



Allentown

435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, Pa. 18101

Meeting Agenda - Final City Council

Wednesday, August 4, 2021

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

Invocation:

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Courtesy of the Floor

Courtesy and Privilege of the Floor Rules

Please observe the Rules of Council when addressing the body. A full copy of Council Rules can be found on the city website or by email if you contact Council office.

There are multiple opportunities to address Council. Individuals can speak during Courtesy of the Floor (addressing items not on the agenda) and during Bills and Resolutions on Final Passage and Introduction. When given the Floor, please go to the podium and state your name and address. All remarks must be directed towards the presiding officer or council as a body; not a particular Council member or elected official, the audience or city staff. Unless otherwise determined, individuals shall have three minutes to address council and individuals representing a bona-fide group shall have five minutes. Privilege of the Floor will not be extended for personal insults or personal attacks on any individual, name calling or other behavior that is inconsistent with the purpose and intent of conducting official business. Please address council as a body. Refrain from using offensive language, cursing and making noises while other people are speaking. Act with decorum. Remove your hat and turn cell phones off.

(Council Speaking Rules: Members and others given the privilege of the floor will address the Presiding Officer. The Presiding Officer will extend the courtesy to the Councilperson(s) responsible for introducing legislation the opportunity to speak first. Each member will have the right to speak twice on any subject. No Member will be allowed to speak more than twice on any subject without permission of the Presiding Officer. No Member will speak more than three (3) times on the question without the unanimous consent of all the Members present.

Contract Approvals

R115

Authorization for Contract over \$40,000 with All City Management Services in the amount of \$592,207.00. The City seeks to obtain proposals from qualified firms to establish and operate a multi-year contract for Crossing Guard Services, as needed by the City of Allentown.

Attachments: [R115 All City Mgmt](#)

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Communications:

Council President Guridy: City Council held an executive session on July 28 relating to hiring a solicitor.

Old Business

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES:**SPECIAL MEETING: Council President Guridy**

Council had a special meeting on July 28 at 6 PM to review regulations and procedures relating to federal Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, we are working on establishing another one soon.

Budget and Finance: Chair Siegel, Hendricks, Mota

The committee met on July 28th and referred some items on tonight's agenda. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 25th.

CEDC: Chair, Gerlach, Guridy, Affa

The committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for August 11 at 5:30 PM and the agenda items will include the legislation on contracts, a proposal relating to providing employment opportunities for city residents, discussion of inspections legislation as it relates to a pointing system along with the resolution being introduced this evening. .

Human Resources, Administration and Appointments: Chair Affa, Mota, Zucal

The committee has not met since the last council meeting; there are no future meetings scheduled.

Parks and Recreation: Chair Hendricks, Gerlach, Siegel

The committee met this evening; the next meeting is not yet scheduled.

Public Safety: Chair Mota, Hendricks, Zucal

The committee met this evening; the next meeting is not yet scheduled.

Public Works: Chair Zucal, Affa, Siegel

The committee met this evening as did the Water and Sewer Compliance Committee; the next meeting is not yet scheduled.

Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations and Strategy: Chair Guridy, Mota, Hendricks

The committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is not yet scheduled.

Controllers Report**Administration Report**

Controller Report

Attachments: [Bank Rec - issued August 4](#)
 [AP - August 4](#)

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):

Bill 64 Budget and Finance, forwarded favorably - the administration is proposing this amendment to purchase more PPE.

Amends Section One as follows:

Removes:

Emergency Medical Services

000-05-0605-0003-68	Operating Materials and Supplies	-0-
(was \$11,608.11)		

Human Resources

000-06-0603-0001-34	Training and Professional Development	-0-
(was \$11,495)		

Adds:

Risk Management

081-02-8001-0001-68	Operating Materials and Supplies	
\$23,103.11		

Amending the 2021 General Fund budget by transferring Four Hundred Forty-Six Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$446,470.90) from the unappropriated balance of the General Fund to the Fire, EMS and Human Resource Departments for related COVID-19 expenses. In 2020 the City was awarded a COVID-19 grant from the County of Lehigh in the amount of \$1.9M. The original deadline to spend this grant was December 2020; however, the County has since amended the deadline to allow for spending through 2021. A total of \$446,470.90 of the \$1.9M remains to be spent.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 64 2020 LC Covid Grant](#)

Bill 65 Public Works, this evening

Amending the 2021 General Fund by eliminating two (2) Part-Time positions in Building Maintenance and creating one (1) Full-Time position which will allow the Bureau of Building Maintenance to operate more efficiently.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 65 Building Maintenance Reorg](#)

Bill 66 Parks and Recreation, this evening

Amending the 2021 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of One Hundred Thirty Thousand (\$130,000) Dollars from the NRPA and Niagara Bottling Company to support the renovations at Valania Park.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 66 NIAGRA - VALANIA PARK GRANT](#)

Bill 67 Parks and Recreation, this evening
Amending the 2021 Golf Fund budget by transferring Seventy-Three Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Fifty-Two Cents (\$73,632.52) from the unappropriated balance of the Golf Fund to the Equipment Account for the purchase of a new rough mower.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 67 Golf Course Mower](#)

Bill 68 Parks and Recreation, this evening
Amending Article 180B, Council of Youth, by modifying the composition of the board by changing the provision that five members shall be adults and be representative of youth organizations, interests or advocacy to eight and that the Department of Police designate a non-voting designee to the Council.

Sponsors: Guridy, Hendricks, Mota and Administration

Attachments: [Bill 68 Council of Youth Amendment](#)

Bill 69 Public Works, this evening
Amendment to the Traffic Control Maps

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 69 Traffic Control Maps](#)
[Temporary Traffic Regulations Memo](#)

Bill 70 Parks and Recreation, this evening
Amending the 2021 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of Nine Thousand Three Hundred Fifteen Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$9,315.50) as a transfer of funds from Capital Project 2024 – 15th Street Traffic Signal Improvements to Capital Project 1663 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Trail to provide for additional lighting.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 70 CAPITAL PROJECT 1663 TRANSFER](#)

Bill 71 Public Safety, this evening
Amending the 2021 General Fund by funding the Public Safety Analyst position currently budgeted for One (\$1) Dollar in the Police Department budget.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 71 Public Safety Analyst Funding](#)

Bill 73 Public Safety, this evening
Amending the 2021 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Eight Thousand Seventy-Five Dollars and Twenty-Nine Cents (\$8,075.29) from the EMS Council State EMSOF Funds to be used to further prepare for medical emergencies and rebuild supplies from COVID-19.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 73 EMS Council Contribution](#)

CONSENT AGENDA

R116

Diane D. Donaher, Arts Commission, 01-06-2022 (fulfilling the unexpired term of Sharon Glassman)

Attachments: [R116 Appointment Arts Commission - Diane D. Donaher](#)
 [Diane D. Donaher, Arts Commission, 01-06-2022](#)

R117

Deyona Robert, Council of Youth, 08-04-2022

Attachments: [R 117 Appointment Council of Youth - Deyona Robert](#)
 [Deyona Robert, Council of Youth, 08-04-2022](#)

R118

Certificate of Appropriateness for work in the Historic Districts: 1601 Chew Street

Attachments: [R 1601 Chew Street - HARB](#)
 [1601 Chew Street Final Review](#)

R119

Sewage Planning Module at Mother Baby Pavilion

Attachments: [R119 Mother Baby Pavilion - Sewage Planning Module](#)
 [Mother Baby Planning Module](#)

R120

Sewage Planning Module at Walnut View

Attachments: [R120 Walnut View - Sewage Planning Module](#)
 [Walnut View Planning Module](#)

RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):

R121

Authorizes Electronic Access to PennDOT Systems

Attachments: [R121 PenDOT Access Revised](#)

R122

Requests the Council of the City of Allentown to authorize the City Solicitor's Office to file a petition with the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board to exempt a specific area of the City of Allentown, described herein, from the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Boards regulations regarding amplified music being heard off the licensed premises in favor of enforcing the City's own previously adopted Noise Ordinance, Article 710, of the City of Allentown's Codified Ordinances for five years following the date of approval of this petition.

Attachments: [R122 - Renewal](#)
[Attachment A - Article 710 - Noise Control](#)
[Attachment B - Proposed Exempted Area](#)

R123

Transfer Approval: \$15,015.70 in Public Safety/Police for grant funds were appropriated to several accounts and the funds to purchase furniture needs to be taken from the Equipment (01-72) account; \$10,000 in Risk Management since Risk has taken over the Service Plan Management for the 11 Public Access AED Location from EMS; \$10,000 in Golf Course since the Pro Shop is almost sold out of certain items due to increase of play at the course; \$7,500 in Building Standards & Safety for the façade collapse at 613 N. New Street – scaffolding was erected around the building to prevent further bricks from falling to the sidewalk.

Attachments: [R123 \\$10,000 in Risk Management since Risk has taken over the Service Plan Risk has taken over the Service Plan Management for the 11 Public Access AED Grants Funds were Appropriated to Several Accounts and the Funds to Purchase The Pro Shop is Almost Sold Out of Certain Items Due to Increase of Play at the Facade Collapse at 613 N New Street](#)

R124

Authorizes and Approves the Engagement of Charles Smith, Esq., to Provide Legal Services to Allentown City Council Pursuant to the Allentown Home Rule Charter and Administrative Code.

Attachments: [R124 Solicitor](#)

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION (To be referred to Committee with public comment prior to referral)

Bill 74 Refer to Budget and Finance

Amending the 2021 General Fund Budget and the 2021 Equipment Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of Five Thousand Nine Hundred (\$5,900) Dollars for the purchase of a replacement check printer.

Attachments: [Bill 74 Check Printer Transfer](#)

Bill 75 Refer to Public Works

Providing for the vacation of Sycamore Street from the centerline of North Brick Street to its East limit in the Sixth Ward of the City of Allentown:

Attachments: [Bill Sycamore Street from the centerline of North Brick Street](#)
[Letter from Mike Hanlon regarding West Sycamore Street from North Brick Street](#)
[Letter from Irene Woodward from Planning Department regarding regarding W.](#)
[Letter from Lehigh Valley Planning Commission regarding Street Vacation - We:](#)
[Staff Report - Sycamore Street from N Brick Street to its East limit](#)

Bill 76 Refer to Public Works

Providing for the vacation of Dale Street from the centerline of Catasauqua Avenue to the centerline of North Brick Street in the Sixth Ward of the City of Allentown:

Attachments: [Bill Dale Street from the centerline of Catasauqua Avenue to the centerline of N](#)
[Letter from Mike Hanlon regarding Unopened part of Dale St from Catasauqua /](#)
[Dale and Brick Streets - Street Vacation Staff Report](#)
[Letter from Irene Woodward regarding Dale Street from Catasauqua Ave to N. E](#)
[Letter from the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission regarding Unopened Part of](#)

RESOLUTIONS FOR INTRODUCTION (Can be voted on or Referred to Committee):

R124 Refer to CEDC
Approving The Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice And
Authorizing The Filing of The Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice With The
U.S. Department Of Housing And Urban Development (HUD)

Attachments: [R124 HUD Fair Air Housing](#)

NEW BUSINESS

GOOD AND WELFARE

ADJOURN

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