



Allentown

435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, Pa. 18101

Meeting Agenda

City Council

Wednesday, March 5, 2025

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

Invocation:

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Courtesy of the Floor

Courtesy and Privilege of the Floor Rules

Contract Approvals

R28

Authorization for Contract with Telco, Inc. in the amount of \$1,672,344.05 to add eleven intersections to the existing traffic signal system and provide traffic signal and pedestrian accommodation improvements at the intersections. Two (2) bids were received; however, one (1) Bid was rejected due to not submitting their proposal electronically on Public Purchase, contract shall be for one (1) year with four (4) additional one (1) year renewals beyond the contract expiration period.

R29

Authorization for Contract with ArtsQuest in the amount of \$180,495 to lead a series of concerts program and market the Union Terrace Amphitheater. One (1) proposal was received, contract shall be for two (2) years with three (3) additional one (1) year renewals beyond the contract expiration period.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

January 29, 2025 Special Council Meeting Minutes (Bill 10)

February 19, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes

Communications

Old Business

REPORTS

Controller Reports

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):

Bill 12 Public Safety, forwarded favorably
Amending the 2024 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Nine Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$963,000.00) from the United States Department of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Grant to the City of Allentown Police Department. These funds will be utilized as reimbursement of expenses for new equipment purchased.

Bill 15 Parks and Recreation Committee, this evening
Amending the 2025 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars from Pool & Hot Tub Foundation under the Step Into Swim grant program to support swim lessons at city pools.

CONSENT AGENDA

There are no items for the consent agenda.

RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):

R70 CEDC, forwarded favorably
Denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness – 1111 W. Turner Street

R17
Resolution provided by City of Allentown Police and Fire Civil Service Board Requesting the Mayor stagger the terms of the City of Allentown Police and Fire Civil Service Board

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

Bill 17
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.

Bill 18
Amending the 2025 General Fund and Information Systems budget to accommodate the reorganization of a position to allow the Department of Information Systems to operate more efficiently, prepare for future project work and be in compliance with the home rule charter.

Bill 19
Amending the 2025 Fire Department budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00) from the Norfolk Southern Rail, Safety-First

grant. These funds will be used to purchase hazardous materials-related equipment for incidents that may occur as a result of a railway incident along the Norfolk Southern railway that runs through the City of Allentown.

Bill 20

Amending the 2025 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) from Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), Transportation Set-Aside (TASA) grant program for construction of Bogert's Bridge.

Bill 21

Amending the 2025 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 (RACP). These funds are a pass-through grant that will support the Scottish Rite Cathedral.

Bill 22

Amending the 2025 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars from Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors to support the creation of the Youth Climate Action Fund.

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

There are no resolutions for introduction.

NEW BUSINESS

Petition Submitted pursuant to Section 1010 of the Home Rule Charter, certified on 2/21: Circulator explains item submitted.

SECTION 1010. Citizens' right to place an item on the City Council agenda.

A. The qualified voters of the City of Allentown, upon receipt of a petition by the City Clerk, may enter one agenda item on the regular agenda of City Council.

B. The petition filed with the City Clerk must contain the signatures and addresses of 35 registered qualified voters of the City, and the item to be placed on the agenda of City Council for discussion/consideration before Council. Upon receipt of such petition and a two day review/certification period of the petition by the City Clerk, the President of City Council must include the item on the agenda at the next regularly scheduled meeting of City Council.

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