



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 7, 2021

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member O'Connor, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2021-1588](#)

Resolution transferring a total of \$380,000 within the 2021 Operating Budget from the Department of Public Works to the Department of Parks & Recreation, for the purpose of increasing pay for lifeguards and reopening as many pools as possible for the 2021 season.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER GROSS AND COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH

A motion was made that this matter be Held in Committee to the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 7/14/2021. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

[2021-1652](#)

Resolution appropriating federal American Rescue Plan funding for a four year period, from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024, as recommended by the Mayor and the Pittsburgh Recovery Task Force, at a total cost not to exceed the amount received from the United States Department of Treasury.

(Public Hearing scheduled for 7/10/21 & 7/12/21)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for a CABLECAST Public Hearing. The motion carried.

[2021-1653](#) Resolution amending resolution number 645 of 2020, entitled “Resolution making appropriations to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the City of Pittsburgh and for meeting the debt charges thereof for the Fiscal Year, beginning January 1, 2021” so as to reopen the 2021 budget to account for American Rescue Plan funding.

(Public Hearing scheduled for 7/10/21 & 7/12/21)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for a CABLECAST Public Hearing. The motion carried.

[2021-1654](#) Resolution amending resolution number 646 of 2020, entitled “Resolution fixing the number of officers and employees of the City of Pittsburgh for the 2021 fiscal year, and the rate of compensation thereof, and setting maximum levels for designated positions” so as to reopen the 2021 budget to account for American Rescue Plan funding.

(Public Hearing scheduled for 7/10/21 & 7/12/21)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for a CABLECAST Public Hearing. The motion carried.

[2021-1655](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 647 of 2020, effective December 23, 2020, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2021 Capital Budget and the 2021 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2021 through 2026 Capital Improvement Program” by increasing various line items by \$57,349,840 with funding from the American Rescue Plan.

(Public Hearing scheduled for 7/10/21 & 7/12/21)

A motion was made that this matter be Held for a CABLECAST Public Hearing. The motion carried.

A motion was made that this matter be Held for a CABLECAST Public Hearing. The motion carried.

[2021-1661](#) Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 41 of 2020, amending the City of Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances at Title VI-Conduct, Article I, Regulated Rights and Action, Chapter 626A-Temporary Covid-19 Emergency Paid Sick Leave, amending the Temporary Covid-19 Emergency Paid Sick Leave Ordinance ~~to expire upon termination of the federal Proclamation 9994 of National Emergency Concerning the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic.~~

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

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.

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 July 7th 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

Downtown CDC – donation for Fashion Week (Dist. 6) 1,000.00

Pittsburgh Party Creations – face painting for McBride Dek Hockey ribbon cutting (Dist. 5) 100.00

Stack, Patrick – reimb/items for McBride Dek Hockey ribbon cutting (Dist. 5) 206.25

Strassburger, Erika – reimb/food for DPW workers (Dist. 8) 748.94

Zoom Video Communications – membership for District 3 160.39

I&P

Spok Inc – pager services 293.98

CONTROLLER

Brozone Inc – spray disinfecting services, Controller’s office 1,195.00

Heisler, Rachel – reimbursement, GFOA certificate of achievement 1,150.00

LAW

Dentons Cohen & Grigsby – legal services for immigration matters 2,460.00

Laporte, Kara – notary services for out-of-office deponents 70.00

Michael J Betts – early neutral evaluator 712.50

ETHICS BOARD

PG Publishing Company – legal ad for Ethics Hearing Board meetings 18.00

HUMAN RESOURCES

New Pittsburgh Courier – advertising 2,432.64

PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

DQE Communications – monthly charge for high-speed internet 275.00

POLICE

Amcom Office Systems – printer ink (contract expired) 479.49

Western Partners – sewer back up in rented headquarters 245.15

Sonitrol Security Systems – alarm monitoring at rented headquarters 240.00

Galls – barrier tape 1,184.00

Whitey's Mobile Wash Inc – cleaning of police vehicles 1,050.00

Dollar Rent A Car – rentals 2,693.23

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Jack Lafferty's Truck Parts – parts and inspections 483.47

Scantron Corporation – software for academy 150.00

FIRE

Premier Safety – custom tag and test strips 47.50

Laco Inc – radiation detection equipment 4,900.00

ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL

Whitey’s Mobile Wash Inc – vehicle cleaning 180.00

PARKS & RECREATION

Peart, Bram – reimbursement for work boots for Park Ranger (ARAD) 149.95

I&M Printing – summer food staff t-shirts 578.00

PUBLIC WORKS

Amcom – equipment rental, 60 month term 2,336.35

City Lighting Products – electrical materials for maintenance 903.20

DOMI

Minuteman Printing Press – paving printing notifications 1,344.83

Minuteman Printing Press – paving printing notifications 982.80

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.

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P-Cards

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR**NEW PAPERS**[2021-1648](#)

Resolution amending Resolution number 721 of 2019, entitled “Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Department of Parks and the Department of Public Works to enter into a Lease Agreement with the Pittsburgh Ballet Theater for a portion of real property located on Liberty Avenue between 29th and 30th Streets” to include the proposed Lease for approval by a majority vote of City Council before final execution between the Mayor and the Directors of the Department of Parks & Recreation and the Department of Public Works and the Pittsburgh Ballet Theater, as required by the original 2019 Resolution.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Public Works , due back by 7/14/2021. The motion carried.

[2021-1649](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 271 of 2021 authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Works to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into a Professional Services Agreement or Agreements and/or Commodity Master Agreement(s) with Direct Energy Business LLC (“Direct Energy”) for the supply of electricity to City buildings and facilities, as well as additional services including those in regards to the establishment of a subaccount on behalf of the members of the Western Pennsylvania Energy Consortium (WPEC). Said services shall be performed in conjunction with guidance provided by City’s energy consultant, Enel X North America, Inc. (“Enel X”).

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

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, MR. KRAUS, CHAIR**NEW PAPERS**[2021-1650](#)

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 \$3,828,594

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

**LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MR.
WILSON, CHAIR****NEW PAPERS**[2021-1657](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Department of City Planning to execute relevant agreements to receive grant funding from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission's Keystone Historic Preservation Planning Grants program to support updating the current historical context for the Manchester Historic District to properly reflect events which occurred that supported the Civil Rights Movement and further providing for an agreement and expenditures not to exceed SEVENTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$17,500.00) dollars for this stated purpose. The grant requires a match from the City of Pittsburgh in the amount of SEVENTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$17,500.00) dollars for this stated purpose for a total project cost of THIRTY FIVE THOUSAND (\$35,000.00) dollars.

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

URBAN RECREATION COMMITTEE, REV. BURGESS, CHAIR**DEFERRED PAPERS**

[2021-1586](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the City Code at Title Four: Public Places and Property, Article XI: Parks and Playgrounds, Chapter 477: Permits and Fees, Section 477.01: Park Permit Procedures, Section 477.02: Fees for Swimming Pools, Golf Course, Skating Rinks and Other Recreational Facilities, so as to give priority to City residents for park facility rentals.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH, COUNCIL MEMBER GROSS, COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER AND COUNCIL MEMBER KRAUS

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Urban Recreation , due back by 7/14/2021. The motion carried.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR**SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS**

[2021-1673](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to enter into a contribution and cooperation agreement with the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (PWSA) for certain utility relocation and other work elements in connection with the South Side Signals Project.

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

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2021-1368](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for proposed land development located at the corner of Herron Avenue and Ruthven Street, including those parcels identified on the attached Exhibit B, located in Pittsburgh, PA 15219.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs, due back by 8/25/2021. The motion carried.