



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

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

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

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

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2019-1423](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Cliff Jobe Consulting, LLC, 204 Kennan Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601 in an amount not to exceed Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$7,500.00) for services rendered as an expert witness in a police-related matter.

(Executive Session held 3/12/19)

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

[2019-1424](#)

Resolution providing for the issuance of warrant in the total sum of Twenty-Seven Thousand (\$27,000.00) in favor of Laurie and Paul Hecht c/o Peter J. Pietrandrea Esquire, Law Offices of Peter J. Pietrandrea, 1309 Freedom Road, Cranberry Township, PA 16066, as final settlement related to the action filed in the Common Pleas Court of Allegheny County.

(Executive Session held 3/12/19)

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

NEW PAPERS

[2019-1437](#) 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 Maurkice Pouncey of SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$7,500.00) to support the City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Police Mounted Unit.

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

[2019-1438](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of William J. Miller, Jr. Esquire, 106 Rampart Lane, Ligonier, PA 15658, in an amount not to exceed Twenty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Dollars and Fifty-One Cents (\$21,720.51) for arbitration services rendered in connection with the City of Pittsburgh and FOP Act 111 Interest Arbitration Award.
(Executive Session scheduled for 3/18/19)

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

[2019-1439](#) Resolution amending Resolution #738 authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Campbell Durrant Beatty Palombo & Miller, P.C., 535 Smithfield St., Suite 700, Pittsburgh, PA 15222 for professional legal services and expert advice regarding labor matters by increasing the total cost from Seventy Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$70,000.00) to Two Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$220,000.00).
(Executive Session scheduled for 3/18/19)

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

[2019-1440](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 863 of 2018, effective January 1, 2019, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2019 Capital Budget and the 2019 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2019 through 2024 Capital Improvement Program,” by making various adjustments to CDBG and PAYGO fund sources and programming for URA and PLI capital projects.

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 March 13th 2019 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

Bellamonte Pizza – food for community event (Dist. 2) 100.87

Coro Center for Civic Leadership – Coro Fellow (Dist. 3) 1,250.00

Lott, John – payment of airfare to testify at post agenda (Dist. 1) 796.60

University of Pittsburgh – membership to CONNECT 6,891.00

MAYOR

Critical Mention Inc – news monitoring service 6,500.00

OMB

United States Conference of Mayors – membership renewal 17,511.00

CONTROLLER

Mejias-Shell – memberships 310.00

Viaud, Clifford – CPA credits 457.00

LAW

AKF Reporters Incorporated – payment for transcript 373.10

Department of Court Records – filings, copying at Prothonotary's Office 90.00

Liss, Celia J – reimbursement for parking 18.00

NobleMediation – mediation expense 1,294.83

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette – advertising for service of auction 194.25

HUMAN RESOURCES

Comcast Spotlight – advertising 2,053.40

PLANNING

PA Magic – annual membership for GIS division 100.00

Smith, Kara – registration costs to attend ASLA PA-DE conference 280.00

PLI

Giant Eagle Market District – Civic Leadership catering 170.73

PA State Association of Boroughs – zoning administration training 1,650.00

POLICE

Allegheny County Police Department – mounted unit hay and bedding 1,947.30

**Pittsburgh Veterinary Surgery – exam, medication, and/or care for K9 officer
1,410.00**

OMI

Brennan, Laurie – transcription of OMI case 188.00

FIRE

3 Rivers Fire Equipment – life element action wipes 223.38

PUBLIC WORKS

AG Trimble Company – custom plaque for memorial bench 322.00

Amcom Office Systems – equipment rental, 60 month term 273.06

Ketzel, Andrea – CLARB license renewal 160.00

PARKS & RECREATION

Bezjak, Johanna – tennis clinic instruction at Mellon tennis bubble 109.50

Kolesar, Olivia – tennis clinic instruction at Mellon tennis bubble 155.00

Mitchell, Marcus – tennis clinic instruction at Mellon tennis bubble 93.00

Schaefer, Nancy – reimbursement to park ranger for workboots 89.99

DOMI

Osburn Associates, Inc – material used for making street name blades 1,192.50

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

INTRA DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS

NONE

P-CARD APPROVALS

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

PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS[2018-1218](#)

An Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances at Title VI: Conduct, Article I: Regulated Actions and Rights, by repealing the existing language of Chapter 607: Firearms, Ammunition, and Other Weapons, in its entirety and replacing it with a new Chapter 607: General Firearm Conduct, to update existing laws to meet the public safety needs of residents.

(Public Hearing held 1/24/19; Post Agenda held 2/12/19)

SPONSOR /S: MR. O'CONNOR, MRS. STRASSBURGER, MR. KRAUS, MR. LAVELLE, REV. BURGESS, MR. COGHILL AND MS. GROSS

A motion was made to attach Supplemental Research Papers.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Public Safety Services, due back by 3/20/2019. The motion carried.

[2018-1219](#)

An Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances at Title VI: Conduct, Article I: Regulated Actions and Rights, by adding Chapter 610: Ban on Specified Firearm Accessories, Ammunition, and Modifications, to place a prohibition on certain firearm accessories, ammunition, and modifications.

(Public Hearing held 1/24/19; Post Agenda held 2/12/19)

SPONSOR /S: MR. O'CONNOR, MRS. STRASSBURGER, MR. KRAUS, MR. LAVELLE, REV. BURGESS, MR. COGHILL AND MS. GROSS

A motion was made to attach Supplemental Research Papers.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Public Safety Services, due back by 3/20/2019. The motion carried.

[2018-1220](#)

An Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances at Title VI: Conduct, Article I: Regulated Actions and Rights, by adding Chapter 603: Extreme Risk Protection Orders, to provide for appropriate injunctive actions for the preservation of public safety in extreme circumstances.

(Public Hearing held 1/24/19; Post Agenda held 2/12/19)

SPONSOR /S: MR. O'CONNOR, MRS. STRASSBURGER, MR. KRAUS, MR. LAVELLE, REV. BURGESS, MR. COGHILL AND MS. GROSS

A motion was made to attach Supplemental Research Papers.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Public Safety Services, due back by 3/20/2019. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

[2019-1443](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of Public Safety to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into an Amended Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with Freedom Indeed LLC/Reverend Cornell Jones for continued professional services as a Multi-Strategy Coordinator. These services are in regards to the National Initiative for Building Community Trust and Justice and the City's grant agreement with the Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, as previously authorized by Resolution No. 398 of 2016, at a total cost not to exceed FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS and NO CENTS (\$15,000.00). Said Amended Agreement(s) shall be extended for a period of three months, bringing the overall value of the Amended Agreement to \$135,000, with the previous \$120,000 funded from said grant, while the City issues a new RFP for the same services later in 2019.

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

[2019-1444](#)

Resolution providing for the issuance of a warrant in favor of Peacekeeper Products International in the amount of Twenty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Ten Dollars and Thirty-Four Cents (\$29,310.34) for the purchase of equipment for the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Police.

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

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MRS. KAIL-SMITH, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2019-1446](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing resolution number 728 of 2018, entitled "Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure (DOMI) to execute relevant agreements to receive grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation's Green Light - Go Grant for Central business district signal improvements and further providing for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE (\$3,560,565.00) dollars for this stated purpose" in order to authorize expenditure of a local match not to exceed eight hundred ninety thousand one hundred and forty two dollars (\$890,142.00) necessary to obtain grant funding.

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

[2019-1459](#)

Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances at Title VI: Conduct, Article I: Regulated Actions and Rights, by repealing the existing language of Chapter 619: Refuse Collection and Recycling, in its entirety and replacing it with a new Chapter 619: Municipal Waste and Recycling to streamline municipal waste and recycling practices in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. STRASSBURGER

CO-SPONSOR /S: Mr. Kraus and Mrs. Harris

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.

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

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2018-1212](#)

Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Structure under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain structure known as the Abrams House, located at 118-A Woodland Road, block and lot numbers 85-R-211, in the 14th Ward, City of Pittsburgh.

(Public Hearing held 2/13/19)

**A motion was made that this matter be NEGATIVELY RECOMMENDED.
The motion failed by the following vote:**

Aye: 1 - Mrs. Harris

No: 7 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

Abstain: 1 - Ms. Gross

[2019-1352](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 574, approved July 25, 2000, "providing for the implementation of a Residential Sticker Parking Program in the Squirrel Hill neighborhood pursuant to Pittsburgh Code Chapter 549" so as to amend the streets and remove addresses included in Area "K".

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

[2019-1353](#)

Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, by creating Title 13 entitled “Stormwater Management”, and by deleting Stormwater Management text from Title 10, Building, Chapter 1003.

(Public Hearing held 3/6/19)

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

NEW PAPERS

[2019-1442](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Urban Design Ventures, LLC for services relating to the administration of the City’s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunity for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs for a sum not to exceed One Hundred Ninety-One Thousand Dollars (\$191,000.00) over three years and for the payment of the costs thereof.

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

[2019-1447](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 57, effective January 28, 2019, 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 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: “Eastside Neighborhood Employment Center” (-\$11,000.00) to “Bloomfield Garfield Corporation” (+\$11,000.00).

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS

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

[2019-1448](#)

Resolution Amending Resolution No. 56, effective January 28, 2019, 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: “Eastside Neighborhood Employment Center”(-\$ 11,000.00) to “Bloomfield Garfield Corporation” (+\$11,000.00)

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS

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

[2019-1449](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 698, effective October 11, 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 2016 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’s office from “Eastside Neighborhood Employment Center” (+\$8,500.00) to “Bloomfield Garfield Corporation” (+\$ 8,500.00)

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS

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

[2019-1450](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 597, 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 \$850,000.00; so as to reprogram funds within City Council from “Eastside Neighborhood Employment Center” (-\$8,500.00), to “Bloomfield Garfield Corporation” (+\$8,500.00)

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS

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

[2019-1451](#)

Resolution amending No. 58, effective January 28, 2019 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 CDBG Program; providing for the execution of grant contracts 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: “Eastside Neighborhood Employment Center”(-\$4,000.00) to “Bloomfield Garfield Corporation ”(+ \$4,000.00) and “Beechview Manor”(-\$3,000.00) to “Beechview Manor/Housing Management Services”(+ \$3,000.00)

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS AND MR. COGHILL

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

[2019-1452](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 59, effective January 28, 2019 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, 2015 CDBG at a cost not to exceed \$895,000.00; so as to reprogram funds within City Council from “Eastside Neighborhood Employment Center” (-\$4,000.00), to “Bloomfield Garfield Corporation” (+\$4,000.00) and: “Beechview Manor”(-\$3,000.00) to “Beechview Manor/Housing Management Services”(+ \$3,000.00).

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS AND MR. COGHILL

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

[2019-1455](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 52, effective January 28, 2019 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 correct a job number within City Council for “Mt. Washington Community Development Corporation”.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. KAIL-SMITH

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

[2019-1456](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 53, effective January 28, 2019, 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 correct a job number within City Council: from “Mt. Washington Community Development Corporation”.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. KAIL-SMITH

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

[2019-1457](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 60, effective January 28, 2019, 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 issue a name change within City Council budget: “Stop the Violence Pittsburgh”(-\$2,500.00) to “POISE Foundation/Stop the Violence Pittsburgh” (+\$2,500.00) “Washington Heights Ecumenical Food Bank” (-\$5,000.00) to “Saint Mary of the Mount Church/ Washington Heights Ecumenical Food Bank” (+\$5,000.00)

SPONSOR /S: MRS. KAIL-SMITH

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

[2019-1458](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 61, effective January 28, 2019 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 perform a name change within City Council from: “Stop the Violence Pittsburgh”(-\$2,500.00) to “POISE Foundation/Stop the Violence Pittsburgh”(+ \$2,500.00), and “Washington Heights Ecumenical Food Bank”(-\$5,000.00) to “Saint Mary of the Mount Church/ Washington Heights Ecumenical Food Bank” (+\$5,000.00)

SPONSOR /S: MRS. KAIL-SMITH

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

URBAN RECREATION COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2019-1441](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Parks and Recreation to enter into a Sponsorship Agreement for the support of the City of Pittsburgh’s Citisports Baseball and Softball teams.

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