



# Allentown

435 Hamilton Street  
Allentown, Pa. 18101

## Minutes - Final

### City Council

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Wednesday, August 7, 2019

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

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**Invocation: Councilperson Guridy**

**Pledge to the Flag**

**Roll Call**

**Present:** 6 - Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

**Courtesy of the Floor**

**Courtesy and Privilege of the Floor Rules**

Rev. E. Bickford asked to give a moment of silence to Chief Howells. The Parking Authority and dispatch should be moved back to the city. The Parking Authority is very self sufficient. The city has a compromised Parking Authority. Bickford experienced threats by The Parking Authority's employee boyfriend.

Mr. Roger MacLean stated that the city doesn't have that option. The state mandated this. Requested that Bickford let Council know if it does any good. He asked if it was a Parking Authority employee that parked illegally. Have you contacted Mr. Morgan from the Parking Authority and asked if there were any results. When did this occur?

Rev. E. Bickford stated yes with no results. It has been happening for the last two to four months. The Parking Authority stated that Bickford can't call in a property if not the property owner.

Mr. Daryl Hendricks asked E. Bickford to give the information of the person to Mr. Hanlon and it will be followed through by Mr. Morgan.

Dr. David McGuire, 1500 Hamilton Street, stated that he is here for a zombie or something the city put to rest. The Borzak land of 23 acres went to rest and now he received word that the Borzak's sold the property for \$500,000 and the current plan is to put 42 homes on the side of the hill.

There will be a meeting of the Planning Commission on Tuesday, August 13th at 12:15 PM in this very room. The city invested a lot of time, energy, effort and legal activity to sort out issues. It might be useful and premature, but urged city government to have two persons there that are quite familiar with the legal dimensions about that land.

Ms. Brenda Fernandez, 1243 S Jefferson Street, asked about a stop sign on 12th and Jefferson Streets. There is a yield sign coming off of 12th Street. There have been accidents in that area. She asked how to get a stop sign or flashing lights?

Mr. Craig Messinger stated that it is on the list to add a traffic study.

Mr. Tim Ramos, 1408 Linden Street, stated that the city needs to stress that the leaders need to be those that want to live with us, partake with us, live life with our community. Be at our ballparks, have their kids with our kids and be in our schools the same way all of us that love the city does. He stated that he purchased a home in Allentown. The FOP sang the praises and stated that there were only a couple of people. He stated that he is getting dozens of calls, the community leaders are getting dozens of calls, and City Council is getting dozens of calls from police that don't support the leadership. The FOP was going to have a vote of No Confidence for both the Mayor and the Police Chief and that meeting was canceled. He stated that if you can't effectively lead, it is time to step aside.

Mr. Patrick Palmer, 617 Allen Street, asked about the deadline to finalize it for the Police Chief.

Mr. Ed Zucal stated that he will be doing a Resolution very shortly and will address that issue.

Mr. Joe Hoffman, 761 Saint John, agreed with David McGuire. The property on South/Lehigh Mountain is critically important and they have been discussing it for well over a year now. The city is doing a phenomenal job in processing these parks. They are great facilities and vitally necessary. He pleaded with the thought given with a less expensive, but also effective method of help. He suggested taking the parks and revamping them. He asked about the homeless population for this winter. Will they have the same facilities from last winter?

Mr. Daryl Hendricks stated that the same contributor did make arrangements for this year.

Mr. Edward John White, Fairview Cemetery Association, talked about the

work day of August 24th and they were requiring whether they be able to use a city vehicle to haul away the refuse. They needed the Mayor's approval.

Mr. Tom Hahn acknowledged the Controller on lockbox in his new procedure. He stated that the city has to take an active part for the almost 200 acres at eastside Allentown Stated Hospital. If a committee has to be formed, Dennis will come down and help with the eastside.

Mr. Glen Hunsicker, 1051 N. 19th Street, stated that he travels 15th Street and it is a washboard. How are we going to correct that? He stated that from Liberty down to Tilghman and Sumner streets are terrible.

Mr. Ed Zucal stated as the Public Works Chairman he will talk to Mr. Messinger.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

[15-3097](#) July 17, 2019 City Council Contract Approval Meeting Minutes

**Attachments:** [July 17, 2019 City Council Contract Approval Meeting Minutes](#)

**Yes:** 6 - Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

### **Old Business**

Resolution reads:

There shall be a Confirmation Hearing September 16, 2019 at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers.

Mr. Scott Holbert stated that it will be added to the agenda when they get to the Resolution for final passage.

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if it is workable with the administration.

Mr. Joseph McMahon stated that he will check with the Mayor.

Mr. Michael Hanlon stated that the Mayor was good with the 18th, but he doesn't know about the 16th.

Mr. Daryl Hendricks asked if Council should make the Resolution if the administration is able to comply with that time.

Mr. Ed Zucal stated that addition is fine.

Mr. Michael Hanlon stated provided that the administration is ok with that.

Mr. Julio Guridy asked what is the issue of not doing it on the 18th.

Ms. Candida Affa stated that she won't be around.

**A motion was made by Ed Zucal, seconded by Julio Guridy, to Suspend The Rules for a Resolution to have a Special Confirmation on September 16th. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

## **Communications**

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES:****Budget and Finance: Chair Guridy, Hendricks, Mota**

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for August 28th – we will be reviewing the CAFR, Management Letter and Single Audit at that time.

**Community and Economic Development: Chair Robinson, Guridy, Affa**

The Committee met July 24th; a future meeting is scheduled for September 11 – one of the agenda items is to have an update on the comprehensive plan – another meeting will be scheduled prior to that if need be. The Council President has also scheduled Public Hearings for September 18th at 6:30 PM to consider the zoning proposals we forwarded at the meeting on the 24th.

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

The Committee has not met since the last council meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for August 21 to review a bill being introduced this evening – time to be determined.

**Parks and Recreation: Chair Mota, Robinson, MacLean**

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

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

The Committee met this evening; there are no future meetings scheduled at this time.

**Public Works: Chair Zucal, Hendricks, Robinson**

The Committee met this evening; there are no future meetings scheduled at this time.

**Rules, Chambers, Intergovernmental Relations and Strategy: Chair MacLean, Affa, Guridy**

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

**City Controller**

Mr. Jeff Glazier stated that he has no reports this evening, but wanted to inform Council on some upcoming ones. He stated that the Controller's office did the three Process Flows Presentation and each one has an audit. They have an Accounts Payable Report coming out shortly, a P-Card Report coming out shortly, one bank reconciliation and a memo on an issue that they discovered.

## Administration Report

### No Report

Mr. Courtney Robinson stated that three weeks ago there was a discussion on incidents going on he made a request to have the Community Group list updated and put on the front page of the website and as of this afternoon it was not completed. There is a map from GIS that needs to be updated. He suggested that list be included in Adventure Allentown. He suggested that the city put on the front page of the website information on the Checkmate Cards and the 3-1-1 Quick Report App. He stated that there is a quick link to Public Safety and when you click on it, it lists the community groups. The hyperlink is currently broken on how to find out who my PSA Captain.

Mr. Julio Guridy stated that he looked a couple of weeks ago and found there were a lot of things that were outdated. He suggested to update the whole website.

### APPOINTMENTS:

[15-3073](#) Julie Ambrose, Recreation Board Reappointment - 01/05/2024

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Julie Ambrose](#)  
[Resolution #29844](#)

Ms. Candida Affa asked if there were any comments from her colleagues.

Mr. Julio Guridy stated that he worked with Ms. Ambrose years ago. She is certainly very capable.

Ms. Candida Affa asked if there were any other comments from her colleagues or the public.

Ms. Julie Ambrose thanked Council for acknowledging the work that she already has done by reappointing her to the position. Thank you for the confidence in trying to connect the community to the city in a way that serves everyone well being for Parks and Recreation.

Ms. Candida Affa thanked Ms. Ambrose for her service.

**Yes:** 6 - Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

Enactment No: 29844

[15-3080](#)

Kenneth Laudenslager, Disruptive Conduct Board of Appeals,  
Reappointment - 01/25/2022

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Kenneth Laudenslager](#)  
[Resolution #29845](#)

Ms. Candida Affa asked if there were any comments from her colleagues.

Ms. Candida Affa stated that Mr. Laudenslager has been on the Disruptive Conduct Board from the beginning. He was one of the architects. She stated that she served on the board with him for years. He really knows what he is doing in this field. She highly recommended the appointment.

Mr. Daryl Hendricks stated that he had the distinct privilege working with Ken while a PSA Captain in charge of the southside. He stated that Ken is still president of the southside Crime Watch Group and has been involved with the community.

Mr. Julio Guridy stated that he had the pleasure of working and supporting Ken when he was the president of the Fire Police. He is a good community supporter.

Ms. Candida Affa asked if there were any other comments from her colleagues or the public.

Mr. Kenneth Laudenslager stated that he was one of the members of the committee that formed this Ordinance. He stated that he believes in the function of the appeals of the Disruptive Conduct Appeals process. He stated that he is glad Council supports him in his reappointment.

Ms. Candida Affa thanked Mr. Laudenslager for his service.

**Yes:** 6 - Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

Enactment No: 29845

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

[15-3053](#)

Bill 43

Amending Article 507 (Traffic control Maps) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Allentown. The Administration is authorized to establish and evaluate traffic regulations for a temporary period not to exceed 90 days.

This legislation makes the temporary changes permanent.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 43 Traffic Control Maps](#)

[Ordinance #15551](#)

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any questions or comments from his colleagues.

Mr. Ed Zucal stated that this was brought before the Public Works committee and it was sent favorably to full Council.

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any other comments from his colleagues or the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

Enactment No: 15551

[15-3048](#)

Bill 44

Amending the 2019 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) from Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC) to hire a professional historic preservation consultant to complete a historic preservation plan. This is an increase to the original grant amount of Twenty-Two Thousand (\$22,000) Dollars.

**Attachments:** [Bill 44 PHMC GRANT INCREASE - HARB](#)

[PHMC HARB GRANT INCREASE LETTER](#)

[Ordinance #15552](#)

Mr. Courtney Robinson stated that this was forwarded favorably from the meeting on July 24th from the Community and Economic Development Committee. He asked his colleagues to support it. It's not often the city gets extra money from the state. He stated that the Council previously approved the contract this evening that would utilize this money for additional expenses.

Mr. Julio Guridy stated that the city does get money from the state on other things.

Mr. Courtney Robinson stated that it is rare when they increase.

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any comments from the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

Enactment No: 15552

[15-3049](#)

Bill 45

Amending the 2019 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Fifty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-Eight (\$57,398) Dollars from the Pennsylvania Department of Justice grant to the City of Allentown for the purchase of InTime scheduling software (\$39,420) and Lehigh County's portion to purchase a drone to document crime scenes and accidents from an aerial point of view (\$17,987).

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 45 Police JAG Grant](#)

[Ordinance #15553](#)

Mr. Daryl Hendricks stated that this is before the Public Safety Committee this evening and it was moved favorably unanimously to the full Council.

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any other comments from Council or the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

Enactment No: 15553

[15-3050](#)

Bill 46

Amending the 2019 Capital Fund Budget and the 2019 General Fund by transferring One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) Dollars from Capital Project 2400 – Blight Removal and Remediation to the 2019 General Fund, Community and Economic Development Department for preparation of the 2020 Census.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 46 Transfer for Census Prep](#)

[Ordinance #15554](#)

Mr. Courtney Robinson stated that this was before the Community and Economic Development Committee. They had a lengthy discussion on this Bill. It was forwarded favorably unanimously. This is an exceptionally important process. He thanked the administration and Mr. Lightner for recognizing and making sure we have a full count or as close to a full count we can get. The Census Bureau is not providing a lot of information for

municipalities to work with to try to increase their counts. Having this spent by us is exceptionally important. For every person that the city counts, we receive over \$2,000 per year in federal funds. Even if we count 50 additional people more than last time, we are revenue neutral. He stated that the city needs to count 50 people just to receive money and the investment back in one year throughout the 10 years the Census track will be active. Using Blight Remediation funds for this is intelligent because it will reap more for the city in return. This Council made a decision years ago during the Water and Sewer Lease to set aside money for blight remediation. The majority of that money has not been spent.

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there was any discussion on the amendment.

Mr. Jeff Glazier stated that \$600,000 was put in for Blight Remediation. The previous administration had already taken \$141,000 out from that account and placed it in the General Fund, leaving a balance of \$459,000 for blight remediation. Out of the \$141,000, \$124,000 remains and had been rolled over from the General Fund. The PO is there, but no action has been taken to spend that money. He stated that he would be concerned to reduce the Blight Remediation money even by \$50,000. Council might want to consider that \$124,000 that has been rolled over from 2017 to 2018 to 2019 and would probably be rolled over to 2020.

Mr. Courtney Robinson stated for that reason he suggested not using that money currently because previously in one of these two bills that money was used for the Turner Street explosion which further investigation said that it wasn't. There is now a discrepancy between whether it is \$141,000 or \$124,000 remaining.

Mr. Roger MacLean stated that it makes sense. He asked if there were any other questions from Council.

Mr. Joseph McMahon stated that as Mr. Robinson said it would pay itself over the year. If you look over 10 years, you only need five extra counts to pay off the \$100,000 over a 10 year period. The return on investment could be absolutely tremendous.

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any comments from the public.

Mr. Julio Guridy stated to Mr. Hartzell that they discussed it before. He stated that the issue is taking the money from Capital Projects. He asked for his opinion.

Mr. Brent Hartzell stated that he was having an extended conversation with Mr. Glazier. Early in 2017, there was an ordinance passed that the

\$141,000 out of the \$600,000 in reserves from Blight Remediation from the Water and Sewer Fund was to be utilized for an initiative tied to Blight Remediation, but needed to be put into the General Fund because it was a promotion of what was going to happen with the rehabilitation of property with the Upside Allentown area. He stated that Jeff is seeing \$17,000 of the \$141,000 may have been spent. He stated that he doesn't think so, but will validate it. The appropriation was never acted upon.

Mr. Julio Guridy stated that he is not concerned of the unappropriated balance, he is more concerned with the Capital Funds.

Mr. Brent Hartzell stated that it will not effect any projects currently underway. That process never went through. The intention of the money particularly in dealing with the Census so we can get some more funds to deal with blight remediation in the future.

Mr. Julio Guridy agreed with Mr. Hartzell.

Mr. Courtney Robinson stated that the administration, Mr. Hartzell, and Mr. Glazier want to make sure that everyone is on the same page. It would behoove them as a body to return the money.

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any comments on the amendment.

Ms. Brenda Fernandez stated that was one of her questions that after the Census will they return the money. When are they going to be hiring Hispanics that speak the language for the Census?

Mr. Leonard Lightner stated yes. The plan is to hire people in the community. The numerators hired by the Census on the federal level have background checks they have to go through.

Mr. Glenn Hunsicker asked if this is the original blight and remediation money put aside from the Water and Sewer Lease by ordinance or just under the Lease Agreement. He asked why the city is attacking the blight money. He asked is this the only place we can get this money?

Mr. Brent Hartzell stated that under the previous leadership within Community and Economic Development, back in February 2017 an ordinance was passed to move \$141,000 of that \$600,000 that was intentionally set aside of the Water and Sewer Lease for blight remediation. There was an initiative to try to do significant improvements in the Upside Allentown area and \$141,000 was deemed necessary to be spend for promotional work because it was an operational expense. The city needed an ordinance to take it out of the Capital Fund into the General

Fund. When the appropriation lapsed, the money stayed in the General Fund.

Mr. Scott Holbert stated that based on what Mr. Hartzell said he doesn't know how it got put aside in the first place.

Mr. Joseph McMahon stated that he is hard pressed to believe the detail on that amount of money was part of the lease. The Lease was a transaction between LCA and the city and the city took that money and decided where they were going to appropriate that money.

Mr. Brent Hartzell stated that the ordinance number is #15348.

Mr. Julio Guridy stated that he tends to believe that the city should do it by ordinance.

Mr. Roger MacLean stated they should do one amendment at a time.

Mr. Courtney Robinson stated that there is a misnomer which is when they say that the money will come back that they are implying that the money will come back directly in this fund from CDBG funds. That's not what he meant. We can't do that with CDBG money.

Mr. Leonard Lightner stated you can't.

Mr. Edward John White, 1922 W Highland Street, stated that from a strategies standpoint this is a couple different issues that you are dealing with and you are losing the forest for the trees and getting into the weeds. This is for the Community and Economic Development department for preparation for the 2020 Census. Do we want to fund the work for the city to participate in the Census so that everyone counts? He handed materials from the Census. He stated that this seemed like the best source of funds that had a big enough number to do this now that has a potential of being paid back. He stated that they can worry about how it is paid back and the legality of that with Community Development Block Grant money later. The Census is coming and we need to do this. He encouraged them to find the mechanisms and what needs to be done.

Mr. Tom Hahn asked for an explanation on how they were able to take the money and put it in the blighted area and not spend it for the blighted homes.

Mr. Patrick Palmer asked is this spending money to make money. This is only going towards blight removal. You take it from here.

Mr. Courtney Robinson stated that the city can get more money from the federal government if the city has a higher count.

Mr. Joseph McMahon stated that it goes from the federal government and the state government, but also goes to nonprofits. It is not just the city who benefits. The higher our population, it affects our representation.

Ms. Enid Santiago stated that she fully believes in the Census. She was hired this year and did it 10 years ago. She stated that everybody should be counted. She stated that she needs to make sure that \$50,000 gets back to the blighted properties.

Mr. Joseph McMahon asked would it ease everyone's pain if the city took 100 percent from the unencumbered balance.

**A motion was made by Courtney Robinson, seconded by Candida Affa, that this Ordinance be amended to take \$50,000 from Capital Projects for Blight Removal and Remediation and \$50,000 from the unencumbered balance of the General Fund to pay for this program.. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Candida Affa, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**No:** 1 - Roger MacLean

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

Enactment No: 15554

Mr. Roger MacLean stated that tonight we learned how important this was when it was introduced. He stated that if it is so important that it should have been budgeted from the beginning.

**Yes:** 5 - Candida Affa, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**No:** 1 - Roger MacLean

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

Enactment No: 15554

#### [15-3054](#)

#### Bill 47

Amending the 2019 Capital Fund Budget and the 2019 General Fund by transferring Sixty Thousand (\$60,000) Dollars from Capital Project 2400 – Blight Removal and Remediation and One Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars and Seventh-Five Cents (\$1,276.75) from Capital Project 2203 – Lights In The Parkway Improvements to the 2019 General Fund, Community and Economic Development Department, Lights In The Parkway Program for the expansion of the event to include a walk-through display around Bogert's Bridge and the Gift Barn.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 47 LIGHTS IN THE PARKWAY TRANSFER](#)

Mr. Leonard Lightner withdrew Bill 47.

Mr. Courtney Robinson asked is this Bill being withdrawn with the intention of being reintroduced at a later date.

Mr. Leonard Lightner stated no, it is not.

**This Bill was withdrawn.**

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

[15-3072](#)

R66

Creates a Special Ad Hoc Committee to review youth programs and courses of action City might take related to youth issues.

**Sponsors:** Guridy, Mr. Robinson and Hendricks

**Attachments:** [R66 Special Ad Hoc Committee](#)  
[Resolution #29846](#)

Mr. Julio Guridy stated that they had a very long discussion with a lot of input. It is to develop a Youth Program to look into how they can work with the city departments and community organizations that are providing services to youth. The emphasis is that we are losing our youth to gangs, crime and disenchantment. He stated that it is the city's responsibility that the future generation is taken care of.

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any other comments from Council.

Ms. Candida Affa stated that she supports the Bill 100 percent. It has to start with the youth. These gangs are infiltrating kids that are 12, 13 and 14 years old. By this committee and the residents of this city to chip in and educate the youth is the only way to bring our city back.

Mr. Julio Guridy encouraged all Council members to support this Resolution. He suggested to allocate some funds when the budget comes so that they can do a better job then talking.

Mr. Courtney Robinson stated that he is a co-sponsor and thanked Mr. Guridy for wanting to work on this issue. He went over the five bullet points of what the goals would be to include all youth programs. He suggested that the administration to set aside a pool of money that can then be utilized properly after all research has been done.

Mr. Julio Guridy stated that he doesn't want to linger. The community is asking for us to do this.

Mr. Roger MacLean stated don't forget Mr. Arcelay's faith based database. He asked if there were any comments from the public.

Mr. Edward John White, 1922 Highland Street, thanked Mr. Guridy, Mr. Robinson, and Mr. Hendricks. He asked if the Ad Hoc Committee be a committee of all Council or include people from the community.

Mr. Julio Guridy stated that it would include the community.

Mr. Edward John White volunteered to serve on the committee to do what he can for the youth.

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any other comments from the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

Enactment No: 29846

[15-3098](#)

R67

Sewage Planning Module - certifies capacity at Lincoln Leadership Academy Foundation, Inc. - 1414 E. Cedar Street

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [R67 Sewage Planning Module - Lincoln Leadership Academy Foundation, Inc.](#)  
[Sewage Planning Module - Lincoln Leadership Academy Foundation, Inc. Documents](#)  
[Resolution #29847](#)  
[Resolution #29847 - Map](#)

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any comments from Council or the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

Enactment No: 29847

[15-3105](#)

R68

Authorizes Submission of an Application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development for a grant of One Million Eighty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$1,082,000) for upgrades to traffic signal systems.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [R68 American Parkway Grant Application](#)  
[Resolution #29848](#)

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any comments from Council or the public.

Mr. Courtney Robinson stated that there is a typo in the Resolved Section which should say \$1,082,000.

Mr. Scott Holbert stated that is just a typo.

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any comments from the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

Enactment No: 29848

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

**15-3127**

R69

Be It Resolved that Council Establishes a Special Meeting to confirm and vote on the appointment of the Police Chief on September 16, 2019 at 6:00 PM, contingent upon the administration being okay with the date.

**Yes:** 6 - Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Courtney Robinson, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, and Ed Zucal

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Mota

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

[15-3081](#)

Bill 49

Amending Article 121.02, Heads of Departments, Offices and Agencies; Qualifications; Prohibitions; Duties, by providing clarifying procedures for the appointment of Heads of Department when a vacancy occurs.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Zucal, Administration, Mota, Hendricks and Affa

**Attachments:** [Bill 49 Interim Appts](#)  
[14432 Vacant Dept Heads](#)

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any comments from his colleagues or the public.

Mr. Courtney Robinson asked the Solicitor's office to look into a long-term sick leave and if they are out more than 90 days the city has to appoint a

different Interim head of the department. The only issue was because this ordinance was passed in 2006 and was forgotten. The Codified Ordinance and Administrative Code need to be reestablish in an easy searchable database. This was found by accident last week and had to be fixed. He asked City Council to set aside the resources to properly catalog the Administrative Code and Codified Ordinances.

Mr. Tom Hahn asked if you do change it to an unlimited time period and are dissatisfied with the Interim person and they will be there for a long period of time, what do you do? Either we want Interim people to live in the city or we don't.

Mr. Courtney Robinson stated that his response was in regards to a specific issue. This will change it that an Interim Director can exist for more than 90 days. He stated that he simply asked a question about long-term sick leave.

Ms. Candida Affa stated that she doesn't believe that Interim people have to move into the city.

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any other comments from the public.

REFERRED TO THE HUMAN RESOURCES, ADMINISTRATION AND APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

[15-3099](#)

Bill 50

Amending the 2019 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Twelve Dollars and Eighty-One Cents (\$7,812.81) from the EMS Council State EMSOF Funds to be used to offset the replacement of monitor/defibrillator modems.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 50 EMS Council Contribution](#)

Mr. Roger MacLean stated that it sounds like the city is getting money from the EMS Council to do that. He asked if there were any comments from his colleagues or the public.

REFERRED TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

[15-3106](#)

Bill 51

Amending the 2019 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Five Hundred Thousand (\$500,000) Dollars from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Multimodal Transportation Fund for Phase 3 of the American Parkway Lighting Project.

**Sponsors:** Administration

**Attachments:** [Bill 51 American Parkway Grant](#)

Mr. Roger MacLean asked if there were any comments from his colleagues or the public.

REFERRED TO THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

**NEW BUSINESS: NONE**

**GOOD AND WELFARE**

Mr. Ed Zucal stated that some members of the FOP asked him to pass this on. This Saturday at Alton Park they are having a Softball Tournament that involves several different groups, the Sheriff's office, and other police departments starting at 8:00 AM.

Mr. Courtney Robinson stated that the Midway Manor Community Association will be holding its First Annual Classic Car Show this Saturday from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. It is located at the former Midway Manor Elementary School.

**ADJOURNED: 8:21 PM**