

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

ONE-HUNDRED

FORTIETH COUNCIL

Bruce A. Kraus, President of Council

Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Darlene M.

Harris, R. Daniel Lavelle, Corey O'Connor, Theresa Kail-Smith

Brenda F. Pree, City Clerk - Kimberly Clark-Baskin, Deputy City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**PROCLAMATIONS**

[2018-0118](#) ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare February 24, 2018 to be ***“CLASSIC EVENTS! 7th Annual Black History Celebration Heritage Day”*** in the City of Pittsburgh.
SPONSOR /S: MR. LAVELLE AND ALL MEMBERS

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

[2018-0119](#) ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare February 2018 to be ***“Career and Technical Education Month”*** in the City of Pittsburgh.
SPONSOR /S: MR. LAVELLE AND ALL MEMBERS

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

[2018-0120](#) ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend the tremendous efforts of those organizations who continue to combat congenital heart defects as well as honor the courageous families and individuals impacted by this disease; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the week of February 7, 2018, through February 14, 2018, to be ***“Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week,”*** and February 14, 2018, to be ***“Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Day”*** in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MR. O'CONNOR AND ALL MEMBERS

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

[2018-0121](#) ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Louis **Purificato** for his service to his country and his community and congratulates Louis **Purificato** for 50 years of dedicated and devoted public service; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Monday, February 19, 2018, to be “**LOUIS PURIFICATO DAY**” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MR. O'CONNOR AND ALL MEMBERS

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

[2018-0122](#) ***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Thursday, February 13th “**Pine Cone Derby Trophy Day**” in the City of Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize the Friendship neighborhood and **Girl Scout Troops 55286 and 52498** for their excellence in recycling efforts, and leading the East End to victory.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS, MS. GROSS 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:

[2018-0110](#) Resolution providing for an agreement, for payment of the City's share of the 2018 operating expenses to the Allegheny County Central Tax Collection District for tax collection. Cost not to exceed Five Thousand Three Hundred and Eighteen Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents. (\$5,318.58)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2018-0111](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in the total sum of Twenty Eight Thousand Dollars (\$28,000.00) in favor of Tiffany Angelini and Ernest Simon, Esquire, fully releasing the City from all claims and liability for alleged personal injuries as described in a lawsuit filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 13-007464.

(Executive Session Requested)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:

[2018-0112](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with Contractor(s) and/or vendors for operational expenses, and to provide programs or services provided by the City requested by members of the disability community at a cost not to exceed \$33,000.

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

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2018-0113](#) Resolution providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts, an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, providing for the design, repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the McFarren Street (Second Avenue) Bridge project; and providing for a Reimbursement Agreement or Agreements with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed \$3,750,000.00.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2018-0114](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to execute relevant agreements to receive grant funding to support Washington Boulevard Multimodal Path Construction; further providing for a Contract or Contracts, or the use of existing Contracts, an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, providing for the design, repairs, maintenance, improvements, emergencies and/or the purchase of materials, equipment and supplies in connection with the Washington Blvd Trail project; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed \$560,589.00.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

[2018-0115](#) Resolution amending Resolution number 539 of 2016, entitled “authorizing the Mayor, City Clerk and/or Director of the Department of Innovation and Performance to enter into a Contract or Contracts or Agreement or Agreements with Granicus, Inc., for software upgrades, server hosting services and annual maintenance of Legistar agenda management and video streaming, for a three year term, renewable annually” in order to add funding for training and a test environment.

SPONSOR /S: MR. KRAUS

Read and referred to the Committee on Innovation, Performance and Asset Management

[2018-0116](#) Communication from the City of Pittsburgh Office of Management and Budget, submitting a Seven Hundred Fifty Seven Dollars and Thirty-Two Cents (\$757.32) donation on behalf of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center.

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

[2018-0117](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 777 of 2016 to further clarify the uses of the South Side Parking Enhancement District Trust Fund.

SPONSOR /S: MR. KRAUS

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW

[2018-0104](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for February 7, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0033](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor through the Bureau of Neighborhood Empowerment to execute relevant agreements to receive grant funding to implement the Pittsburgh Financial Inclusion Project Plan created as a result of participation in the National League of Cities Financial Inclusion Cohort, which will further provide for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed \$15,000 dollars for this stated purpose.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried.

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2018-0045](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor through the Bureau of Neighborhood Empowerment to execute relevant agreements to receive grant funding to plan and implement the creation of Financial Empowerment Centers Fund within the City of Pittsburgh and further providing for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed \$20,000 dollars for this stated purpose.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2018-0046](#) Resolution amending Resolution #389 of 2017 which authorized the issuance of 4 warrants in the total sum of Eighty-five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000.00) in favor of the Department of Community & Economic Development, 400 North Street, 4th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17120, in accordance with Article V of the Emergency Shelter Grant agreement no. C000051736 in full and final settlement of a claim made by the Department of Community & Economic Development by changing the issuance to 1 warrant and in favor of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2018-0050](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with MuniServices for the provision of audit services for all applicable cable franchise and telecommunication Public Right of Way (PROW) agreements. MuniServices will receive a contingency fee of 28% of all new revenue collected as a result of the audits.

A motion was made that this matter be RECOMMENDED to the Committee on Finance and Law . The motion carried.

[2018-0060](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title II: Fiscal, Article IX: Property Taxes, Chapter 265: Exemptions for Residential Improvements, and Chapter 267: Exemptions for Industrial and Commercial Improvements by requiring the performance of yearly audits by the City Controller and submission of said audits to City Council.

SPONSOR /S: MR. O'CONNOR AND MS. GROSS

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

[2018-0105](#) Report of the Committee on Public Safety Services for February 7, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0057](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor through the Director of Public Safety to enter into In-Kind Sponsorship Agreements for the City's Valentine's on Ice event.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

[2018-0106](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for February 7, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0061](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances in order to provide the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure with necessary authority to accomplish the responsibilities assigned to the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure pursuant to Ordinance 16 of 2017, enacted by City Council on March 14, 2017.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILWOMAN DARLENE M. HARRIS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

[2018-0107](#) Report of the Committee on Human Resources for February 7, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0054](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Human Resources and Civil Service to enter into an Agreement with The United Way of Southwestern PA for services relating to the Career Transition Project (21 and Able), for a sum not to exceed One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000.00) over two years and 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 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

No: 0

Abstain: 0

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

[2018-0108](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for February 7, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2017-2180](#) Resolution providing for the designation as Historic Structures under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain structures known as the Tufa Bridges, located in Schenley Park, in the Oakland Neighborhood, in the 14th Ward, City of Pittsburgh. *(Public Hearing held 2-6-18)*

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON URBAN RECREATION

[2018-0109](#) Report of the Committee on Urban Recreation for February 7, 2018 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-0058](#) Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements, Lease(s) and/or License Agreement(s) for the use of certain property for senior facilities for the provision of center services to seniors in an amount not to exceed Eighty Seven Thousand, and Ten Dollars (\$87,010.00), chargeable to and payable from the Seniors Community Program Trust Fund in the Department of Parks and Recreation.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

No: 0

Abstain: 0

[2018-0059](#) Resolution authorizing the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, and/or the Director of the Department of Public Safety and Director of the Office and Management and Budget to enter into agreements in individual amounts of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) or less with performers, instructors, artists, referees, and persons with specialized skills in connection with the Departments' recreational and instructional programs and special events services.

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

Aye: 8 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

No: 0

Abstain: 0

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER