

City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 18, 2018	10:00 AM	Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

ROLL CALL

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

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, REV. BURGESS, CHAIR

RECOMMITTED PAPERS

2018-0079 Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Strassburger, McKenna, Gutnick, & Gefsky for legal assistance in rewriting the City of Pittsburgh's business tax/fee regulations, forms, and portions of the City Code of Ordinances. In addition, said firm will be available on an as-needed basis to provide tax consultation services. The total cost for this project shall not exceed Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) over a three year period.

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

- Aye: 6 Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, and Mr. O'Connor
- No: 2 Mrs. Harris, and Mrs. Kail-Smith
- Abstain: 1 Mrs. Strassburger

DEFERRED PAPERS

2018-0278 Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Maiello, Brungo & Maiello, LLP, 424 South 27th Street, Suite 210, Pittsburgh, PA 15203, in an amount not to exceed Four Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars and No Cents (\$4,465.00) for professional legal services in connection with Ethics Hearing Board matters.

(Executive Session Held 4/16/18)

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

2018-0322 Resolution to create a Special Committee of Council no later than June 1, 2018, for the purpose of establishing a process of reviewing Request for Proposals by Council prior to the submitting of legislation for a payment agreement or after the authorization of Council.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. KAIL-SMITH AND MR. O'CONNOR

CO-SPONSOR /S: Mrs. Harris

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

2018-0330 Resolution authorizing an interdepartmental transfer in the amount of \$50,000 from Judgements - Law Department to Legal Fees - Ethics Hearing Board. This transfer is necessary to cover continuing legal fees and appeal process associated with various Ethics Hearing Board hearings.

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

2018-0331 Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in the total sum of \$5,444.21 to McGrail & Associates, 1714 Lincoln Way, White Oak, PA for professional consulting services in connection with billboard tax litigation. (Executive Session Held 4/16/18)

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

2018-0332 Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Patricia Poloka in an amount not to exceed Thirteen Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$13,800.00); and her attorney, Colleen Ramage Johnston, Esquire, Johnston & Lykos, LLC, 525 William Penn Place, 28th Floor, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 in an amount not to exceed Nine Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$9,200.00) in full and final settlement of a litigation matter at 2:17-cv-00828.

(Executive Session Held 4/16/18)

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

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

<u>2018-0333</u> Resolution amending Resolution 104 of 2015, which updated Resolution 1167 of

1986, creating the Record Storage, Technology and Operations Trust Fund, to revise the categories of permitted expenditures to be made by the Department of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections, effective January 1, 2019.

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

<u>2018-0347</u> Ordinance amending the City Code at Title One, Administrative, Article XI: Human Resources Administration, Chapter 181: General Provisions by amending section at §181.06 Allowance for Travel Expenses.
SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS

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

NEW PAPERS

2018-0358 Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in the total sum of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00) by way of two (2) separate checks, each payable in the amount of \$62,500 to: Desiree Williamson, as Administratrix of the Estate of Henry Walker, deceased, and her attorneys Swensen & Perer and to: Desiree Williamson, as Administratrix of the Estate of Christine Williamson Walker and her attorneys Swensen & Perer, One Oxford Centre, Suite 2501, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219, 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. 16-002201. (Executive Session Requested)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.

2018-0359 Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two, Fiscal; Article IX, Property Taxes; Chapter 265, Exemptions for Residential Improvements; Section 265.03, Exemption for Improvements, subsection (e); and Section 265.04, Exemption for Residential Construction, subsection (g), to extend the application periods for the exemptions covering residential improvements and new residential construction in areas defined as the Uptown District, the Downtown District and Targeted Growth Zones, which were enacted pursuant to Ordinance 9 of 2007, to include applications filed on or after April 1, 2018 through May 31, 2018.

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

2018-0360 Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Two, Fiscal; Article IX, Property Taxes; Chapter 267, Exemptions for Industrial and Commercial Improvements; Section 267.03, Exemption Schedule; and Section 267.09, Participation by Allegheny County and Pittsburgh Board of Education, to extend the application periods for the exemptions set forth in Section 267.03, subsections (b) and (c), which were enacted pursuant to Ordinance 10 of 2007, to include applications filed on or after April 1, 2018 through May 31, 2018.

A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. 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 18th 2018 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

Café 412 – food for community event (Dist. 2) 600.00

Coit Services, Inc. – carpet cleaning (Dist. 2) 185.00

Omni by Design – printing service-invitations/envelopes-District 8 swearing in 435.00

University of Pittsburgh – CONNECT membership 6,562.20

MAYOR

Clark, Keyva – reimbursement for LGBTQIA advisory council refreshments 70.94

NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT

Nathan, Barry – EORC commissioner parking in 2017 27.00

OMB

Shred-It – destruction of confidential information 50.00

New Pittsburgh Courier – programming notice of funding availability 944.46

Standing Committee

FINANCE

Department of Court Records Civil/Family Division – filing fees 1,236.50

Department of Real Estate Recorder of Deeds – copies 227.50

Iron Mountain Records Management – document storage 290.29

LAW

Allegheny County Bar Association – continuing legal education, 2 attorneys 140.00

Allegheny County Bar Association – continuing legal education 70.00

Creo, Robert A – payment for arbitration services regarding a case 2,000.00

Department of Real Estate Recorder of Deeds – filings, copying 20.50

Department of Court Records Civil/Family Division – filings, copying 445.75

DeSimone, Jane – arbitrator fees for ½ day IAFF hearing 629.44

Julie E Koren – reimbursement for continuing legal education 25.00

Taylor, Kezia – reimbursement for continuing legal education 20.00

UPMC Health Services – records for fire board of inquiry case 15.00

HUMAN RESOURCES

Matthew Bender & Company – educational materials 76.00

CITY PLANNING

Kolke, Demi – printing for action team meeting for Homewood plan 10.36

PLI

Moloyneaux, Robert J – reimbursement for state certification required for position 100.00

Weisensee, Charles – reimbursement for inspector certifications 100.00

EMS

Munhall Area Prehospital Services – EMS coverage at Irish Fair 552.15

Pfund Superior Sales Co – auto injector plugs for new vehicles 405.00

POLICE

Bristow, Colleen – fuel reimbursement for academy vans 86.87

Comcast – monthly cable and service 21.07

OMI

Net Transcripts Inc – transcription of case interviews 202.98

PUBLIC WORKS

Pittsburgh Tire Service – new tires for equipment 2,719.00

Pittsburgh Tire Service – new tires for equipment 2,404.00

Pittsburgh Tire Service – new tires for equipment 2,900.00

Pennsylvania One Call System – PA One call service 1,297.60

Amcom Office Systems – copier equipment rental 237.44

Document Solutions Inc – toners and paper for scanner/plotter 1,122.98

PA Dept of Labor & Industry – various inspections and certificates 360.00

PPC Lubricants – parts for repair & service of equipment 328.50

PARKS

- **Brooks, Douglas tennis instructor** 103.75
- Fowler, Lily refund for cancelled Magee program 10.00
- Hart, Jessica refund for cancelled Magee program 10.00
- Haffner, Mark tennis instructor 93.38
- Leibowicz, Emma tennis instructor 228.13
- McGlothlin, John refund for cancelled Magee program 20.00
- Mieres, Jose tennis instructor 1,597.75
- Parks, Richard tennis instructor 705.50
- O'Malley, Noreen reimbursement for supplies for Senior games 633.91
- Paull, Mark J tennis instructor 695.13
- Solis, Jose refund for cancelled Magee program 20.00
- Torres, Natali refund for cancelled Magee program 20.00
- Ulrich, Edward registration for County Area on Aging conference 45.00

DOMI

New Pittsburgh Courier – ad placed in Courier paper 329.13

CPRB

City of Pittsburgh

New Pittsburgh Courier – legal advertisement for meeting location change 128.79

A motion was made to Approve. The motion carried.

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

NONE

P-CARD APPROVALS

A motion was made to Approve. The motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MRS. KAIL-SMITH, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

2018-0159 Resolution further amending Resolution No. 816 of 2015, effective December 18, 2015, as amended, entitled "Resolution adopting and approving the 2016 Capital Budget and the 2016 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2016 through 2021 Capital Improvement Program," by reducing LOWER HETH'S RUN by \$75,599.09 and increasing STREET RESURFACING by \$75,599.09.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Public Works , due back by 5/2/2018. The motion carried.

2018-0343 Resolution amending Resolution 414 of 2017, entitled "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 PENN AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION, PHASE II PROJECT; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed \$500,000.00" to increase the funding amount to \$732,626.61 and alter the funding source.

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

2018-0344 Resolution amending Resolution No. 457, effective July 27, 2017, entitled "Authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to enter into a Transfer Agreement or Agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation ("PennDOT"), under which PennDOT will make improvements to and transfer to the City of Pittsburgh portions of State Route 4084 from East Street to the West End Bridge, including Allegheny Circle." to include State Route 4001, Allegheny Avenue from Reedsdale Street to Western Avenue.

> A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Public Works , due back by 5/16/2018. The motion carried.

LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

Ordinance amending and supplementing the City of Pittsburgh Code, Title I ("Administrative"), Article I ("General Provisions"), Chapter 107 ("Permits and Licenses Generally") with respect to permit/license application procedures and corresponding fees, effective immediately following passage.
A motion was made that this matter be Held for a Cablecast Post Agenda. The motion carried.
Ordinance supplementing the City of Pittsburgh Code, Title I0 ("Building"), Chapter 1002 ("Uniform Construction Code Adoption") by adding a new subchapter 1002.03 ("Fees"), effective January 1, 2019.
A motion was made that this matter be Held for a Cablecast Post Agenda. The motion carried.
Ordinance amending and supplementing the City of Pittsburgh Code, Title Seven ("Business Licensing"), with regard to license application procedures, licensing requirements and corresponding fees, effective October 1, 2018, except for the Fire Suppression Trade License which will be effective January 1, 2019.
A motion was made that this matter be Held for a Cablecast Post Agenda. The motion carried.
Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning Code, Articles I-IX, to establish a new Riverfront Zoning District, and the provisions thereof, and to remove the Downtown Riverfront District, Riverfront Overlay District, and certain Specially Planned Districts from the Zoning Code as follows: <i>(NEEDS TO BE HELD FOR A PUBIC HEARING)</i>
A motion was made that this matter be Held for a Cablecast Public Hearing. The motion carried.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MR. O'CONNOR, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

2018-0135Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage
Facilities Plan for Springway LLC for property located at 2330 Penn Avenue,
Pittsburgh, PA 15222.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Hearings , due back by 5/2/2018. The motion carried.