City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 16, 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 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, and Mr. O'Connor

Absent 2 - Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

COUNCILWOMAN DARLENE M. HARRIS PRESENTS:

2019-1589 Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 855 of 2011, entitled "adopting and approving the 2012 Capital Budget" by transferring \$5,000 to the

Brighton Heights Athletic Association.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

2019-1590 Resolution further amending Resolution 549 of 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 \$5,000 to the Brighton Heights Athletic Association.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. HARRIS

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

2019-1582 Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a grant agreement with the Office of the State Fire Commissioner (OSFC), to receive a FY 2019 Fire Company and Emergency Medical Service Grant in the amount of \$13,569.00 and further providing for an agreement or agreements for rescue training equipment for the Bureau of Fire.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS:

2019-1583

Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for 3 Crossings 2.0 Southeast at 2801 Railroad Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222.

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

2019-1584

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Works to execute relevant Agreements and Contracts to receive grant funding from the Pirates Charities' Fields for Kids Program to update Dinan Field, AKA Officer Eric Kelly Memorial Field, located in the 10th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh and further providing for an Agreement, Contracts and expenditures not to exceed TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose. Additionally, the City will provide matching funds in the form if in-kind services valued at \$10,000.00 offered by the City of Pittsburgh.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

2019-1585

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Works to execute relevant Agreements and Contracts to receive grant funding from the Pirates Charities' Fields for Kids Program to update Devlin Field located in the 16th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh, and further providing for an Agreement, Contracts and expenditures not to exceed TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose. Additionally, the City will provide matching funds not to exceed TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000.00) dollars in order to receive said grant funds to be used for the same purpose. Additionally, the City will provide matching funds in the form of in-kind services valued at \$10,000.00 offered by the City of Pittsburgh.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:

Resolution amending Resolution No. 233 of 2019, which amended Resolution No. 149 of 2015, which authorized the City of Pittsburgh to enter into an agreement or agreements with eDocs Technologies, LLC ("eDocs") for licensing services and maintenance and support services, to amend language in previous amendment as new projects, which increased the not to exceed amount by Seventy Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Dollar and No Cents (\$79,760), are adding to existing Scope of Work and not adding services or signatories to the contract.

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

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

2019-1587 Communication from Brenda F. Pree, City Clerk, submitting the first, second, third, and fourth quarter Travel Reports for 2017, from various City Departments.

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

2019-1588

Communication from Brenda F. Pree, City Clerk, submitting the first, second, third, and fourth quarter Travel Reports for 2018, from various City Departments.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2019-1518 Resolution appointing James R. Barry, Jr as a Commissioner of the Shade Tree Commission of the City of Pittsburgh for a term to expire March 31, 2021.

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

Enactment No: 243

2019-1519 Resolution appointing Jayme R. Holloway as a Commissioner of the Shade Tree Commission of the City of Pittsburgh for a term to expire March 31, 2021.

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

Enactment No: 244

2019-1520 Resolution appointing Brian J. Wolyniak as a Commissioner of the Shade Tree Commission of the City of Pittsburgh for a term to expire March 31, 2021.

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

Enactment No: 245

2019-1536 Resolution appointing Michael M. Domach as a member of the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority, for a term to expire on March 31, 2023. Mr. Domach will fill a seat that had been vacant.

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

Enactment No: 246

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

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

2019-1579 Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for April 10, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Fox Rothschild LLP, 2000 Market St., 20th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103 in the amount not to exceed One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$110,000.00) for professional consulting and legal services in relation to False Claims Act litigation.

(Executive Session held 4/3/19)

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

Resolution for issuance of a warrant for invoices totaling Four Thousand Ninety-Two and 23/100 Dollars (\$4,092.23) in favor of D'Appolonia Engineering related to evaluation of slope conditions.

(Executive Session held 4/3/19)

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

2019-1508

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Gabriel Despres and his Attorney, Timothy P. O'Brien, Esquire, c/o Timothy P. O'Brien Law Offices, 239 Fourth Avenue, Suite 2103, Pittsburgh, PA 15222 in an amount not to exceed Seventy-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$77,500.00) in settlement of federal litigation.

(Executive Session held 4-9-19)

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in the total sum of \$95,000.00, payable as follows: One Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Seven Dollars and 00/100 (\$1,287.00) in favor of Allegheny County Central Tax Collection District (ACCTCD), c/o Jordan Tax Service, Inc., 102 Rahway Road, McMurray, PA 15317; Thirty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars and 20/100 (\$37,485.20) in favor of the Law Offices of Joel Sansone, Two Gateway Center, Suite 1290, 603 Stanwix Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222; Fifty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Seven Dollars and 80/100 (\$56,227.80) in favor of Dawn DeFelice Jakomas, 685 Elm Spring Court, Apartment 1C, Pittsburgh, PA 15220, in full and final settlement of a labor relations case.

(Executive Session held 4-9-19)

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

2019-1580

Report of the Committee on Public Works for April 10, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

2019-1535

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Works, to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Community Conservation Partnerships Program, to provide funding for renovation of the South Side Park. The grant proposal includes an ask of \$400,000.00 with a local match of \$400,000.00 that will be allocated in the 2020 City of Pittsburgh Capital Budget. In the event the grant is awarded, this resolution provides for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$800,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote: **Aye:** 7 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, and Mr. O'Connor

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

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

2019-1581 Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for April 10, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of City Planning of the City of Pittsburgh to accept a grant from the Pennsylvania Museum and Historical Commission in the amount of twenty-two thousand (\$22,000) dollars. This grant will be used in conjunction with department funds to execute contracts for an architectural inventory of historic structures in the Oakland neighborhood of the city not to exceed forty-four thousand (\$44,000) dollars.

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of City Planning to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Community Conservation Partnerships Program to provide funding for the master park planning process for Hays Woods. The grant proposal includes an ask of \$100,000 with a local match of \$100,000 to come out of the 2020 City of Pittsburgh Capital Budget - JDE # 1109500120.50000.00. In the event the grant is awarded, this resolution provides for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$200,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

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

Aye: 7 - Rev. Burgess, Mr. Coghill, Ms. Gross, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle,

and Mr. O'Connor

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 - Mrs. Kail-Smith, and Mrs. Strassburger

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS - Councilwoman Gross called for a Cablecast Post Agenda relative to Child Care in the City.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

Mrs. Strassburger and Mrs. Kail-Smith

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER