

City of Pittsburgh

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414 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219*



MEETING MINUTES

Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh

Monday, July 2, 2007

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-FOURTH COUNCIL**

Douglas Shields, President

Council Members: Len Bodack, Twanda Carlisle,

Dan Deasy, Darlene M. Harris, Jeffrey S. Koch, Jim Motznik, Tonya D. Payne, William Peduto

Linda M. Johnson-Wasler, City Clerk

Mary Beth Doheny, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No.

[2007-1592](#)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the commitment of those within the UYA and the astounding awardees and thanks UYA for hosting the "Urban Youth Action Inc., Forty-First Anniversary Banquet" to honor such amazing individuals;

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Monday July 9, 2007 to be "Urban Youth Action, Incorporated Day" here in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): DOUGLAS SHIELDS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

MS. CARLISLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION

Bill No.

[2007-1588](#)

Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh designating URA as the City's agent for administration of the 2006-2007 HOME Investments Partnership Program and the American Dream Downpayment Initiative Program. (Council Districts: All)

Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee

Bill No.

[2007-1589](#)

Resolution authorizing a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh in connection with URA's application for a \$10,000,000 Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant for the UPMC Cancer and Biomedical Research Facility project. (Council District No. 8)

Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee

Bill No.

[2007-1590](#)

Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to submit an Application to the Pennsylvania Office of the Budget for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant in the amount of \$10,000,000 for the UPMC Cancer and Biomedical Research Facility project. (Council District No. 8)

Read and referred to Housing, Economic Development & Promotion Committee

MRS. HARRIS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING, FLEET AND FORESTRY

Bill No. Resolution repealing Resolution No. 806, effective November 28, 2000, entitled
[2007-1587](#) “Providing for an Agreement or Agreements or for the use of existing Agreements, with a Consultant or Consultants, in connection with the design of the Carnahan Road Bridge located at the Carnahan Road and Banksville Road intersection and spanning Little Saw Mill Run Creek; providing for a Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation; and providing for the payments of the costs thereof,” is hereby repealed in its entirety.
Read and referred to Engineering, Fleet and Forestry Committee

MR. SHIELDS, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HEARINGS

Bill No. Communication from Acting Controller Tony Pokora, submitting the review of
[2007-1591](#) Parking Rates prior to and after the January 2007 Parking Tax Reduction.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

MR. DEASY PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, LAW AND PURCHASING

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance, Law & Purchasing for June 27, 2007.
[2007-1583](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a grant agreement with the
[2007-1511](#) Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Environmental Protection to receive an Alternative Fuels Incentive Grant and further providing for an Agreement or Agreements for professional services in connection with the execution of said grant agreement. Amount not to exceed \$303,675.00.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor to create an Advisory Committee on
[2007-1513](#) Contracting Practices to conduct a comprehensive review of current City of Pittsburgh and other governmental, private, and non-profit procurement procedures and code requirements and to issue reports and recommendations to City Council regarding its findings.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a grant agreement with The Heinz
[2007-1535](#) Endowments to receive monies to support a pension summit meeting and further providing for legitimate expenditures for payments and agreement or agreements for professional services in connection with the execution of said grant agreement. Said

agreement or Agreements or expenditures shall not exceed \$7,000.

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2007-1537](#)

Further amending the Capital and Community Development Budget Resolution No. 759, effective January 1, 2006, by providing for the filing of a Community Development statement by the City of Pittsburgh with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for a grant in connection with the 2007 Community Development Block Grant Program; providing for the execution of grant contracts and for the filing of other data providing for required assurances; providing for execution of payment vouchers on letter of credit and for certification of authorized signature; the deposit of the funds in a bank account and providing for the payment of expenses within categories; and further increasing the Community Development Block Grant Budget from \$16,000,000 to 17,158,500 (+1,158,500).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2007-1553](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 403, effective June 14, 2000, as amended, entitled, "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or use of existing Agreements and/or a Contract or Contracts, or use of existing Contracts, and for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services for various projects in connection with the Neighborhood Needs Program in Council District 6; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof," by adding "The Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation \$3,000 and by reducing "District 6 Neighborhood Initiatives" by the same amount. Total cost of all projects not to exceed \$1,000,000.

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE

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

This Matter was Passed Finally, As Amended on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MR. KOCH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Bill No.

[2007-1584](#)

Report of the Committee on Public Works and Environmental Services for June 27, 2007.

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

Bill No.

[2007-1551](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Departments of Public Works and the Department of Finance to enter into a License Agreement with the Urban Redevelopment Authority to construct various public improvements for the Bedford Hill Apartments Phase II adjacent tot the Ammon Recreation Center.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MS. PAYNE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE

Bill No.

[2007-1585](#)

Report of the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Land Use for June 27, 2007.

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

Bill No.

[2007-1452](#)

Resolution approving a Conditional Use under the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article V, Chapter 911, Section 911.04.A.64 to Craig Academy for authorization to demolish the existing structure and construct a three-story, 55,000 sq. ft. building for use as school for grades 1 through 12 with a maximum of 155 students located at 215 South Negley Avenue, and with a total of 70 parking stalls on property zoned R3-M, Residential Three -Unit, Moderate Density District, 8th Ward.

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MS. CARLISLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION

Bill No.

[2007-1586](#)

Report of the Committee on Housing, Economic Development and Promotion for June 27, 2007.

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

Bill No.

[2007-1539](#)

Resolution providing for the execution of a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh for the performance of certain work in connection with the 2007-2008 Community Development Block Grant Program, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof, not to exceed \$6,050,000. (Council Districts: All).

This Matter was Passed Finally on the Consent Agenda.

Bill No.

[2007-1555](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution No. 861, effective January 1, 2000, as amended, entitled: "Adopting and approving the 2000 Capital Budget and the 2000 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2000 through 2005 Capital Improvement Program, by adjusting various line items in conformance with City Council's 2000 Capital Budget amendments," by adding "The Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation \$3,000 and by reducing "District 6 Neighborhood Initiatives" by the same amount.

SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE**A motion was made that this matter be AMENDED. The motion carried.****This Matter was Passed Finally, As Amended on the Consent Agenda.****Passed The Consent Agenda**

A motion was made, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Mr. Bodack, Ms. Carlisle, Mr. Deasy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Koch, Mr. Motznik, Ms. Payne, Mr. Peduto and Mr. Shields

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Bill No.

[2007-1593](#)**SPONSOR(S): TONYA D. PAYNE AND ALL MEMBERS****A motion was made that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried.**

Bill No.

[2007-1594](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh will apply for the Preserve America designation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh will work with local organizations and advance legislation to protect and celebrate our heritage, use our historic assets for economic development and community revitalization, and encourage people to experience and appreciate local historic resources through education and heritage tourism programs.

SPONSOR(S): WILLIAM PEDUTO AND ALL MEMBERS**A motion was made that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried.****APPROVAL OF MINUTES****A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.****ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.