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Title: Resolution authorizing the taking, appropriating, and condemning by the City of Pittsburgh of certain easements necessary for the completion of temporary construction work for sidewalk construction and associated miscellaneous work for public transportation purposes through eminent domain and further authorizing the payment of just compensation and necessary and incidental acquisition costs related thereto for the Liberty Avenue HSIP project at an amount not to exceed One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00), reimbursable at eighty percent.

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Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
12/18/2025	1	Mayor	Signed by the Mayor	
12/16/2025	1	City Council	Passed Finally	Pass
12/10/2025	1	Standing Committees	Affirmatively Recommended	Pass
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WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Eminent Domain Code, 26 Pa. C.S. § 101 et seq., authorizes the City of Pittsburgh to take by eminent domain private property for a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania General Municipal Law, 53 P.S. § 1081, authorizes the City of Pittsburgh to take by eminent domain private property for roadway purposes; and

WHEREAS, the roadway along Liberty Avenue, from 11th Street to Herron Avenue, a public street, is in need of safety improvements that include updated traffic signals and sidewalk amenities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pittsburgh is currently managing a project intended to reconstruct the traffic signals, sidewalks and associated miscellaneous work along this stretch of Liberty Avenue (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, a property owner has been unable to reach agreement on the terms of the easements; therefore, the City must commence a taking by eminent domain as necessary for advancement of the Project.

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

Section 1. The City of Pittsburgh is hereby authorized to take through eminent domain for public safety and public highway purposes, pursuant to applicable law including but not limited to 26 Pa. C.S. § 101 et seq., and 53 P.S. § 1081, certain required right-of-way and temporary construction easements over property designated as Parcel 25-P-275, Parcel 10-A-190, and Parcel 10-A-191 (owned by The Buncher Company) as further demarcated in and for the purpose further described in Exhibit “A”, as necessary to complete the Project.

Section 2. The cost and expense of any or all of the aforementioned potential condemnations, including but not limited to payment of estimated just compensation, shall be in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00) in aggregate and is hereby authorized and shall be chargeable and payable from the following accounts:

JDE JOB No.	JDE Fund	Budget Year	Amount	Source
6090100425	40114	2025	\$144,000.00	FHWA
6090100325	40025	2025	\$36,000.00 00 0	Bond
		Total:	\$180,000.00	