



# Allentown

435 Hamilton Street  
Allentown, Pa. 18101

## Meeting Agenda - Final Public Safety Committee

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Wednesday, September 19, 2018

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

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### Roll Call: Chairperson Hendricks, Affa, Zucal

Bill 64 Public Safety, this evening  
Amending Article 121.05 City Registered Vehicles, by changing the word sedan to vehicles in two places.

**Sponsors:** Hendricks, O'Connell, MacLean, Guridy, Mota, Affa and McGuire

**Attachments:** [Bill 64 Vehicle Policy](#)  
[Vehicle Policy Amended Version](#)  
[Est Cost Take Home Vehicles](#)  
[R3 - Fleet Audit](#)  
[R4 - Cover Letter Fleet Audit](#)  
[Fleet Listng](#)  
[Employee Vehicle Use](#)  
[604 - Use of City Vehicles Lancaster - revised 3-28-2012 - with Mayor signature](#)  
[Vehicle Usage Policy - Bethlehem](#)  
[Vehicles - V2](#)

**Bill 64 Vehicle Policy - History:** The bill was introduced on November 1, 2017 – primarily in reaction to an audit by the Controller. Distinguishing between sedans and vehicles abrogated the intent of the take home limitation in the legislation. The bill introduced deleted reference to sedans and changed it to vehicles. The Public Safety Committee met on May 16th, suggested an amendment to the 13 take home vehicle policy and gave the administration 90 days to reply. Currently there are somewhere near 30 vehicles taken home. The committee gave the administration 90 days to respond.

**Mr. Zucal will propose the following amendment to the bill that was introduced -** changing the number of take-home vehicles to 17, spelling out the positions they should be assigned to and deleting reference to certain colors required of fire chief vehicles.

**Amendment:**

1. In every instance where the number of take home vehicles is listed at 13, change the number of vehicles permitted to be taken home to 17 – at B 7; C-1; C-3
2. In C1 include the following after The Mayor shall have the authority to assign City personnel to the thirteen (13) take-home sedans vehicles mandated by City Council. The 17 vehicles shall be assigned to the following positions: Chief of Police, Assistant Chief of Police (2); Police Captain On Call; K-9 Unit (4); Fire Chief; Assistant Fire Chief (2); EMS Chief of Operation; Public Works Director; Streets Department Superintendent; Facilities Manager; Managing Director; Mayor. The K-9 Unit vehicles are limited to a ten-mile radius from the boundaries of the City. (The Criminal Investigation Division are not part of the original limitation to 13 – so there are an additional 3 take home vehicles.).
3. Change A1 to read: All Fire Chiefs' vehicles shall be red in color appropriately marked and have permanent flashing lights. (Not all vehicles are red.)

**Councilperson Affa will be proposing an amendment keeping the status quo -** keeping the number of take home vehicles at 30 and allowing the Mayor to determine the positions to be assigned vehicles.

**Amendment:**

1. In every instance where the number of take home vehicles is listed at 13, change the number of vehicles permitted to be taken home to 30 (including the Criminal Investigation Division) – at B 7; C-1; C-3.
2. Change A1 to read: All Fire Chiefs' vehicles shall be red in color appropriately marked and have permanent flashing lights. (Not all vehicles are red.)

Budget Discussion: Police

**Adjournment**

