ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO.78 - 2024

AUGUST 21, 2024

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2024 Capital Fund Budget to provide for an increase of Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) to the newly created capital account for the WalkWorks grant to establish a Citywide Bike Infrastructure Plan. These funds have been awarded through the Pennsylvania Department of Health and will be reimbursed when the project is completed.

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

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes an increase to the unappropriated balance of the 2024 Capital Fund in the amount of Thirty-Five Thousand (\$35,000.00) Dollars from the Pennsylvania Department of Health as follows:

Citywide Bike Infrastructure Plan (2043)				
001-7144	State Aid	\$35,000.00		
SECTION TWO: That City Coun unappropriated balance of the Capital Fu	cil authorizes a supplemental appropriation nd as follows:	n from the		
Public Works Department 001-03-2043-2410-46	Other Contract Services	\$35,000.00		

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SECTION THREE: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

Legislative Template

• What department or bureau is this bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?

Public Works – Traffic Planning and Control

• Summary and facts of the bill.

The City was awarded a \$35,000 WalkWorks grant through the Pennsylvania Department of Health that supports the development and adoption of an active transportation plan. The purpose of the grant is to hire a consultant to establish a Citywide Bike Infrastructure Plan to increase physical activity by connecting local destinations. Since this is a reimbursable grant, the funds will be reimbursed to the general fund capital account (001-7144) when the project is completed.

- Purpose Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. What does the bill do? What are the specific goals or tasks the bill seeks to accomplish?

The purpose of the bill is to decrease the appropriation from the unappropriated balance to the newly created capital account for the Citywide Bike Infrastructure Plan.

Since this is a reimbursable grant, the funds needed are a "loan" from the unappropriated balance and will be reimbursed when the work is completed.

b. What are the benefits of doing this? What are the drawbacks?

The benefit of doing this bill is to hire a consultant to conduct a Citywide Bike Infrastructure Plan in the City of Allentown.

c. How does this bill relate to the City's vision/mission/priorities?

This bill relates to the City's vision by enhancing our bike infrastructure and to increase physical activity by connecting local destinations.

- Financial Impact Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. Cost (initial and ongoing)

The increased appropriation is for \$35,000 as part of the reimbursable grant awarded and will be fully reimbursed once the project is complete.

b. Benefits (initial and ongoing)

The funds are needed to hire a consultant to conduct the Citywide Bike Infrastructure Plan in the City of Allentown.

- Funding Sources Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. If transferring funds, please make sure to give specific account names and numbers. If appropriating funds from a grant, please list the agency awarding the grant.

Increase Appropriation For:

001-7144	State Aid	\$35,000
And:		
001-03-2043-2410-46	Contract/Services Fee	\$35,000
Priority status – Are there any deadlines to be aware of?		

n/a

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• Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

The City was awarded this WalkWorks grant and will be reimbursed once the project is completed.