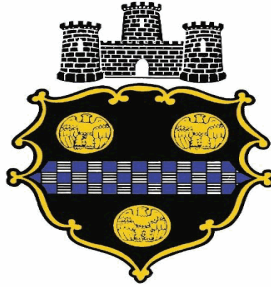


City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

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, Erika Strassburger

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

ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

Absent 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**PROCLAMATIONS**

[2019-1299](#) ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby approves the location for Prevention Point Pittsburgh to operate a Needle Exchange Program at 2415 Saw Mill Run Boulevard on Thursdays from 12-6PM.

SPONSOR /S: MR. COGHILL AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 44

PUBLIC COMMENTS**PRESENTATION OF PAPERS****COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS:**

[2019-1283](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 797 of 2017, effective December 28, 2017, as amended, entitled "Resolution adopting and approving the 2018 Capital Budget and the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2018 through 2023 Capital Improvement Program," by increasing PARK RECONSTRUCTION - REGIONAL ASSET DISTRICT PARKS by \$54,290.00 from \$965,000.00 to \$1,019,290.00.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2019-1284](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 14 of 2019 realigning a total of ~~\$4,311,000~~ \$4,322,000 between various accounts within the 2018 Operating Budget. This transfer is necessary for the 2018 close to meet final expenditures for fiscal year 2018.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2019-1285](#) Resolution to authorize and direct the incurring of Non-Electoral Debt through the issuance of a series of General Obligation Bonds of the City of Pittsburgh, in the maximum aggregate principal amount of Sixty-Two Million Four Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$62,435,000.00).

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2019-1286](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Finance to enter into an agreement with Clark Hill to serve as Bond Counsel for the purpose of rendering any and all necessary opinions with respect to the Bonds and preparing such additional documents as may be necessary. Total costs shall not exceed Thirty-Six Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$36,125.00) and shall be paid using proceeds from the debt issuance.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2019-1287](#) Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in the total sum of Six Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Seven Dollars and Two Cents (\$6,857.02) in favor of Diane and Ronald J. Bawkey c/o Robert Peirce & Associates, P.C., 2500 Gulf Tower, 707 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, as final settlement related to the action filed in the Common Pleas Court of Allegheny County.
(Executive Session Requested)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2019-1288](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in the amount of Five Thousand Three Hundred Three Dollars and Thirty-Four Cents (\$5,303.34) to Pepper Hamilton LLP, 501 Grant St., Suite 300, Union Trust Building, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 for professional consulting and legal services in relation to False Claims Act litigation.
(Executive Session Requested)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2019-1289](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Gleason & Associates PC, P.O. Box 644816, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-4816 in an amount not to exceed Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Six Dollars and No Cents (\$9,946.00) for professional services in connection with a lawsuit filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas.

(Executive Session Requested)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2019-1290](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Kittelson LLC, 1008 Woodcreek Drive, College Station, TX 77845 in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Eighty-Two Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$10,082.20) for professional services in connection with a lawsuit filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas.

(Executive Session Requested)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2019-1291](#) Resolution authorizing, pursuant to Ch. 210 (“Acceptance of Gifts to City”) of the City Code, the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to accept a donation from Alcoa Corporation of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be deposited into the Public Safety Support Trust Fund.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILWOMAN DARLENE M. HARRIS PRESENTS:

[2019-1292](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of Human Resources and Civil Service Commission to enter into an Agreement with Willis Towers Watson for services related to supporting the City with development and negotiations of employee benefits that are provided to City employees, for a sum not to exceed One Million, One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$1,116,000.00) over four years and for the payment of costs thereof.

Read and referred to the Committee on Human Resources

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

[2019-1293](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Safety to execute relevant agreements to receive grant funding from the Hillman Family Foundations/Nina Hamilton Fisher Foundation to provide funds to support the creation and support of a Domestic Violence Team housed in the Pittsburgh Bureau of Police and further providing for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$500,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS:

[2019-1294](#) Resolution authorizing a cooperation agreement or agreements, providing for the transfer of funds not to exceed Six Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$6,750,000.00) dollars to the City of Pittsburgh Equipment Leasing Authority for the purchase of vehicles, equipment and accessories for use by City of Pittsburgh Departments and Authorities.

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2019-1295](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 701, effective November 2, 2015, to now read as follows:
"Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Mobility and Infrastructure, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with PENNDOT under which PENNDOT will make improvements to and transfer Industrial Highway, approximately 1.2 miles of roadway, to the City, and the City will transfer to PENNDOT two current City street segments, those street segments being: 1) Euclid Avenue from Baum Boulevard to Centre Avenue, approximately 347 feet; and 2) Centre Avenue from Euclid Avenue to Highland Avenue, approximately 1,017 feet."

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

[2019-1296](#) Communication from City Controller Michael Lamb submitting a Fiscal Audit of the City of Pittsburgh's Department of Finance-Real Estate Division and Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA) of Pittsburgh Tax Abatement and Tax Increment Financing Programs, dated December 21, 2018.

Read, Received and Filed

[2019-1297](#) Communication from Jennifer Olzinger, Acting Director of the Office of Management and Budget, submitting a One Thousand Dollar (\$1,000.00) donation on behalf of Paul D. Fitzsimmons for the Public Safety Support Trust Fund.

Read, Received and Filed

[2019-1298](#) Communication from Jennifer Olzinger, Acting Director of the Office of Management and Budget, submitting an acting pay approval for Erm Buccina; and submitting an acting pay approval on behalf of the Department of Innovation and Performance for Katherine Grober per the Acting Pay Policy revised in March 2008

Read, Received and Filed

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

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

[2019-1282](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for January 9, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2018-1083](#) Resolution approving a Conditional Use Application under the Pittsburgh Code, Title 9, Zoning, Article IV, Chapter 910, Section 910.01.D.1 to allow PMC/717 Liberty Associates, the transfer of Development Rights from 908 Penn Avenue (Parcel 9-N-94) to 717 Liberty Ave (Parcel 1-D-66), zoned "GT-C" Golden Triangle Subdistrict C, 2nd Ward, Council District No. 6.

(Public Hearing held 1/8/19)

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

[2019-1252](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 470, effective July 12, 2018, entitled: 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 2010 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, so as to transfer funds within City Council from: "Preservation Pittsburgh/Allegheny City Historic Gallery" (-\$1,508.14)" and transfer these funds to "Sarah Heinz House" (+\$1,508.14).

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

[2019-1253](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 471, effective July 12, 2018, entitled: Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment; and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities; and for administrative/operational costs, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities of various departmental programs/projects for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed \$918,650.00; so as to transfer funds within City Council from: "Preservation Pittsburgh/Allegheny City Historic Gallery" (-\$1,508.14); and transfer these funds to "Sarah Heinz House" (+\$1,508.14).

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

[2019-1254](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 563, effective August 6, 2018 entitled: Amending the Capital Budget and 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 2012 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, so as to reprogram funds within City Council “Holy Wisdom Parish Food Bank” (-\$1,500.00), “Preservation Pgh/Allegheny City Historic Gallery”(-\$2,612.99) and transfer these funds to “Allen Place Community Services” (+\$1,500.00) and “Sarah Heinz House (+\$2,612.99)

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

[2019-1255](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 475, effective July 12, 2018, entitled, “Providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment; and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities; and for administrative/operational costs, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities of various departmental programs/projects for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh, so as to reprogram funds within City Council: from “Holy Wisdom Parish Food Bank” (-\$1,500.00), “Preservation Pgh/Allegheny City Historic Gallery”(-\$2,612.99) and transfer these funds to “Allen Place Community Services” (+\$1,500.00) and “Sarah Heinz House (+\$2,612.99)

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

[2019-1256](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 673, effective April 7, 2016 entitled, "Providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment; and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities; and for administrative/operational costs, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities of various departmental programs/projects for the benefit of residents of the City of Pittsburgh, so as to reprogram funds within City Council from: "Holy Wisdom Parish Food Bank" (-\$1,500.00), "Preservation Pgh/Allegheny City Historic Gallery" (-\$878.87); "Northview Heights Tenant Council" (-\$1,000.00), "Tri Valley Athletic Association"(-\$2,000.00)and transfer these funds to "Sarah Heinz House" (+\$2,378.87), "Allen Place Community Services" (+\$1,000.00) and. "Rox Performance Academy" (+\$2,000.00)

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

[2019-1257](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 564, effective August 6, 2018, entitled: Amending the Capital Budget and 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 2013 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, so as to reprogram funds within City Council from: “Holy Wisdom Parish Food Bank” (-\$1,500.00), “Preservation Pgh/Allegheny City Historic Gallery” (-\$878.87); “Northview Heights Tenant Council” (-\$1,000.00), “ Tri Valley Athletic Association”(-\$2,000.00)and transfer these funds to “Sarah Heinz House” (+\$2,378.87), “Allen Place Community Services Gallery” (+\$1,000.00) and. “Rox Performance Academy” (+\$2,000.00)

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

[2019-1258](#)

Resolution Amending Resolution No. 593, effective September 10, 2018, entitled: Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment; and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities; and for administrative/operational costs, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities of various departmental programs/projects for the benefit of the residents of the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed \$940,000.00; : so as to reprogram funds within City Council from: “Poise Foundation Aquaponics Northview Heights”(-\$5,000.00); “West Park Court” (-\$3,000.00), “Northside Leadership Conference Allegheny City Sanitary Fair(-\$3,000.00) “North Boroughs Sewickley MOW/Tri-Valley MOW” (-\$2,000.00), North Boroughs Sewickley MOW/Brighton Heights MOW” (-\$1,500.00)and transfer these funds to “Sarah Heinz House ” (+\$3,500.00) and “Allegheny City Society”(+\$3,000.00) “Artist Image Resources” (+\$5,000.00) and “Rox Performance Academy” (+\$3,000.00.)”

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

[2019-1259](#)

Resolution amending Resolution number 594, effective September 10, 2018, entitled “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 2014 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” so as to reprogram funds within City Council from North Boroughs-Sewickley Meals on Wheels/Brighton Heights Meals on Wheels (-\$1,500), North Boroughs Sewickley Meals on Wheels/Tri-Valley (-\$2,000), Northside Leadership Conference-Allegheny City Sanitary Fair (-\$3,000), Poise Foundation-Aquaonics Northview Heights (-\$5,000), West Park Court (-\$3,000) and transfer these funds to Allegheny City Society (+\$3,000), Artist Image Resources (+\$5,000), Rox Performance Academy (+\$3,000), Sarah Heinz House (+\$3,500)

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

[2019-1260](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 754, effective December 13, 2016, entitled Resolution 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 2015 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, so as to reprogram funds within the City Council Office from: “North Boroughs Sewickley MOW/Brighton Heights” (-\$2,500.00), “North Boroughs Sewickley MOW/Tri Valley” (-\$2,500.00) and transfer these funds to “Bridge Committee ” (+\$5,000.00).

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

[2019-1261](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 598, effective September 10, 2018 entitled: Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment; and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities; and for administrative/operational costs, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities of various departmental programs/projects for the benefit of the residents of the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed \$895,000.00; so as to reprogram funds within City Council from “North Boroughs Sewickley MOW/Brighton Heights (-\$2,500.00), “North Boroughs Sewickley MOW/Tri Valley (-\$2,500.00) and transfer these funds to “Bridge Committee ” (+\$5,000.00).

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

[2019-1262](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 742, effective November 9, 2018, Resolution 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 2017 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, so as to reprogram funds from the City Council budget: “Northside Senior Center “ (-\$2,500.00) and Northside Senior Programming (-\$2,500.00) to transfer funds to Allegheny Mountain USA Boxing (+\$5,000.00)

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

[2019-1263](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 743, effective November 9, 2018 entitled: Resolution providing for an Agreement or Agreements with various community organizations for operational/administrative expenses, maintenance, purchase of equipment; and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities; and for administrative/operational costs, maintenance, purchase of equipment, and/or rehabilitation of neighborhood facilities of various departmental programs/projects for the benefit of the residents of the City of Pittsburgh, at a cost not to exceed \$825,000.00 so as to reprogram funds within City Council from “Northside Senior Center” (-\$2,500.00) and “Northside Senior Programming” (-\$2,500.00) to transfer funds to “ Allegheny Mountain USA Boxing” (+\$5,000.00)

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Strassburger

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Rev. Burgess, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS - Rev. Burgess and Mrs. Kail-Smith

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER