



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. _____

RESOLUTION

R51 - 2025

Introduced by the Administration on April 16, 2025

Approves the submission of an application for a grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the construction of Phase 2 of the Martin Luther King (MLK) Trail. The city is asking for \$1,000,000 in grant funding with a match required – in-kind or cash.

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, that

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown is desirous of obtaining funds from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Non-Motorized Trails grant under the Community Conservation Partnership Program will allow funds for the construction of Phase 2 of the Martin Luther King (MLK) trail.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City of Allentown Department of Parks and Recreation will assure the provision of other necessary funds to make the activity feasible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources will tentatively fund \$1,000,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate officer of the City of Allentown is directed to execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of this resolution and to furnish a copy of this resolution to The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

- What department or bureau is this bill originating from?

Parks and Recreation

- Summary of the bill

The purpose of the resolution is for the construction of Phase 2 of the Martin Luther King (MLK) Trail.

- Purpose

This City is asking for \$1,000,000.00 in grant funding.

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

MATCH: 50% or 1:1 match required (cash or in-kind) \$1,000,000 match- \$1,000,000 match requirement. Parks and Recreation will secure all funding requirements under this grant through other grants, bond funding and Trexler Trust Funding.

- 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.

The funding is coming from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

- Priority status or deadlines, if any

Need by April 2nd (or approved on that date).

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

These funds will be used for the construction of Phase 2 of the MLK Trail.