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Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor or his designee to include detailed information of various informational documents in an easily accessible, centralized place on the City's website, for viewing by the general public, with all documents provided in a searchable format.

Whereas, the Pittsburgh City Council recognizes the importance and the need for an open and transparent government to serve its residents; and

Whereas, City Council is committed to transparency in the conduct of the public's business.

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor or his designee are hereby authorized and directed to include the following information and documents in an easily accessible, centralized place on the City's website, with all documents provided in a searchable format, as resources allow, as follows:

1. Contact information, including name, department or office, job title, mailing address, telephone number, and an electronic contact method for all City <u>of Pittsburgh employees</u> Council members;

2. Contact information for the Mayor and each City department;

3. 2. A listing of all other City Boards, Authorities and Commissions, and the names of those appointed to serve on the same;

4. <u>3.</u> An annual meeting schedule and monthly calendar for all meetings of the City Council and City Boards, Authorities and Commissions;

5. <u>4.</u> Agendas and minutes of all open sessions of City Council meetings and City Board, Authority and Commission meetings, and video recordings of all open sessions of City Council meetings, to remain available on the City's website for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of the meeting;

6. By July 1, 2016, video recordings of all City Planning Commission, Historic Review Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment and Urban Redevelopment Authority meetings, to take place weekdays at or after 6:00 p.m. when street parking downtown is free of charge and the majority of residents are off of work and able to attend, to remain available on the City's website for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of the meeting and to be broadcast on City Channel Pittsburgh;

5. By July 1, 2016, the Mayor's office shall provide City Council with a report and recommendation on the feasibility of video recordings of all City Planning Commission, Historic Review Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment and Urban Redevelopment Authority meetings, to remain available on the City's website for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of the meeting and to be broadcast on City Channel Pittsburgh, and the feasibility of such meetings taking place weekdays at or after 6:00 p.m. when street parking downtown is free of charge and the majority of residents are off of work and able to attend;

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7. <u>6.</u> The name, department, job title, mailing address, telephone number, and an electronic contact method for the City's Open Records Officers, along with the mailing address and electronic submission method for Right to Know requests;

8. 7. The detailed City capital and operating budgets for the current fiscal year, along with the detailed budgets for a minimum of five prior fiscal years;

9. 8. A link to the Office of the City Controller's webpage listing the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Popular Annual Financial Report, to remain available for a minimum of five years after the City Controller presents the Audited Financial Report to the City Council;

10. 9. A bi-monthly report that includes, where applicable, bills processed for all City funds presented within the City's financial statements, including the name of the payee, the amount of expenditure, and the line item and/or account number, to remain on the City's website for a minimum of five years after City Council approval;

11. 10. A link to the Open Book Pittsburgh webpage; copies of current union contracts for all bargaining units; and a section on the City's procurement services, including how to do business with the City and any current request for proposals or bidding opportunities offered by the City or its Boards, Authorities or Commissions; and

12. 11. Information on the City's taxes and fees, to be updated to coincide with any changes to existing local taxes and/or rate changes.