

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 56 - 2019

SEPTEMBER 4, 2019

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2019 Capital Fund Budget by transferring from One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) Dollars from Capital Project 2026 – MLK Drive and Lehigh Street to Capital Project 2023 – Pedestrian Safety and Signal Improvement to allow for the City Match funds and the Federal Grant funds to be together in one Capital Project.

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

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes a transfer within the 2019 Capital Fund in the amount of One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) Dollars as follows:

FROM

**Capital Project 2026
MLK Drive and Lehigh Street**

001-03-2026-1818-46	Other Contract Services	\$ 50,000
001-03-2026-1818-76	Construction Contracts	<u>50,000</u>
	Total	\$100,000

TO

**Capital Project 2023
Pedestrian Safety & Signal Improvement**

001-03-2023-1818-46	Other Contract Services	\$ 60,000
001-03-2023-1818-76	Construction Contracts	<u>40,000</u>
	Total	\$ 100,000

SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes a transfer within Capital Project 2023 as follows:

**Capital Project 2023
Pedestrian Safety & Signal Improvement**

FROM

001-03-2023-1811-46	Other Contract Services	\$ 297,274
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TO

001-03-2023-1811-76

Construction Contracts

\$ 297,274

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SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.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

Public Works/Traffic Planning and Control

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

In 2018 the City received the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) Fund grant in the amount of \$297,274 for the Lehigh Street (S.R 0145) and Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive Traffic Signal improvement project and Capital Project 2023 was created. As part of the grant requirement the City needed to provide a \$100,000 match. This match was provided through the 2018 short-term bond was placed in Capital Project 2026 not realizing it should have been appropriated into Capital Project 2023. This Bill combines the City match funds in Project 2026 with the grant funds in Project 2023.

- **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**

Combining the City match funds with the grant funds will enable better expenditure tracking for the project.

Also, the previously appropriated grant funds were originally placed into line item account number 46 (Other Contract Services), however account 76 (Construction Contracts) is a more appropriate account for this expenditure. Therefore, a transfer moving \$297,274 from Account 46 to 76 is also included in the Bill.

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

Since these funds were previously appropriated, there is no additional financial impact on the City.

- **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.**

Transfer of City Match funds originated from the 2018 Short Term Bond and the \$297,274 grant fund came from Federal Aid.

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

Construction will be starting immediately.

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

Completion of the project will help to increase the safety of motorists as well as pedestrian, especially the school children using the crosswalks.

