



Allentown

435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, Pa. 18101

Meeting Agenda - Final City Council

Wednesday, November 3, 2021

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

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 or by email if you contact Council office.

There are multiple opportunities to address Council. Individuals can speak during Courtesy of the Floor (addressing items not on the agenda) and during Bills and Resolutions on Final Passage and Introduction. When given the Floor, please go to the podium and state your name and address. All remarks must be directed towards the presiding officer or council as a body; not a particular Council member or elected official, the audience or city staff. Unless otherwise determined, individuals shall have three minutes to address council and individuals representing a bona-fide group shall have five minutes. Privilege of the Floor will not be extended for personal insults or personal attacks on any individual, name calling or other behavior that is inconsistent with the purpose and intent of conducting official business. Please address council as a body. 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.

(Council Speaking Rules: Members and others given the privilege of the floor will address the Presiding Officer. The Presiding Officer will extend the courtesy to the Councilperson(s) responsible for introducing legislation the opportunity to speak first. Each member will have the right to speak twice on any subject. No Member will be allowed to speak more than twice on any subject without permission of the Presiding Officer. No Member will speak more than three (3) times on the question without the unanimous consent of all the Members present.

Contract Approvals

R185

Authorizes contract with ARM Group, LLC. for \$7,650 for Phase II Geotechnical and Environmental Site Assessment for the Fire Academy.

Attachments: [R185 ARM Group](#)

R186

Change Order Authorization: Buell Kratzer Powell, LTD, in the amount of \$9,877.50 for Consulting and Engineering Design Services for Irving Pool.

Attachments: [R186 BKP Change Order](#)

R187

Change Order Approval: Michael Baker International for \$29,315.50 for consulting, planning and design services for the proposed MLK trail extension project.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R187 Change Order Michael Baker](#)

R188

Authorizes a Contract with NW Financial Group, LLC for \$189,000.00 for consulting services to establish short-term and long-term financial and managerial objectives that strengthen the fiscal capacity of Allentown's government to administer essential public services.

Attachments: [R188 - NW Financial](#)

Minutes of Previous Meeting

October 6, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [October 6, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes](#)

September 8, 2021 Confirmation Hearing Meeting Minutes - Roca

Attachments: [September 8, 2021 Confirmation Hearing Meeting Minutes - Roca](#)

October 20, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [October 20, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes](#)

October 20, 2021 City Council Special Meeting - Budget Overview Minutes

Attachments: [October 20, 2021 City Council Special Meeting - Budget Overview Minutes](#)

Communications

Old Business

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES:**Special Council Meeting:**

There will be a Special Meeting on November 10 at 5:30 PM to review the Community and Economic Development Budget.

Budget and Finance: Chair Siegel, Hendricks, Mota

The committee met last week. There are not future meetings scheduled at this time.

CEDC: Chair, Gerlach, Guridy, Affa

The committee met on October 27th and this evening, there are not future meetings scheduled at this time.

Human Resources, Administration and Appointments: Chair Affa, Mota, Zucal

The committee has not met since the last council meeting; there is a meeting scheduled for November 10 at 5:15 PM to discuss the bill that adopts the new proposed code.

Parks and Recreation: Chair Hendricks, Gerlach, Siegel

The committee has not met since the last Council meeting; the next meeting is not yet scheduled.

Public Safety: Chair Mota, Hendricks, Zucal

The committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is not yet scheduled.

Public Works: Chair Zucal, Affa, Siegel

The committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is not yet scheduled.

Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations and Strategy: Chair Guridy, Mota, Hendricks

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Controllers Report**Administration Report**

Controller Reports

Attachments: [Accts Payable Oct 22 Report](#)
 [Accts Payable - Nov 2 Report](#)
 [P Card Oct 6 Report](#)
 [P Card Nov 2nd Report](#)

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):

Bill 103 Parks and Recreation, this evening
Amending the 2021 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of Fourteen Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Four Dollars (\$14,694) as a transfer of funds from Capital Project 2024 – 15th Street Traffic Signal Improvements to Capital Project 2202 – Jordan Creek Greenway Trail to provide pavement markings on the Meadow Street portion of the trail.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 103 CAPITAL PROJECT 2206 TRANSFER](#)

Bill 104 Public Safety, forwarded favorably
Amending the 2021 General Fund budget to create six (6) new Patrolman positions. This will allow the City to submit for reimbursement of salaries under the 2017 Department of Justice COPS Hiring Grant.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 104 2017 COPS HIRING GRANT](#)

Bill 105 Parks and Recreation, this evening
Amending the 2021 Capital Projects Fund and the 2021 Trexler Fund to provide for a transfer of Ninety-Four Thousand One Hundred One Dollars and Seventy-Five Cents (\$94,101.75) from the Trexler Fund Unappropriated Balance to Capital Project 2207 – Bogert's Bridge.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 105 Bogert Bridget Transfer](#)

Bill 106 Parks and Recreation, this evening
Amending the 2021 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Four Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Three (\$486,273) Dollars from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation TASA funds for the construction of the Jordan Creek Greenway Trail.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 106 Jordan Greenway Trail](#)

Bill 89 Proposed Amendment to approve the capital project provisions of the proposed budget given the increasing costs and competition in this space, leave remainder in unrestricted balance

Establishing the 2021 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fund budget in the amount of Twenty-Eight Million Five Hundred Seventy-Four Thousand Two Hundred Forty Dollars (\$28,574,240). This amount represents the first distribution from United States Federal Government. The total to be received by the City of Allentown is Fifty-Seven Million Four

Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Seven Dollars and Seventeen Cents (\$57,463,557.17).

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 89 ARPA FUND](#)
[SLFRF Admin Proposed Budget as of 09142021](#)
[SLFRF Admin Proposed Budget V2 Oct 14](#)
[Amendments ARPA](#)

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):

R183

Denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness –1503 W Chew Street

Attachments: [R183 Resolution HARB Denied](#)
[1503 Chew Final Review](#)

R189

Authorizes Submission of a Formal Application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development for a Grant of TEN THOUSAND Dollars (\$10,000.00) to support Project Lifesaver equipment and supplies for the Police Department

Attachments: [R189 PROJECT LIFESAVER GRANT](#)

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

Bill 114 Refer to CEDC

An Ordinance providing for the expenditure of Three Hundred Thousand, Eight Hundred and Seventy-five (\$300,875.00) dollars in DCED Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) funds for the Lehigh Valley Regional Homeless Advisory Board, as appropriate by Federal Law and United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations; these are certain monies received by the City of Allentown under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1976, as amended; The Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009; and Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended; for the purpose of undertaking programs of housing and community development within the City.

Attachments: [Bill 114 CDBG NEW ACCOUNT SETUP - LV HOMELESS ADVISORY BD](#)

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

R190

Adoption of the Capital Improvement Program

Attachments: [R190 Capital Plan Resolution](#)
 [Capital Improvement Plan 2022-2026](#)

NEW BUSINESS

GOOD AND WELFARE

ADJOURN

Council meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers. For copies of the agenda or meeting announcements, please visit our website at www.allentownpa.gov or contact the Clerk at Michael.Hanlon@allentownpa.gov to receive an email notice of the meetings.

Council Rules
Home Rule Charter
Contract Procedures

Attachments: [HOMERULE June 2021](#)
 [Council Rules March 2021 Edition](#)
 [Contract Procedures](#)