

Allentown

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Minutes - Final

Public Safety Committee

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

5:45 PM

Council Chambers

Roll Call: Chair Zucal, Hendricks, Mota

<u>15-7421</u> Bill 121

Amending the 2024 Fire Department budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Forty-One Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Two Dollars and Fifty-Seven Cents (\$41,242.57) from Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Community and Economic Development grant. These funds will be utilized to support the Bomb Squad and ensure disposal of fireworks.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: Bill 121 - Fire DCED Grant Appropriation.docx

Ordinance #16093

Mr. Ed Zucal stated ok, Chief.

Chief Efrain Agosto stated thank you Councilman Zucal. These are monies that are being disbursed throughout the state for Fire Departments for fireworks disposal. This is actually dating back from when they changed the laws, but they also added about a 12 percent tax on top of the purchases so the money that are being gathered and being used to assist fire departments throughout the state with disposable products.

Mr. Ed Zucal asked what kind of equipment. He just has a curiosity.

Chief Efrain Agosto stated that right now, they basically they have the equipment available to them. They are actually able to gather whatever is being confiscated, taken into a bunker and then disposed of. The process is in place for them. They have the availability to do that. That is what it kinds of comes back to assist with some of the funding to be able to maintain the trailer and afford them with the opportunity to do this.

Mr. Ed Zucal asked if there were any questions from his committee members. He asked if there were any questions from the dais. He asked if there were any questions from the public.

A motion was made by Cynthia Mota, seconded by Ed Zucal, that this Bill be forwarded to the full Council.

Adjournment: 5:46 PM