William Peduto was elected to the office of Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh in the General Election on November 5, 2013 and took office in January of 2014. Prior to taking office, he worked for 19 years on Pittsburgh City Council - seven years as a staffer then twelve years as a Member of Council. As a Councilman, Bill Peduto wrote the most comprehensive package of government reform legislation in Pittsburgh’s history. He strengthened the Ethics Code, created the city’s first Campaign Finance Limits, established Lobbyist Disclosure and Lobbyist Registration and ended No-Bid Contracts. As Mayor, Bill Peduto continues to champion the protection and enhancement of Pittsburgh’s new reputation - maintaining fiscal responsibility, establishing community-based development plans, embracing innovative solutions and becoming a leader in green initiatives.

The Peduto administration is committed to modernizing city government and implementing leading practices to provide taxpayers with an efficient, effective, transparent, and a more accountable government. Under Peduto’s leadership, the City of Pittsburgh has experienced a complete transformation of the city’s procurement process; the reorganization of the Department of Permits, Licenses & Inspections; a commitment to developing a long-term maintenance and investment plan for the City’s assets; and technological upgrades including a GPS based Snow Plow Tracker website, 311 Resource Center mobile app, and an interactive street paving website. Setting priorities around strengthening Pittsburgh’s 90 communities, Peduto established the Bureau of Neighborhood Empowerment to promote the City's role in housing, small business, and education; led the development of the city's land bank; and championed the creation of a neighborhood-strengthening Rental Registration program.

Since taking office, Mayor Peduto has led a collaborative effort to make Pittsburgh a leading 21st Century city. The Peduto administration has partnered with the White House on numerous initiatives, resulting in direct access to federal support related to affordable housing, education, economic development, energy efficiency, immigration, manufacturing, community policing, workforce development and technology. Under Peduto’s leadership the City of Pittsburgh has played an active role in National League of Cities and U.S. Conference of Mayors initiatives. Pittsburgh was recently selected to join the Rockefeller Foundation network’s 100 Resilient Cities, which provides resources to improve city resilience in the face of climate change, globalization and urbanization trends. Mayor Peduto also signed a unique agreement with the U.S. Department of Energy to make the city a world leader in district energy production. Mayor
Peduto is a founding member of the MetroLab Network, a national alliance of cities and universities committed to providing analytically based solutions to improve urban infrastructure, services, and other public sector priorities.