



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

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RESOLUTION

R112 - 2025

Introduced by the Administration on August 20, 2025

Authorizes the submission of a Formal Application for funding for the PennDOT Transportation Alternative Set Aside Program (TASA) Grant Opportunity in the amount of approximately One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) to update up to 10 outdated pedestrian signals within the City of Allentown.

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown is desirous of obtaining funds from the PennDOT Transportation Alternative Set Aside Program (TASA), to update up to 10 outdated pedestrian signals within the City of Allentown.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Allentown City Council, hereby authorizes the City of Allentown to submit the application for approximately One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) to the Transportation Alternative Set Aside Program (TASA).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Allentown hereby designates Matt Tuerk, Mayor, and Bina Patel, Finance Director, as the official(s) to execute all documents and agreements with the City of Allentown to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requesting grant.

Legislative Template

- What department or bureau is this bill originating from?

Department of Public Works- Traffic Planning and Control

- Summary and facts of the bill.

The City is submitting a formal application for PennDOT's Transportation Alternative Set Aside Program. The City is requesting \$1,000,000 for pedestrian signal improvements.

- Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:

- a. What does the bill do?

This resolution is a requirement of the formal application to demonstrate the City's support of this application.

- b. What are the benefits of doing this?

This project will improve pedestrian and bicycle crossing facilities by updating pedestrian crossing signals.

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

The project responds directly to residents' concerns about dangerous crossings and improves safety at high-risk intersections. Safer crosswalks also promote walkability, public health, and neighborhood vitality.

- Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:

- a. Cost (initial and ongoing)

We are requesting \$1,000,000 in grant funds. The city pays all costs for pre-construction activities (design, environmental clearance, right-of-way, utilities, etc.) PennDOT provides 100% cost reimbursement for the construction phase (including construction inspection).

- b. Benefits (initial and ongoing)

This project will update at least 10 outdated pedestrian signals within the city, improving safety throughout Allentown.

- 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?

This grant is due September 5, 2025.

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

Supporting the installation of pedestrian countdown timers is a smart, cost-effective way to make Allentown's streets safer for everyone. These timers help reduce crashes by giving pedestrians clear, predictable information, especially benefiting children, seniors, and people with disabilities. The project responds directly to residents' concerns about dangerous crossings and improves safety at high-risk intersections. Safer crosswalks also promote walkability, public safety, and neighborhood vitality.