



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. 139

RESOLUTION

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Introduced by the Administration on August 16, 2023

Authorizes the submission of the formal application for funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for the Strategic Management Planning Program (STMP) in the amount of up to Two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000).

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown will be undertaking a project under the Strategic management Planning Program to undertake a comprehensive initiative to optimize the management of its critical transportation assets and indoor spaces. The project will incorporate Geographic Information System (GIS) technology to provide spatial visualization of assets, facilitate efficient maintenance scheduling, and offering advanced tracking of work orders.

AND WHEREAS, the City of Allentown wishes to participate in said project.

AND WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development makes available grants-in-aid to such projects through the Strategic Management Planning Program,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Council of the City of Allentown hereby authorizes the City of Allentown to make application for such a grant on our behalf.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Allentown of the City of Allentown hereby allocates local resources in the amount of up to \$200,000 to said project.

Legislative Template

Please email this form to Legislation@allentownpa.gov when ready to submit

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

Public Works - Engineering

- Summary and facts of the bill.

The City is submitting a formal application for the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for the Strategic Management Planning Program in the amount of up to Two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00).

The City of Allentown is undertaking a comprehensive initiative to optimize the management of its critical transportation assets and indoor spaces. The project will incorporate Geographic Information System (GIS) technology to provide spatial visualization of assets, facilitate efficient maintenance scheduling, and offering advanced tracking of work orders. Additionally, a Comprehensive Transportation Asset Management System will be purchased to officially document traffic sign placement throughout the City.

- 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 Resolution is a requirement of the formal application to demonstrate the City's commitment to the project to support the application and to designate the mayor as the authorized signatory of the grant contract.

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

The benefits will enhance data-driven decision making, reduce operational redundancies, and improve service delivery to Allentown residents.

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

Setup and deployment of ArcGIS Indoors Infrastructure, Building scans to create CAD floor plans, Comprehensive Transportation Asset Management System.

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

The grant request is for \$200,000. The City has pledged up to \$200,000 in match funds.

- 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.

n/a

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

The Resolution is an application requirement. The signed resolution must be forwarded upon Council Approval since the application is due after this Resolution is voted on.

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

The Resolution will allow the City to apply for these funds.