


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September 24, 2025

Allentown City Council
City of Allentown
435 Hamilton ST
Allentown, PA 18101

Dear members of Allentown City Council:

Please accept this letter as a sign of my support for the City of Allentown's ZONE Allentown comprehensive Zoning ordinance rewrite and SALDO update. I believe this establishes a strong policy basis for the future of Allentown based on extensive community planning initiated by city leaders several years ago.

In reviewing the Zoning code and SALDO, I am impressed by city leaders' efforts to prepare Allentown for the future. Building on the goals of Allentown's Vision 2030, the new policies work to create a thorough understanding of current and future community and economic opportunities within the City of Allentown. This includes a strong form-based framework for a built environment that positively effects a sense of community, addresses quality of life concerns, increases supply of affordable and sustainable housing, and establishes economic opportunities throughout the city.

For decades, municipalities have relied on tired, restrictive and counter-productive policies to manage land use patterns. The end results have been segregated uses, excessive traffic, in-fill development inconsistent with established neighborhoods, rising housing costs, quality of life issues, and high-cost barriers for development of a highly desirable community. I believe Allentown leaders are showing the Lehigh Valley and all of Pennsylvania what opportunities are on the horizon with thoughtful policies that reflect desired outcomes for a stronger community and guiding the region for years to come.

In approving the legislation for the proposed Zoning Ordinance and SALDO, I believe Allentown is taking the rights steps to create a community where equity and prosperity are far more likely than they would be under existing policies. I look forward to working with city leaders to continue to support Allentown's future with these measures in place.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "MS" followed by a flourish.

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