

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 21 - 2019

MARCH 6, 2019

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2019 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) Dollars as the result of a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the for payment of professional services to design, complete construction documents, provide bid assistance and build a portion of the Allentown section of the Jordan Creek Greenway Trail that will ultimately run from Turner St. to Jordan Park and MacArthur Rd.

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 2019 Capital Fund in the amount of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) Dollars reflecting receipt of monies from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the design phase of the Jordan Creek Greenway Trail.

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State Aid

\$50,000

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

Jordan Creek Greenway Trail

001-08-2206-1710-46

Other Contract Services

\$50,000

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SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.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

In 2017 City Council passed Ordinance 15371 which appropriated \$150,000 from DCNR for a grant toward the design and construction of Jordan Creek Greenway. At that time the award letter was incorrectly interpreted. The City was awarded a total of \$200,000. This ordinance appropriates the additional \$50,000 that was not included in 2017.

- **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**

A grant was awarded to the Department of Parks & Recreation for payment of professional services to design, complete construction documents, provide bid assistance and build a portion of the Allentown section of the Jordan Creek Greenway Trail that will ultimately run from Turner St. to Jordan Park and MacArthur Rd.

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
 - **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**
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The grant funds are to be used for professional services to design the Allentown section of the Jordan Creek Greenway Trail.

- **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.**

PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Community Conservation Partnerships Program grant.

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

These funds need to be appropriated so they can be placed into the corresponding Capital project account for designing the new trail.

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

Passage of this Ordinance will result in the design of a trail through downtown Allentown that will link the downtown to the Jordan Creek Greenway Trail, a regional trail that will eventually enable residents to walk or ride to the Trexler Nature Preserve and the Appalachian Trail.