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Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Directors of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Human Resources and Civil Service Commission (HRCS) and Department of Public Works (DPW) to take all necessary steps and/or enter into an agreement or agreements with qualified entities on such terms as are necessary to alleviate the critical shortage of stationary engineers in the city's workforce.

WHEREAS, stationary engineers operate, maintain and repair industrial machinery, critical to the proper functioning of large building such as the City-County Building and other city-owned government buildings; and,

WHEREAS, for many years following the City's entry into Act 47, the city has had a single stationary engineer in its workforce, leaving a critical role unsupported in the case of illness or emergency; **and**,

WHEREAS, the City of Pittsburgh has a shortage of stationary engineers; and,

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the need to immediately address this shortage of qualified stationary engineers, and has begun the process of addressing the need, and the City cannot wait to address heating, cooling and other building systems in its buildings and facilities; **and**,

WHEREAS, City Council recognizes the urgent nature of this issue and hereby declares, pursuant to § 318 of the Charter the existence of an urgent need requiring immediate legislative action.

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

<u>Section 1.</u> The Mayor and the Directors of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Department of Human Resources and Civil Service Commission (HRCS) and Department of Public Works (DPW) are hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary steps and/or enter into an agreement or agreements with qualified entities on such terms as are necessary to alleviate the critical shortage of stationary engineers in the city's workforce.

<u>Section 2.</u> The Mayor and the Directors of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and Department of Public Works (DPW) are further authorized to enter into an agreement or agreements with other political subdivisions of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or quasi-public agencies, school districts or authorities on such terms and conditions as are necessary to mitigate short-term operational issues due to the lack of stationary engineers in the City workforce.

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Section 3. Said Agreement or Agreements shall be approved by the City Solicitor as to form.

<u>Section 4.</u> The Controller is hereby authorized and directed to encumber the funds for each agreement or contract upon execution of said agreements or contracts from the following JD Edwards accounts: 4000280070.54201.00 (Parks Tax Trust Fund) and 11101.450000.54.54201.2025 (DPW Bureau of Facilities). Given the urgent nature of this Resolution, no prior competitive process shall be required for an agreement pursuant to this Resolution provided that the vendor, vendors, firm or firms utilize unionized stationary engineers, or, pursuant to Section 2, the City enters into agreements with a political subdivision, school district, authority or other quasi-governmental entity.

<u>Section 5.</u> The Mayor and the Directors of the Office of Management and Budget, Department of Human Resources and Civil Service Commission (HRCS) and the Department of Public Works are hereby authorized and directed to make any necessary budgetary and/or position adjustments or salary increases required to increase the number of stationary engineers in the City's employ.

<u>Section 6.</u> Any Resolution or Ordinance or part thereof conflicting with the provisions of this Resolution is hereby repealed so far as the same affects this Resolution.