



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 9, 2020

9:30 AM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

PRE-AGENDA - APPOINTMENTS AND/OR RE-APPOINTMENTS

[2020-0615](#) Resolution appointing Ms. Rosamaria Cristello as a Member of the Board of Directors for the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority for a term to expire January 5, 2025. Ms. Cristello will be serving a seat that had been held by Margaret Lanier who has retired.

A motion was made that this matter be Interview Held. The motion carried.

[2020-0616](#) Resolution appointing Ms. BJ Leber as a Member of the Board of Directors for the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority for a term to expire January 1, 2023. Ms. Leber will be serving a seat that had been held by Chaton Turner whose term has expired.

A motion was made that this matter be Interview Held. The motion carried.

[2020-0617](#) Resolution appointing Dr. Audrey Murrell as a Member of the Board of Directors for the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority for a term to expire December 31, 2023. Dr. Murrell will be serving a seat that had been vacant.

A motion was made that this matter be Interview Held. The motion carried.

[2020-0663](#) Resolution appointing Mr. Chaz Kellem to serve as a Commissioner for the City of Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations for a term to expire August 30, 2024. Mr. Kellem will be serving in a seat held by Ms. BJ Samson, who has resigned.

A motion was made that this matter be Interview Held. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

ROLL CALL

Present 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

Absent 1 - Council Member Coghill

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS[2020-0659](#)

Resolution amending Resolution 401 of 2017 which authorizes the Mayor and the Director of Finance to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with CHR Catering Company Inc. for the purposes of providing the City of Pittsburgh with beverage and snack food vending services through vending machines.

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 September 9th 2020 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

Municipal Code – Codification of Ordinances/electronic update pages		1,566.00
Smith, Micah – intern (Dist. 9)	2,800.00	

LAW

Dentons Cohen & Grigsby – legal fees for immigration matters		962.00
Miller, John H. – reimb/Commonwealth Court filing	90.25	
Office of the Court Reporters – transcript	134.00	
PA Continuing Legal Education – CLE credits/Baumiller, Miller, Steers		4.50

HUMAN RESOURCES

DQE Communications – monthly fiber lease fee	850.00	
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POLICE

Jack Lafferty’s Truck Parts – ATPA UC inspections and parts		2,493.69
Praxair Distribution Inc. – gas cylinder rental	91.80	
McConnell, Susan – footrace website management	605.00	

PUBLIC WORKS

Petroleum Pipe & Steel – steel pipe	3,711.75	
Rios Williams Architects – professional services/restroom redesign		4,833.36
James L. Smith Insurance – insurance for drive in movies	570.00	

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.

[Item 21](#)

P-Cards

PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES COMMITTEE, MR. O'CONNOR, CHAIR**DEFERRED PAPERS**

[2020-0647](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances at Title One: Administrative, Article III: Organization, Chapter 116: Department of Public Safety to regulate the use of facial recognition and predictive policing technology.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER O'CONNOR

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

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Public Safety Services, due back on 9/16/2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 1 - Council Member O'Connor

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Council Member Coghill

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR**NEW PAPERS**

[2020-0656](#) 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 Studio Zewde, for the professional landscape architectural services for Homewood Park Infrastructure Upgrades at a cost not to exceed One Million Six Hundred Thirty Thousand and Fourteen Dollars (\$1,630,014.00).

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

[2020-0657](#) Resolution granting unto ROBERT J LEWIS, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, a new projecting sign to the front of the existing building, at 1344 Fifth Avenue, in the 1st Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MR. WILSON, CHAIR**NEW PAPERS**

[2020-0662](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of City Planning to enter into Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Natural Resource Defense Council (NRDC) in support of the Food Matters Regional Initiative. The study will be no cost to the City.

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

INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR**NEW PAPERS**

[2020-0660](#) Resolution amending Resolution 642 of 2017 which authorized the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with RT Lawrence Corporation for the provision of a remittance processing system.

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

[2020-0661](#) Resolution amending Resolution 738 of 2019 which provided for a professional services agreement or agreements with NCR Corporation, to provide city-wide credit, debit, and e-check payment services for the collection of various program and permitting fees for the City of Pittsburgh by exercising the option to extend the term of the Agreement for one year at no additional cost and updating the name of the vendor.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Innovation, Performance and Asset Management, due back by 9/16/2020. The motion carried.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR**DEFERRED PAPERS**

[2020-0299](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a Project Cooperation Agreement or Professional Services Agreements with Grounded Strategies for the purposes of implementing a CityFarms pilot project, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER GROSS AND COUNCIL MEMBER COGHILL

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs, due back by 9/30/2020. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS[2020-0658](#)

Resolution adopting the Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for A Safe Place to Stay project which will involve interior and exterior renovations to the existing eight-story building located at 326 Third Avenue into office space on floors one through six and a rooming house on floors seven and eight for A Safe Place to Stay program. The building address is 326 Third Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, in the 1st Ward.

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