



Allentown

435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, Pa. 18101

Minutes - Final

City Council

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Call To Order: Council President O'Connell

Present: 5 - Ray O'Connell, Julio Guridy, Daryl Hendricks, Cynthia Mota, and Candida Affa

Excused: 2 - Roger MacLean, and David McGuire

RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):

[15-1612](#)

R113

Authorization for Engagement of Professional Services with Jordyn Kenzie in the amount of \$200 to provide a 40-minutes acoustic performance as part of the Lively Lunches in the Park End of Summer concert at West Park.

Attachments: [R113 Request for City Council - Jordyn Kenzie](#)

Ms. Beth Ann Strohl stated that Council previously approved a whole bunch of performers not too long ago, and this is just a straggler from that.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any comments from his colleagues or any public comments.

Yes: 5 - Ray O'Connell, Julio Guridy, Daryl Hendricks, Cynthia Mota, and Candida Affa

Absent: 2 - Roger MacLean, and David McGuire

Enactment No: 29491

[15-1625](#)

R114

Authorization for Engagement of Professional Services with Alphagraphics in the amount of \$8,503.44 for three direct mailings to increase participation in the Million Clicks for Million Hearts walking initiative, funded by a grant from the Pa. Department of Health Safe & Healthy Communities - two quotes.

Attachments: [R114 Alphagraphics](#)

Ms. Beth Ann Strohl stated that the reason you are seeing this is because within the actual quote with the mailing there is also a design fee.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated that it is a grant. We are not paying for the city.

Ms. Beth Ann Strohl stated yes.

Ms. Vicky Kistler stated that we are just going to send it out to city residents.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were comments from my colleagues or the public.

Mr. Lou Hershman, 405 N. Gilmore Street, stated that there were two quotes. He asked why does the City of Allentown always go with the lowest bid. It is not always the quality bid, it is the lowest bid. He stated that other cities use that method. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania uses that method and the United States Government uses that method. He asked if the best value method will benefit the City of Allentown.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated that it is a fair question.

Mr. Brent Hartzell stated that the bottom-line of the City of Allentown is far superior than any of the entities that he just mentioned.

Mr. Lou Hershman stated that Mr. O'Connell should look into that.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated to Mr. Hershman that Council will look into that. He asked if anyone else from the public on R114.

Yes: 5 - Ray O'Connell, Julio Guridy, Daryl Hendricks, Cynthia Mota, and Candida Affa

Absent: 2 - Roger MacLean, and David McGuire

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ADJOURNED: 6:05 PM