

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 34 - 2022

MAY 18, 2022

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2022 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) from Capital Project 1912 – Traffic Signal Modernization to Capital Project 20000 – Traffic Signal Adaptive System to provide the additional funds needed to complete the Downtown Traffic Signal Adaptive System project installation and the construction inspection.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN:

SECTION ONE: That the City Council authorizes a transfer in the amount of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) Dollars as follows:

FROM

Traffic Signal Modernization

001-03-1912-2001-76

Construction Contracts

\$ 50,000

TO

Traffic Signal Adaptive System

001-03-2000-2001-76

Construction Contracts

\$ 50,000

SECTION TWO: That this Ordinance takes effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION THREE: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

LEGISLATIVE TEMPLATE

- **What Department or bureau is Bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?**

Public Works - Traffic Planning & Control

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

Transfer of \$50,000 from Capital Account 1912 (Traffic Signal Modernization) to Capital Account 2000 (Traffic Signal Adaptive System) is needed to complete the Downtown Traffic Signal Adaptive System project installation and the construction inspection. When Bid 2022-13 Traffic Signal Improvements was bid, the cost came in higher than anticipated.

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish**
 - **What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this**
 - **How does this Bill related to the City's Vision/Mission/Priorities**

With Bid 2022-13 for the Traffic Signal Improvements, the lowest bid amount came in much higher than anticipated. The original estimate was done in 2018 when the City applied for the Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF) Grant. Because of Covid it took longer than normal three year time frame. The City requested and received an extension in 2021 to complete the project by the end of 2022.

Bid 2022-13 is to complete 20 intersections with the Traffic Adaptive System and adding them to the GPS preemption along with construction inspection. In addition, there were 35 intersections completed in 2014 as part of the PPL Center Opening that will also be added to the GPS preemption.

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
 - **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

Transfer \$50,000 from Capital Account 1912 (Traffic Signal Modernization) to Capital Account 2000 (Traffic Signal Adaptive System) to complete the Downtown Traffic Signal Adaptive System project.

- **Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **If transferring funds, please make sure bill gives specific accounts; if appropriating funds from a grant list the agency awarding the grant.**

Transfer \$50,000 from 001-03-1912-2001-76 to 001-03-2000-1710-76

- **Priority status/Deadlines, if any**

This project needs to be completed by the end of the year.

- **Why should Council unanimously support this bill?**

When this project is completed it will help to make a better traffic flow through the downtown and make it much safer for pedestrians to cross the intersections.