



# City of Pittsburgh

## Meeting Minutes

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Wednesday, September 14, 2022

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

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### STANDING COMMITTEES AGENDA

#### ROLL CALL

**Present** 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

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

**Naomi Mullen**  
**Dr. Ronald Lynn Miller**  
**Yvonne Brown**  
**Bernadette**

#### FINANCE AND LAW COMMITTEE, MR. LAVELLE, CHAIR

#### DEFERRED PAPERS

[2022-0677](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Office of Management and Budget, the Department of City Planning, the Department of Finance, the Department of Innovation & Performance, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Public Safety, and the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh to temporarily address the public health emergency of homelessness in the City of Pittsburgh and to provide for policies and programs to address the lack of affordable housing, and their consequent contribution to chronic homelessness as directed herein until more permanent solutions can be implemented.

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

**CO-SPONSOR /S:** Council Member Wilson and Council Member Coghill

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Finance and Law , due back by 10/5/2022. The motion carried.**

[2022-0653](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Natasha Bruce and her attorneys, Jack Goodrich and Associates, P.C., 429 Fourth Avenue, Suite 900, Pittsburgh PA 15219, in the amount of Two Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$230,000.00 USD) relating to the full and final settlement of a case filed in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas at G.D. 17-001241.

*(Executive Session held 9/13/22)*

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

[2022-0655](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of O'Brien, Coleman & Wright, LLC, Oliver Building, 535 Smithfield Street, Suite 1025, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, in the amount of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars and no cents (\$450,000.00) relating to the full and final settlement of a litigation, including attorney's fees and costs, filed at No. 2:19-cv-00805 in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

*(Executive Session held 9/13/22)*

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

## NEW PAPERS

[2022-0711](#)

Resolution amending Resolution No. 862 of 2021, which authorized the Mayor and the City Solicitor, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a professional services agreement with Cohen Law Group to address a matter of pending telecommunications litigation at USDC 2:21-cv-443, by increasing the total spend by \$85,000.00 for a new not exceed amount of \$146,050.00.

*(Executive Session Requested)*

**A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.**

[2022-0712](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of Mary DeCort-Rhodes and Frischman & Rizza, P.C., 7300 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15208, in the amount of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$125,000.00) in full and final settlement of litigation filed at Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas No. GD 17-014401.

*(Executive Session Requested)*

**A motion was made that this matter be Held for Executive Session. The motion carried.**

[2022-0713](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a warrant in favor of B-Three Solutions, in the amount of Forty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Dollars and Zero Cents (\$49,860.00) for the Parks Tax integration into the old real estate system.

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

[2022-0714](#)

Resolution providing for the sale of certain property, acquired by the City of Pittsburgh at tax sales. ITEMS A through E: A: 136 Bodkin Street, B: 1232 Butterfield Way, C: 236 E Jefferson St, D: 3820 Perrysville Ave, E: 3516 Brighton Rd

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

[2022-0715](#)

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 through EE: A: 3362 Webster Avenue, B: 921 Anaheim Street, C: 3718 Woolslayer Way, D: 723 N Mathilda Street, E: 0 Schenley Avenue, F: 128 N Winebiddle Street, G: 6208 Huntress Street, H: 649 Paulson Avenue, I: 219 Mayflower Street, J: 0 Silverdale Street, K: 8155 Conemaugh Street, L: 154 Hazelwood Avenue, M: 156 Hazelwood Avenue, N: 521 Sylvania Avenue, O: 301 Cedarhurst Street, P: 1546 Methyl Street, Q: 215 Fairview Ave, R: 1117 Island Avenue, S: 1119 Island Avenue, T: 947 Itin Street, U: 1022 Salter Way, V: 951 Itin Street, W: 1202 Seidle Street, X: 1544 Rhine Street, Y: 1548 Rhine Street, Z: 1918 Perrysville Avenue, AA: 1727 Warren Street, BB: 2445 Snyder Street, CC: 3604 Pennsylvania Avenue, DD: 3567 Elmhurst Avenue, EE: 1143 Mitchell Street

**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 14th, 2022 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/ CITY CLERK**

**Murray, James – Zoom subscription (Dist. 7) 37.65**

**Sheraden HAL center – donation for Super Bingo (Dist. 2) 200.00**

**Venom Ball Hockey – Draft tournament donation (Dist. 2) 200.00**

**Pennsylvania Resources Council – donation for Garbage Olympics (Dist. 2)  
500.00**

**Maribello, Lori – reimbursement for food for meeting (Dist. 2) 53.05**

**COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS**

**Global Wordsmiths – Arabic translation services 261.64**

**LAW**

**Magna Legal Services – certified transcripts 2,013.90**

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY**

**Dave Purchase Project – harm reduction supplies 4,996.76**

**PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION**

**Observatory Hill Inc. –items for Observatory Hill National Night Out 1,000.00**

**25 Carrick Ave. project – items for Carrick Community Day 965.45**

**Abreu, Maria Elizabeth –performer for Reservoir of Jazz 650.00**

## **EMS**

**Home City Ice Company – bags of ice 254.25**

**Penn Township Ambulance – EMS coverage (Pitt game) 1,021.83**

**Weigle, Drake – EMS coverage (Pitt game) 470.09**

**Leslie, Thomas -- EMS coverage (Pitt game) 470.09**

**Landman, Anastasia -- EMS coverage (Pitt game) 288.75**

**Orton, Jason -- EMS coverage (Pitt game) 470.09**

**Monroeville Volunteer Fire Company #4 -- EMS coverage (Pitt game) 2,641.54**

## **POLICE**

**Bear Com – motorcycle helmet kits 914.04**

**Tri-Tech Forensics – evidence collection supplies 2,545.90**

**Holzer Specialities LLC – parts for undercover car 2,640.00**

## **FIRE**

**Kleen-Line Service Co Inc. – disposal of waste oil from tools 101.20**

**ATD American Co – bath towels for firefighters 4,636.80**

**Hydro Test Products – hydrotest supplies 115.72**

**Mr. Magic II LLC – vehicle washings 16.00**

**Brown, Glen – reimbursement for gas charges 93.40**

**Epps, Lisa – reimbursement for supplies for Girls Fire Camp 234.40**

**The Cary Company – unique tools and parts for HAZMAT team 600.00**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**Sonitrol Security Systems – upgrades for alarms and fire systems at rec. centers  
2,675.00**

**PARKS AND RECREATION**

**Lacaria, Aldene – tennis instructor 500.00**

**Paull, Mark – tennis instructor 451.00**

**Haffner, Mark -- tennis instructor 165.00**

**Parks, Richard -- tennis instructor 770.00**

**Stanislawczyk, Michael Patrick II -- tennis instructor 66.00**

**Hassan, Shan -- tennis instructor 243.00**

**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 33-2022](#) P-Cards

**PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES COMMITTEE, MR. KRAUS, CHAIR****SUPPLEMENTAL - NEW PAPERS**[2022-0733](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Director of Public Safety, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, to enter into a Police Traffic Services Grant Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, Division of Highway Safety, for the purpose of receiving funds in the amount of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND NINETY-ONE CENTS (\$174,468.91) that will be used for enforcement of drunk and impaired driving as well as related outreach activities.

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

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, MR. COGHILL, CHAIR****DEFERRED PAPERS**[2022-0476](#)

Resolution granting a vacation of an unopened portion of Bryant Street, laid out in the Morningside Manor Plan of Lots, as recorded in P.B.V. 31 Pg. 2, in the 11th Ward, ~~6th~~ **7th** Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

**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 Works . The motion carried.**

**NEW PAPERS**[2022-0708](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections to apply for TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND (\$250,000.00) dollars in grant funding from the Allegheny County Department of Community and Economic Development, through its Act 152 Blight Removal Program, in order to fund the demolition of 1613 Broadway Avenue. In the event the grant is awarded, the parties plan to subsequently enter into a grant agreement (to be authorized by separate legislation) for the final awarded dollar amount for this stated purpose.

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

[2022-0709](#)

Resolution granting a vacation of an unopened portion of Bobby Way, laid out in the Summer Hill Terrace Plan (#2328), as recorded in P.B.V. 40 Pg. 476, in the 26th Ward, 1st Council District of the City of Pittsburgh.

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

**HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, MRS. STRASSBURGER, CHAIR****NEW PAPERS**

[2022-0716](#) Resolution amending Resolution No. 773 of 2017 (effective February 10, 2017), which authorized the City of Pittsburgh to enter into a Professional Service Agreement(s) with Rulis & Bochicchio, LLC for the purpose of providing legal services in connection with the defense of certain workers' compensation matters and claims brought against the city, by increasing the cost by \$900,000.00 for 3 additional years of services.

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

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

[2022-0661](#) Resolution accepting a new street name, WOODRING COURT in the Twenty-Third Ward of the City of Pittsburgh as per recommendation by the City of Pittsburgh Addressing Committee (CPAC). The following street name was approved by CPAC in June 2022. The name listed in this ordinance shall be made official in accordance with the Pittsburgh Code, Title Four, Public Places and Property, Chapter 420 Uniform Street Naming and Addressing.

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Land Use and Economic Development, due back by 9/28/2022. The motion carried.**

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

[2022-0691](#) Resolution authorizing the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh to acquire all the City's Right, Title and Interest, if any, in and to the following Publicly-Owned properties in the 15th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh designated in the Deed Registry Office of Allegheny County as Block 56-K, Lots 65-A and 67 (35 and 39 W Elizabeth Street - Council District No. 5).

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs, due back by 9/21/2022. The motion carried.**

**DEFERRED PAPERS**



[2022-0641](#)

Resolution of the city of Pittsburgh adopting an amendment to the Steel Valley Authority's Articles of Incorporation to decrease the number of members of the Board of Directors of the Authority

**A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs, due back by 9/21/2022. The motion carried.**