



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

RESOLUTION

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Introduced by Councilpersons Affa, Mota, Napoli and Gerlach on May 6, 2026

A Resolution Requiring An Audit And Review Of The Mayor's Traveling Expenses And An Independent Review By An Auditor For Compliance With All Relevant Statutory Provisions

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

WHEREAS, Allentown City Council recognizes the importance of transparency, accountability, and fiscal responsibility in the use of public funds; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, as the chief executive officer, may incur travel expenses in the performance of official duties; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to ensure that all such expenses are reasonable, necessary, and in compliance with applicable laws, policies, and budgetary limits; and

WHEREAS, the City Controller is the designated officer responsible under the Home Rule Charter for financial oversight and auditing of municipal expenditures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Allentown that they hereby request the following:

1. **Audit Requirement** – The City Controller shall conduct a detailed audit of all travel-related expenses submitted by the Mayor since he took office, including a detailed review of transportation, lodging, meals, and incidental costs, whether paid directly or reimbursed. The audit shall include domestic and international travel; and it shall include the same for all city employees that traveled with the mayor and paid for through the city.
2. **Frequency** – In the future it is recommended that such audits shall be conducted upon 15 days of the completion of each trip, with findings reported in writing to the Council within thirty [30] days of completion.
3. **Compliance** – Any expenses found to be noncompliant with municipal policy or law shall be reported to City Council and the appropriate agency for action, and any unauthorized expense shall be reimbursed to the city.

4. **Independent Audit** – City Council, after review of the Controller’s report, shall engage an independent auditor to determine compliance with all city regulations and state statutes.