

City of Pittsburgh

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

City Council

*ONE-HUNDRED
FORTY-SECOND 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

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**MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA****PROCLAMATIONS**

[2022-0141](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend Darlene Craig for her service to Allegheny County and the City of Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the month of February, 2022, to be “***Darlene F. Craig Month***” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 60

[2022-0142](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby recognize Mayor Ed Gainey for his commitment to strengthening the City of Pittsburgh; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the month of February, 2022, to be “***Mayor Ed Gainey Month***” in the City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER KAIL-SMITH AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 61

[2022-0143](#)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh declares Tuesday, February 22, 2022 “***World Spay Day***” here in our most livable City of Pittsburgh.

SPONSOR /S: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON, COUNCIL MEMBER KRAUS
AND ALL MEMBERS

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

Enactment No: 62

PUBLIC COMMENTS**PRESENTATION OF PAPERS****COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS:**

[2022-0128](#) Resolution providing for an agreement with CDM Smith for Construction Inspection and Contract Administration Services for the 30th Street Bridge Preservation Project; and providing for the payment of the costs thereof, not to exceed Three Hundred Eight-Four Thousand Four Hundred and One Dollars and Twenty-Four Cents (\$384,401.24).

Attachments: [2022-0128 Cover Letter-Sign_30th Street Bridge CMD Smith Letter_kal](#)
[Summary 2022-0128](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2022-0129](#) Resolution amending resolution No. 662 of 2019 entitled “Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, and the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to apply for a grant from the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County’s (RAAC) Gaming Economic Development fund for up to \$500,000.00 to provide funding for the construction of a pedestrian bridge at Davis Avenue” to accept the grant and authorize necessary expenditures.

Attachments: [2022-0129 Cover Letter-Sign_Davis Aver Letter - GEDF - amend \(1\)-kal](#)
[Summary 2022-0129](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2022-0130](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh and the Director of the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to receive grant funding from the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission under the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program Funding for the Frankstown Avenue Signal Replacement Project in the amount of THREE MILLION THREE HUNDRED TWENTY TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY NINE (\$3,322,679.00) dollars for this stated purpose.

Attachments: [2022-0130 Cover Letter-Sign_SPC CMAQ Frankstown Ave Letter \(1\) kal](#)
[2022-0130 -CMAQ 2021 Award Letters Frankstown Ave](#)
[Summary 2022-0130](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

[2022-0131](#) Resolution amending resolution No. 659 of 2019 entitled “Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, and the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to apply for a grant from the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County’s (RAAC) Gaming Economic Development fund for up to \$500,000.00 to provide funding for the development of the West End Trolley Trail” to accept the grant and authorize necessary expenditures.

Attachments: [2022-0131 Cover Letter-Sign Trolley Trail Letter - GEDF - amend \(2\) kal Summary 2022-0131](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Public Works

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS:

[2022-0132](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 201 of 2021, entitled “Resolution providing for an Agreement with the Fair Housing Partnership of Greater Pittsburgh, to provide training on the Fair Housing Act to staff of the City of Pittsburgh, Urban Redevelopment Authority, and/or Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh, and to private landlords operating in Pittsburgh; and, to provide quarterly presentations and technical assistance on the Fair Housing Act to staff of the City of Pittsburgh, Urban Redevelopment Authority, and/or Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh, in an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$259,000.00)” to change the funding source for budget years 2022 through 2024 to the CDBG ADMINISTRATION line item.

Attachments: [2022-0132 Cover Letter-Amended Legislation for Fair Housing Partnership Letter 02.17.22_signed Summary 2022-0132](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS:

[2022-0133](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Human Resources and Civil Service to enter into an agreement with Goodwill of Southwestern PA for administrative services related to the 2022 Learn and Earn Summer Youth Employment Program at a cost not to exceed \$200,000.00.

Attachments: [2022-0133 Cover Letter-SignedLtrSummerStaffingLearnandEarn02-10-22 Summary 2022-0133](#)

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Human Resources

[2022-0134](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Human Resources and Civil Service to enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the County of Allegheny and Partner4Work for the shared operation and administration of the 2022 Learn and Earn Summer Youth Employment Program in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00), and for the payment of the costs thereof.

Attachments: [2022-0134 Cover Letter-Signed Ltr Partner4Work Learn and Earn Legislation 02-10-22](#)
[Summary 2022-0134](#)

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

Read and referred to the Committee on Human Resources

COUNCILMAN R. DANIEL LAVELLE PRESENTS:

[2022-0135](#) 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 reducing BRIDGE UPGRADES by \$1,700,000 and increasing 30th STREET BRIDGE by \$1,700,000.

Attachments: [2022-0135 Cover Letter-2021 30th St Bridge Letter 021422 signed](#)
[Summary 2022-0135](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2022-0136](#) Resolution further amending Resolution No. 886 of 2021, effective December 27, 2021, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2022 Capital Budget and the 2022 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2022 through 2027 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing BRIDGE PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION FUND (TIP) by \$800,000 and increasing 30TH STREET BRIDGE (TIP) by \$800,000.

Attachments: [2022-0136 Cover Letter-2022 30th St Bridge Letter 021422 signed](#)
[Summary 2022-0136](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2022-0137](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 713 of 2021, authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance to enter on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh into an Amended Agreement of Sale with Smith & Bowen, and all documents necessary, to purchase 80 Wabash St. along with two vacant parcels adjacent thereto for a total amount not to exceed \$374,000, which includes the purchase price of \$344,000 plus up to \$30,000 in acquisition costs, for the purpose of continued operation of the City's West End Healthy Active Living Center (Senior Center).

Attachments: [2022-0137 Cover Letter-Amended 80 Wabash St Purchase Council Letter Summary 2022-0137](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2022-0138](#) Resolution providing for the sale of certain property, acquired by the City of Pittsburgh at tax sales. ITEMS A through C: A: 2514 Park Hill, B: 1018 Marena, C: 138 Wabash

Attachments: [2022-0138 Cover Letter-Auction_Feb_2022 Council Letter 2022-0138 -Auction_Feb_2022](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2022-0139](#) Resolution repealing items in Resolutions approved on various dates, which authorized the sale of property in various wards of the City of Pittsburgh, due to an incompleteness of sale.
Item A: A: 7110 Race.

Attachments: [2022-0139 Cover Letter-Forfeit_Feb_2022 Council Letter](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

[2022-0140](#) Resolution providing for the conveyance by the City of Pittsburgh of certain property, having been placed for sale to adjoining property owners in conjunction with the City of Pittsburgh Side Yard Program. ITEMS A and B: A: 220 Carver, B: 7127 Race.

Attachments: [2022-0140 Cover Letter-Side Yard_Feb_2022 Council Letter 2022-0140 -Side Yard_Feb_2022](#)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Law

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE - FINAL ACTION

COUNCILMAN ANTHONY COGHILL PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

[2022-0122](#) Report of the Committee on Public Works for February 16, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0086](#) Resolution amending resolution No. 303, effective May 24, 2021, entitled “Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of the Department of Public Works to apply for grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Community Conservation Partnerships Program, to provide funding for the West Penn Playground Reconstruction Project,” to accept the grant and authorize necessary expenditures.

Attachments: [2022-0086 Cover Letter-PW letter](#)

[Summary 2022-0086](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member O'Connor

COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. KRAUS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

[2022-0123](#) Report of the Committee on Human Resources for February 16, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0045](#) Resolution providing that the City of Pittsburgh (“City”) enter into a Memorandum of Agreement(s) and/or Contract(s) with the Corporation for National and Community Service (“CNCS”) for the purpose of obtaining AmeriCorps VISTA members to work with staff from City Departments on strategic projects and research; for a sum not to exceed Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) over three years and for the payment of the costs thereof.

Attachments: [2022-0045 Cover Letter-Council Letter](#)

[Summary 2022-0045](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member O'Connor

COUNCILMAN BOBBY WILSON PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

[2022-0124](#) Report of the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development for February 16, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0064](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 886 of 2021, effective December 27, 2021, entitled “Resolution adopting and approving the 2022 Capital Budget and the 2022 Community Development Block Grant Program, and the 2022 through 2027 Capital Improvement Program” by reducing CDBG PERSONNEL by \$64,750 and increasing CDBG ADMINISTRATION by \$64,750.

Attachments: [2022-0064 Cover Letter-2022 CDBG Admin Xfer Letter 012422 Signed Summary 2022-0064](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member O'Connor

COUNCILMAN REVEREND RICKY V. BURGESS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON URBAN RECREATION

[2022-0125](#) Report of the Committee on Urban Recreation for February 16, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0093](#) Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code, Title Four: Public Places and Property, Article XI: Parks and Playgrounds, Chapter 473: Use Regulations, Section 473.03: Traffic.

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

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

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member O'Connor

COUNCILWOMAN ERIKA STRASSBURGER PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, PERFORMANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT

[2022-0126](#) Report of the Committee on Innovation, Performance and Asset Management for February 16, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0063](#) Resolution amending Resolution #500 of 2020 which authorized the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Finance to enter into a maintenance agreement with OPEX Corporation for maintenance services related to the FalconRED document scanning workstation by exercising the option to extend the term of the agreement for one year at a cost not to exceed ~~Ten Thousand Seven Hundred Ten Dollars and Zero Cents (\$10,710.00)~~ **Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Forty Five Dollars and Zero Cents (\$12,545.00).**

Attachments: [2022-0063 Cover Letter- 2022 Letter OPEX](#)

[Summary 2022-0063](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member O'Connor

COUNCILWOMAN DEBORAH L. GROSS PRESENTS COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[2022-0127](#) Report of the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs for February 16, 2022 with an Affirmative Recommendation.

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

[2022-0059](#) Resolution amending Resolution 470 of 2019, that originally authorized 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 Port Authority of Allegheny County, Allegheny County, and the Urban Redevelopment Authority concerning the Bus Rapid Transit Project; to now through an amendment to the aforementioned Cooperation Agreement authorize appropriation of an amount not to exceed twelve million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$12,800,000) for use in the Bus Rapid Transit Project and to authorize certain property transfers, easements, vacations, dedications, and right-of-way encroachments with the Port Authority of Allegheny County necessary for completion of the Bus Rapid Transit Project.

Attachments: [2022-0059 Cover Letter-Sign_BRT Coop Amendment Letter,](#)
[Letterhead_kal](#)
[2022-0059 -BRT Leg Exhibit A](#)
[2022-0059 -BRT Leg Exhibit B](#)
[2022-0059 -BRT Leg Exhibit C](#)
[2022-0059 -BRT Leg Exhibit D](#)
[2022-0059 BRT-ExhibitE-Map](#)
[2022-0059 BRT-ExhibitF-Map](#)
[2022-0059 BRT-ExhibitG-Maps](#)
[Summary 2022-0059](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Waived under the Rules of Council to verbally amend the bill. The motion carried.

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

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

Aye: 8 - Council Member Burgess, Council Member Coghill, Council Member Gross, Council Member Kraus, Council Member Lavelle, Council Member Kail-Smith, Council Member Strassburger, and Council Member Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Out of Room: 1 - Council Member O'Connor

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION PRESENTED BY SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER