



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

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

Wednesday, April 2, 2025

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

PRE-AGENDA - APPOINTMENTS AND/OR RE-APPOINTMENTS

[2024-1346](#) Resolution appointing Jesse DiRenna as a Member of the Commission on Infrastructure Asset Reporting and Investment with a term to expire July 3, 2027.

Attachments: 2024-1346 Jesse D - Bridge Commission Appointment

2024-1346 Direnna resume

[2024-1346 Jesse D - Bridge Commission Letter](#)

A motion was made that this matter be added to the Agenda. The motion carried.

A motion was made that this matter be Withdrawn.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

ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Warwick, Council Member Gross, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Mosley

Absent 2 - Council Member Wilson, and Council Member Kail-Smith

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bernadette Mosey
Yvonne F. Brown
Special Agent Sunshine

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2025-1572](#) Resolution authorizing the City of Pittsburgh to accept the sum of THREE HUNDRED SIXTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$316,367.00), in full and final settlement of litigation, filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 24-004792, involving the Finland Street Pedestrian Bridge.
(Executive Session held 3/4/25)

Attachments: [2025-1572 Cover Letter-Council Letter Doren](#)

[Summary 2025-1572](#)

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

NEW PAPERS

[2025-1660](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of two (2) warrants with the total sum of THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$32,000.00) over one (1) year. It is further understood and agreed that the payment schedule of the total settlement amount shall be as follows: (i) SIXTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$16,000.00) payable to Scott Alan Beatty; (ii) SIXTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$16,000.00) payable to Samuel J. Cordes, Esq., in full and final settlement of litigation, filed in the United States District Court for the Western District Court of Pennsylvania at 2:24-cv-01582.
(Executive Session held 3/25/25)

Attachments: [2025-1660 Cover Letter Council Letter Beatty](#)

[Summary 2025-1660](#)

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

[2025-1661](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with USI Insurance Services for insurance brokerage services for all necessary policy types. This shall be a no-cost agreement with a term of three years with two one-year options to extend.

Attachments: [2025-1661 Cover Letter USI Brokerage letter JP Signed](#)

[Summary 2025-1661](#)

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

[2025-1662](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 924 of 2024, effective December 18, 2024, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2025 Capital Budget, the proposed 2025 Community Development Program, and the 2025 through 2030 Capital Improvement Program” by increasing LIBERTY AVENUE (HSIP) by One Million Sixty Three Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$1,063,333.30) to account for additional Federal Highway Administration funding being received by the City of Pittsburgh.

Attachments: [2025-1662 Cover Letter 2025 Liberty Avenue Letter 03-18-25 JP Signed Summary 2025-1662](#)

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

[2025-1667](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Mohammed Burny for tuition reimbursement for an amount not to exceed THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-TWO DOLLARS (\$33,292.00) over one year.
SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

Attachments: [Summary 2025-1667](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 4/9/2025. The motion carried.

[2025-1675](#) Resolution providing for the sale of certain property, in the 23rd Ward, in the First (1st) Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, acquired by the City of Pittsburgh at tax sale.
SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

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

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

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 4/9/2025. 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 2nd, 2025 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

Brookline Together – programming support (Dist. 4) 500.00

Tree of Life Open Bible Church dba Brookline Christian Food Pantry – programming support (Dist. 4) 1,000.00

Boone, Patsy – reimbursement for event supplies (Dist. 8) 34.41

Carnegie Mellon University – work-study (Dist. 3) 193.80

Mosley, Khari – reimbursement for JCC event contribution (Dist. 9) 150.00

Smith, Leslie – supplies for community event (Dist. 9) 71.17

Turner, Grace – reimbursement for parking (Dist. 9) 40.00

Wilson, Leigh Ann – reimbursement for community event refreshments (Dist. 3) 42.28

Hluska, Julianne – reimbursement for Chat GPT membership (Dist. 1) 193.27

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

TVEYES Inc – media monitoring services subscription 4,140.00

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & BUDGET

Trib Total Media – advertisement for meeting notice 147.50

DEPT OF HUMAN RESOURCES & CIVIL SERVICE

Experian – unemployment claims hearings 500.00

Shred America Iron City – document shredding 160.00

DEPT OF FINANCE

New Pittsburgh Courier – advertisement for treasurers’ sale 4,584.20

DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY - ADMIN

**South Side Community Council – repair/refurbish damaged holiday decorations
1,495.00**

PA Assn of HAZMAT Techs – membership dues 205.00

BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

MES-Municipal Emergency Services – heavy rescue tool mounts 1,648.70

Harmony EMS – reimburse EMS coverage at Disney on Ice 253.88

Harmony EMS – reimburse EMS coverage at Pens game 634.70

Butler Ambulance Service – reimburse EMS coverage at Duquesne acrobatics

and Pens game 698.17

Phillips, Frank - reimburse EMS coverage at Pens game 634.70

Primary Pharmaceuticals Inc – medical supplies 700.72

Butler Ambulance Service – reimburse EMS coverage at Pens game 672.56

Phillips, Frank - reimburse EMS coverage at Riverhounds game 253.88

N Huntingdon Twp Rescue 8 - reimburse EMS coverage at Pitt Softball 253.88

BUREAU OF POLICE

Devenyi, Istvan S – reimbursement for refreshments for St Paddy’s Day post 321.76

Pittsburgh Veterinary Surgery PC – K9 check up 138.40

Malloy, Shawn - reimbursement for refreshments for St Paddy’s Day post 136.04

Recon Robotics – battery chargers for SWAT equipment 260.00

Mechling Bookbindery – evidence/property room log books 2,030.57

ULINE – property room gun storage trays 917.58

BUREAU OF FIRE

Western PA Career Chiefs Association – membership dues 450.00

Allman, Darius – reimbursement for training 3,574.12

The Virtuous Woman Co, LLC – washing machines for Fire Stations 1,638.00

DEPT OF PUBLIC WORKS

New Pittsburgh Courier – advertisement for tree planting 1,121.18

PRC – e-waste removal 5,000.00

Professional Recyclers of PA – recycling training 580.00

Armor Tuff, LLC – protective flooring materials 4,862.00

DEPT OF PARKS & RECREATION

Perry Hilltop Citizens Council – community festival grant 200.00

Fineview Citizens Council Inc – community festival grant 935.83

Ulrich, Edward – reimbursement for professional certifications 70.00

Service Equipment Company Inc – Schenley Ice Rink parts 3,812.17

Longanecker, Jamie – reimbursement for meeting refreshments 86.12

DEPT OF MOBILITY & INFRASTRUCTURE

Treetop Products Inc – rubber speed bumps 2,958.00

DEPT OF PERMITS, LICENSES, & INSPECTIONS

Green, Dave – reimbursement for certifications 392.20

Green, Dave – reimbursement for certifications 125.24

Building & Fire Code Academy – Mechanical Code training for inspectors

3,000.00

Building & Fire Code Academy – Electrical Code training for inspectors 3,000.00

Green, Dave – reimbursement for certifications 250.48

Green, Dave – reimbursement for certifications 125.24

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

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

NONE

P-CARD APPROVALS

[Item](#) P-Cards
[0012-2025](#)

Attachments: [Weekly Council Rpt 03-18-25-03-24-25](#)

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

PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2025-1656](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Public Safety to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with Kicker, Inc., to provide video production services, including conceptualization, scripting, and production planning, to create videos to aid with police recruitment efforts, at a total cost not to exceed THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$32,750.00) over a one-year period.

Attachments: [2025-1656 Cover Letter KICKER - RECRUITMENT VIDEO - 2025 - COVER LETTER](#)
[2025-1656 KICKER - RECRUITMENT VIDEO - 2025 - RFP](#)
[Summary 2025-1656](#)

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

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE, MRS. WARWICK, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2025-1663](#)

Resolution amending resolution No. 615 of 2024, entitled “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 the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development’s Multimodal Transportation Fund for the Smallman Street Complete Street Project. The grant proposal includes an ask of TWO MILLION TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO DOLLARS and THIRTY CENTS (\$2,279,662.30) with a local match of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS and ZERO CENTS (\$117,100.00) from the 2024 Capital Budget for a total grant project cost of TWO MILLION THREE HUNDRED NINETY-SIX THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO DOLLARS and THIRTY CENTS (\$2,396,762.30),” to accept the grant, decrease the award amount and authorize necessary expenditures.

Attachments: [2025-1663 Cover Letter 2025 DCED MTF Smallman ammend letter JP Signed](#)
[Summary 2025-1663](#)

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

[2025-1665](#)

Resolution providing for an amended Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for costs associated with the Preliminary Engineering, Final Design, Right of Way, and Construction phases of the Liberty Ave Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP); providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed Twelve Million Nine Hundred Five Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars (\$12,905,556.00) an increase of Five Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$5,400,000.00) from the previously authorized amount; and the municipal share of Commonwealth Incurred Costs not to exceed Twenty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$29,700.00), an increase of Twenty Four Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$24,200.00) from the previously authorized amount (600 of 2023). Future Resolutions will authorize the project specific agreements.

Attachments: [2025-1665 Cover Letter Liberty Ave HSIP RA Letter - signed](#)
[Summary 2025-1665](#)

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

[2025-1666](#) Resolution providing for a supplemental agreement or agreements with WSP USA, Inc. for costs associated with South Negley Avenue Bridge Project; providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed One Million One Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Nine Dollars and Thirty-Nine Cents (\$1,188,409.39) an increase of Three Hundred Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars and Thirty-Four Cents (\$317,588.34) from the previously executed agreement (51166-3).

Attachments: [2025-1666 Cover Letter S Negley Ave WSP Sup Letter - signed](#)
[Summary 2025-1666](#)

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

LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MR. WILSON, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2023-1698](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article IV, Chapter 909.01.P, “SP- 9 Bakery Square”, amending the certain provisions of Chapter 909.01.P and by the addition of a new Sections 909.01.P.1(c)-(g).
(Sent to the Planning Commission for a Report & Recommendation on 7/6/23)
(Report and Recommendation received on 1/24/25)
(Public Hearing scheduled for 5/13/25)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

Attachments: [2023-1698 Planning Commission Recommendation for Council 2023-1723 and 2023-1698](#)
[2023-1698 Council Bills 2023-1723 and 2023-1698 Additional Extension](#)
[2023-1698 PC Minutes 07232024](#)
[2023-1698 PC Minutes 09032024 \(1\)](#)
[2023-1698 Certified Res. No. 139](#)

A motion was made that this matter be AMENDED BY SUBSTITUTE. The motion carried.

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing. The motion carried.

[2023-1723](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article I, Section 902.03 Zoning Map, by changing from HC, Highway Commercial District to SP-9/Bakery Square District, certain property roughly bounded by Penn Avenue, East Liberty Boulevard and the Pittsburgh Regional Transit East Busway, all in the Allegheny County Block and Lot System, 11th Ward; and by changing from UI, Urban Industrial District to SP-9/Bakery Square District, that certain property roughly bounded by Penn Avenue and the existing easternmost boundary of the SP-9/Bakery Square District; in the Allegheny County Block and Lot System, 12th Ward; and by changing from HC, Highway Commercial District to UI, Urban Industrial District, that certain property roughly bounded by the northwestern boundary of the SP-9/Bakery Square District and Norfolk Southern Rail line, in the Allegheny County Block and Lot System, 11th Ward.

(Sent to the Planning Commission for a report and recommendation on 7/12/23)

(Report and Recommendation received on 1/24/25)

(Public Hearing scheduled for 5/13/25)

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER BURGESS

Attachments: [2023-1723 SP-9 Rezone Parcels](#)

[2023-1723 Planning Commission Recommendation for Council 2023-1723 and 2023-1698](#)

[2023-1723 Council Bills 2023-1723 and 2023-1698 Additional Extension](#)

[2023-1723 PC Minutes 07232024](#)

[2023-1723 PC Minutes 09032024 \(1\)](#)

[2023-1723 Certified Res. No. 139](#)

A motion was made that this matter be AMENDED BY SUBSTITUTE. The motion carried.

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Cablecast Public Hearing. The motion carried.

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE,
MR. MOSLEY, CHAIR**

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2025-1589](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh to enter into a cooperation agreement with Pittsburgh Regional Transit for post-construction ownership, access, and maintenance of certain City steps to be constructed around Downing Street in the 6th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh, at no cost to the city.

Attachments: [2025-1589 Cover Letter-PRT Downing St steps letter - signed](#)

[Summary 2025-1589](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs, due back by 5/14/2025. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

[2025-1657](#) Resolution amending Resolution 21 of 2025, which authorized a cooperation agreement or agreements with the City of Pittsburgh Equipment Leasing Authority for the purchase and leasing of vehicles, equipment and accessories, equipment support infrastructure, and professional services in fiscal year 2025, by increasing the authorized amount by Ninety-Three Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$93,000.00) to purchase vehicles and equipment for the Office of Community Health and Safety, for a new total of Seven Million Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Nineteen Dollars and Thirty-Seven Cents (\$7,999,319.37).

Attachments: [2025-1657 Cover Letter 2025 ELA Cooperation Agreement](#)

[Additions Letter 03172025 JP Signed](#)

[Summary 2025-1657](#)

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

[2025-1658](#) Resolution providing for an amended Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with Pittsburgh Water for costs associated with the Haverhill Project where Pittsburgh Water 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 Pittsburgh Water for this work at a cost to the City not to exceed Nine Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and Seventy-Seven Cents (\$992,628.77), an increase of Three Hundred Eighty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Thirteen Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$382,513.30) from the previously authorizing resolution (404 of 2023).

Attachments: [2025-1658 Cover Letter Haverhill - PWSA RA Amend Letter - signed](#)
[Summary 2025-1658](#)

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

[2025-1659](#) 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 Agility Agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for purposes of exchange, documentation, and cooperation with respect to provision of in-kind services between both parties, at no cost to the City.

Attachments: [2025-1659 Cover Letter Agility Agreement letter - signed](#)
[Summary 2025-1659](#)

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