



Allentown

435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, Pa. 18101

Meeting Agenda - Final

City Council

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

Invocation

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Courtesy of the Floor

Please observe the Rules of Council when given privilege of the floor. A copy of the Council Rules can be found on the council agenda on the website. If you would like to speak, we are asking that you fill out a card – they are on the back table provide them to the clerk before speaking. Include your name and address. When speakers have the privilege of the floor, personal insults, attacks, name calling or other behavior that is inconsistent with the purpose of conducting official business will not be tolerated.

Courtesy of the Floor is meant to provide public comments on items that are not on the agenda. Public comment during consideration of ordinances, resolutions and motions are limited by topic – your comments must be relevant to the subject matter of the proposed legislation. Public comments are taken before council votes on legislation.

You are given the privilege of the floor to provide public comment; it is not a question and answer session. State your position clearly and concisely for consideration. If you speak on behalf of yourself, you have three minutes and if you are speaking on behalf of a group that has several members present, you will be given five minutes in place of everyone coming to the podium. Please address the Council President not individual councilpersons or city staff. Refrain from insulting or defaming staff, officials, and the public; refrain from using offensive language, cursing, and making noises while other people are speaking. Please be aware that comments and/or behavior in violation of these rules will result in a forfeiture of all remaining time and you will be asked to return to your seat.

Contract Approvals

R4

Authorization for Contract with Bowman Consulting Group LTD. in the amount of

\$379,369.93 to provide design services to upgrade five outdated traffic signals along the 17th Street Corridor. Improvements will include new controllers, video detection, GPS emergency pre-emption, accessible pedestrian signals, ADA curb ramps, curb extensions where feasible, and high-visibility crosswalks. The system will connect to the Downtown Traffic Signal System via spread spectrum radio. Three (3) proposals were received. Contract shall cease three (3) years thereafter and may be extended for up to an additional two (2) one (1) year terms beyond the contract expiration period.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R4- Bowman](#)

R5

Authorization for Contract with Michael Baker International, Inc. in the amount of \$215,733.00 to provide professional design and consulting services for its Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Demonstration Projects. Services include designing the Jefferson Street Traffic Calming Project with temporary markings, lane changes, flexible delineators, high-visibility crosswalks, and "No Turn on Red" signs, as well as supporting data collection and evaluation for the School and Park Speed Cushion Project and High Injury Network Daylighting Project through traffic counts, crash analysis, performance metrics, and community feedback. Two (2) proposals were received. Contract shall cease two (2) years thereafter and may be extended for up to an additional three (3) one (1) year terms beyond the contract expiration period.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R5 - Michael Baker](#)

R6

Authorization for single source Contract with Microsoft Corporation in the amount of \$110,500.00 for provides the ability for City staff to open tickets directly with Microsoft for system support and work directly with an account manager at Microsoft for escalation and resolution. This is considered a single source as the City is fully integrated with Microsoft Office 365.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R6 Microsoft](#)

R7

Authorization for Contract with Fisher & Son Company, Inc, Genesis Turfgrass, Inc, Grass Roots Turf Products, Inc, Harrell's, LLC, Nutrien Solutions, and Siteone Landscape Supply, LLC at the unit prices identified on the bid tabulation, for a total estimated yearly sum in the amount of \$231,900.00 for agricultural chemicals for the City. Seven (7) Bids were received, one (1) was rejected, contract shall commence upon full execution and cease December 31, 2026, with two (2) additional one (1) year renewals beyond the contract expiration period.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R7 Turf Chemicals](#)

R8

Authorization of Cooperative Contract(s) in an amount greater than \$40,000.00 to provide the City with various goods/services, for GT&E, Shafnisky Electric Inc., and Witmer Public Safety Group Inc.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R8 Cooperative Approval - 2.4.26](#)

Minutes of Previous Meeting

December 30, 2025 City Council Special Meeting Minutes

Sponsors: System

Attachments: [December 30, 2025 City Council Special Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

January 13, 2026 Special Meeting on Bill 1 2026 Budget Adoption

Sponsors: System

Attachments: [January 13, 2026 Special Meeting on Bill 1 2026 Budget Adoption.pdf](#)

Communications

City Council received the attached report from Jennifer Gomez, the Director of Bureau of Planning & Zoning. The PA Municipal Planning Code requires the Planning Commission to maintain a full record of its activities and submit a written annual report to the governing body. Attached is the 2025 Allentown City Planning Commission (ACPC) Annual Report.

Attachments: [2025 ACPC Annual Report.pdf](#)

Chasers – If you parked in the city lot next to City Hall, please see the City Clerk for a voucher.

Old Business

REPORTS**Budget and Finance: Chair Pungo, Mota, Gerlach**

The Committee met on January 28 and reviewed the budget process, finance reports and committee priorities. The next meeting is not yet scheduled.

Community and Economic Development: Chair Gerlach, Binder, Napoli

The Committee met this evening. The next meeting is not yet scheduled.

Human Resources, Administration and Appointments: Chair Binder, Santos, Affa

The Committee met on January 28th at 5:30 PM to review committee priorities and review a bill on tonight's agenda; there are no future meetings scheduled.

Parks and Recreation: Chair Santos, Pungo, Binder

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

Public Safety: Chair Affa, Mota, Santos

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

Public Works: Chair Mota, Pungo, Affa

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

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

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; there is a meeting scheduled for March 5, 2026, at 6:00 PM – it will be a public workshop meeting with the County.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):**Bill 3 Human Resources, Administration and Appointments**

Amending the 2026 Grant Fund budget to accept Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in grant funding from Bloomberg Philanthropies through Johns Hopkins University for the Love Your Block Grant.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 3- Love Your Block Grant Appropriation](#)

Bill 4 Parks and Recreation Committee, Chair Santos

Amending the 2026 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Three Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$3,124.20) from H&P Construction, Inc. for the city providing electrical hookup for the Bogert's Bridge project.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 4- HPCI Invoice Appropriation](#)

Bill 5 Parks and Recreation, Chair Santos

Amending the 2026 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars from DLNHC (Delaware Lehigh National Heritage Corridor) as part of their Lehigh Valley Greenways Implementation Block Grant for the Trail Water Fountain Upgrade at Jordan Meadows Park.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 5- LV Greenways Grant Appropriation](#)

CONSENT AGENDA

R9

Sewage Planning Module at 1324 S. Howard Street

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R9 ANB Realty 16, LLC at 1324 S. Howard Street - Sewer Planning Module.doc](#)
[Sewerage Planning Module - 1324 S. Howard Street.pdf](#)

R10

Kate E. Hartney, Planning Commission, Term Expiration: 2/5/2030

Sponsors: System

Attachments: [R10 Planning Commission - Kate E. Hartney.doc](#)
[Memo from Mayor Matt Tuerk regarding Kate E. Hartney from the Planning Con](#)
[Kate Hartney Resume.pdf](#)
[Planning Commission List.xlsx](#)

R11

Krista V. Brown - Ly, Human Relations Commission, Term Expiration: 2/5/2029

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R11 HRC Appt](#)
[Memo from Mayor Matt Tuerk regarding Krista V. Brown - Ly to the Human Rela](#)
[Krista Brown - Ly Resume.pdf](#)
[Human Relations Commission List.xlsx](#)

RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):

R12

Approves the Allentown Parks Plan 2025.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R12 Park Plan.docx](#)
[Parks.pdf](#)

R13

Authorizes the submission of a Formal Application for funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant (MTF-PennDOT) Grant Services in the amount of approximately Six Hundred Eighty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars (\$682,282) for the trail connection between Cedar Creek Park and Trexler Park.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R13 - PennDOT Application.docx](#)

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

Bill 6

Amending the 2026 Trexler Fund by authorizing a supplemental appropriation in the amount of Twenty-Two Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars and Ten Cents (\$22,133.10) to the Parks and Recreation Department to make the 5th and final payment towards the Groundskeeping Equipment Loan. This is part of the 2025-26 Trexler Operating allocation.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 6 - Trexler Final Equipment Loan Payment.doc](#)

Bill 7

Amending the 2025 Risk Fund by transferring One Million Two Hundred Ten Thousand (\$1,210,000) Dollars from the General Fund unappropriated balance to the Risk Fund for the payment of healthcare claims, drug prescription benefits, and other employee medical costs for the remainder of the year. The healthcare claim amounts are significantly higher this year. Specifically, this is to cover final invoices from SEIU and Capital Blue Cross that were not accounted for in the previous Risk Fund Transfer.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 7 Risk Fund Ordinance 1.30.26.doc](#)

Bill 8

Amending Part II General Legislation, Chapter 400 Noise, Section 400-1 Definitions, revising the definition of Zoning Classifications, and Section 400-6 Sound levels by receiving land use, revising Table 1 Receiving Land Use, to be consistent with the zoning classifications within Chapter 660 Zoning, adopted October 15, 2025, effective January 1, 2026.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 8 400 Noise - Revisions RE Zone Allentown.doc](#)

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

Reference Materials:

Council Rules

Procurement Code

Ethics Code

Attachments: [Procurement Code](#)

[Ethics Code](#)

[Rules](#)