

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 6 - 2017

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FEBRUARY 1, 2017

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AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2017 Capital Fund to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Eighty-Five Thousand (\$85,000.00) Dollars reflecting receipt of a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for the planning and development of a park along Basin Street.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN:

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes an increase to the unappropriated balance of the 2017 Capital Fund in the amount of Eighty-Five Thousand (\$85,000) Dollars reflecting the receipt of monies from Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for the planning and development of a park along Basin Street.

SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation from the unappropriated balance of the Capital Fund as follows:

**Basin Street Park Development**

001-08-2208-1610-46	Other Contract Services	\$85,000.00
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SECTION THREE: That this Ordinance will take effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

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

Department of Parks and Recreation

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

A grant in the amount of \$85,000 was awarded to the Parks and Recreation Department for payment of professional services to conduct a park master plan. The master plan is for the former incinerator site located at Basin & Auburn Streets.

The full amount of \$85,000 will need to be placed in a Capital Account in Other Contract Services.

- **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**

This Ordinance places the necessary funds into the proper expenditure line items the Capital Fund.

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

The grant is for a total of \$85,000 and the funds are to be used for professional services to create a master plan for a park in the future.

- **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.**

Department of Community and Economic Development grant.

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

These funds need to be appropriated as soon as possible so they can be placed into a corresponding Capital Project account to begin the process of creating a new park.

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

Passage of this Ordinance will develop a park plan for a vacant property that will provide recreation opportunities for the citizens of Allentown to enjoy for years to come.