



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. 11

RESOLUTION

R - 2022

Introduced by the Administration on January 19, 2022

Requirement for establishing accounts Section 108 Loan Application for the Da Vinci Science Center
Section 108 Loan for the Da Vinci Science Center

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown will prepare a one Year Action Plan for fiscal year 2022 and submit it the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development in the second quarter of 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown was awarded Community Development Block Grant Program funding in the amount of \$5,605,000.00 and is eligible to participate in the Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown desires to carry out an economic development revitalization program using the Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Allentown Pennsylvania, that:

1. hereby approves of the submission to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development of the Action Plan for the period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022
2. The Mayor and Director of Community and Economic Development are authorized to take the necessary actions that are required to submit the one Year Action Plan and all understandings and assurances contained therein to the United States of Housing and Urban Development after appropriate public advertisement and public review period.
3. The Mayor and Director of community and Economic Development are authorized to act in connection with the submission of the one Year Action Plan, and in particular, to provide such additional information as may be required in connection with the Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program and application.

LEGISLATIVE TEMPLATE

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

The Consolidated Grants Program (CGP) legislation one resolution and originates in the Department of Community and Economic Development.

The attached legislation, from the Department of Community and Economic Development serves as the template for the City of Allentown's application for federal Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) - HUD 108 Loan Program Fund. This piece of legislation serves a specific purpose, which allows the city to add HUD 108 Loan Fund to our annual one Year Action Plan in the amount of \$5,605,000.00.

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

This legislation is required to establish expenditure accounts for the City budgeting system, in addition to listing all the activities/programs which will be funded for the 2022 Consolidated Grants Program year. It provides the basis for the creation of the Action Plan which is submitted to HUD as the application for the CDBG, HOME and ESG program funds which the City receives every year.

- **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 ordinance provides the City with the second step needed to allow the City to apply for and then access \$5,605,000.00 in grant funds for the January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022 program year. All activities funded comply with the CDBG, HOME and ESG regulations as promulgated by HUD and allow the City to further its Community and Economic Development Initiatives. This bill provides the second step in the process which forms the basis to complete the strategies of the second year of the City of Allentown's Consolidated Plan for the period January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2025.

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

This ordinance provides City of Allentown desires to carry out an economic development revitalization program using the Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program

- **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 funding sources for this ordinance are the federal Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) - HUD 108 Loan Program.

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

This bill has a high priority status.

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

Funding decisions were made by application and rare in compliance with HUD's regulations, which require the City to address concerns/needs noted in its five year Consolidated Plan