



Minutes - Final

Community and Economic Development Committee

Wednesday, June 1, 2016

6:45 PM

Council Chambers

Call to Order: Chairperson McGuire, Councilpersons Guridy and Mota

Present: 2 - Cynthia Mota and Julio Guridy

Excused: 1 - David McGuire

15-854 Bill 27 CEDC, this evening
Amending the 2016 General Fund Budget by transferring \$165,000 from the unappropriated balance to the Building Standards and Safety Bureau Other Contract Services account for the demolition of properties in the 300 Block of North Tenth Street as a result of the sink hole that was discovered in 2012.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 27 Transfer for 10th Sreet Demo](#)
[Bill 27 Memo](#)

Ms. Shannon Calluori stated that there are properties on North 10th Street that had a sinkhole several years ago. We have been studying the properties and received engineer reports to understand the best solutions. It came to a point where we had to demolish the properties. We budgeted monies for this demolition last year. We were looking at the possibility to use HUD money, but we were unable to use HUD money. Tonight, we are asking to rollover the funding for the demolition. The demolition has already taken place.

Mr. Julio Guridy asked if all the properties were demolished.

Ms. Shannon Calluori stated that there were three properties that were demolished. The sinkhole impacted four properties, one of the properties was able to be saved by the owner.

Mr. Julio Guridy asked any comments from my colleagues or the public.

A motion was made by Cynthia Mota, seconded by Julio Guridy, that this Ordinance be forwarded to Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Julio Guridy and Cynthia Mota

Absent: 1 - David McGuire

Enactment No: 15291

- 15-855** Bill 28 CEDC, this evening
Amending the 2016 Grant Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of \$1,700.00 from the PA Historical and Museum Commission, to provide for training for the Historical Architectural Review Board (HARB).

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 28 Ordinance for PHMC grant funds](#)
[PHMC grant hosted program ordinance](#)

Mr. David Kimmerly stated that what you have before you tonight is to appropriate \$1,700.00 from a small grant that the Pennsylvania Historical Museum has available for a scholarship fund that can be used to bring a speaker to Allentown for the Architectural Review Board and is required to get about eight hours of training per year. This will fill a couple of hours of that. He is proposing a gentlemen to come to the city that is a Specialist in rehabilitation of historic buildings using private funding. The program is called Main Street LLC.

Mr. Julio Guridy asked any comments from the dais or the public.

Mr. Tom Hahn asked if it is only for buildings, not walls like the WPA.

Mr. David Kimmerly stated that this is about trying to provide new uses in historic buildings, large empty historic buildings. We are trying to come up with ways with funding to do that type of project. We are trying to come up with financing.

Mr. Julio Guridy asked any other questions from the public.

A motion was made by Cynthia Mota, seconded by Julio Guridy, that this Ordinance be forwarded to Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Julio Guridy and Cynthia Mota

Excused: 1 - David McGuire

Enactment No: 15292

Adjournment: 6:50 PM