



CITY OF PITTSBURG AGENDA

JANUARY 13, 2025

**CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER
65 CIVIC AVENUE, PITTSBURG, CA**

**SPECIAL MEETING
7:00 P.M.**

CITY COUNCIL

PRESIDING

**Jelani Killings, Mayor/Chair
Dionne Adams, Vice-Mayor/Chair
Angelica Lopez, Council Member/Board Member
Juan Antonio Banales, Council Member/Board Member
Vacant, Council Member/Board Member**

Pittsburg City Council regular meetings are held the first and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m. The Housing Authority meets in conjunction with the City Council on the third Monday of each month. The Pittsburg City Council meets regularly in the Council Chamber at 65 Civic Avenue, unless otherwise noted above. The City Council also sits as the Board of Directors of several other City agencies. The stipends for all agency members conform to state statutes governing compensation amounts. All other Agencies meet on an as needed basis and will be listed above if applicable. Copies of the open session agenda packets, which are distributed to the City Council, are on file in the office of the City Clerk, 65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburg, California, and are available for public inspection, beginning 72 hours in advance, during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except from noon to 1:00 p.m. and City holidays). The agenda and reports are also located on the City's website at www.pittsburgca.gov. Additionally, if any reports or documents, which are public records, are distributed to the City Council less than 72 hours before the meeting, those reports and documents will also be available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office and on the day of the meeting in the Council Chamber at the public counter area below the dais.

7: 00 PM - CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION FOR SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the audience who wish to address the City Council or Agency Boards on issues that are not scheduled for the agenda and on any items listed as part of the Consent Calendar should complete a Speaker's Card available at the dais. Please read the card carefully in order to fill out the card properly. Submit the completed card to the City Clerk before the item is called, preferably before the meeting begins. Individuals will be given three minutes to address the Council unless additional time is allowed as provided for spokespersons. Prior to speaking, each member of the public shall state their name and business and City of residence in a clear and audible tone of voice. (No Action Required)

CONSIDERATION

1. Adoption of a Minute Order Appointing a City Council Member to Fill One Vacant Council Seat

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ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY APPOINTED OFFICER

COUNCIL MEMBER REMARKS

Council Members may make brief announcements or informal comments at this time. (No Action Required)

ADJOURNMENT TO JANUARY 21, 2025

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

GENERAL INFORMATION

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

Persons who wish to speak on Public Hearings listed on the agenda will be heard when the Public Hearing is opened, except on Public Hearing items previously heard and closed to public comment. After the public has commented, the item is closed to public comment and brought to the Council/Agency level for discussion and action. Further comment from the audience will not be received unless requested by the Council/Agency.

There is a 90-day limit for the filing of a challenge in the Superior Court to certain City administrative decisions and orders which require a hearing by law, the receipt of evidence, and the exercise of discretion. The 90-day limit begins on the date the decision is final (Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6). Further, if you challenge an action taken by the City Council in court, you may be limited, by California law, including but not limited to Government Code Section 65009, to raising only those issues you or someone else raised in the public hearing, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council prior to or at the public hearing. The City Council may be requested to reconsider a decision if the request is made prior to the next City Council meeting, regardless of whether it is a regular or special meeting.

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City Council Agency/Liaison/Subcommittee Assignments as of December 17, 2024

OUTSIDE AGENCY BOARDS	COUNCIL MEMBER(S)	TYPE	MEETS	TIME	STAFF
ABAG	Dionne Adams / Jelani Killings Alternate	Standing	Annual		G. Evans
Delta Diablo*	Juan Banales / Vacant Alternate	Standing	2nd Wednesday	4:30 PM	J. Samuelson
East Co. Co. County Habitat Conservancy	Angelica Lopez / Juan Banales Alternate	Standing	4th Monday Bi-Monthly	2:00 PM	J. Davis
East County Water Management	Juan Banales / Jelani Killings Alternate	Standing	Annual		J. Samuelson
MCE Clean Energy Board	Vacant / Angelica Lopez Alternate	Standing	Quarterly	7:00 PM	D. Buchanan
TRANSPLAN / ECCRFFA	Vacant / Juan Banales Alternate	Standing	2nd Thursday	6:30 PM	J. Samuelson
Tri-Delta Transit (2 reps)**	Vacant & Dionne Adams / Jelani Killings Alternate	Standing	4th Wednesday	4:00 PM	J. Samuelson

LIAISON TO	COUNCIL MEMBER(S)	TYPE	MEETS	TIME	STAFF
East Bay League of California Cities	Vacant / Jelani Killings Alternate	Standing	3rd Thursday		G. Evans
Los Medanos Health Advisory Committee	Vacant & Jelani Killings	Ad Hoc	As needed		M. Aliotti
Mayor's Conference	Juan Banales / Jelani Killings Alternate	Standing	1st Thursday	6:30 PM	G. Evans
Pittsburg Police Activities League (PAL)	Vacant & Angelica Lopez / Dionne Adams Alternate	Standing	Monthly		S. Albanese
School Districts Committee (2x2)	Jelani Killings & Angelica Lopez / Dionne Adams Alternate	Standing	Quarterly		M. Aliotti

SUBCOMMITTEES	COUNCIL MEMBER(S)	TYPE	MEETS	TIME	STAFF
Budget Sustainability	Juan Banales & Jelani Killings	Ad Hoc	As needed		G. Evans
Community and Economic Development	Jelani Killings & Dionne Adams / Juan Banales Alternate	Standing	2nd Wednesday	5:00 PM	J. Davis
Facilities Rental and Usage	Jelani Killings & Dionne Adams	Ad Hoc	As needed		G. Evans
Finance Management	Juan Banales & Jelani Killings / Shanelle Scales-Preston Alternate	Standing	3rd Friday	4:00 PM	P. Rodrigues
Government Performance	Juan Banales & Jelani Killings	Ad Hoc	4th Friday	4:00 PM	J. Brizel
Green Empowerment Zone	Dionne Adams/ Jelani Killings Alternate	Standing	3rd Friday monthly	9:30 AM	J. Davis
Infrastructure and Transportation	Vacant & Dionne Adams / Juan Banales Alternate	Standing	4th Thursday	5:30 PM	J. Samuelson
Life Enrichment	Dionne Adams & Angelica Lopez / Shanelle Scales-Preston Alternate	Standing	3rd Wednesday	5:30 PM	K. Simonton
Pittsburg Arts and Community Foundation	Vacant & Jelani Killings	Standing	As needed		K. Simonton
Public Safety	Vacant & Angelica Lopez / Jelani Killings Alternate	Standing	1st Wednesday	5:30 PM	S. Albanese
Tobacco, Cannabis, Alcohol Policy Review	Vacant & Jelani Killings	Ad Hoc	As needed		G. Evans

*Stipend of \$170 per month

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**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
65 Civic Avenue
Pittsburg, CA 94565**

TO: Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Garrett Evans, City Manager

SUBJECT: Adoption of a Minute Order Appointing a City Council Member to Fill One Vacant Council Seat

MEETING DATE: January 13, 2025

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council appoint a candidate to fill the vacant seat.

BACKGROUND

On December 17, 2024, the City Clerk's Office received a written resignation notice from former City Council Member Shanelle Scales-Preston. As opposed to holding a special election, which could cost the City's taxpayers over \$700,000, the City Council opted to appoint a member of the public, which is less costly and can be done more expeditiously, minimizing the time the seat remains vacant.

The application window opened on December 18, 2024 and closed on Thursday, January 2, 2025, at 12:00 pm.

SUBCOMMITTEE FINDINGS

This item was not presented to a subcommittee.

STAFF ANALYSIS

23 qualified applicants were scheduled to interview on January 6, 2025. However, only 18 were present.

Out of the 18 who were interviewed in alphabetical order by last name, the following 4 advanced to the second round:

1. Wolfgang Croskey
2. Joanna Marie Hernandez
3. Arlene Kobata
4. Robert Lewis

During the second round of interviews, the 4 finalists, in alphabetical order by last name, were asked two questions by each presiding City Council Member. It is recommended that the current City Council appoint the fifth member during the January 13, 2025 meeting. The appointee will hold office through November 2026.

Report Prepared By: Melaine Venenciano, Director of City Clerk Services