



# Allentown

435 Hamilton Street  
Allentown, Pa. 18101

## Meeting Agenda - Final

### City Council

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Wednesday, March 4, 2026

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 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

#### Minutes of Previous Meeting

February 4, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes

**Sponsors:** System

**Attachments:** [February 4, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes](#)

February 18, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes

**Sponsors:** System

**Attachments:** [February 18, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes](#)

### **Communications**

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

### **Old Business**

**REPORTS**

**President Napoli:** City Council will be holding two Special Meetings in April – Parking Authority on April 8 at 6 PM and ANIZDA – on April 22nd at 6:00pm. Both meetings will be held in Council Chambers.

**Budget and Finance:** Chair Pungo, Mota, Gerlach

The Committee met on February 25 the next meeting is scheduled for March 25th at 5:30 PM.

**Community and Economic Development:** Chair Gerlach, Binder, Napoli

The Committee has not met since the last meeting; the next meeting will be scheduled on March 18th, at 5:15 PM.

**Human Resources, Administration and Appointments:** Chair Binder, Santos, Affa

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; there are no future meetings scheduled.

**Parks and Recreation:** Chair Santos, Pungo, Binder

The Committee met this evening; the next meeting is scheduled for March 18 at 6 PM to review the EAC annual report that has been submitted and a presentation of the city's sustainability program.

**Public Safety:** Chair Affa, Mota, Santos

The Committee met this evening; there are no future meetings scheduled at this time.

**Public Works:** Chair Mota, Pungo, Affa

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for March 11 at 5:30 PM to review legislation, the city's snow clearing policies, Administration and Committee priorities, and entertain an initial discussion on creating a volunteer program for snow shoveling for elderly folks, clean-ups and what not.

**Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations, and Strategy:** Chair Napoli, Mota, Gerlach

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; there is a meeting scheduled tomorrow, March 5, 2026, at 6:00 PM – it will be a public workshop meeting with Lehigh County.

**Controller's Report:** The Controller has submitted a Bank Reconciliation Review for the month end date: 12/31/2025.

**Mayor:** The mayor has not submitted anything.

## Controller's Report

**Attachments:**      [Bank Rec - December](#)

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

## Bill 9

Amending the 2026 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Sixteen Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Six and 55/100 (\$16,136.55) Dollars from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Office of the State Fire Commissioner Grant to the Allentown Fire Department to purchase 1¾" fire attack hoses and nozzle compliments.

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**        [Bill 9 - Fire Equipment Grant Appropriation](#)

## Bill 11

Amending the 2026 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of Four Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$480,000.00) from the Trexler operating budget into the WPA Capital Project account and Trexler Monument Capital Project account. These funds will be utilized for the repairs of the Lehigh Parkway staircase and flagstone around the General Trexler monument.

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**        [Bill 11 - Trexler Allocation to WPA and Monument](#)

## Bill 12

Amending the City Code Part II, General Legislation, Chapter 633, Water, Article V, Water Service and Charges to add Section 633-53, Water and Sewer Rebate – by creating a sliding schedule of water and sewer rebates.

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**        [Bill 12 - Water and Sewer Rebate](#)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

## R30

Jeff Glazier, Planning Commission, 3/5/2030

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**        [R30 Jeff Glazier \(Planning Commission\)](#)  
[Memo from Mayor Matt Tuerk regarding Jeff Glazier - Planning Commission](#)

## R31

Christian Brown, Planning Commission, 3/5/2030

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**        [R31 Christian Brown \(Planning Commission\)](#)  
[Memo from Mayor Matt Tuerk regarding Christian Brown - Planning Commission](#)

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

R32

Sherri Brokopp Binder, Allentown Housing Authority, 3/5/2031

**Sponsors:** Administration**Attachments:** [R32 Sherri Brokopp Binder \(Allentown Housing Authority\)](#)  
[Memo from Mayor Matt Tuerk regarding Sherri Brokopp Binder - Allentown Hou.](#)  
[Sherri Brokopp Binder - Resume](#)

R33

A RESOLUTION OF CITY OF ALLENTOWN, COUNTY OF LEHIGH, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING THE INTERMUNICIPAL TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE NUMBER R-21060 TO THE FELIX RESTAURANT LLC, 395 S. CEDAR CREST BOULEVARD, ALLENTOWN, PA 18103

**Sponsors:** Administration**Attachments:** [R33 Liquor License Transfer The Felix Restaurant LLC.doc](#)  
[SHOPS AT CEDAR POINT MAILING LIST](#)  
[The Felix Restaurant LLC, 395 S Cedar Crest Boulevard Intermunicipal Liquor L](#)  
[The Felix Restaurant LLC, 395 S Cedar Crest Boulevard Intermunicipal Liquor L](#)  
[The Felix Restaurant LLC, 395 S Cedar Crest Boulevard Intermunicipal Liquor L](#)  
[Legal Ad](#)

R34

Approves the submission of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report to HUD.

**Sponsors:** Administration**Attachments:** [R34 Resolution - HUD CAPER](#)

R35

Allowing the city to allocate CHDO funds from the federal 2021 HOME grant to Community Action of the Lehigh Valley to offset the costs incurred for the project located at 136 S 8th Street.

**Sponsors:** Administration**Attachments:** [R35 Allowing the city to allocate CHDO funds from the federal 2021 HOME gran](#)  
[CHDO Funds HUD CACLV transfer \\$144723.75-e-signed](#)

R36

Approves the following transfers:

\$144,723.75 DCED Transfer – Allowing the city to allocate CHDO funds from the federal 2021 HOME grant to Community Action of the Lehigh Valley to offset the costs incurred for the project located at 136 S 8th Street.

\$22,786.79 DCED Transfer – The positions of 144-003 Senior Planner and 525-002

Planner were created on 11/06/2024 by Ordinance #16060 and were not part of the original 2025 position budget model.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [R36 Allowing the city to allocate CHDO funds from the federal 2021 HOME grant CHDO Funds HUD CACLV transfer \\$144723.75-e-signed](#)  
[2025 FY Transfer PZ Grant Fund staffing \\$22786.79](#)

## **ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION (To be referred to Committee with public comment prior to referral)**

Bill 13 - Refer to CED Committee

Amending the 2026 Grant Fund to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250,000.00) from the PA DCED Local Share Account Grant. These funds are a pass-through grant that will support the Resurrected Community Development Corporation.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 13- RCDC LSA Appropriation](#)

Bill 14 - Refer to CED Committee

Amending the 2026 Grant Fund to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) from the PA DCED Local Share Account Grant. These funds are a pass-through grant that will support the Jewish Community Center of the Lehigh Valley.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 14- JCC LSA Appropriation](#)

Bill 15 - Refer to CED Committee

Amending the 2026 Grant Fund to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Two Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$296,878.00) from the PA DCED Local Share Account Grant. These funds are a pass-through grant that will support the Museum of Indian Culture.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 15 - Indian Culture Museum LSA Appropriation](#)

Bill 16 - Refer to CED Committee

Amending the 2026 Grants Fund to provide for a supplemental appropriation of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) from the State Office of the Budget, Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RAC-P). These funds are a pass-through grant that will support The Baum School of Art.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 16 - Baum School RACP Appropriation](#)

Bill 17 - Refer to CED Committee

Amending the 2026 Grant Fund to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Seven Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$775,000.00) from the PA DCED Local Share Account

Grant. These funds are a pass-through grant that will support the Allentown Art Museum.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 17- Art Museum LSA Appropriation](#)

Bill 18 - Refer to Public Works Committee

Amending the 2026 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000.00) from a completed Capital account for the redesign of traffic signal upgrades at 17th and Linden St, 17th and Turner St, 17th and Chew St, and 17th and Walnut Street intersections. This project was mostly funded through the Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant (MTF-DCED). This will transfer the unused funds from a completed capital project to the correct account for these services.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 18 - 17th Street Redesign Transfer](#)

Bill 19 - Refer to Public Works Committee

Amending the 2026 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Forty-Five Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars and Thirty-Nine Cents. (\$45,295.39). This was the result of payment in lieu of tree plantings from Allentown School District, QR III LLC, 309 E Hamilton ST LLC, The Waterfront Development Corp, North Sixth St Properties OP LP, Executive Education Charter School, and East Penn Properties LP. Funds will be used for the purchase of new street trees.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 19 - Shade Tree Revitalization Appropriation](#)

Bill 20 - Refer to CED Committee; and Allentown and Lehigh Valley Planning Commissions

Amending Part II General Legislation, Chapter 660 Zoning, Article 5 Uses, Table 660-4 Use Table and Section 660-38 Manufacturing & Industry Group, adding the use category Data Center Use; and Article 14 Measurements & Definitions, Section 660-135 Terms Beginning with "D" and Section 660-149 Terms Beginning with "R", adding the definition of Data Center, Data Center Accessory Use, and Renewable Energy.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 20 - Zoning Data Center Use](#)  
[Exhibit A - Zoning Ordinance - Data Center Use](#)

Bill 21 Refer to Special Committee

An Ordinance Relating to city responses to people who are homeless living outdoors and setting standards and procedures for remedying unsafe conditions and protecting the rights and property of homeless individuals living on public property.

**Attachments:** [Bill 21 Encampment Closure .docx \(2\)](#)

Bill 22 - Refer to Public Safety

Amending the 2026 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Fifteen Thousand (\$15,000.00) Dollars from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Office of The State Fire Commissioner (OSFC) Grant to the Allentown Fire and EMS Department

for the purchase of equipment.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 22 - EMS OSFC Grant Allocation](#)

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

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **GOOD AND WELFARE**

### **ADJOURN**

*Council meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month beginning at 6:30 pm in Council Chambers. For copies of the agenda or meeting announcements, please visit our website at [www.allentownpa.gov](http://www.allentownpa.gov) or contact the Clerk at [Michael.Hanlon@allentownpa.gov](mailto:Michael.Hanlon@allentownpa.gov) to receive an email notice of the meetings.*

#### Reference Materials:

Council Rules

Procurement Code

Ethics Code

**Attachments:** [Procurement Code](#)

[Ethics Code](#)

[Rules](#)