



# Allentown

435 Hamilton Street  
Allentown, Pa. 18101

## Meeting Agenda - Final City Council

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Wednesday, June 4, 2025

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

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**Invocation**

**Pledge to the Flag**

**Roll Call**

**Courtesy of the Floor**

**Please observe the Rules of Council when given privilege of the floor. A copy of the Council Rules can be found on the council agenda on the website.**

**If you would like to speak, we are asking that you fill out a card – they are on the back table provide them to the clerk before speaking. Include your name and address.**

**When speakers have the privilege of the floor, personal insults, attacks, name calling or other behavior that is inconsistent with the purpose of conducting official business will not be tolerated.**

**Courtesy of the Floor is meant to provide public comments on items that are not on the agenda. Public comment during consideration of ordinances, resolutions and motions are limited by topic – your comments must be relevant to the subject matter of the proposed legislation. Public comments are taken before council votes on legislation.**

**You are given the privilege of the floor to provide public comment, it is not a question and answer session. State your position clearly and concisely for our consideration. If you speak on behalf of yourself, you have three minutes and if you are speaking on behalf of a group that has several members present, you will be given five minutes in place of everyone coming to the podium.**

**Please address the Council President not individual councilpersons or city staff. Refrain from insulting or defaming staff, officials, and the public; refrain from using offensive language, cursing, and making noises while other people are speaking.**

**Please be aware that comments and/or behavior in violation of these rules will result in a forfeiture of all remaining time and you will be asked to return to your seat.**

**Contract Approvals:**The general idea for approving contracts is that the council acknowledges that proper procurement procedures were followed pursuant to the city code. Ask the Clerk to read the resolution. After staff explains the process, ask for comments from the dais and the public before a vote.

R66

Authorization for Contract with Michael Baker International, Inc. in the amount of \$161,037.03 to conduct a study to provide a condition assessment and analysis of all signalized intersections as it relates to the existing traffic signal features and overhead sign structure poles currently maintained by the City. Three (3) proposals were received; however, two (2) proposals were rejected. Contract shall be for one (1) year with two (2)

additional one (1) year renewal terms beyond the contract expiration period.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [R66 - Michael Baker](#)

#### R67

Authorization for Contract with Construction Master Services, LLC. in the amount of \$332,925.00 to secure a Contractor to construct/reconstruct curbs, sidewalks, and drive aprons deemed as hazardous by the City, remove and dispose of sidewalk and/or concrete curb, located within the City limits, along with incidental work as may be authorized and required by the Contract Administrator. Two (2) bids were received. Contract shall commence upon full execution and shall cease three (3) months thereafter. This contract can be extended for two (2) additional one (1) month terms beyond the contract expiration period.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [R67 - Construction Masters Services, LLC.](#)

#### R68

Authorization for Contract with Baseline Contracting Inc. in the amount of \$292,825.00 to secure a Contractor to construct/reconstruct ADA Ramps in accordance with the Americans with Disability Act and remove and dispose of sidewalk and/or concrete curb, located within the City limits, along with incidental work as may be authorized and required by the Contract Administrator. Three (3) bids were received. Contract shall commence upon full execution and shall cease on December 15, 2025. This contract will not have any extensions as the funding runs out at the end of 2025.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [R68 - Baseline Contracting Inc.](#)

### Minutes of Previous Meeting

May 21, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes

**Sponsors:** System

**Attachments:** [May 21, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

**Communications:** If you parked in the city lot next to City Hall, please see the City Clerk for a voucher.

### Old Business

**REPORTS**

**Public Hearing – A Public Hearing is scheduled for June 18th at 6 PM on Bill 16.  
RE: Bill No. 16 – 2025 Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance (Community Center)  
Bill 16 - An Ordinance amending Section 660-6 to remove the limitation on the preparation and provision of meals meant for only senior citizens within the community center definition.**

**Budget and Finance: Chair Napoli, Santos, Gerlach  
The Committee met this evening; there are no future meetings scheduled.**

**Community and Economic Development, Chair Mota, Hendricks, Napoli  
The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for June 11th at 6 PM to discuss the two resolutions – HARB denials being introduced this evening, Bill 47, a request from Cedar Crest College to Rezone 2851-2865 College Drive from Low Density Residential (R-L) to Institutional-Governmental (I-G) and to receive an update on the departments Business Development strategies.**

**Human Resources, Administration and Appointments: Chair Santos, Napoli, Hendricks  
The Committee has not met since the last council meeting. There are no future meetings scheduled at this time.**

**Parks and Recreation: Chair Gerlach, Santos, Affa  
The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; there are no future meetings scheduled at this time.**

**Public Safety: Chair Affa, Zucal, Mota  
The Committee has not met since the last council meeting. There are no future meetings scheduled at this time.**

**Public Works: Chair Zucal, Gerlach, Affa  
The Committee met this evening; the next meeting is scheduled for June 18th at 5:45 PM to consider the two bills being introduced this evening.**

**Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations, and Strategy: Chair Hendricks, Mota, Napoli  
The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; no meetings are scheduled currently.**

**Controller's Report  
The Controller has submitted reports on bank reconciliation for the month end date: 02/28/202 and a review of Fellowship contracts.**

**The mayor has not submitted anything for the agenda.**

## Controller's Reports

**Attachments:**      [Bank Reconciliation](#)  
                                 [Fellowship Contracts.pdf](#)

**ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):**

## Bill 46

AN ORDINANCE: Repealing and Replacing Chapter 27 DISCRIMINATION AND HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION with updated provisions expanding protected classes and prohibitions and establishing various other regulations.

**Sponsors:**            Affa, Gerlach, Hendricks, Mota, Napoli, Santos and Mr. Zucal

**Attachments:**        [Bill 46 HRC.docx](#)  
                                 [Lehigh County DHR.pdf](#)  
                                 [City DHR Provisionsn.docx](#)

## Bill 48

Amending the 2025 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of One million Six Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars and Eighty-Nine Cents (\$1,698,288.89) from various Capital Projects to Capital Project 2035 – American Parkway Traffic Signal Improvements to complete the construction of installing traffic adaptive system along American Parkway/Basin Street from Susquehanna Street to Airport Road. This Ordinance is amending the previously approved Ordinance No. 16114 to correct the account strings.

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**        [Bill 48- Transfer American Pkwy GLG](#)

## Bill 49

Amending the 2025 Capital Fund Budget to provide for an increase of Three Hundred Eighty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$384,000.00) to a newly created capital account and Ninety-Six Thousand Dollars (\$96,000.00) from the unappropriated balance as a grant match for the Demonstration project. These upgrades are low-cost temporary safety improvement projects that will include installing speed cushions, roundabouts, and line painting at key locations throughout the City. The City was awarded a Safe Streets and Roads for All Demonstration Grant and also includes the City's match portion.

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**        [Bill 49 - SS4A Demonstration Grant](#)

**CONSENT AGENDA:** The Consent Agenda is for items that are considered ‘no brainers’ – no need to have the administration explain anything the objective is to vote on all the resolutions at one time if there are no issues. The President asks if there is any request to remove any item from the Consent Agenda. If not, the clerk will read the titles of the resolutions. The President will ask for public comments, prior to council voting on the bundle.

R69

Certificate of Appropriateness for work in the Historic Districts:

- 202 N 8th St. • 1548 Chew St.
- 419 N 9th St.

**Attachments:**

[R 69 Approval-HARB Resolution.doc](#)

[FINAL Review 202 N 8th St Replace Door.pdf](#)

[FINAL Review 419 N 9th St Windows.pdf](#)

[FINAL Review 1548 Chew Roof Replacement.pdf](#)

R70

Sewage Planning Module at Republic Services - 402 Basin Street

**Sponsors:**

Administration

**Attachments:**

[R70 - Basin Street Sewage Planning Module.doc](#)

[402 Basin St Planning Module.pdf](#)

[402 Basin St Completeness Checklist.pdf](#)

[402 Basin St Planning Module.pdf](#)

**RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):**

R71

Authorizes the Administration to receive the ACIDA Real Property located at 602 S 10th Street.

**Sponsors:**

Administration

**Attachments:**

[R71 - AEDC Property Donation](#)

[Exhibits \(002\)](#)

**ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION (To be referred to Committee with public comment prior to referral) (To be Voted On):** The Clerk reads the bill. The Chair of the committee gives a report or recommendation on the bill, comments are taken from the administration, if need be, the dais, and the public before a vote is taken.

Bill 50 Refer to Parks and Recreation

Amending the 2025 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00) from the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP), Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to support the rehabilitation of Bogert's Bridge.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 50 Bogert's Bridge RACP Allocation](#)

Bill 51 Refer to Public Works

Amending the 2025 General Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) from the Equipment Fund into the Fleet Maintenance budget to account for repairs on city equipment that exceeded the original budget amount. These unexpected repairs include fire equipment, paving equipment, and tub grinder equipment.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 51 Transfer Equipment Fund to Fleet Budget](#)

Bill 52 Refer to Public Works

Amending Article 507 (Traffic Control Maps) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Allentown. The Administration is authorized to establish and evaluate traffic regulations for a temporary period not to exceed 90 days. This legislation makes the temporary changes permanent.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 52 - Traffic Control Map Amendment](#)

## **RESOLUTIONS FOR INTRODUCTION (Can be voted on or Referred to Committee):**

R72 Refer to Community and Economic Development Committee  
Denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness – 1550 Chew Street

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [R72 1550 Chew St - HARB DENIED.doc](#)

[FINAL Review 1550 Chew Roof Replacement.pdf](#)

R73 Refer to Community and Economic Development Committee  
Denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness – 945 Turner Street

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [R73 945 Turner St-HARB DENIED Resolution DRAFT .doc](#)

[FINAL Review 945 Turner Chimney Repair Legalization.docx](#)

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **GOOD AND WELFARE**

## **ADJOURN**

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