

City of Hazleton Government Study Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, June 17, 2026

Time 5:00 PM

Location: City Hall, Conference Room A, Hazleton

Call to Order

This meeting was called to order at 5:07 PM by Allison Keegan, Chairwoman.

Roll Call

Allison Keegan, Chairperson - Present

Rossanna Gabriel, Vice Chairperson - Present

Philip Bonafair - Present

Thomas Bruno – Absent

Jeffrey Cusat – Present

Joseph Yannuzzi –Present

Joseph Zeller III –Present

PEL Consultants Gerald Cross; Senior Research Fellow; Patty Moorhead, Director of Financial and Data Analytics; Fred Reddig, Consultant

Solicitor Sean Logsdon

Recording Secretary Christine Galuska

Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and moment of silence was observed.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of June 3, 2026, meeting minutes. Motion made by Gabriel, seconded by Yannuzzi. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Invoices

None

Courtesy of the Floor (On Agenda Items Only)

None

Old Business

None

New Business

PEL Consultants

PEL Consultants presented and discussed a Transition Article and Accountability, Conduct, and Ethics Article. Commissioners engaged in discussion and shared their perspectives. Updated drafts of these articles will be provided. It was stated that PEL can now begin to prepare a completed draft of the charter.

Solicitor Sean Logsdon

The Solicitor reviewed and explained several edits he plans to propose regarding the Contract Article. The proposed revisions will be provided to the Commissioners for further review and discussion at the next meeting.

Public Comments

David Dominguez-David stated that the City website is currently not working. He asked whether a transition committee, including GSC members, could be used to enforce changes to the Charter. He also asked if City assets would be discussed further and whether boards such as a Police Board or Fire Board could be created to provide oversight. David expressed support for an orientation process for newly elected officials and stated that he understands employees' concerns regarding job security. His questions were addressed.

Member Comments

None

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:31 PM by Cusat, seconded by Yannuzzi. The motion carries.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Hazleton Government Study Commission will take place on Wednesday, June 24, 2026 at 5:00 PM, on the 2nd floor of Hazleton City Hall.