



# CITY OF ALLENTOWN

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## RESOLUTION

R161 - 2021

*Introduced by the Administration on October 6, 2021*

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Authorizes Submission of a Formal Application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development for a Grant of FIVE THOUSAND Dollars (\$5,000.00) to support surveillance cameras for the Police Department.

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***Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That***

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Allentown, Lehigh County hereby requests a Local Share Account grant of \$5,000.00 from the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development to support the purchase of surveillance cameras and equipment.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Allentown hereby designates Ray O'Connell, Mayor, and Seth O'Neill, Finance Director, as the official(s) to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Allentown and the Commonwealth.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Allentown, hereby authorizes the City of Allentown to submit the application for FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00) in Local Share Account funds to the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development.

- **What Department or bureau is Bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?**

Police

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

The City submitting a formal application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development (DCED) for a \$5,000.00 Local Share Account grant to support surveillance cameras for the Police Department.

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**
  - **What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish**
  - **What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this**
  - **How does this Bill related to the City’s Vision/Mission/Priorities**

The Resolution is a requirement of the formal application to demonstrate the City's commitment and plans for the project and to designate the Mayor as the authorized signatory of the grant contract.

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**
  - **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
  - **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

The grant request is for \$5,000.00 and will support the purchase of the equipment.

- **Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:**
  - **If transferring funds, please make sure bill gives specific accounts; if appropriating funds from a grant list the agency awarding the grant.**

Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development

**Priority status/Deadlines, if any**

The resolution is an application requirement. Application is being submitted on September 30, 2021, at the urging of local State Rep Peter Schweyer, so the resolution will be provided to DCED as soon as possible as a supplemental submission.

- **Why should Council unanimously support this bill?**

The resolution will allow the City to make application for these funds to support this critical project that will improve the safety of all travelers.