

City of Pittsburgh

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414 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219*



MEETING MINUTES

Proceedings of the Council of the City of Pittsburgh

Tuesday, June 10, 2014

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

**ONE-HUNDRED
THIRTY-EIGHTH COUNCIL**

Bruce A. Kraus, President of Council

**Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Dan Gilman, Deborah L. Gross, Darlene M. Harris,
R. Daniel Lavelle, Corey O'Connor, Natalia Rudiak, Theresa Kail-Smith**

Mary Beth Doheny, City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

Bill No.

[2014-0544](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and honor the memory of Gwen Elliott and does hereby declare June 12, 2014 to be "Gwen Elliott Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): DARLENE M. HARRIS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2014-0545](#)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Tuesday, June 10th 2014 "Robert-Perry Nichols Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): DEBORAH L. GROSS, NATALIA RUDIAK AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2014-0546](#)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare June to be the official Pittsburgh Pride month celebration in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): BRUCE A. KRAUS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2014-0547](#)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Thursday, June 12, 2014, to be "Rodman After School Program Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Bill No.

[2014-0548](#)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare July 8, 2014, to be "KARMIEL 50TH ANNIVERSARY DAY" in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR(S): COREY O'CONNOR AND ALL MEMBERS

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS:

Bill No.

[2014-0541](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution No. 74, effective February 29, 2012 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 City Council Neighborhood Needs Program; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof”, by transferring \$15,000 to the Department of City Planning for the purpose of contracting with the Studio for Spatial Practice to assist in providing a broader housing and stabilization strategy in connection with the Bridging the Busway Study in Homewood South. Total of all projects is not to exceed \$264,758.42.

SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS**Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law**

Bill No.

[2014-0542](#)

Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 855 of 2011, entitled “adopting and approving the 2012 capital budget and the 2012-2017 Capital Improvement Program” by transferring \$15,000 to the Department of City Planning for the purpose of contracting with the Studio for Spatial Practice to assist in providing a broader housing and stabilization strategy in connection with the Bridging the Busway Study in Homewood South.

SPONSOR(S): REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS**Read and referred to Committee on Land Use and Economic Development****COUNCILMAN DAN GILMAN PRESENTS:**

Bill No.

[2014-0532](#)

Resolution authorizing a cooperation agreement or agreements, providing for the transfer of funds not to exceed Six Million Two Hundred Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred Two Dollars (\$6,219,502.00) dollars to the City of Pittsburgh Equipment Leasing Authority for the purchase of vehicles, equipment and vehicle accessories for use by the City of Pittsburgh Departments and Authorities.

Read and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs**COUNCILWOMAN DARLENE M. HARRIS PRESENTS:**

Bill No.

[2014-0539](#)

Resolution further amending Resolution 549, effective September 21, 2012 entitled “providing for an agreement/s, or use of existing agreements and/or a contract/s, or use of existing contracts, and for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services for City Council Neighborhood Needs Program and providing for the payment of the costs thereof”, by transferring \$2,000 from District 1 Neighborhood Needs Projects and adding that amount to to Observatory Hill Inc-Old Allegheny Soccer. Total cost of all projects is not to exceed \$437,779.53.

SPONSOR(S): DARLENE M. HARRIS**Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law**

Bill No. Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 855 of 2011, entitled
[2014-0540](#) “adopting and approving the 2012 Capital Budget and the 2012-2017 Capital Improvement Program” by transferring \$2,000 from District 1 Neighborhood Needs Projects and adding that amount to Observatory Hill Inc-Old Allegheny Soccer.

SPONSOR(S): DARLENE M. HARRIS

Read and referred to Committee on Land Use and Economic Development

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Public Safety to enter into a
[2014-0538](#) Reimbursement Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police, Fort Pitt Lodge No. 1 ("FOP"), to reimburse the FOP in the amount of \$95,000.00 for its payment for professional services relating to the legal defense of City police officers.

Read and referred to Committee on Public Safety Services

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

Bill No. Repealing Resolution No. 222, effective April 9, 2013, entitled “Authorizing the
[2014-0543](#) Mayor and/or the Director of the Department of Finance and/or the Director of the Department of Public Works, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a grant agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the purpose of receiving grant funds that will be used for implementation and procurement of materials to establish the “Bike Share Program” and to thereafter enter into an Agreement or Agreements with various for-profit corporations and non-profit agencies to accept any grant funds offered to the City for this program and further providing for legitimate expenditures for payments and agreement or agreements, or contract or contracts for any services required in connection with the expenditure of said grant funds per the original intent of the grant award. Said agreement or agreements, contract or contracts, or expenditures shall not exceed \$3,000,000.00,” by repealing it in its entirety.

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

Read and referred to Committee on Public Works

COUNCILWOMAN NATALIA RUDIAK PRESENTS:

Bill No. Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in the total sum of Thirty-six
[2014-0530](#) Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-two Dollars and 22/100 (\$36,492.22), in favor of JJS Consulting Associates Inc., Certified Law Enforcement Consultants, 754 S. Settlers Circle, Warrington, PA 18976, for payment of professional services rendered in Jordan Miles vs. City of Pittsburgh, et al., United States District Court, No. 2:10 cv 01135 GLL.

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

Bill No.
[2014-0533](#)

Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984. ITEMS A through L. A: 1915 Forbes,
B: 1917 Forbes, C: 701 Watt, D: 704 Watt, E: 708 & 710 Watt, F: 3032 Pulaski, G: 164 Hazelwood, H: 1409 & 1411 & 1413 Virginia, I: 622 Crane, J: 1445 Stedman, K: 240 E. Jefferson, L: 5465 & 5467 Rosetta.

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

Bill No.
[2014-0534](#)

Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984; having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh Side Yard Program.
ITEMS A through G. A: 2309 Centre, B: 3308 Bigelow, C: 4927 Ampere, D: 826 Suismon, E: 359 Rising Main & 1931 Edenvale, F: 3106 Shadeland, G: 1065 Smithton.

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

Bill No.
[2014-0535](#)

Resolution providing for conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, under Act No. 171 of 1984, entitled, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.
ITEM A through B.
A: 167 Mayflower, B: 1323 & 1325 Adams.

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

Bill No.
[2014-0536](#)

Resolution providing for the filing of petitions for the sale of certain properties, acquired at tax sales, in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.
ITEMS A through C. A: Elena ; B: 5445 Black; C: 5520 ½ 2nd.

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

Bill No.
[2014-0537](#)

Resolution repealing items in Resolutions approved on various dates, authorizing the sale of properties in various wards of the City of Pittsburgh, in accordance with Act No. 171 of 1984, "Second Class City Treasurer Sale and Collection Act", effective December 11, 1984.
Item A: 8517 Pershing.

Read and referred to Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

Bill No.
[2014-0531](#)

Resolution appointing Maura Kennedy as Chief of the Bureau of Building Inspection of the City of Pittsburgh.

A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings. The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

APPOINTMENT REQUIRING CONFIRMATION:

Bill No. Resolution appointing Raymond Gastil as Director of the Department of City Planning of the City of Pittsburgh.
[2014-0446](#)

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILWOMAN NATALIA RUDIAK PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for June 4, 2014 with an Affirmative Recommendation.
[2014-0527](#)

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

Bill No. Resolution providing for a Professional Services Agreement Amendment #2 in the total sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$50,000.00) to Strassburger McKenna Gutnick & Gefsky for professional consulting and legal services in relation to reviews of the City's processes and procedures regarding tax collection matters. Cost not to exceed \$50,000.00.
[2014-0493](#)

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No. Resolution authorizing and directing the issuance of a Warrant to Emerson Network Power., in the amount of Eight thousand five hundred sixty one dollars, (\$8,561.00), in full and final payment for emergency repairs to the Uninterruptable Power Supply at the Emergency Dispatch Center resulting from a vehicular accident on January 2, 2014.
[2014-0509](#)

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for June 4, 2014
[2014-0528](#) with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 362 approved May 25, 2010, to include
[2014-0494](#) additional addresses and extend enforcement hours for Area “DD” in the Southside Flats community (Council District #3).

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

Bill No. Resolution amending Resolution No. 549 approved July 30, 2002 to include additional
[2014-0495](#) addresses for Area “T” in the Garfield community (Council District #9).

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

Votes: Ayes: 9 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 0
Abstentions: 0

COUNCILMAN DAN GILMAN PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Bill No. Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for June 4, 2014 with an
[2014-0529](#) Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Bill No. Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of Finance, and the Co-Director of the
[2014-0473](#) Bureau of Neighborhood Empowerment to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Dr. Preston Green to provide consulting and mediation services to the Public Schools Task Force, expenditures not to exceed Twenty Thousand (\$20,000) Dollars.

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

Votes: Ayes: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Gilman, Ms. Gross, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Ms. Rudiak, Mrs. Kail-Smith and Mr. Kraus
Noes: 1 - Mrs. Harris
Abstentions: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS - NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER