

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

10:00 AM

Mayor's Budget Address

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****MAYOR'S BUDGET ADDRESS****PROCLAMATIONS****PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Dr. Ronald Lynn Miller, Ikhana-hal-makina, Special Agent Sunshine, Ashley Stormer

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**COUNCILPERSON ROBERT CHARLAND PRESENTS:**

[2024-1141](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of the Department of Human Resources, and the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the County of Allegheny to support children, youth, and family programs administered by the Department of Human Services, at a cost not to exceed Four Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,200,000.00) for a one-year pilot agreement.

Read and referred to the Committee on Human Resources

COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS:

[2024-1142](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with Humane Animal Rescue of Pittsburgh for services related to the City's Spay and Neuter Program for Community Cats, at a total cost not to exceed ONE HUNDRED FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$105,000.00) over three years.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Wellness

[2024-1143](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with Humane Animal Rescue of Pittsburgh for services related to the City's Spay and Neuter Program for Pets, at a total cost not to exceed ONE HUNDRED FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$105,000.00) over three years.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Wellness

COUNCILMAN KHARI MOSLEY PRESENTS:

[2024-1144](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Cooperation Agreement or amendments thereto with the County of Allegheny, the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh, the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh, the Stadium Authority of the City of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh Water, and the Public Parking Authority of Pittsburgh to govern the processes associated with the facilitation of a Pittsburgh Regional Disparity Study.

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs

[2024-1145](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Cooperation Agreement or amendments thereto, with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh to ensure equity contracting program requirements for both job quality and diverse workforce participation standards on construction projects.

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs

[2024-1146](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Amended and Restated Cooperation and Support Agreement with the Allegheny Regional Asset District for the period from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2029, at no cost to the City.

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs

[2024-1147](#)

Resolution providing for a Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (PWSA) for costs associated with the Braywood Way project where the PWSA is overseeing the design and construction of the storm water management components as well as the roadway replacement and rehabilitation and has or will retain the services of a Design Consultant, Construction Management/Inspection Consultant, and Construction Contractor for the project. The City will reimburse the PWSA for this work at a cost to the City not to exceed Three Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Seventy-Two Dollars and Nine Cents (\$324,072.09).

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2024-1148](#)

Resolution authorizing, pursuant to Chapter 173 of the Pittsburgh City Code, the naming of the Gym in the REAM Rec Center to the “Macellaro Gym” in recognition of the Macellaro family: John Macellaro for the work he has done in keeping the Recreation Center open, his father John Macellaro Sr and Grandfather Moe Macellaro.

(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

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

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:

[2024-1149](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 277 of 2023 which authorized a Professional Services Agreement(s) and/or Contract(s) extension with B2GNow, by increasing the total spend by Seventy-One Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$71,000.00) for a new not to exceed amount of Two Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Three Dollars and Zero Cents (\$232,243.00).

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1150](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement or amendments thereto, with the President and Fellows of Harvard College acting through the Taubman Center for State and Local Government at the Harvard Kennedy School to receive technical assistance to use procurement as a lever for inclusive workforce development, job quality, and local economic empowerment at no cost to the City.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1151](#) Resolution amending Resolution 39 of 2024, which authorized an Agreement or Agreements and Lease or Leases by and between the City of Pittsburgh (“City”) and First Vehicle Services, a TransDev Company (“First Vehicle”) to manage and maintain the City’s Vehicle Fleet, by increasing the authorized spend by Five Hundred Thousand Dollars for a new amount not to exceed Seventy-Eight Million Eight Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Three Dollars and Seventy-Five Cents (\$78,849,343.75) over a six (6) year period.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1152](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank for professional services to address food insecurity, at a cost not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00).

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1153](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Ko-Hsin Chu in an amount not to exceed THREE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$3,425.00) over one year, in full and final settlement of a claim (22C-0163) for damage to his parked vehicle from a City ES-Recycling vehicle on April 1, 2022.

(Executive Session Requested)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1154](#) Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to participate in applicable cooperative purchasing agreements for goods, materials, equipment, supplies, services, or construction, as authorized by the Commonwealth Procurement Code and the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Law for the 2025 Fiscal Year.

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1155](#) Resolution providing for the letting of contracts and for the use of existing contracts for the purchase of materials, supplies and equipment for City Departments, and the maintenance, repair, rental and/or leasing, rehabilitation, renovation, inspection or servicing of City buildings and facilities, and for any miscellaneous services in and for any City Departments, and providing for the payment of the costs thereof for the 2025 Fiscal Year.

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1156](#) Resolution adopting and approving the 2025 Capital Budget, the proposed 2025 Community Development Program, and the 2025 through 2030 Capital Improvement Program.

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1157](#) Resolution making appropriations to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the City of Pittsburgh and for meeting the debt charges thereof for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2025.

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1158](#) Resolution fixing the number of officers and employees of the City of Pittsburgh for the 2025 fiscal year, and the rate of compensation thereof, and setting maximum levels for designated positions.

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1159](#) Resolution authorizing City Council to approve intra-departmental transfers throughout the 2025 Fiscal Year.

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1160](#) Resolution authorizing appropriations and salaries of the Stop the Violence Fund for the 2025 Fiscal Year, beginning January 1, 2025.

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1161](#) Resolution authorizing appropriations, salaries, and capital expenditures of the Parks Trust Fund for the 2025 Fiscal Year, beginning January 1, 2025.

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1162](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh (“URA”) for the administration of certain 2025 PAYGO-funded projects and programs, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof at a not to exceed One Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,100,000.00).

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1163](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article VII: Business Related Taxes, Chapter 245: Earned Income Tax, Section 245.03: Declaration and Payment of Tax, at subsection (d) so as to fix the rate of interest on delinquent Earned Income Tax for the year 2025.

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1164](#) Resolution authorizing all City departments, in conjunction with the Department of Finance, to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into a facilities usage agreement or agreements during the 2025 calendar year for the purpose of permitting groups to rent City-owned facilities for recreational and community focused activities, in individual amounts not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00).

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1165](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article VII: Business Related Taxes, Chapter 246: Home Rule Tax, Section 246.03: Declaration and Payment of Tax, at subsection (d) so as to fix the rate of interest on delinquent Home Rule Tax for the year 2025.

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1166](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article IX: Property Taxes, Chapter 263: Real Property Tax and Exemptions, Section 263.02: Payment Options, Discount and Delinquency Penalty, so as to set the payment, discount, and delinquent dates for the 2025 fiscal year.

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2024-1167](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article IX: Property Taxes, Chapter 263: Real Property Tax and Exemption, by fixing the rate of real estate taxation for 2025.

(Public Hearing Scheduled 12-12-24)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS:

[2024-1168](#) Resolution amending resolution No. 56 of 2024, entitled “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’s (DCED) Local Share Account Statewide to provide funding for the Smallman Complete Street Project” to accept the grant, decrease the award amount, and authorize necessary expenditures.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2024-1169](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 14 of 2024, entitled “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’s (DCED) Local Share Account Statewide to provide funding for the purchase of vehicles for the Pittsburgh Park Rangers” to accept the grant, decrease the award amount, and authorize necessary expenditures.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2024-1170](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Five: Traffic, Article VII: Parking, Chapter 541: General Parking Regulations, by amending Section 541.04B, entitled Smart Loading Zones, to remove the pilot sunset date and clarify revenue sharing procedures.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2024-1171](#) Resolution providing for an agreement or agreements with Dimonoff, Inc. for costs associated with the Lighting Management System project; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed Three Million Five Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$3,523,162.50).

A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion carried.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2024-1172](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an Agreement, Agreements, and/or Amendments with property owners of 2401 - 2413 Beechwood Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA, 15217 (“Premises”), for the purpose of accessing their private driveway to help facilitate City waste collection services at the Premises, at no cost to the City.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2024-1173](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an Agreement, Agreements, and/or Amendments with Antonio Jimenez, property owner of 4026 Ohio River Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15212 (“Premises”), for the purpose of accessing their private driveway to help facilitate City waste collection services at the Premises, at no cost to the City.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2024-1174](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an Agreement, Agreements, and/or Amendments with the United States Army Corps of Engineers (“USACE”) for the purpose of a land survey and stream gauge installation by the USACE at Frick Park, at no cost to the City.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

[2024-1175](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an Agreement, or Agreements, between the City of Pittsburgh and D'Appolonia, for professional design services for Cowley-Goettman Recreation Center’s reconstruction, at a City cost not to exceed Six-Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand, Six-Hundred Ninety Dollars and Sixty-Eight Cents (\$675,690.68).

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure

COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS:

[2024-1176](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and the Director of the Department of City Planning to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Council of the Arts for the purpose of receiving grant funds from the Creative Communities Program in an amount not to exceed ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000.00) dollars to hire an artist in residence at the City. The grant requires an in-kind match of TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000.00) dollars for a total project cost not to exceed ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND (\$110,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

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

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

[2024-1177](#) Resolution reappointing Alice Mitinger as a Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustments with a term to expire January 1, 2028.

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

Enactment No: 794

[2024-1178](#) Resolution reappointing John J. Richardson as a Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustments with a term to expire January 1, 2026.

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

Enactment No: 795

[2024-1179](#) Resolution reappointing LaShawn Burton-Faulk as a Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustments with a term to expire January 1, 2027.

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

Enactment No: 796

[2024-1180](#) Communication from Jake Pawlak, Director of Office of Management and Budget, submitting to City Council the attached status update from the Grants Office for the week ended November 8, 2024.

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

[2024-1181](#) Petition from the residents of the City of Pittsburgh requesting a Public Hearing before City Council relative to the recent installation of the bike lane on Stanton Ave. The Petition is valid in accordance with the Home Rule Charter.

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing to the Committee on Hearings and Policy. The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

[2024-1136](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for November 4, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-1098](#) Resolution authorizing the City’s acceptance of a deed conveying all right, title, and interest in parcel 0122-S-00001-0000-00, which is a hillside with no address located along Allegheny River Boulevard in Council District 9 and in the 12th Ward, to the City of Pittsburgh and authorizing the payment of One Dollar (\$1) in exchange for the parcel.

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

[2024-1099](#) Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh, the Director of Public Works, and Director of Finance to enter into an easement agreement or agreements with Duquesne Light Company to provide, install, use, own, operate, maintain, repair, renew, and finally remove four (4) anchors along with seven and one-half feet (7'6") of vegetation clearing rights on City-owned property along River Ave. between Goodrich St. and Warfield St (Parcel Tax IDs 9-E-150 & 9-E-200-9) at no cost to the City.

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 ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELLNESS

[2024-1137](#) Report of the Committee on Public Safety and Wellness for November 4, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-1096](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Public Safety to execute an agreement with the Center for Public Safety Excellence to host a training for local and national firefighters, at no cost to the City.

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 BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

[2024-1138](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure for November 4, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-1100](#) Resolution providing for a Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for costs associated with the Preliminary Design phase of the South Negley Avenue Bridge Project; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed Three Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$370,000.00), reimbursable at ninety five percent; and the municipal share of Commonwealth Incurred Costs not to exceed One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,250.00). Future Resolutions will authorize the project specific service agreements.

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

[2024-1101](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to apply for a grant from Pennsylvania Department of Economic Development's Multimodal Transportation Fund for the Penn Avenue Lighting project. The grant proposal includes an ask of FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY SIX DOLLARS (\$461,856.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

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 BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

[2024-1139](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for November 4, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-1076](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 857 of 2023, effective December 27, 2023, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2024 Capital Budget, the proposed 2024 Community Development Program, and the 2024 through 2029 Capital Improvement Program” so as to grant Five Hundred **Fifty** Thousand Dollars (**\$550,000**) to specific Public Service Grant projects and authorize a subsequent Agreement or Agreements.

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

[2024-1127](#) Resolution authorizing the filing of a proposal for Main Street Program designation of Centre Ave with the Department of Community and Economic Development

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

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

[2024-1140](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs for November 4, 2024 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2024-1097](#)

Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 227 Ft. Pitt Boulevard, Pittsburgh PA 15222, at no cost to the City.

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