avenue (Council District No. 3), W: 121 Millbridge Street (Council District No. 3), X: 0 Proctor Way (Council District No. 3), Y: 1520 Arlington Avenue (Council District No. 3), Z: 1526 Arlington Avenue (Council District No. 3), AA: 417 Michigan Street (Council District No. 3), AB: 233 Augusta Street (Council District No. 2), AC: 613 Herschel Street (Council District No. 2), AD: 611 Herschel Street (Council District No. 2), AE: 513 Lovelace Street (Council District No. 2), AF: 2680 Sacramento Avenue (Council District No. 2), AG: 2678 Sacramento Avenue (Council District No. 2), AH: 823 Suismon St (Council District No. 1), AI: 1217 Voskamp Street (Council District No. 1), AJ: 2652 Ellis Street (Council District No. 6), AK: 323 Venture Street (Council District No. 1), AL: 215 Suncrest Street (Council District No. 3), AM: 1635 Marylin Street (Council District No. 5), AN: 1633 Marylin Street (Council District No. 5)

Attachments: [2024-0474 Cover Letter-Auction_May_2023 Council Letter](#)

[2024-0474 -Auction_May_2023 attachments](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-0475](#) 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 F: A: 7317 Idlewild Street (Council District No. 9), B: 0 Hazelwood Avenue (Council District No. 5), C: 0 Freeland Street (Council District No. 3), D: 210 Sylvania Avenue (Council District No. 3), E: 2651 Veteran Street (Council District No. 6), F: 2415 Diehl Avenue (Council District No. 4)

Attachments: [2024-0475 Cover Letter-Side Yard_May_2023 Council Letter](#)
[2024-0475 -Side Yard_May_2023 attachments](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS:

[2024-0476](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to enter into a License and Maintenance Agreement for Limited-Term Public Art with Bike Pittsburgh, Inc., a non-profit corporation, having a mailing address at 188 43rd St., Suite 1, Pittsburgh, PA 15201 (“LICENSEE”), said limited-term public art to be installed on the surface of the public right-of-way, in a section of roadway in front of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh Woods Run Branch, located at 1201 Woods Run Avenue, at no additional cost to the city.

Attachments: [2024-0476 Cover Letter-Asphalt Art Agreement Letter_WoodsRun - signed](#)
[2024-0476 -Exhibit A](#)
[2024-0476 -Exhibit B](#)
[2024-0476 -Exhibit C](#)
[Summary 2024-0476](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS:

[2024-0480](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 855 of 2011, effective December 29, 2011, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2012 Capital Budget and the 2012 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2012 through 2017 Capital Improvement Program, by adjusting various line items in conformance with City Council's 2012 Capital Budget amendments.” by reducing DISTRICT 1 NEIGHBORHOOD NEEDS by three-thousand seven-hundred fifty-one dollars and eighty-four cents (\$3,751.84) and increasing PUBLIC SAFETY CAMERAS by three-thousand seven-hundred fifty-one dollars and eighty-four cents (\$3,751.84).

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

Attachments: [Summary 2024-0480](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

[2024-0477](#) Resolution reappointing Karen Garrett as a Member of the Housing Opportunity Fund Advisory Board with a term to expire April 30, 2027.

Attachments: [2024-0477 Karen G - Appointment Letter](#)

[2024-0477 KLG Resume](#)

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

Enactment No: 315

[2024-0478](#) Communication from Sally Stadelman, Manager, Pittsburgh Land Bank, submitting the Pittsburgh Land Bank's first quarter financial report for the year 2024.

Attachments: [2024-0478 Communication Cover Ltr 1st qtr 2024 report to City Council](#)

[2024-0478 Communication Financials 1st Quarter 2024](#)

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

[2024-0479](#) Communication from City Controller Rachael Heisler submitting a special report of the City construction contract with The Garland Company, Inc., dated May 2024.

Attachments: [2024-0479 Communication Special Report - The Garland Company, Inc.](#)

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**

[2024-0462](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for May 8, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-0400](#) Resolution providing for the creation of the Equitable Development Trust Fund and setting conditions for the deposit and expenditures of such funds. This fund is to be used to address community goals, including, but not limited to, workforce development and community reinvestment.

Attachments: [2024-0400 Cover Letter-Letter to Council - Equitable Development Fund Summary 2024-0400](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 2 - Council Member Mosley, and Council Member Wilson

[2024-0419](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Dmiera Atkins in an amount not to exceed SIX THOUSAND EIGHTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND SIX CENTS (\$6,087.06) over one year, in full and final settlement of a claim (24C-0034) for damage to her vehicle from an accident with a City ES vehicle on December 29, 2023.

(Executive Session held 5/1/24)

Attachments: [2024-0419 Cover Letter-Dmiera Atkins Claim Settlement \(24C-0034\) - Council Letter Summary 2024-0419](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 2 - Council Member Mosley, and Council Member Wilson

[2024-0423](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two: Fiscal, Article I: Administration, Chapter 218.05: Capital Budget and Improvement Plan Project Authorization to require weekly written notice of grant applications, to be read, received and filed by City Council.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WARWICK

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 2 - Council Member Mosley, and Council Member Wilson

[2024-0424](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two: Fiscal, Article I: Administration, Chapter 219 Operating Budget, by revising Section 219.03 Collaborative Budgeting Process to require weekly written notice of grant applications, to be read, received and filed by City Council.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WARWICK

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 2 - Council Member Mosley, and Council Member Wilson

COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

[2024-0463](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure for May 8, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-0420](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Works to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Community Conservation Partnerships Program to provide funding for the Spring Hill Park Rehabilitation project. The grant proposal includes an ask of \$562,605.00 with a match of \$562,605.00 from the City of Pittsburgh's 2024 Capital Budget (JDE job number 4550000424) for a total project cost of ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TEN (\$1,125,210.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

Attachments: [2024-0420 Cover Letter-DPW Letter to Council, Grant Application for Spring Hill Park Rehab - DCNR - signed Summary 2024-0420](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 2 - Council Member Mosley, and Council Member Wilson

[2024-0421](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with Pittsburgh Regional Transit ("PRT") for assistance with construction of a new bus shelter within the public right-of-way of Penn Avenue near the intersection of North Saint Clair Street in the City of Pittsburgh.

Attachments: [2024-0421 Cover Letter-PRT letter - signed Summary 2024-0421](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 2 - Council Member Mosley, and Council Member Wilson

COUNCILPERSON ROBERT CHARLAND PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

[2024-0468](#) Report of the Committee on Human Resources for May 8, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-0417](#) Resolution amending Resolution 309 of 2023 authorizing the Mayor and the Commission on Human Relations to expand the agreement with Keen360 to include two additional software licenses yearly, by increasing the approved amount by Five Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars and Ninety-Seven Cents (\$5,924.97) for an amended total cost not-to-exceed Fifty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars and Seventy-Two Cents (\$59,865.72) over Five (5) years.

Attachments: [2024-0417 Cover Letter-Letter to Council re amended Contract Resolution - Keen360 20240419](#)
[2024-0417 -RFP AWARD RECOMMENDATION Form](#)
[2022-RFP-226 PghCHR Customer Service Portal](#)
[2024-0417 -Waiver letter- Customer Service Portal - Human Relations](#)
[Summary 2024-0417](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 2 - Council Member Mosley, and Council Member Wilson

COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

[2024-0467](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for May 8, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-0277](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning Code, Article IV, Planning Districts, 908 Public Realm Districts and 909.01 Specially Planned Districts and Article V, Use Regulations, Chapter 911, Primary Uses, Section 911.02, Use Table, and Section 911.04, Use Standards, to remove the review of Sidewalk Cafes from the Zoning Code.

(Public Hearing held 5/1/24)

Attachments: [2024-0277 Cover Letter Planning Commission Recommendation Sidewalk Cafes](#)

[2024-0277 Sidewalk Cafe Staff Report 2024-02-20](#)

[Summary 2024-0277](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 2 - Council Member Mosley, and Council Member Wilson

[2024-0426](#) 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 OAKLAND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT/INNOVATEPGH PARTNERSHIP by five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) and STEEL CITY BOXING ASSOCIATION by two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) and increasing PITTSBURGH NATIONAL YOUTH BOXING by seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) and authorize subsequent agreements.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

Attachments: [Summary 2024-0426](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 2 - Council Member Mosley, and Council Member Wilson

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

[2024-0465](#) Report of the Committee on Innovation, Performance, Asset Management, and Technology for May 8, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-0418](#) Resolution amending Resolution 317-2023, authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Innovation & Performance, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into an agreement or agreements and amendments thereto with Monday.com, an online project management and portfolio management tool, for use with multiple City departments by increasing the approved amount by Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000) for an amended total cost not-to-exceed Two Hundred Forty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$244,000) over 4 years.

Attachments: [2024-0418 Cover Letter-Monday.com revised legislation letter - signed Summary 2024-0418](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 2 - Council Member Mosley, and Council Member Wilson

COUNCILMAN KHARI MOSLEY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS

[2024-0466](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs for May 8, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-0425](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Council as a Body to pay annual membership dues for 2024 to the Community Foundation for the Alleghenies for the CONNECT program at a cost not to exceed Six Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-One Dollars (\$6,891).

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

Attachments: [Summary 2024-0425](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Warwick

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 2 - Council Member Mosley, and Council Member Wilson

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER