



City of Pittsburgh

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

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

DEFERRED PAPERS

[2021-1755](#) Resolution amending Resolution 112 of 2021, which authorized the Mayor and the City Solicitor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with McGrail & Associates, 1714 Lincoln Way, White Oak, PA for professional consulting services in connection with billboard tax litigation by increasing the total spend by \$170,000.00 for a new not to exceed amount of \$363,200.00.

(Executive Session held 9/7/21)

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

[2021-1756](#) Resolution amending Resolution 223 of 2020, by amending the existing Professional Services Agreement with Hawke McKeon & Sniscak, LLP, 100 North Tenth Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101 for legal services in connection with PUC matters by increasing the total spend by \$150,000.00 for a new not to exceed amount of \$200,000.00.

(Executive Session held 9/7/21)

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

[2021-1757](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in an amount not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$50,000.00) payable to Community Justice Project, 100 Fifth Avenue, Suite 900, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, for attorney fees in a non-monetary settlement of a litigation matter at 2:12-cv-01600 USDC.

(Executive Session held 9/7/21)

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

[2021-1758](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in the total sum of \$8,000.00 to Michael J. Machen, 310 Grant Street, Suite 823, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 for outside legal services pertaining to zoning case SA 19-000750.

(Executive Session held 9/7/21)

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

NEW PAPERS

[2021-1799](#) Resolution authorizing, pursuant to Ch. 210 (“Acceptance of Gifts to City”) of the City Code, the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works, to accept a donation from the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix Association of jersey barriers valued at NINE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY-NINE DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS (\$9,349.20)

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

[2021-1800](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Paul Surgent, 10 Wakefield Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15213, in the amount of Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Nine Dollars and Twenty Nine Cents (\$4,999.29) in settlement of a claim for damage to a parked vehicle from a City ES vehicle on January 5, 2021.

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

[2021-1801](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Daniel Williams, 352 Dinwiddie Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, in the amount of Five Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Five Dollars and No Cents (\$5,775.00) in settlement of a claim for damage to a stopped vehicle from a City Fire vehicle in emergency response on July 11, 2021.

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

[2021-1802](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Meyer Unkovic Scott, Henry W. Oliver Building, 535 Smithfield St., Suite 1300, Pittsburgh, PA 15222 for professional legal services in connection with Ethics Hearing Board matters for an amount not to exceed Twelve Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Nine Dollars and No Cents (\$12,259.00).

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

[2021-1803](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with OnePGH for the completion of a guaranteed personal income project, as approved in the City of Pittsburgh's American Rescue Plan, at a cost not to exceed Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000).

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

[2021-1804](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pittsburgh Parking Authority ("PPA") for the completion of the Kirkwood Avenue lot project, as approved in the City of Pittsburgh's American Rescue Plan, at a cost not to exceed Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000).

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

[2021-1805](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority ("PWSA") for the completion of lead line replacement projects, as approved in the City of Pittsburgh's American Rescue Plan, at a cost not to exceed Seventeen Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$17,500,000).

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

[2021-1806](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh (URA) for the completion of projects approved in the City of Pittsburgh's American Rescue Plan, at a cost not to exceed Seventy-Four Million Eight Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred and Eleven Dollars (\$74,878,811).

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 8th 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

Brookline Together – cleaning of plant beds for Breezefest (Dist. 4) 850.00

Concord Presbyterian – donation (Dist. 4) 300.00

Municipal Code Corp. – electronic update pages 720.00

Spectra Associates – linen record paper 749.50

Young Born Leaders – donation (Dist. 1) 250.00

FINANCE

Stanley Convergent Security – monthly monitoring 183.60

PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

Black, Carl R. – performance/Stars at Riverview 600.00

Brookline Together – annual community festival 1,000.00

Carrick Community Council – annual community festival 1,000.00

Chamber Orchestra of Pgh. – performance/Bach, Beethoven & Brunch 1,200.00

Das, Subhadip – performance/Stars at Riverview 600.00

East Allegheny Community Council – annual community festival 995.00

Funky Fly Project – performance/Reservoir of Jazz Concert 650.00

Speakman, Lynn Allison – performance/Reservoir of Jazz Concert 650.00

Throckmorton, David R. – performance/Reservoir of Jazz Concert 650.00

POLICE

Golden Bone Pet Resort – K9 boarding 42.00

Quality Services Inc. – landscaping at the zones 4,860.00

FIRE

Unifirst Corp. – towels & mats for Training Academy 501.25

EMS

Fayette Emergency Medical Service – coverage at three events 2,675.29

Foxwall Emergency Medical Services – coverage at Hella Mega Tour 921.84

Munhall Area Prehospital – coverage at Hella Mega Tour 1,057.19

Plum Emergency Medical Services – coverage at Hella Mega Tour 951.84

Ross/West View EMSA – coverage at Hella Mega Tour 999.96

OMI

Net Transcripts – transcripts of case interviews 439.79

DOMI

Signal Service Inc. – traffic signal back plates 858.00

PARKS & RECREATION

Allegheny Refrigeration – repair/Southside Market House 291.50

Camillo, Joseph M. – tennis instructor 1,575.00

Lacaria, Aldene – tennis instructor 435.38

Parks, Richard – tennis instructor 419.25

Paull, Mark J. – tennis instructor 537.50

Runner’s High – race timing 570.00

Stanislawczyk, Michael – tennis instructor 620.00

Zirapury, Taha – tennis instructor 333.00

GRANTS TRUST FUND (PA Commission on Crime & Delinquency)

Rice, Betty – outreach worker 3,520.00

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.

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P-Cards

PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES COMMITTEE, MR. O'CONNOR, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2021-1807](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the City of Pittsburgh Code, Title Six (“Conduct”), Article I (“Regulated Rights and Actions”), by amending Chapter 601 (“Public Order”), Section 601.11 (“Littering and Dumping”) to more clearly define litter and illegal dumping violations and to update penalties to include community restitution.

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

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2021-1788](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department Public Works to enter into a five year Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, for Winter Traffic Services for the period beginning October 15, 2021, and ending April 30, 2026.

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

[2021-1790](#) Resolution granting unto WILLOW FORTUNE LLC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, a new projecting sign, at 3508 Butler Street, in the 6th Ward, 7th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2021-1791](#) Resolution granting unto JOURDAN & STEPHEN SCHMITZ, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to replace an existing retaining wall and parking pad that extends (5) five feet into the right-of-way, located on Kalamazoo Way, behind the residence of 1439 Morningside Avenue, in the 10th Ward, 7th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2021-1793](#) Resolution granting unto 3213 PENN LLC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, to install two (2) entrance canopies and one (1) bus shelter canopy, at 3213 Penn Ave in the 6th Ward, 7th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2021-1794](#) Resolution granting unto OAKDALE DEVELOPMENT LLC, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, three (3) new projecting light fixtures, at 3824 Penn Ave in the 6th Ward, 7th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

[2021-1795](#) Resolution granting unto HULLETT DEVELOPMENT TRIANGLE LP, their successors and assigns, the privilege and license to construct, maintain and use at their own cost and expense, a fire escape on an existing building, 11'-2" above the sidewalk at 701 Smithfield Street, in the 2nd Ward, 6th Council District of the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, MR. KRAUS, CHAIR

NEW PAPERS

[2021-1798](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 699 of 2019, which authorized the City of Pittsburgh to enter into a Professional Service Agreement(s) with P&A Group for services relating to the administration of the City of Pittsburgh's Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) program, by exercising the written option to extend the term of the contract by two years at a cost not to exceed Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.00).

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

[2021-1809](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code, Title One Administrative, Article XI Human Resources, Chapter 189 Leaves of Absence, Section 189.02 Loss of Pregnancy by adding language to establish fully paid bereavement leave for every City employee who experiences pregnancy loss.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

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

LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MR. WILSON, CHAIR**SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS**[2021-1336](#)

Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article I, Section 902.03 Zoning Map, by changing from RM-M, Multi-Unit Residential, Moderate Density, R1D-L, Single-Unit Detached Residential, Low Density, and R1D-VL, Single-Unit Detached Residential, Very Low Density, R2-M, Two-Unit Residential Moderate Density and RP, Residential Planned Unit Development, to EMI, Educational Medical Institution, 27 parcels in the Allegheny County Block and Lot System, 7th and 14th Wards.

(Public Hearing scheduled for 9/9/21)

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 Reconsidered to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development. The motion carried.

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

A motion was made that this matter be Held for Public Hearing to the Committee on Hearings . The motion carried.

[2021-1337](#)

Resolution approving a new Institutional Master Plan under the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Article II, Chapter 905, Section 905.03.D and Article VII, Chapter 922, Section 922.12.G for Chatham University “Institutional Master Plan” dated March 2021 on property to be zoned EMI, Educational/Medical Institution District, 7th and 14th Wards, Council District No.8.

(Public Hearing scheduled for 9/9/21)

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

A motion was made that this matter be Reconsidered to the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development. The motion carried.

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

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

NEW PAPERS

[2021-1808](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title Four: Public Places and Property, Article I: Public Rights of Way, by amending Chapter 420: Uniform Street Naming and Addressing, to update and clarify Subchapters 420.02, 420.03, 420.04, 420.05, 420.08, 420.09, 420.10 & 420.12.

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

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MS. GROSS, CHAIR

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 9/22/2021. The motion carried.

[2021-1519](#) Resolution adopting Plan Revision to the City of Pittsburgh's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for proposed land development located at 4554-4564 Penn Avenue at the parcels numbered 49-M-121, 49-M-122, 49-M-123, 49-M-124, 49-M-125, 49-M-126, Pittsburgh, PA 15224.

A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs, due back by 9/22/2021. The motion carried.

NEW PAPERS

[2021-1796](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a cooperation agreement with the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy for maintenance of certain plantings and other planting related infrastructure in the public rights of way throughout the City of Pittsburgh at no cost to the City.

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