



Allentown

435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, Pa. 18101

Meeting Agenda - Final

City Council

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

Invocation:

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Courtesy of the Floor

Please observe the Rules of Council when given privilege of the floor. A copy of the Council Rules can be found on the council agenda on the website. If you would like to speak, we are asking that you fill out a card – they are on the back table provide them to the clerk before speaking. Include your name and address. When speakers have the privilege of the floor, personal insults, attacks, name calling or other behavior that is inconsistent with the purpose of conducting official business will not be tolerated.

Courtesy of the Floor is meant to provide public comments on items that are not on the agenda. Public comment during consideration of ordinances, resolutions and motions are limited by topic – your comments must be relevant to the subject matter of the proposed legislation. Public comments are taken before council votes on legislation.

You are given the privilege of the floor to provide public comment; it is not a question and answer session. State your position clearly and concisely for consideration. If you speak 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 in place of everyone coming to the podium. Please address the Council President not individual councilpersons or city staff. Refrain from insulting or defaming staff, officials, and the public; refrain from using offensive language, cursing, and making noises while other people are speaking. 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: The general idea for approving contracts is that the council acknowledges that proper procurement procedures were followed pursuant to the city code. The Clerk will read the resolution. After staff explains the process, comments from the dais and the public are taken before a vote.

R167

Authorization for Contract with Innocorp Ltd. in the amount of \$46,060.00 for the one-time purchase, training, installation and warranty of an Impaired Driving Simulator and enclosed trailer which will be used by the Allentown Police Department. One (1) bid was received, contract shall commence upon issuance of a Purchase Order and shall cease upon delivery.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R167 - Innocorp Ltd](#)

R168

Authorization for Contract with Anchor Moving & Storage and SSMT PHL, LLC (d/b/a Suburban Solutions) in the estimated sum of \$50,000.00 per contract year for qualified vendors to be included on a Master List for Moving & Disposal of furniture, equipment, files and other related materials for use on an as-needed basis. Two (2) bids were received, contract shall be for three (3) years with one (1) additional three (3) year renewal beyond the contract expiration period.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R168 - Moving & Disposal Services](#)

R169

Authorization of Cooperative Contract(s) off of Costars in the amount of \$244,893 with Miller Flooring Company for Tennis Court Repairs at Irving Park.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R169 Cooperative Approval - 11.05](#)

Minutes of Previous Meeting

September 17, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [September 17, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

October 1, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [October 1, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

Communications

Chasers – If you parked in the city lot next to City Hall, please see the City Clerk for a voucher.

Old Business

REPORTS**Special Meetings: Council President Hendricks**

A special meeting has been scheduled for December 10th at 6 PM to adopt the budget bills and on December 17th at 6PM to review Bill 83 - AN ORDINANCE Protecting Public Health and Safety, Reducing the Harms Experienced by Unsheltered/Homeless Residents, and creating procedures relating to city responses to people who are homeless living outdoors and setting standards and procedures for remedying unsafe conditions and protecting the rights and property of homeless individuals.

Budget and Finance: Chair Napoli, Santos, Gerlach

The Committee met on November 12 and forwarded Bill 91 favorably to the full council; it is on this evening's agenda. There are no future meetings scheduled.

Community and Economic Development, Chair Mota, Hendricks, Napoli

The Committee met on November 12 and forwarded Bill 92 - An Ordinance of the City of Allentown, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Section 570 13 of the Realty Transfer Tax Ordinance by increasing the Realty Tax by 0.5% for the purpose of raising funds to deal with issues relating to housing – favorably, to the full council on December 3rd. The next meeting is scheduled for December 3rd at 5:45 PM to review Bills 97 and 98.

Human Resources, Administration and Appointments: Chair Santos, Napoli, Hendricks

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; there are no future meetings scheduled.

Parks and Recreation: Chair Gerlach, Santos, Affa

The Committee met this evening; there are no future meetings scheduled.

Public Safety: Chair Affa, Zucal, Mota

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for December 3rd at 6 15 PM.

Public Works: Chair Zucal, Gerlach, Affa

The Committee met this evening, there are no future meetings scheduled.

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

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; there are no future meetings scheduled.

Controller's Report – The Controller has submitted four reports that are attached.

Mayor: The Mayor has submitted no reports.

Controller's Reports

Attachments: [AP - Nov 7 Report.pdf](#)
[Bank Rec Nov 5 Report.pdf](#)
[Bank Rec Nov 11 Report.pdf](#)
[P Card Nov 7 Report.pdf](#)

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On): The Clerk reads the bill. The Chair of the committee gives a report or recommendation on the bill, comments are taken from the administration, if need be, the dais, and the public before a vote is taken.

Bill 91

An Ordinance of the City of Allentown, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, amending Section 807, Revenue, of the Home Rule Charter to remove the "Deed Transfer Tax" language.

Sponsors: Affa, Gerlach, Hendricks, Mota, Napoli and Santos

Attachments: [Bill 91 RTT FROM HRC SECTION 807.doc](#)

Bill 94

Amending the 2025 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Three Hundred Thousand (\$300,000) Dollars from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) to support construction of MLK Trail Phase 2.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 94 - MLK DCNR Grant Appropriation](#)

Bill 95

Amending the 2025 Capital Fund Budget to provide for an increase of Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000.00) to a newly created capital account. The City was awarded grant funds from the Covid-19 ARPA H2O PA Water Supply, Sanitary Sewer and Storm Water Projects Grant from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the City of Allentown Source Reduction Program (SRP/I&I Project) for years 1, 2 and 3.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 95 - H2O Grant Transfer](#)

CONSENT AGENDA: The Consent Agenda is for items that are considered 'no brainers' – no need to have the administration explain anything the objective is to vote on all the resolutions at one time if there are no issues. The President asks if there is any request to remove any item from the Consent Agenda. If not, the clerk will read the titles of the resolutions. The President will ask for public comments, prior to council voting on the bundle.

R170

Sewage Planning Module at 546 W Hamilton Street

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R 546 W Hamilton Street - Sewage Planning Module.doc](#)

[Sewage Planning Module - 546 W Hamilton.pdf](#)

R171

Sewage Planning Module at 802 N. Quincy Street

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R171 802 N. Quincy Street - Sewage Planning Module.doc](#)

[Sewage Planning Module - Quincy Street.pdf](#)

R172

Sewage Planning Module at 1132 -1136 West Hamilton Street

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R172 1132 – 1136 West Hamilton Street - Sewage Planning Module.doc](#)

[Sewage Planning Module -1132 – 1136 West Hamilton Street.pdf](#)

RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On after taking Public Comment):

R173

Approves the submission of the formal application to the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Finance Authority for four hundred thirty thousand nine hundred fifty-five dollars and twenty-six cents (\$430,955.26) from the Statewide Local Share Account Fund (LSA) that will support the purchase of a new SPOT Bomb Robot.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R173 - Fire Equipment LSA](#)

R174

Approves the submission of the formal application for the local share account grant on behalf of the Allentown Parking Authority to support the repair to the Spiral Parking Deck located at 836 W. Linden Street.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R174 - APA Parking Deck LSA](#)

R175

Approves the submission of the formal application for the local share account grant on behalf of the Allentown Parking Authority to support the purchase of new operational equipment.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R175 APA Equipment LSA](#)

R176

Approves the submission of the formal application for the local share account grant on behalf of the Volunteers of America of Pennsylvania (VOAPA) to support the repairs needed to their children's center.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R176 Volunteers of America LSA](#)

R177

Authorizes encroachment for an outdoor café connected to the front of 702 Hamilton Street that will span the full length of the building on Hamilton Street. This bill would allow for the café to encroach into the public right of way by 35ft at the widest point

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [R177 Encroachment 702 Hamilton St](#)
[702 Hamilton APC Presentation Excerpt](#)

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION (To be referred to Committee with public comment prior to referral. The bills will be reviewed at the Committee level.)

Bill 97 Refer to the Community and Economic Development Committee, Dec. 3, 5:45 PM

Amending Chapter 455, Property Rehabilitation and Maintenance, Article III, Presales Inspection of Residential and Commercial Properties and Units, Sections 455-16 through 455-23 creating a commercial inspections program.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 97 Commercial Presale Amendment](#)

Bill 98 Refer to the Community and Economic Development Committee, Dec. 3, 5:45 PM

Amending the 2025 Grant Fund to provide for a supplemental appropriation of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) from the PA DCED Local Share Account Grant. These funds are a pass-through grant that will support the Baum School of Art.

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: [Bill 98 Baum School LSA Appropriation](#)

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 or contact the Clerk at Michael.Hanlon@allentownpa.gov to receive an email notice of the meetings.

Reference Materials:

Council Rules

Procurement Code

Ethics Code

Attachments:

[Procurement Code](#)

[Ethics Code](#)

[Rules](#)