



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. 145

RESOLUTION

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*Introduced by the Administration on December 2, 2020*

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**Authorizes encroachment for installing enhanced bus stops at various locations in front of Westminster Village (Hanover/N. Wahneta location per attached), request is from LANTA, request is before you per the 1/3<sup>rd</sup> rule.**

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***Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That***

**WHEREAS**, Article 903.02, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Allentown, relating to Permanent Obstructions, specifies the criterion and conditions under which permissible encroachments such as steps, porches, planters, fences, building projections, and service structures shall be permitted in the public right-of-way; and

**WHEREAS**, permissible encroachments may not exceed 1/3 of the sidewalk area measured from the property line and may not reduce the width of the abutting sidewalk to less than five feet; all locations must be walked with a City representative for final locations and

**WHEREAS**, permanent obstructions not permitted under the above criterion or approved by the Bureau of Building and Standards, including plans and permits may be permitted upon the expressed approval of Council in the form of a resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, such encroachments shall not impede or endanger the free flow of pedestrian or vehicular traffic; adversely affect the passage of light or air to adjoining properties; adversely affect in any other manner the health, safety or welfare of adjoining property owners or the public in general; or represent a significant variance from the number or size of encroachments existing in the immediate block area; and

**WHEREAS**, Westminster Village at Allentown, the property owner as listed on the attached application, is requesting an encroachment for LANTA to install SolStops (post) located on map attached for council in the public right-of-way, as the Solstop (post) will encroach more than one than (1/3) into the right-of-way; and

**WHEREAS**, Allentown City Council finds that the proposed encroachment will not substantially impact the public right-of-way.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Allentown, approves said encroachment and directs the Mayor to enter into an agreement on behalf of the City allowing the encroachment.

## LEGISLATIVE TEMPLATE

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

Permanent encroachment for installation of installing enhanced bus stop posts between sidewalk and curb at various locations near Hanover Ave and N. Wahneta

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

Enhanced bus stop posts - SolStop manufacturer - locations in the Westminster Village @ Allentown area

- **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**

As this is a heavily traveled transit corridor this will allow a bus stop sign, security lighting and onboard announcements, schedule information and a bench.

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

no cost to City

- **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.**

N/A

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

High priority

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

LANTA is implementing the bus stop enhancements which will provide many of the amenities needed by riders.