

CITY OF ALLENTOWN

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RESOLUTION

R - 2016

Introduced by the Administration on April 20, 2016

Authorizes the installation of a connector bridge from Southwest corner at intersection of N. 6th Street and W. Linden to Linden Parking Garage

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 the 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; and

WHEREAS, permanent obstructions not permitted under the above criterion or approved by the Bureau of Building and Standards, 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, Strata II, OP, LP, 645 Hamilton Street, the property owner as listed on the attached application, is requesting an encroachment to install a connector bridge to Linden Parking Garage in the public right-of-way, which was denied by the Administration as it encroached more than one third (1/3) into the right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the connector bridge into the public right of way will be in conform to the uniform construction codes and required plans, and applicable city law.

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