

# City of Pittsburgh

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



## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, July 13, 2021**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

### **City Council**

***ONE-HUNDRED***

***FORTY-FIRST COUNCIL***

***Theresa Kail-Smith, President of Council***

***Council Members: Rev. Ricky V. Burgess, Anthony Coghill, Deborah L. Gross, Bruce A. Kraus,  
R. Daniel Lavelle, Corey O'Connor, Erika Strassburger, Bobby Wilson***

***Brenda F. Pree, City Clerk - Kim Clark-Baskin, Assistant City Clerk***

## ROLL CALL

Members present via video conference due to COVID-19 protective guidelines set forth by the federal, state, and local governments

**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

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PROCLAMATIONS

[2021-1705](#) WHEREAS, Tasso Katselas was born July 15, 1927 to two Greek immigrants, settling in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and,

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER STRASSBURGER AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 445

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

## PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

## COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS:

[2021-1685](#) Resolution further amending and supplementing Resolution number 316 of 2018, previously amended by Resolution number 229 of 2020, originally 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 preliminary design and final design, services during construction, and miscellaneous services for traffic signal installation of the South Side Signals Project; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed \$390,213.38." Which was amended by Resolution 229 of 2020 to authorize a new total project cost up to but not to exceed \$536,000.00 to be further amended with this Resolution to account for an increase in the project cost for the services during construction phase up to but not to exceed \$701,915.05.

**Attachments:** [2021-1685 Cover Letter-Southside Signals Letter Amend 7-6-21](#)  
[Summary 2021-1685](#)

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

Enactment No: 467

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works**

Enactment No: 467

[2021-1686](#) Resolution providing for an agreement with the Larson Design for Contract Administration and Construction Inspection Service costs associated with the South Side Signals and providing for the payment of costs thereof, not to exceed Five Hundred and Fourteen Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy Two Dollar and Fifty Seventy cents (\$514,472.57);

**Attachments:** [2021-1686 Cover Letter-Larson Design - CICA Letter](#)

[Summary 2021-1686](#)

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

Enactment No: 468

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works**

Enactment No: 468

[2021-1687](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Department of Public Works and the Department of Finance, on behalf of the City, to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with Peoples Natural Gas Company, LLC (“Peoples Natural Gas”), a Pennsylvania Corporation located at 375 North Shore Drive, Suite 600, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15212, to grant a Permanent Easement and Temporary Easement to install and maintain natural gas pipelines and necessary accessories within the Diamond Street Parking Lot located between 5th Avenue and Diamond Street in the Central Business District (Block & Lot 2-F-290).

**Attachments:** [2021-1687 Cover Letter- Peoples Natural Gas Company - Permanent and Temporary Easement - signed](#)  
[2021-1687 -Exhibit A -Peoples Natural Gas -Diamond Street Parking Lot](#)  
[Summary 2021-1687](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works**

[2021-1704](#) Resolution granting a vacation of an unopened portion of Engleside Avenue, laid out in the Englewood Place Plan of Lots, as recorded in P.B.V. 31 Pg. 2, in the 10th Ward, 9th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

**Attachments:** [2021-1704 Cover Letter-council letter](#)

[Summary 2021-1704](#)

[2021-1704-5219 Columbo St \(Engelside\) Vacation application and letters](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works**

**COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:**

[2021-1688](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for proposed land development located at the intersection of East Jefferson Street and Lane Way at the parcels numbered 23-F-78, 23-F-74, and 23-F-73, Pittsburgh, PA 15212.

**Attachments:** [2021-1688 Cover Letter-Sewer Module Letter - East Jefferson St. and Lane Way](#)  
[2021-1688 -161941 - SFPM Compiled \(1\)](#)  
[2021-1688 -Sewer Module Questionnaire for Council - East Jefferson St. & Lane Way Townhomes](#)  
[Summary 2021-1688](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs**

[2021-1689](#) Resolution amending Resolution 395 of 2018 to allow execution of a Deed by and between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and the City of Pittsburgh, for the sale of Block 12-P, Lot 154 in the 16th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh - Council District No.3

**Attachments:** [2021-1689-Cover Letter AD](#)  
[2021-1689 -2018-0565 -SSP Final Master Plan](#)  
[Summary 2021-1689](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs**

[2021-1707](#) Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article I, Section 902.03 Zoning Map, and Article III, Overlay Zoning Districts, Chapter 907, Development Overlay Districts, Section 907.02, IPOD, Interim Planning Overlay District, by adding a new section 907.02.L to establish a new Interim Planning Overlay District for the Inclusionary Housing Interim Planning Overlay District. *(Send for report and recommendation to the Planning Commission)*

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER GROSS

**Attachments:** [2021-1707 attachment VERSION 2 IZ Map](#)  
[2021-1707 Bloomfield-Polish Hill map](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development****COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:**

[2021-1690](#) Resolution amending Resolution 263 of 2019, which authorized the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Human Resources and Civil Service and the Director of the Department of Innovation and Performance to enter into a Professional Services Agreement(s) and/or Contract(s) with Ceridian, Human Capital Management, Inc. for a city-wide time and attendance system, by increasing the not to exceed amount by \$84,880.00 for additional reporting support and by updating the JDE account strings.

**Attachments:** [2021-1690 Cover Letter-Amended Council Letter-Updated Summary 2021-1690](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Human Resources**

**COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:**

[2021-1691](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Duquesne Light Company c/o Carolyn K. Cingel, 411 Seventh Avenue, Mail Drop 16-1, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, in the amount of Seven Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Five Dollars and Thirty Six Cents (\$7,235.36) in settlement of a claim for damage to wooden light pole at the intersection of Queenston & Fairland Streets by a City Environmental Services vehicle on February 27, 2020.

**Attachments:** [2021-1691 Cover Letter-Duquesne Light Company - Council Letter Summary 2021-1691](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

[2021-1692](#) Resolution providing for the sale of certain properties consisting of vacant lots, acquired by the City of Pittsburgh at tax sale, 2128 Wilson Avenue, 2130 Wilson Avenue, 2134 Wilson Avenue, 2136 Wilson Avenue, 2200 Wilson Avenue, 2210 Wilson Avenue, 2218 Wilson Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15212, and thereafter authorizing the execution of a quitclaim deed conveying all of the City's right, title and interest in and to said properties to Blight 2 Light Incorporated.

**Attachments:** [2021-1692 Cover Letter-Wilson Ave. Council letter Summary 2021-1692](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

[2021-1693](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of three warrants with the total sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$150,000.00), which shall be allocated and paid as follows: One Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$100.00) made payable to Robert Kramer in final settlement related to litigation at SA-19-00286 and 1299 CD 2019; Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$50,000.00) made payable to Robert Kramer c/o Law Offices of Joel Sansone in settlement related to litigation at 2:19-cv-00539; and Ninety Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$99,900.00) which is authorized to be transferred from the WC-VEBA account related to a Workers' Compensation claim at DSP-7917791-1.

*(Executive Session held 7/13/21)*

**Attachments:** [2021-1693 Cover Letter-Kramer Council ltr](#)

[Summary 2021-1693](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

Enactment No: 469

[2021-1694](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 647 of 2020, effective December 23, 2020, 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 adding \$7,079,817.50 to reflect the allocation of Emergency Rental Assistance 2 (ERAP 2) funds from the Treasury Department and authorizing a subsequent Agreement or Agreements.

**Attachments:** [2021-1694 Cover Letter-2021 Treasury CARES Act Emergency](#)

[Rental Assistance Program Letter 070621 v3](#)

[Summary 2021-1694](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

[2021-1695](#) Resolution authorizing the Director of the Department of Finance to enter into a License Agreement with Veterans Place of Washington Boulevard to allow the performance of pre-development survey work on designated City property in order to facilitate the construction of a mixed-use building, including housing units and recreational facilities, for homeless veterans.

**Attachments:** [2021-1695 Cover Letter-VP Cover Letter \(1\)](#)

[Summary 2021-1695](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

[2021-1696](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 340 of 2021, vacating a portion of Colwell Street and portions of Our Way in the 3rd Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, by extending the expiration date of the payment from the property owners to the Treasury of the City of Pittsburgh from 730 days to 910 days from the effective date of the resolution, August 1st of 2019.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER LAVELLE

**Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law**

**COUNCILMAN COREY O'CONNOR PRESENTS:**

[2021-1697](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 848 of 2019, 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 St. Moritz Security Services, Inc. for security guard services, in order to increase compensation in accordance with applicable collective bargaining wage rates. Compensation under said Amended Agreement(s) shall be in an amount not to exceed THREE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FOURTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,314,000), with annual not-to-exceed amounts as set forth below for each respective budget year subject to the availability of funds and annual Council appropriations, at rates in compliance with and subject to any applicable requirements, including but not limited to collective bargaining commitments and the City of Pittsburgh Service Worker Prevailing Wage Ordinance.

**Attachments:** [2021-1697 Cover Letter-210702- Amendment to St. Moritz letter Summary 2021-1697](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services**

[2021-1698](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Center for Police Research and Policy housed within the University of Cincinnati to engage in a process and outcome evaluation of training and technical assistance as part of the Academic Training to Inform Police Responses initiative.

**Attachments:** [2021-1698 Cover Letter-MOU Center for Police Research and Policy letter Summary 2021-1698](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services**

[2021-1699](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Green Gears Pedicabs, 600 Bingham Street, Pittsburgh PA, 15203, in an amount not to exceed EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$8,500.00), for litter and waste control services provided for the City of Pittsburgh Independence Day events on July 4, 2021.

**Attachments:** [2021-1699 Cover Letter-Green Gears Pedicabs letter](#)

[2021-1699 -Invoice 1101 from Green Gears Pedicabs](#)

[Summary 2021-1699](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Services**

**COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON:**

[2021-1700](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 855 of 2011, effective December 29, 2011, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2012 Capital Budget and the 2012 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2012 through 2017 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing WESLEY AME CHARITIES by \$2,000.00 and increasing DEMOLITION OF CONDEMNED BUILDINGS by \$2,000.00.

**Attachments:** [2021-1700 Cover Letter-2012 CDBG Amendment Letter 062121](#)

[Summary 2021-1700](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development**

[2021-1701](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 772 of 2012, effective January 1, 2013, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2013 Capital Budget and the 2013 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2013 through 2018 Capital Improvement Program,” by reducing various CDBG line items by \$7,032.21 and increasing DEMOLITION OF CONDEMNED BUILDINGS by \$7,032.21.

**Attachments:** [2021-1701 Cover Letter-2013 CDBG Amendment Letter 062121](#)

[Summary 2021-1701](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development**



[2021-1702](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 796 of 2013, effective December 19, 2013, as amended, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2014 Capital Budget and the 2014 Community Development Block Grant Program; and approving the 2014 through 2019 Capital Improvement Program,” by reducing various CDBG line items by \$20,498.90 and increasing DEMOLITION OF CONDEMNED BUILDINGS by \$20,498.90.

**Attachments:** [2021-1702 Cover Letter-2014 CDBG Amendment Letter 062121](#)

[Summary 2021-1702](#)

**Read and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development**

[2021-1708](#) Resolution approving the recommendation made by the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure that Cerise Place be paved with asphalt in accordance with Section 417.06 of the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances.

**SPONSOR /S:** COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

**Attachments:** [2021-1708 Cover Letter Cerise Place Overlay Letter](#)

[2021-1708 Summary](#)

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

Enactment No: 470

**Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works**

Enactment No: 470

## **COUNCILWOMAN THERESA KAIL-SMITH PRESENTS:**

[2021-1703](#) Communication from Mayor William Peduto submitting an Executive Order relative to the authorization of a low-speed electric scooter pilot in the City of Pittsburgh.

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

[2021-1706](#) Communication from City Controller Michael Lamb submitting a Performance Audit of the Pittsburgh Community Television (PCTV), dated July 2021.

**Attachments:** [2021-1706 PCTV FINAL july 2021](#)

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

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION****COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LAW**

[2021-1680](#) Report of the Committee on Finance and Law for July 7, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

**A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. 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 RECOMMENDED to the Committee on Finance and Law . The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS**

[2021-1681](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for July 7, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

**A motion was made that this matter be Read, Received and Filed. 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”).

**Attachments:** [2021-1649 Cover Letter-WPEC Resolution Ammendment-Director Letter Summary 2021-1649](#)

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

**Aye:** 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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

Enactment No: 446

## **COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES**

[2021-1682](#) Report of the Committee on Human Resources for July 7, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[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

**Attachments:** [2021-1650 Cover Letter- Human Resources Letter](#)

[2021-1650-EARN Waiver letter- Federal Funded Contracts](#)

[Summary 2021-1650](#)

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

**Aye:** 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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

Enactment No: 447

## **COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

[2021-1683](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for July 7, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[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.

**Attachments:** [2021-1657 Cover Letter-PHMC Keystone 2021 - Letterhead](#)  
[Summary 2021-1657](#)

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

**Aye:** 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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

Enactment No: 448

## **COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS**

[2021-1684](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for July 7, 2021 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[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.

**Attachments:** [2021-1673 Cover Letter-South Side Signals PWSA Co-Op](#)  
[Legislation Letter](#)  
[Summary 2021-1673](#)

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

**Aye:** 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

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

Enactment No: 449

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER**