



# Allentown

435 Hamilton Street  
Allentown, Pa. 18101

## Meeting Agenda - Final

### City Council

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Wednesday, December 6, 2023

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

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#### Invocation:

#### Pledge to the Flag

#### Roll Call

#### Courtesy of the Floor

#### Courtesy and Privilege of the Floor Rules

*Please observe the Rules of Council when addressing the body. A full copy of Council Rules can be found on the city website.*

*Courtesy of the Floor and Public Comment Rules:*

*If you would like to speak this evening, we are asking that you fill out a card – they are on the back table - and provide them to the clerk before speaking.*

*Please address the Council President. You are given privilege of the floor to provide public comment. This is a time to present comments, it is not a question-and-answer session. If you are speaking 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 - the idea being the entire group does not come up and make the same type of statement. Please be sure to state your name and address for the record and fill out a card.*

*Courtesy of the Floor is meant to provide public comment on items that are not on the agenda; Council will take all comments under advisement and have the appropriate officials get back to you if necessary. If you have materials for Council, please distribute it to the Clerk.*

*Public comment during consideration of ordinances, resolutions and motions is limited by topic – your comments must be relevant.*

*Council will not entertain personal insults or attacks, name calling or other behavior that is inconsistent with the purpose of conducting official business. Please address the Council President. Refrain from using offensive language, cursing, and making noises while other people are speaking. Act with decorum. Remove your hat and turn cell phones off.*

*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

R204

Authorization for Contract with Wyoming Electric & Signal, Inc. in the amount of \$237,094.40 for improvements to the pedestrian safety along Martin Luther King Jr Dr, Lehigh St, and Union St, bid through the State as a result of a PennDOT TASA Grant.

**Attachments:**      [R204 - Wyoming](#)

R205

Authorization for Contract price increase of 10% or more for an existing Contract over \$40,000.00, that was previously Bid and Awarded under City Policies, with Maher Duessel in the amount of \$51,000.00 that was previously bid to perform financial and compliance audits covering each of three (3) years ending December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024.

**Sponsors:**      Administration

**Attachments:**      [R205 -Maher Duessel](#)

## Minutes of Previous Meeting

November 4, 2023 City Council Budget Review and Action Meeting Minutes

**Attachments:**      [November 4, 2023 City Council Budget Review and Action Meeting Minutes](#)

## Communications

## Old Business

**REPORTS**

**Special Meeting:** There will be Special Meeting on December 12th at 6:30 PM to review and act on the budget.

**Water/Sewer Compliance Meeting:** There will be a Water and Sewer Compliance meeting on December 20th, time to be determined.

**Budget and Finance:** Chair Napoli, Hendricks, Gerlach  
The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; a meeting is scheduled for December 20th, time to be determined.

**Community and Economic Development:** Chair Mota, Napoli, Affa  
The committee met this evening; the next is scheduled for December 12th 5:45 PM.

**Human Resources, Administration and Appointments:** Chair Santos, Zucal, Napoli  
The Committee has not met since the last Council meeting; there are no future meetings scheduled at this time.

**Parks and Recreation:** Chair Gerlach, Affa, Mota  
The Committee has not met since the last Council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for December 12th at 6 PM.

**Public Safety:** Chair Affa, Hendricks, Zucal  
The committee met this evening; there are no future meetings scheduled.

**Public Works:** Chair Zucal, Santos, Hendricks  
The Committee has not met since the last Council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for December 12th at 6:15 PM.

**Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations, and Strategy:** Chair Hendricks, Mota, Gerlach  
The committee has not met since the last Council meeting; there are no future meetings scheduled at this time.

**Controller's Report (3 minutes)**

**Mayor's Report (3 minutes)**

Controller Reports

**Attachments:**      [overtime present](#)  
[Accounts Payable - Dec 30](#)  
[Petty Cash Report to 11.28](#)  
[Bank Rec to August 30](#)

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

Bill 93

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN TO ADD A NEW SECTION THAT WOULD ESTABLISH A NEW "MIXED USE OVERLAY" ZONING DISTRICT, AND THAT WOULD APPLY THIS NEW DISTRICT TO LAND FORMERLY OCCUPIED BY THE ALLENTOWN STATE HOSPITAL THAT IS SOUTH OF HANOVER AV., SOUTH OF E. ALLEN ST., SOUTH OF WAHNETA ST. EXTENDED, GENERALLY EAST OF MAXWELL ST. EXTENDED, NORTH OF RIVER DR., AND WEST OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM BORDER, AS DEPICTED IN MORE DETAIL ON AN ATTACHED MAP LABELED "EXHIBIT A", AND TO ADD CERTAIN DEFINITIONS.

**Attachments:** [Bill 93 Allentown Mixed Use Overlay Zoning](#)  
[Legal Description of Proposed Mixed Use Overlay District \(1\)](#)  
[ACPC ActionTaken Northridge 11.14.23 \(003\)](#)  
[Letter from Planning Department regarding ACPC Action Taken on Bill #93 Nort](#)  
[LVPC Letter Bill 93](#)  
[Rezoning Request Petition - ESTABLISH A NEW MIXED USE OVERLAY ZONI](#)  
[Redline - Allentown Mixed Use Overlay Zoning Draft 8 2 23 and Allentown Mixe](#)  
[Northridge - Allentown State Hospital Rezoning](#)  
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[Mixed Use Overlay Zoning District - Allentown State Hospital \(Han 9 002\)](#)  
[Mixed Use Overlay Zoning District - Allentown State Hospital \(Han 10 002\)](#)

## CONSENT AGENDA

R206

Certificate of Appropriateness for work in the Historic Districts:

- 201 N. 10th St.
- 531 W. Allen St.
- 1143 W. Linden St.
- 1529 W. Turner St.
- 1539-51 W. Chew St.

**Attachments:**      [R206 HARB Resolution](#)  
[1539-51 W Chew Street Final Review](#)  
[201 N 10th Street Final Review](#)  
[531 W Allen Street Final Review](#)  
[1143 W Linden Street Final Review](#)  
[1529 W Turner St Final Review](#)

R207  
Authorizes Disposition of Certain Records

**Sponsors:**      Administration

**Attachments:**      [R207 - Records Retention Health 2023](#)  
[2022-2023 Health Bureau Files for Destruction](#)

R208  
Sewage Planning Module at Parikh Allentown Restaurant

**Attachments:**      [R208 Parikh Allentown Restaurant - Sewage Planning Module](#)  
[701 N 19th Street Sewage Planning Module](#)

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

R202  
Denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness – 213 N. 11th Street

**Sponsors:**      Administration

**Attachments:**      [R202 HARB Resolution to DENY - 213 N. 11th St](#)  
[213 N 11th Street Final Review](#)

R209  
Police Officer Appointments

**Sponsors:**      Administration

**Attachments:**      [R209 - Hiring Patrolmen](#)

R210  
Authorizes the submission of the formal application for funding from the Local Share Account (LSA) grant in the amount of up to Three Hundred Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Six dollars (\$300,636.00) with no match required.

**Attachments:**      [R210 - Public Works LSA Grant Application](#)

R211  
Approves the submission of the formal application for the local share account grant on behalf of The Baum School of Art to support upgrades including modernizing the facility, increasing capacity, integrating technology, and adding dedicated spaces for specialized artistic disciplines.

**Sponsors:**      Administration

**Attachments:**      [R211 - Baum School Local Share Grant Application](#)

R212

Approves the submission of the formal application for the local share account grant on behalf of Allentown School District to support the hiring of a consultant to lead a public engagement process and develop Master Plans for the City and School District owned parcels.

**Attachments:**      [R212 - ASD Local Share Grant Application](#)

R214

No Confidence Vote in Mayor's Leadership

**Sponsors:**      Mr. Zucal and Gerlach

**Attachments:**      [R214 No Confidence](#)

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

Bill 104    Refer to Public Works

Providing for the vacation of South Sixth Street from the centerline of Mason Street to the centerline of Dixon Street in the Nineteenth Ward of the City of Allentown:

**Sponsors:**      Administration

**Attachments:**      [Bill 104 South Sixth Street from the centerline of Mason Street](#)

[S 6TH Street Vaction Staff Report](#)

[Staff Report PW Report on Portion of South 6th Street from Mason Street to Dix](#)

[Planning Staff Report - South 6th Street from Mason Street to Dixon Street - Ap](#)

[Staff Report S 6th Street from Mason Street to Dixon Street - Vacation Report](#)

Bill 105    Refer to Parks and Recreation

Amending the 2023 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of Twenty Thousand Four Hundred and Ninety-Two Dollars and Twenty-One Cents (\$20,492.21) from Valania Park Capital Project into the Cedar Creek Bridges Capital Project for the repairs of the remaining Cedar Creek Bridges to be completed. These funds would be placed in the Cedar Creek Bridges capital project.

**Attachments:**      [Bill 105 Cedar Bridges Transfer](#)

Bill 106    Refer to Parks and Recreation

Amending the 2023 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of Forty-Nine (\$0.49) Cents from City Wide Park & Playground capital project into the WPA Structures Capital to use for repairs of WPA Structures.

**Sponsors:**      Administration

**Attachments:**      [Bill 106 City Wide to WPA](#)

Bill 107    Refer to Parks and Recreation

Amending the 2023 Capital Fund Budget to provide for an appropriation of Four Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$4,250.00) from the Trexler operating budget to the D&L Trail capital account to assist in design and construction of the D&L Trail Allentown Segment.

**Attachments:**      [Bill 107 D&L Trail Allocation](#)

Bill 108    Refer to Parks and Recreation  
Amending the 2023 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Six Hundred Fourteen Thousand Four Hundred and Seventeen (\$614,417.00) Dollars from the Delaware Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (DLHNC) to support design and construction of the D&L Trail – Allentown Segment as per the agreed Memorandum of Understanding.

**Attachments:**      [Bill 108 D&L Trail DLHNC](#)

Bill 109    Refer to Parks and Recreation  
Amending the 2023 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars from Keep PA Beautiful in their efforts to support a volunteer event by Giant/Martin Food Stores for supplies to conduct the volunteer event.

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**      [Bill 109 Keep PA Beautiful Grant Appropriation](#)

Bill 110    Refer to Community and Economic Development Committee  
Amending the 2023 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Thirty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-Three Dollars (\$ 37,783.00) from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Community and Economic Development Local Share Account grant for the purchase of a vehicle for Lehigh Valley P4P Boxing.

**Attachments:**      [Bill 110 P4P Appropriation](#)

Bill 111    Refer to Public Works  
Amending the 2023 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Fifty-One Thousand Six Hundred and Eighty-Eight Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$51,688.80) from PPL for the completion of Phase 2, 3, and 4 of the LED street light conversion.

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**      [Bill 111 PPL Street Light Rebate](#)

Bill 112    Refer to Public Works  
Amending the 2023 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of One Million Five Hundred Seventy-Four Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-Eight Dollars and Fifty-One Cents (\$1,574,858.51) from UGI for the purpose of constructing ADA handicap ramps and for the milling and paving of streets under the City's Utility Paving Program.

**Attachments:**      [Bill 112 UGI Cost Sharing Program](#)

Bill 113    Refer to Community and Economic Development  
Repealing Ordinance 15938 passed on August 16, 2023 by administering the grant through the Bureau of Building Standards and Safety and creating proper accounts as required under the grant and The legislation amended the 2023 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Two-Million-Dollars (\$2,000,000.00)



grant funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to address housing related hazards including radon remediation, asbestos abatement, and electrical and plumbing repairs.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 113 Account Grant Changes](#)

## **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.*

Council Rules

Procurement Procedures

Code of Ethics

**Attachments:** [Council Rules 2023](#)

[Contract/Procurement Procedures from the Code](#)

[Ethics Code](#)