



# Allentown

435 Hamilton Street  
Allentown, Pa. 18101

## Meeting Agenda - Final

### City Council

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Wednesday, August 5, 2020

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

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**Public Comment:** The meeting will be livestreamed. The link to the meeting can be found on the city website with the agenda and legislation at <https://www.allentownpa.gov>. Council will receive comments on the legislation prior to the meeting. Council will consider all comments from city residents. All comments must include name and address, including your city, and be emailed to [Michael.Hanlon@AllentownPa.gov](mailto:Michael.Hanlon@AllentownPa.gov) by 2 PM on the date of the meeting. Comments received from city residents by that deadline will be forwarded to the Mayor and Council members prior to the meeting and will also be noted at Courtesy of the Floor or Public Comment periods of the meeting. These timely received comments will also be posted on the City's webpage as a supporting document to the meeting. Any comments received on the meeting day, after the 2:00 pm deadline, will be forwarded to the Mayor and Council as soon as practicable.

**Invocation:** Councilperson Mota

**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.*

Comments

**Attachments:**     [August 5 Comments](#)

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Old Business**

**Communications**

**REPORT FROM COMMITTEES:****Special Committee Meeting**

Allentown City Council will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at 5:30 PM to discuss and vote on R85 and to discuss and vote on resolutions relating to R86. R85 is a resolution that executes an integrated agreement to resolve and settle all pending legal disputes related to the lease with the Lehigh Count Authority. R86 is a resolution that created a dialogue on policing in the community. Additional resolutions and comments related to R86 will be posted on the agenda found on the city website.

**Budget and Finance: Chair Siegel, Guridy, Mota**

The committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for August 26 at 6 PM – the CAFR will be presented and all councilpersons are invited.

**CEDC: Chair Guridy, Gerlach, Affa**

The committee met this evening; the next meeting is not yet scheduled.

**Human Resources, Administration and Appointments: Chair Gerlach, Mota, Zucal**

The committee has not met since the last council meeting; there are no future meetings scheduled at this time.

**Parks and Recreation: Chair Mota, Gerlach, Siegel**

The committee met last week; the next meeting is not yet scheduled.

**Public Safety: Chair Affa, Hendricks, Zucal**

The committee met this evening; we are in the process of setting up a meeting to review the draft legislation on the civilian advisory board - the draft is part of this agenda.

**Public Works: Chair Zucal, Affa, Siegel**

The committee met this evening; the next meeting is not yet scheduled.

**Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations and Strategy: Chair Hendricks, Guridy, Gerlach**

We are in the process of setting up a meeting with the county on resources relating to social programs they administer.

**Administration****City Controller**

**Just a Note:**

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2. The forms for formal 'petitions' related to agenda items, calling for a special meeting and introducing or repealing ordinances will be posted on the city website.

Draft Establishing a Citizens Police Advisory Board for the Allentown Police Department

Attachments:      [Draft APD Advisory Board Ordinance](#)

**APPOINTMENTS:****ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):**

## Bill 33

Providing for the vacation of East Ford Street from the centerline of South Carlisle Street to the centerline of South Brown Street in the Fourteenth Ward of the City of Allentown:

Attachments:      [Bill 33 E. Ford Street - Street Vacation](#)  
[E Ford Street Report](#)  
[Letter from Mike Hanlon regarding E. Ford Street to Brown Street and E. 4th Str](#)  
[E. Ford Street to Brown Street and E. 4th Street - Street Vacation Documents](#)  
[E. Ford Street from S. Carlisle Street to S. Brown Street Labels](#)

## Bill 34

Providing for the vacation of South Ann Street from the centerline of Constitution Drive to its North terminus in the Sixteenth Ward of the City of Allentown:

Attachments:      [Bill 34 South Ann Street](#)  
[South Ann Street from the centerline of Constitution Drive Staff Report](#)  
[Letter from Lehigh Valley Planning Commission regarding Portion of South Ann](#)  
[Letter from Irene Woodward regarding Allentown City Planning Commission Ap](#)  
[Letter from Mike Hanlon regarding Portion of South Ann Street from Constitutor](#)  
[S Ann Street Labels](#)

## Bill 35

Providing for the vacation of South Albert Street from the centerline of East Wyoming Street to its North terminus in the Sixteenth Ward of the City of Allentown:

**Attachments:**      [Bill 35 South Albert Street](#)  
[Letter from Lehigh Valley Planning Commission regarding South Albert Street fr](#)  
[S Albert Street - Street Vacation Staff Report](#)  
[South Albert Street from the centerline of East Wyoming Street Report](#)  
[Letter from Mike Hanlon regarding South Albert Street from East Wyoming Street](#)  
[South Albert Street from the centerline of East Wyoming Street Labels](#)

## Bill 52

AUTHORIZING AND SECURING THE ISSUANCE OF ONE OR MORE SERIES OF GENERAL OBLIGATION NOTES, IN THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$19,200,000, PURSUANT TO THE PENNSYLVANIA LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT DEBT ACT, TO (A) CURRENTLY REFUND ALL OR A PORTION OF THIS CITY'S (1) GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES A OF 2015, (2) GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES B OF 2015, (3) GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES OF 2017, AND (4) GENERAL OBLIGATION NOTE, SERIES OF 2009, (B) FINANCE AND/OR REIMBURSE THE COSTS OF VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS, AND (C) PAY CAPITALIZED INTEREST, AND (D) PAY THE COSTS OF ISSUING THE NOTES; ACCEPTING A NOTE PURCHASE AGREEMENT; SETTING FORTH THE PARAMETERS, SUBSTANTIAL FORM OF AND CONDITIONS FOR ISSUING THE NOTES; PLEDGING THE FULL FAITH, CREDIT AND TAXING POWER OF THIS CITY TO SECURE THE NOTES; CREATING A SINKING FUND AND APPOINTING A PAYING AGENT AND SINKING FUND DEPOSITORY; AUTHORIZING THE REDEMPTION OF THE REFUNDED OBLIGATIONS; AND AUTHORIZING RELATED ACTION.

**Sponsors:**      Administration

**Attachments:**      [Bill 52 - Final](#)  
[Bill 52 2020 GO BONDS PARAMETERS REFUND AND NEW MONEY](#)  
[Bill 52 Amd - ORDINANCE ALLENTOWN CITY 2020 GO BONDS PARAMETERS](#)  
[Change-Pro Redline - L0888129 and L0888129](#)  
[Council Summary 7.10.20](#)  
[FIRST NOTICE ALLENTOWN CITY 2020 BONDS \(L0893912xA35AE\)](#)  
[Bill 52 - N ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND SECURING THE ISSUANCE OF](#)

## Bill 40

Amending the 2020 Federal Grants budget by creating one (1) HUD Grants CDBG Administrator (11N) and one (1) HUD Grants HOME Administrator (11N). Both positions are completely funded with Community Development Block Grant funds.

**Sponsors:**      Administration

**Attachments:**      [Bill 40 Bill HUD Admin positions](#)  
[HUD ADMINISTRATOR POSITIONS JD](#)

**Bill 41**

Amending the 2020 Capital Projects Fund to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Two Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$286,645) as a result of the annual receipt of capital improvement funds from the Trexler Trust as designated by Court Order.

**Attachments:**      [Bill 41 Trexler Capital Appropriation](#)

**Bill 42**

Amending the 2020 Trexler Fund Budget and the 2020 Capital Fund to provide for a transfer in the amount of One Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Five (\$142,455) Dollars from the unappropriated balance of the Trexler Fund to the 2020 Capital Fund Project 2206, Jordan Creek Greenways Trails to complete a vital link in the City's trail network and allow easier access to center city residents for recreational activities. Funds will also help the City meet its requirement of the Trexler Trust.

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**      [Bill 42 Jordan Creek Greenway Trails - Trexler Capital](#)

**Bill 44**

Amending the 2020 Capital Fund Budget by transferring the available balance from Capital Project 1905 – Citywide Parks and Playground Improvements, 2202 – WPA Structures and 2210 – Park Facilities Improvements to Capital Project 2206 – Jordan Creek Greenways Trails and 2213 – Valania Park Renovations in the amount of Ninety-Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Five (\$96,965) Dollars to complete the Jordan Creek Greenways Trails and renovations at the Valania Park.

**Attachments:**      [Bill 44 Jordan Creek Greenway Trails and Valania Park Renovations Projects](#)

**Bill 46**

Amending the 2020 Trexler Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of One Hundred Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Five (\$110,965) Dollars from the Trexler Trust as the balance of the 2020 contribution per General Trexler's will.

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**      [Bill 46 Trexler Additional Appropriation](#)

**Bill 49**

Amending the 2020 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$250,000) Dollars from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) to support the construction phase of Valania Park.

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**      [Bill 49 DCNR Valania Park Grant](#)

**Bill 45**

Amending the 2020 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Six Thousand Six Hundred Fourteen Dollars and Forty-Nine Cents (\$6,614.49) from the EMS Council State EMSOF Funds to be used to further prepare for a potential

resurgence of COVID-19.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 45 EMS Council Contribution](#)

#### Bill 48

Amending the 2020 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) Dollars from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) to purchase safety equipment for the police.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 48 Police Safety Equipment Grant](#)

#### Bill 53

Amending Part Nine, Streets, Utilities, and Public Services Code, Title One, Street and Sidewalk Areas, of the Codified Ordinances of Allentown, Pennsylvania, by adding a new Article entitled "Small Cell Antenna".

**Attachments:** [Bill 53 Cell Tower](#)

#### Bill 50

Directing the Lehigh County Board of Elections to Place a Referendum Question Before the City of Allentown Voters on the November 3, 2020 General Election Ballot to amend the City of Allentown Home Rule Charter to Authorize and Permit the City Controller to Initiate and to Conduct all Manner of Audits, Including Performance Audits, without first being requested to do so by the Mayor or by City Council and to Permit the City Controller to have access to all types of Information, including payroll information, to conduct such audits.

**Sponsors:** Affa, Guridy, Hendricks, Mr. Siegel and Mr. Zucal

**Attachments:** [Bill 50 Controller Performance Audits- With Change to Section 210](#)

#### Bill 51

Directing the Lehigh County Board of Elections to Place a Referendum Question Before the City of Allentown Voters on the November 3, 2020 General Election Ballot to amend the City of Allentown Home Rule Charter to Require Approval by City Council of all Collective Bargaining Agreements prior the Mayor executing each agreement.

**Sponsors:** Affa, Guridy, Hendricks, Mr. Siegel and Mr. Zucal

**Attachments:** [Bill 51 Charter - Contract Approval](#)

### **RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):**

#### R90

Transfer: Parks and Recreation: \$7,200 for Additional Space Is Needed to Park Maintenance - Storage Space is Being Rented from ACIDA as per C27-000077.

**Attachments:** [R90 \\$7,200 for Additional Space Is Needed to Park Maintenance](#)  
[Transfer for Additional Space Is Needed to Park Maintenance - Storage Space i](#)

#### R91

Sewage Planning Module for Barnes Lane Subdivision - 2710 Barnes Lane

**Attachments:**      [R91 Barnes Lane Subdivision - Sewage Planning Module](#)  
[Barnes Lane Subdivision - Sewer Planning Module](#)

R92

Certificates of Appropriateness for work in the Historic Districts:

229.5 N 11th Street;

235-237 N 11th Street;

240 N 10th Street;

242 N 11th Street;

236 N 10th Street;

217 N 11th Street

**Attachments:**      [R92 COA From July 6 HARB](#)  
[240 N 10th St Final Review](#)  
[217 N 11th Street Final Review](#)  
[229.5 N 11th St Final Review](#)  
[235-237 N 11th Street Final Review](#)  
[236 N 10th Street Final Review](#)  
[242 N 11th Street Final Review](#)

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

Bill 54    Refer to Public Works

Amending the 2020 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Twenty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars and Thirty-Eight Cents (\$22,892.38) from PPL in the form of a rebate from the LED street light conversion phase one project.

**Sponsors:**            Administration

**Attachments:**      [Bill 54 PPL REBATE](#)

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

R93

Denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness – 114 N. West Street

**Attachments:**      [R93 DENIAL - 114 N West St Gazebo](#)  
[114 N West St Final Review](#)

## **Agenda Item Petition**

Petition asking Councilpersons Zucal, Hendricks and Affa to resign

**Attachments:**      [Agenda Item Petition - August 3, 2020 \(Verified\)](#)



**NEW BUSINESS****GOOD AND WELFARE****ADJOURN**

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