



Allentown

435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, Pa. 18101

Meeting Agenda - Final

City Council

Wednesday, November 2, 2022

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:

There are no contracts for approval.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

October 19, 2022 City Council Public Hearing on Bill 55 Minutes

Attachments: [October 19, 2022 City Council Public Hearing on Bill 55 Minutes](#)

October 19, 2022 City Council Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [October 19, 2022 City Council Meeting Minutes](#)

Communications

Disclosure

Council President notes that we have this disclosure to make pursuant to our ethics disclosure legislation:

Councilperson Affa met with representatives from AEDC and Mr. Marcon at the request of AEDC to speak about a request for ARPA funds for the development of Metal Works.

Old Business:

Mercury Associates Report

Mercury Associates Insource Feasibility Study

Attachments: [Mercury Associates Inc - Allentown Insource Feasibility Assessment](#)

REPORTS

Special Budget Meetings: Our next meeting is scheduled for November 9 at 5:30 to review the Public Safety Budget.

Budget and Finance: Chair Siegel, Hendricks, Santos

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

Community and Economic Development: Chair Gerlach, Siegel, Mota

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for November 9th at 5:15 PM.

Human Resources, Administration and Appointments: Chair Santos, Hendricks, Siegel

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; there are no future meetings scheduled at this time.

Parks and Recreation: Chair Affa, Gerlach, Santos

The Committee has not met since the last Council meeting; there are no future meetings scheduled at this time.

Public Safety: Chair Hendricks, Zucal, Affa

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; there are no future meetings scheduled at this time.

Public Works: Chair Zucal, Affa, Hendricks

The Committee met this evening; there are no future meetings scheduled at this time.

Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations, and Strategy: Chair Mota, Zucal, Gerlach

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

Controller's Report (3 minutes)

Mayor's Report (3 minutes)

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On): None

CONSENT AGENDA

R160

Queenette Echefu, Human Relations Commission, Term Expiration: 1-1-2024

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R160 Appointment Queenette Echefu - Human Relations Commission](#)
[Queenette Echefu, Human Relations Commission, 1-1-2024](#)

R161

Fred Banuelos, Housing Authority, 11-5-2026

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R161 Appointment Fred Banuelos - Housing Authority](#)
[Banuelos, Housing Authority, 11-5-2026](#)

R162

Craig Taylor, Human Relations Commission, 1-1-2025

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R162 Appointment Craig Taylor - Human Relations Commission](#)
[Craig Taylor, Human Relations Commission, 1-1-2025](#)

R163

Batool Salloum, Council of Youth, 8-20-2023

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R163 Batool Salloum - Council of Youth](#)
[Batool Salloum, Council of Youth, 8-20-2023](#)

RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):

R164

Approves three transfers: (1) \$60,000 in Traffic to purchase six speed boards to replace the temporary speed board on College Heights, two temporary speed boards on Parkway Boulevard, and add two speed boards on Irving Street by Dieruff High School to slow the traffic down by the school; (2) \$50,000 in Streets – Liquid Fuels required because the premium pay account is currently negative, the Transfer should cover the Liquid Fuels premium pay account for the remainder of the year (depending on weather); (3) \$11,828 for an Old Invoice not Posted and Funds not Available any longer for Target Solutions Invoice in the amount of \$11,828 for 2/1/2022 – 1/31/2023 for LMS.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R164 Transfer Funds](#)
[To Purchase 6 Speed Boards to Replace the 2 Temporary Speed Board on Col](#)
[Required Because the Premium Pay Account is Currently Negative](#)
[Old Invoice Not Posted and Funds Not Available Any Longer](#)

R165

Authorizes expenditure of funds for an independent forensic audit of the use of overtime and sick/leave time across all city bureaus and departure pay-outs

Sponsors: Affa, Gerlach, Hendricks and Mr. Zucal

Attachments: [R165 Forensic Audit](#)

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

Bill 84 Refer to Community and Economic Development Committee
Amending Part I Administrative Legislation, Authorities, Boards and Commissions, Article XIV Commission on Homelessness by updating the language in Sections 12-75 through 12-77.

Attachments: [Bill 84 - Amending Commission on Homelessness](#)

Bill 85 Refer to Parks and Recreation Committee
Amending the 2022 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars from the General Fund – Swimming Pools into the Irving Pool Improvement Capital Project for the use of construction of the Irving Pool Project.

Attachments: [Bill 85 - Aquatics Transfer](#)

Bill 86 Refer to the Parks and Recreation Committee
Amending the 2022 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars from General Fund – CED into the Parks Master Plan Capital Project that was allocated for the grant match for this project. These funds would be placed in the Parks Master Plan Capital Project.

Attachments: [Bill 86 - CED Parks Grant Match](#)

Bill 87 Refer to Parks and Recreation Committee
Amending the 2022 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of Eleven Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy Five (\$11,275.00) Dollars from WPA Structures Capital Project into the Valania Park Improvement Capital Project to use for construction of the Valania Park.

Attachments: [Bill 87 - WPA to Valania Transfer](#)

Bill 88 Refer to Community and Economic Development Committee
Amending the Codified Ordinance, Part Two: General Legislation, Chapter 163: Animals, Article I: Animal Control to include the prohibition of the declawing of cats in the City of Allentown unless the procedure is necessary for a therapeutic purpose.

Attachments: [Bill 88 - Declaw](#)

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

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

GOOD AND WELFARE

ADJOURN

Council meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month beginning at 6:30 pm in Council Chambers. For copies of the agenda or meeting announcements, please visit our website at www.allentownpa.gov or contact the Clerk at Michael.Hanlon@allentownpa.gov to receive an email notice of the meetings.

Council Rules

Home Rule Charter

Contract Procedures

Attachments:

[HOMERULE June 2021](#)

[Council Rules March 2021 Edition](#)

[Contracts \(4\)](#)

[Ethics, Code of \(7\)](#)