

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

Planning and Zoning

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

The program is a presentation by a speaker experienced in historic preservation and economic development. The amount of the grant is \$1700 for the consultants fees expenses.

- **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**

This will provided training for the Historical Architectural Review Board (HARB). Increase awareness of the role historic preservation plays in the rehabilitation and redevelopment process. Will provide information on private methods of funding rehabilitation of historic buildings and incentives for historic rehabilitation.

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

There is a 20% cost share which will be \$340. No ongoing expenses are anticipated.

- **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.**

Funds are a Certified Local Government grant from the Department of the Interior through the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

- **Priority status/Deadlines, if any**

Ideally the presentation will occur on May 26, 2016.

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

It will increase awareness of the importance of historic preservation in Allentown.