

ORDINANCE NO. 15615

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 31 - 2020

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MAY 13, 2020

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AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2020 Capital Fund Budget by transferring Thirty-Eight Thousand (\$38,000) Dollars from Capital Project 2024 – 15<sup>th</sup> Street Traffic Signal Improvement Project to Capital Project 1225 – Traffic Signal Upgrade Various to fund the completion of the intersection upgrades at Emaus Avenue and Church Street, the original budgeted amount was insufficient. The completion of this intersection upgrade will provide a safer crossing at South Mountain Middle School.

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

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes a transfer within the 2020 Capital Fund in the amount of Thirty-Eight Thousand (\$38,000) Dollars as follows:

FROM

**Capital Project 2024  
15<sup>th</sup> Street Traffic Signal Improvement Project**

**001-03-2024-1818-76                      Construction Contract                      \$ 38,000**

TO

**Capital Project 1225  
Traffic Signal Upgrade Various**

**001-03-1225-1818-76                      Construction Contracts                      \$ 38,000**

SECTION TWO: That this Ordinance will take 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SECTION THREE: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

	Yea	Nay
Candida Affa	X	
Julio A. Guridy, VP	X	
Ce-Ce Gerlach	X	
Cynthia Mota	X	
Joshua Siegel	X	
Ed Zucal	X	
Daryl Hendricks, Pres.	X	
TOTAL	7	0

**I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council on May 20, 2020 and signed by the Mayor on May 22, 2020.**

  
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 CITY CLERK

## LEGISLATIVE TEMPLATE

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

Public Works/Traffic Planning and Control

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

This ordinance funds transfer request relates to the Emaus Avenue and Church Street Traffic Signal upgrade project:

This project construction cost was originally estimated to be and budgeted for \$188,000.00 approximately 5 years ago. The costs incurred to date on the project are: Mast arm poles materials ordered = \$37,930.00, Contract construction cost = \$150,023.00, and the balance of what is needed for the ADA Contract construction costs = \$37,203.00 (estimated to be constructed yet). The net total project cost is therefore anticipated to be = \$225,156.00. Consequently, the original budgeted amount is now not sufficient to complete the work and this is the reason why we are requesting the transfer of \$38,000.00 from another available account to ensure there are sufficient funds to complete the project.

- **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**

This bill will provide funds to complete this project as per the PENNDOT approved traffic signal permit plans. The completion of this intersection upgrade will provide a safer crossing for the South Mountain Middle School children to cross the Church Street and Emmaus Avenue intersection safely.

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

The initial cost was considered and budgeted by Council years ago. Cost inflation over time resulted in higher bid prices which necessitates this requested transfer of funds. The ongoing costs will be modestly reduced through the use of LED rather than HPS lights. The initial and ongoing benefits to pedestrian and school children improved safety will be accomplished by this 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.**

The fund transfer details are below:

From Account No. 001-03-2024-1818-76      Amount: \$38,000

To Account No.    001-03-1225-1818-76      Amount: \$38,000

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

- High Priority to complete the work and obtain final PennDOT inspection

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

To complete the project for the benefit of the residents of the City of Allentown.