

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 28, 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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****PROCLAMATIONS**[2019-1737](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize and commend **Jon Burnett** for a spectacular career in broadcast journalism and for the contributions he has made to the tri-state region and congratulates him on his retirement; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Saturday, June 1, 2019, to be **“JON BURNETT 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.

[2019-1738](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Dr. Rippy for being installed as the new pastor of Good Hope Baptist; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Sunday, May 26, 2019, to be **“Melvin G. Rippy Day”** in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS AND ALL MEMBERS

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS**PRESENTATION OF PAPERS****COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:**[2019-1723](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of Public Safety to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements with Freedom Indeed LLC/Reverend Cornell Jones for professional services as a Group Violence Intervention Coordinator at a total cost not to exceed THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS and NO CENTS (\$327,465.00).

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS:

[2019-1722](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the Habitat for Humanity - Bennett Street project, located at 6932, 6936, 6942, and 6946 Bennett Street of Pittsburgh, PA, 15208. See attachment for approval of individual addresses.

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

[2019-1735](#) Resolution requesting the approval of an inter-municipal transfer of a liquor license, License No. R- 2778, from Gregory's Restaurant, Inc., 1199 Washington Pike, Bridgeville PA 15017 to the Applicant, Woods House, LLC., 4604 Monongahela Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15207 for the premises located at 4604 Monongahela Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15017, restaurant known as "Woods House", Pursuant to amended Pennsylvania Liquor Code, &4-461.

(Needs to be held for a Public Hearing)

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:

[2019-1724](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Works to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Developments Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program (GTRP) to provide funding for the renovation of multimodal trails located within South Side Park. The grant proposal includes an ask of \$250,000.00 with a local match of \$37,500.00 to be funded from 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 TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$287,500.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2019-1725](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Director of the Department of Public Works and/or the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure, to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Developments Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program (GTRP) to provide funding for the planning of the renovation of the Pedestrian Tunnel located in Highland Park. The grant proposal includes an ask of \$93,500.00 with a local match of \$16,500.00 to be funded from 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 ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND (\$110,000.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2019-1726](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Works to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Developments Greenways Trails and Recreation Program (GTRP) to provide funding for the renovation of the Riverview Park Entrance at Mairdale Avenue. The grant proposal includes an ask of \$250,000.00 with a local match of \$37,500.00 to be funded from 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 TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$287,500.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2019-1727](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works, to enter into an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, between the City of Pittsburgh and Pashek + MTR, for the professional landscape architectural services for South Side Park Phase I Design at a cost not to exceed Three Hundred Thirty Eight Thousand Ninety Six Dollars (338,096.00).

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2019-1728](#)

Resolution amending and supplementing Resolution number 850 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 the Wenzell Avenue / Carnahan Road Intersection 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 \$2,200,000.00.” to account for bid amount higher than originally anticipated, but not to exceeded \$2,886,871.33.

A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion carried.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2019-1729](#)

Resolution declaring that certain City property, as further provided herein, in Highland Park shall be dedicated to a trail easement and that certain other property be dedicated to a temporary construction easement in order to facilitate development of the Washington Boulevard Trail.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2019-1730](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances at Title Seven: Business Licensing, Chapter 719: Vendors and Peddlers, by amending the existing language of Sections 719.02, 719.04, 719.09, and 719.10 and adding Section 719.04B, to better align Peddler licensing with Allegheny County Health Department food regulations, to add the City of Pittsburgh Department of Mobility and Infrastructure (“DOMI”) to the Street and Sidewalk Vending Site Designation Committee, to add the City of Pittsburgh Department of Permits, Licenses and Inspections as a voting member of the Street and Sidewalk Vending Site Designation Committee.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2019-1731](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances at Title Seven: Business Licensing, Chapter 719: Vendors and Peddlers, by amending the existing language of Section 719.10 to add approved vending sites to the List of Sites Approved by Council, to delete one vending site from the List of Sites Approved by Council, and to better specify the site locations in the List of Sites Approved by Council.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2019-1732](#) Resolution providing for a Resolution to extend City Controller contract # 50116 with Allied Communications by extending the term of the Agreement through December 31, 2019 at an additional cost not to exceed Fifty Thousand dollars (\$50,000) for Fleet GPS Tracking Services.

A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion carried.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2019-1736](#) Resolution amending and supplementing resolution number 370, of 2018, entitled “Resolution to 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 construction of the South Side Neighborhood Streets 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 \$599,426.00” to account for bid amount higher than originally anticipated and not to exceed \$892,017.00.

A motion was made that this matter be Waived under Rule 8. The motion carried.

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS:

[2019-1733](#) Resolution requesting authorization for the Mayor and the Department of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections (“PLI”) to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Avenu Insights and Analytics to digitize microfiche and aperture cards holding historic permitting data and add them to the Department’s digital library. The Agreement is chargeable and payable from the following account in an amount not to exceed \$185,600.00.

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

[2019-1734](#) Resolution amending **Resolution No. 840 of 2018, amending** Resolution No. 358 of 2017, which had previously amended Resolution 887, effective December 31, 2014, entitled “Authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections to enter into an agreement or agreements or amendments to existing agreements to purchase Accela Civic Platform and Accela Citizen Access subscription and cloud hosting services and further authorizing a professional services Agreement with Accela to migrate from self-hosting to a cloud environment hosted by Accela,” so as to extend the contract an additional year until June 30, 2020, and increase the not-to-exceed cost from ~~\$906,994~~ to \$1,144,019.08 **to \$1,269,962.16.**

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

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

[2019-1712](#) Resolution appointing Tracy Baton to serve as a member of the Commission on Human Relations for a term to expire May 31, 2023.

A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

[2019-1713](#) Resolution appointing Zachary Block to serve as a member of the Commission on Human Relations for a term to expire March 31, 2021.

A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

[2019-1714](#) Resolution appointing Jennifer Presutti to serve as a member of the Commission on Human Relations for a term to expire March 31, 2021.

A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

[2019-1715](#) Resolution appointing Sonya Toler to serve as a member of the Commission on Human Relations for a term to expire May 31, 2023.

A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

- [2019-1716](#) Resolution appointing Earl Buford as a member of the Pittsburgh Equal Opportunity Review Commission with a term to expire May 31, 2022.
A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.
- [2019-1717](#) Resolution appointing Jenna Cramer as a member of the Pittsburgh Equal Opportunity Review Commission with a term to expire April 30, 2022.
A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.
- [2019-1718](#) Resolution re-appointing Dr. Karen Hall as a member of the Pittsburgh Equal Opportunity Review Commission with a term to expire February 28, 2022.
A motion was made that this matter be Approved. The motion carried.
- [2019-1719](#) Resolution appointing Monica Ruiz as a member of the Pittsburgh Equal Opportunity Review Commission with a term to expire April 30, 2022.
A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.
- [2019-1720](#) Resolution appointing Sara Segel as a member of the Pittsburgh Equal Opportunity Review Commission with a term to expire April 30, 2022.
A motion was made that this matter be Held, Pending Interview to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.
- [2019-1721](#) Resolution re-appointing Andrea L. Vasquez as a member of the Pittsburgh Equal Opportunity Review Commission with a term to expire October 31, 2021.
A motion was made that this matter be Approved. The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- [2019-1643](#) Resolution appointing Lori Beth Jones as a Commissioner of the Clean Pittsburgh Commission of the City of Pittsburgh for a term to expire April 30, 2023.
A motion was made that this matter be Approved. The motion carried.
- [2019-1646](#) Resolution appointing Omoye Aikhuele as a Commissioner of the Clean Pittsburgh Commission of the City of Pittsburgh for a term to expire April 30, 2023.
A motion was made that this matter be Approved. The motion carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

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

[2019-1707](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for May 22, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2019-1338](#) Ordinance amending, supplementing and correcting the Pittsburgh Code at Title Two: Fiscal, Article I: Administrative, Chapter 219: Operating Budget, so as to add contract and bid information requirements to Fiscal Impact Statements, and to further correct numbering and formatting.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. KAIL-SMITH

CO-SPONSOR /S: Mrs. Strassburger, Ms. Gross and Mrs. Harris

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

[2019-1662](#) Resolution further amending Res. No. 73, effective February 29, 2012 entitled “Providing for an Agreement or Agreements, or use of existing Agreements and/or a Contract or Contracts, or use of existing Contracts, and for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services for various projects in connection with the City Council Neighborhood Needs Program in Council District 2; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof”, by transferring \$1,600 from Neighborhood Learning Alliance-Public Safety Cameras to D2 Dek Hockey. Total of all projects is not to exceed \$14,964.53.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. KAIL-SMITH

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

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

[2019-1663](#) Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution No. 855 of 2011, entitled “adopting and approving the 2012 Capital Budget” by transferring \$1,600 from Neighborhood Learning Alliance/Public Safety Cameras to D2 Deck Hockey, in Council District 2 Neighborhood Needs program.

SPONSOR /S: MRS. KAIL-SMITH

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

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

[2019-1669](#) Resolution establishing the City of Pittsburgh Equity and Inclusion Implementation Team (“EIIT”).

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS, MR. LAVELLE, MR. KRAUS, MRS. HARRIS, MR. O’CONNOR AND MR. COGHILL

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

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

[2019-1670](#) Ordinance supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title One - Administrative, Article Three - Organizations, Chapter 111 - Departments, Generally, by adding a new subsection, § 111.03, Equity Standards and Requirements for all Departments and Units of City Government.

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS, MR. LAVELLE, MR. KRAUS, MRS. HARRIS, MR. O’CONNOR AND MR. COGHILL

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

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

[2019-1671](#) Resolution declaring the City of Pittsburgh as an “All-In” City.

SPONSOR /S: REV. BURGESS, MR. LAVELLE, MR. KRAUS, MRS. HARRIS, MR. O’CONNOR AND MR. COGHILL

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

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

[2019-1708](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for May 22, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2019-1655](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Donation Agreement with the Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy to accept a donation for materials to repair and improve the Nine Mile Run Trail in Frick Park, and further authorizing the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into an agreement with the Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy accepting the donations for this 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

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

[2019-1656](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works, to enter into an Agreement or Agreements, or the use of existing Agreements, between the City of Pittsburgh and Pashek + MTR, for the professional landscape architectural services for Arsenal Park Phase I Design, at a cost not to exceed Three Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars (\$394,174.00).

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

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

[2019-1661](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh (“City”), to enter into an Agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (“PennDOT”) to receive certain Grant Monies for the Safe Routes to School Project through the Transportation Set-Aside Program; and further authorizing an agreement or agreements to expend these Grant monies toward completion of the Safe Routes to School Project.

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

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

COUNCILWOMAN DARLENE M. HARRIS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

[2019-1709](#) Report of the Committee on Human Resources for May 22, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2019-1657](#) Resolution providing for the filing of applications by the Commonwealth of PA, Department of Human Services for grants in connection with the Joint Jobs Initiative Program Employment Advancement and Retention Network (EARN) and providing for the authorization to enter into agreements with various agencies and to pay for expenditures for costs to support, implement and administer the program. Cost not to exceed \$4,585,786.

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

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

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

[2019-1710](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for May 22, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2019-1599](#) Resolution providing for the designation as a Historic Structure under Title 11 of the Code of Ordinances that certain structure known as the South Side Presbyterian Church, located at 1926 Sarah Street (12-K-129-02), in the Southside Neighborhood, in the 17th Ward, City of Pittsburgh.

(Public Hearing held 5/20/19)

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

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[2019-1711](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for May 22, 2019 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2019-1621](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Department of Public Works to enter into a professional service agreement with Oxford Development Company to serve as property manager for 412 Boulevard of the Allies.

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, Mr. Kraus, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. O'Connor, and Mrs. Kail-Smith

No: 1 - Mrs. Harris

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

[2019-1658](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for Derfler Investments, LLC, for 700 Armandale Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15212, Allegheny County, at block and lot 23-E-325, in the 25th Ward.

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

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

[2019-1659](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for Connection @ South Side, 2984 Sidney Street, identified in the Allegheny County System as Block and Lots 29-N-316 and 29-N-311 in the 16th Ward. See attachment for approval of individual addresses.

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

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Strassburger

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS - Mrs. Strassburger

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER