

ORDINANCE NO. 16053

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 81 - 2024

SEPTEMBER 4, 2024

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2024 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Nine Hundred Twenty Thousand Eight Hundred (\$920,800) Dollars from American Forests under the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service to support Urban Forestry in the City.

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

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes an increase to the unappropriated balance of the 2024 Capital Fund in the amount of Nine Hundred Twenty Thousand Eight Hundred (\$920,800) Dollars from the American Forests as follows:

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| 001-7143 | Federal Aid | \$ 920,800.00 |
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SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation from the unappropriated balance of the Capital Fund as follows:

**Parks Department
Urban Forestry**

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| 001-08-2226-2411-46 | Other Contract Services | \$ 790,000.00 |
| 001-08-2226-2411-68 | Other Materials & Supplies | \$ 130,800.00 |

SECTION THREE: That this Ordinance will take effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

| | Yea | Nay |
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| Candida Affa | X | |
| Ce-Ce Gerlach | X | |
| Daryl Hendricks | X | |
| Santo Napoli | X | |
| Natalie Santos | X | |
| Ed Zucal | X | |
| Cynthia Y. Mota, Pres. | X | |
| TOTAL | 7 | 0 |

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council on September 18, 2024 and signed by the Mayor on September 23, 2024.



 CITY CLERK

Legislative Template

- What department or bureau is this bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?

Parks and Recreation

- Summary and facts of the bill.

The purpose of this ordinance is to appropriate the revenue and expenses for the American Forests grant for Urban Forestry in the City. City received a \$920,800 grant to support this project.

- Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. What does the bill do? What are the specific goals or tasks the bill seeks to accomplish?

The bill appropriates the grant funds, which will support Urban Forestry in the City.

- b. What are the benefits of doing this?

No matching funds required; waiver was received. The funding comes from American Forests.

- Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. If transferring funds, please make sure to give specific account names and numbers. If appropriating funds from a grant, please list the agency awarding the grant.

American Forests – funds coming from US Dept of Agriculture, Forest Service to American Forests

001-7143 (Increases the unappropriated balance of the Capital Fund)

001-08-2226-2411-46 & 001-08-2226-2411-68 (appropriate to the Urban Forestry project)

- Priority status – Are there any deadlines to be aware of?

No.

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

The Parks and Recreation Department along with Public Works is finding new and creative projects to better engage with Allentonians. Approving this allocation of funds will allow the Departments to create more tree equity throughout the city.