

## Allentown

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## **Minutes - Final**

## **Parks and Recreation Committee**

Wednesday, May 4, 2016

6:45 PM

## Roll Call: Chairperson Mota, Councilpersons Affa and O'Connell

**15-759** 

Parks and Recreation, this evening Bill 17

Amending the 2016 Trexler Fund, 2016 Golf Fund and the 2016 Capital Fund by transferring from the unappropriated balance of the Trexler Fund to various accounts within the Trexler Fund, Golf Fund and Capital Fund to allow the Parks Department to maintain the parks system using unspent previously allocated funds. This bill will allow the Parks Department to complete the following: Park Maintenance Study, perform electrical repairs throughout the park system, purchase various operating materials, chemicals, mulch, trees and lawn equipment. It will also place \$128,000 in the Golf Fund Capital Program for irrigation repairs. The Rose Garden pavilion number three will also be replaced at an estimated cost of \$22,700 through Capital Project 1905 (Park and Playground Improvements). Also, a new dug-out will be built at Keck Park at the baseball diamond at an estimated cost of \$20,800 through Capital Project 1652 (Keck and Roosevelt Park Improvements).

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: Bill 17 Trexler Appropriation 2

Bill 17 Memo Trexler Ordinance

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated there are two places, Keck and Roosevelt improvements.

Ms. Lindsey Taylor stated that they are Trexler Funds that we don't roll over from year to year. We negatively appropriate and then request from Trexler. We have not drawn down and we want to start to allocate that and appropriate.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if all balances are out of the Trexler Funds. He asked any comments from his colleagues or public.

Mr. Tom Hahn, 2016 E. Highland Street, stated that if the Golf Course can be separated out so the discussion could be not on the whole project, but the discrepancies.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated that is not even in this Bill. You are bringing up a different issue.

Mr. Lou Hershman stated that he sent a memo the other day in reference to this on the Transfer of these funds from Trexler Fund. If you take the revenue and expenditures, it will be a difference of \$4,000 in revenue. He was waiting for an answer from the Finance Director or you how this Bill can be passed if it is not sufficient revenue. If you passing a Bill this evening, it is insufficient funds. You will have a deficient in the Trexler Fund at this time.

Ms. Lindsay Taylor stated that we request them from Trexler and they are appropriated to these accounts. We don't hold them from year to year.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated understood, Mr. Hershman. Mr. Hartzell was going to review this.

Ms. Barbara Molitoris stated that what we are doing here is we are basically rolling over, transferring over 2015 unspent funds of the Trexler Fund into 2016 and then appropriated it accordingly. We are given a dollar amount from the Trexler Trust on how much we are to receive by the court and we spend down and it is reimbursables.

Mr. Lou Hershman stated that it wasn't appropriated. If you appropriated, then you put the money in. You should have increased the unappropriated balance and then take it out.

Mr. Ray O'Connell thanked Mr. Hershman and asked any other comments from the public.

This Ordinance was approved.

Enactment No: 15282

Adjourned: 6:53 PM