



Allentown

435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, Pa. 18101

Meeting Agenda - Final

City Council

Wednesday, January 17, 2018

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

Invocation: Candida Affa

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.

Approval of Minutes:

November 6, 2017 City Council Budget Session Meeting - Finance Minutes (Revised)

Attachments: [94 November 6, 2017 City Council Budget Session Meeting - Finance Minutes](#)

Old Business:

In the future we will compile a list of questions raised at council meetings and/or other forums and provide answers and address the issue at the next council meeting under Old Business.

Communications

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES:**Budget and Finance: Chair Guridy, Hendricks, Mota**

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; a future meeting is scheduled for January 24th at 6:00 PM – we will review the monthly finances and items referred from tonight's agenda. The committee will continue to have regularly scheduled meetings on the 4th Wednesday of the month provided there are agenda items.

Community and Economic Development: Chair Robinson, Guridy, Affa

The Committee has not met since the last Council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for February 14th at 6 PM, an agenda will follow. The committee will continue to have regularly scheduled meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of the month provided there are agenda items.

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

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; a future meeting has not yet been scheduled.

Parks and Recreation: Chair Mota, Robinson, MacLean

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for February 7th, time to be determined.

Public Safety: Chair Hendricks, Affa, Zucal

The Committee met this evening; a future meeting has not yet been scheduled.

Public Works: Chair Zucal, Hendricks, Robinson

The Committee has not met since the last Council meeting; a future meeting has not yet been scheduled.

Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations and Strategy: Chair MacLean, Affa, , Guridy

The Committee has not met since the last meeting; a meeting is scheduled for January 24 at 5 PM to review an amendment to council rules being introduced this evening.

City Controller's Report**APPOINTMENTS:**

Rebecca Kiss Recreation Board 1/3/2021

Appointment to the Recreation Board - Rebecca Kiss

Attachments: [Recreation Board Appointment - Rebecca Kiss](#)

RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On): None**ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION (To be referred to Committee with public comment prior to referral)****Bills are referred to committees based on the departmental source of the legislation.**

Bill 1 Refer to Parks and Recreation

Amending the 2018 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of One Hundred Three Thousand Five Hundred (\$103,500) Dollars as a result of grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development to assist in the creation of Martin Luther King Jr. Trail.

Attachments: [Bill 1 MLK Trail Grant](#)

Bill 2 Refer to Budget and Finance Committee

Amending the 2018 Grant Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of One Million Five Hundred Thousand (\$1,500,000.00) Dollars as a result of a pass through grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Office of the Budget, Redevelopment Capital Assistance Project to Americus Investors, LP for renovations and rehabilitation of the Americus Hotel on Hamilton Street.

Attachments: [Bill 2 RACP Pass Through Grant for Americus Hotel](#)

Bill 3 Refer to Budget and Finance

Amending the 2017 General and Equipment Fund Budgets by transferring Twenty-Two Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars and Sixty-Two Cents (\$22,338.62) from the General to the Equipment Fund to cover the final lease/purchase payment for a 2013 snow blower purchase

Attachments: [Bill 3 Transfer for Snow Blower Lease/Purchase](#)

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

R6 Refer to Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations and Strategy Committee

Amends Council rules on the filling of vacancies by requiring the person filling the vacancy to be of the same political party as the person vacating the seat at least 30 days prior to the vacancy

Attachments: [R6 Amends Council Rules on Vacancies](#)

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 and HR Charter

Attachments:

[Council Rules](#)

[Home Rule Charter](#)