

## CITY OF ALLENTOWN

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## Introduced by the Administration on December 3, 2025

Approves the submission of the formal application for the local share account statewide grant for the City of Allentown Parks Department to support the improvements of the Lil Le Hi Trout Nursery.

## Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

**WHEREAS**, the City of Allentown is desirous of submitting a formal application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development for a grant of seven hundred fifty-eight thousand, one hundred ninety and ten hundredths dollars (\$758,190.10).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the City of Allentown, Lehigh County hereby requests a local share account statewide grant to support the construction of a new park operations facility.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED;** that the City of Allentown hereby designates Matthew Tuerk Mayor, and Bina Patel, Finance Director, as the official(s) to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Allentown and the Commonwealth.

## Legislative Template

What department or bureau is this bill originating from?

This bill originates from the Department of Parks and Recreation

Summary and facts of the bill.

The City of Allentown is submitting a formal application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for \$758,190.10 awarded from the Statewide Local Share Account (LSA) grant that will support the improvements for the Lil Le Hi Trout Nursery. The LSA funding will be utilized to purchase a new stocking truck, new aerators, and repair the ponds.

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

The Resolution is a requirement of the application to demonstrate the City's support for the project and to designate Mayor Matthew Tuerk as the signatory of the contract with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

b. What are the benefits of doing this?

To improve the quality of the fish hatchery by improving the ponds and aerators and acquiring a new stocking truck to provide healthier fish.

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

This grant aligns with a safer, cleaner, and healthier Allentown as it will allow for a cleaner and healthier modern facility to support the Lil Le Hi Trout Nursery.

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

The grant application is for \$758,190.10.

- b. Benefits (initial and ongoing)
- 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.

The funding comes from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

Priority status – Are there any deadlines to be aware of?

The resolution is a requirement of the formal application. The grant application submission due date

is November 30, 2025.

• Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

The resolution will allow the City to make a formal application for these funds to support this capital project.