

# City of Pittsburgh

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



## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, April 1, 2025**

**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** 8 - Council Member Charland, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Mosley, Council Member Strassburger, Council Member Warwick, and Council Member Wilson
- Absent** 1 - Council Member Kail-Smith

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA****PROCLAMATIONS**[2025-1695](#)

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Michele Wazny for her dedicated service to the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh and congratulate her upon her retirement; and,

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Thursday, April 3, 2025 to be “**Michele Wazny Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

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

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

Enactment No: 171

[2025-1696](#)

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare April 1, 2025 to be “**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

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

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

Enactment No: 172

[2025-1698](#)

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Shamika Zyhier and commend her for her dedicated service in helping others; and,

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Wednesday, April 2, 2025 to be “**Shamika Zyhier Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

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

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

Enactment No: 173

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Dr. Ronald Lynn Miller, Burnadette from Beechview, Special Agent  
Sunshine, BJ Sampson, Yvonne F. Brown**

**PRESENTATION OF PAPERS****COUNCILMAN KHARI MOSLEY PRESENTS:**

[2025-1681](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant payable in favor of Pennsylvania Municipal League for one year subscription in an amount not to exceed FIFTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS, NINE HUNDRED, SIXTY-TWO DOLLARS and TWENTY-FOUR CENTS (\$52,962.24).

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

[2025-1682](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“PUC”) in the amount of Seventy-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$72,500.00) for delinquent debts owed by the City of Pittsburgh for 811 damage prevention calls.

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

[2025-1683](#) Resolution repealing Resolution 366 of 2019, effective June 14, 2019, authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire all the City’s Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the Publicly-Owned property in the 15th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 56-B, Lot 345 (Council District No. 5) at no cost to the City.

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

[2025-1684](#) Resolution approving execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and The Pittsburgh Land Bank for the sale of Block 10-J, Lots 259 and 260, in the 5th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh (Erin Street - Council District No. 6), at no cost to the City.

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

[2025-1685](#) Resolution approving execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and Island Avenue Holdings, LLC, for the sale of Block 21-D, Lot 42-A, in the 27th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh (Island Avenue - Council District No. 2), at no cost to the City.

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

[2025-1686](#) Resolution approving execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and The Pittsburgh Land Bank for the sale of Block 83-A, Lot 48, in the 11th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh (N Aiken Avenue - Council District No. 9), at no cost to the City.

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

**COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:**

[2025-1687](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of County of Allegheny in an amount not to exceed THIRTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$13,647.00) over one year, in full and final settlement of a claim (2025-CLAIM-0062) for damage to the glycol line sidewalk heating system at the Allegheny County Courthouse by DOMI Traffic Division during sign placement on the Forbes Avenue sidewalk area of the Courthouse on December 3, 2024.

*(Executive Session scheduled for 4/1/25)*

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

**COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS:**

[2025-1689](#) Resolution amending resolution No. 803 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 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.” to accept the grant, reduce the grant amount and authorize necessary expenditures.

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

[2025-1690](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 133 of 2024 titled ‘Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, between the City of Pittsburgh and Pashek + MTR, for the professional design services for Fort Pitt Park Phase 1 Improvements at a cost not to exceed Three Hundred Thousand (\$300,000.00) Dollars’, by increasing the total City cost by One Hundred and Fifteen Thousand, One Hundred and Seventy Dollars (\$115,170.00), for a new total City cost not to exceed Four Hundred Fifteen Thousand, One Hundred and Seventy Dollars (\$415,170.00) over one (1) year.

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

**COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS:**

[2025-1691](#) Resolution transferring the amount of thirty-three thousand two hundred ninety-two dollars (\$33,292.00) within the 2025 Operating Budget from City Council Districts Salaries & Wages, Regular to City Council Districts Employee Benefits for the purpose of tuition reimbursement.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

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

**COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:**

[2025-1692](#) Resolution appointment Isabella Gross, as a Member of the Shade Tree Commission with a term to expire March 1, 2029.

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

Enactment No: 174

[2025-1693](#) 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 March 28, 2025.

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

[2025-1694](#) Communication from Jake Pawlak, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, submitting a donation to the Department of Public Safety from Pittsburgh Cultural Trust for the purchase of smoke detectors to be given to City residents in the amount not to exceed FIVE HUNDRED (\$500.00) dollars.

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

[2025-1697](#) Communication from Susheela Nemani-Stanger, Executive Director of the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh (URA) submitting the Affordable Housing Bond 2024 Annual Performance Report, dated March 28, 2025.

**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**

[2025-1677](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for March 26, 2025 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2025-1639](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 564 of 2024 which authorized thirty six (36) Open-End Professional Services Agreements with multiple vendors to provide professional services on an on-call basis as required related to various professional services as needed by the various Departments of the City of Pittsburgh, each Agreement being at an amount not-to-exceed one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) annually for a three year term, and providing for funding of the costs thereof, by authorizing fifty six (56) additional Open-End Professional Services Agreements with multiple vendors for same various professional services.

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

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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

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

[2025-1640](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 565 of 2024 which authorized thirty six (36) Open-End Professional Services Agreements with multiple vendors to provide professional services on an on-call basis as required related to various professional services as needed by the various Departments of the City of Pittsburgh, each Agreement being at an amount not-to-exceed seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000) annually for a three year term, and providing for funding of the costs thereof, by authorizing fifty six (56) additional Open-End Professional Services Agreements with multiple vendors for same various professional services.

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

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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

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

**COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA WARWICK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON  
PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

[2025-1678](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure for March 26, 2025 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2025-1641](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of Canon Tools for the purchase of one Mac Scan tool used to repair DPW vehicles, in the amount of Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars and Ninety-Eight cents (\$13,499.98), over one (1) year.

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

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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

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

[2025-1664](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of United Rentals, in the amount of Thirty-Five Thousand Twenty-Five Dollars (\$35,025.00), for the purpose of portable restroom rentals and servicing throughout the city's parks system at various location; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof.

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

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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

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

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

[2025-1679](#) Report of the Committee on Innovation, Performance, Asset Management, and Technology for March 26, 2025 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2025-1635](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Service Agreement or Agreements with Cycom Data Systems, Inc. ("Cycom") for computer services relating to continuing maintenance, support, and upgrades to CityLaw, the Department of Law's current legal case management and administrative support software system, for an amount not-to-exceed Eleven-Thousand Four-Hundred and Twenty-Four Dollars (\$11,424.00) over one (1) year.

*(Waiver of Competitive Process Received)*

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

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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

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

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

[2025-1680](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental and Educational Affairs for March 26, 2025 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2025-1636](#) Resolution authorizing a cooperation agreement or agreements providing for the transfer of funds not to exceed ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$125,000.00) dollars to the City of Pittsburgh Equipment Leasing Authority for the purchase of vehicles for the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Environmental Services. This expenditure is associated with grant funds that the City will receive from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection from the 902 Municipal Recycling Grant.

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

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

**No:** 0



**Abstain:** 0

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

[2025-1637](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant payable in favor of the Chartiers Valley District Flood Control Authority (“CVDFCA”) to renew the City of Pittsburgh’s membership into the CVDFCA and pay fees for the year 2025 in an amount not to exceed Seventeen Thousand Two Hundred Four Dollars (\$17,204.00), over one (1) year.

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

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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

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

[2025-1638](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works, and/or the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a cooperation agreement with the Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership, providing for assignment of ownership and maintenance of certain infrastructure to be constructed by the Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership, for the improvement of Market Square, at no cost to the City.

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

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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

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

## MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

**Councilwoman Strassburger motioned for a Post-Agenda relative to the Oakland Business Improvement District. The motion carried.**

**Council President Lavelle motioned for a Post-Agenda relative to the Affordable Housing Bond. The motion carried.**

**EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**ADJOURNMENT**