



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. 73

RESOLUTION

R - 2022

Introduced by the Administration on May 4, 2022

Authorizes Submission of an Application for funding from The Congresswoman Susan Wild Community Funding Project in the amount of Three Hundred Thousand (\$300,000) Dollars for The Rehabilitation of Bogert's Covered Bridge.

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown is desirous of obtaining funds from the Community Project Funding Grant from Congresswomen Susan Wild's office, for the rehabilitation of Bogert Covered Bridge in Lehigh Parkway

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Currently, the bridge is in dire need of restoration so that the city can continue the utilization of Lehigh Parkway 6-mile loop.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City of Allentown will conduct the required citizen participation process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City of Allentown Department Park and Recreation will assure the provision of other necessary funds to make the activity feasible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Congresswoman Susan Wild Community Project Funding Grant will tentatively fund the remaining \$300,000.00 left to begin the rehabilitation of Bogert Covered Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officer of the City of Allentown is directed to execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of this Resolution and to furnish a copy of this Resolution to Congresswoman Susan Wild's office.

LEGISLATIVE TEMPLATE

- **What Department or bureau is Bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?**

Department of Community and Economic Development- Parks and Recreation Department

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

This is to acknowledge that the City of Allentown would like to file an application for The Congresswoman Susan Wild 2023 Community Project funding in the amount of \$300,000.00

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish**
 - **What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this**
 - **How does this Bill related to the City's Vision/Mission/Priorities**

The project being undertaken by DCED managed by Parks and Recreation, for the rehabilitation of Bogert Covered Bridge in Lehigh Parkway

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
 - **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

There is no cost to the city. This grant is upfront.

- **Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **If transferring funds, please make sure bill gives specific accounts; if appropriating funds from a grant list the agency awarding the grant.**

These funds will be held at CED and will be drawn on a as needed basis. This program will work exactly like the federal HUD Grants, and follow all federal, local and state rules and regulations.

- **Priority status/Deadlines, if any**

This Grant is due April 18, 2022.

- **Why should Council unanimously support this bill?**

Public Benefit Standards

The benefit standard for this project will benefit the community as a whole, and support the five year consolidated plan and comprehensive plan, with supporting revitalization city- wide and in low to moderate income communities as per the census tract data.

Historical Preservation benefit.