

CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. R95 RESOLUTION R - 2019

Introduced by the Administration on November 6, 2019

Authorizes Submission of an Application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development for a Grant of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) for Use in the purchase of a new ambulance for the Bureau of EMS.

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Allentown, Lehigh County hereby requests a Local Share Account Grant of \$200,000 from the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development to fund the purchase of a new ambulance for the City's Bureau of EMS.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Allentown hereby designates Ray O'Connell, Mayor, and Brent Hartzell, Finance Director, as the official(s) to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Allentown and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Allentown, hereby authorizes the City of Allentown to submit the application for Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) in Local Share Account funds to the Department of Community & Economic Development.

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

EMS

Summary and Facts of the Bill

The City is submitting an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development requesting a grant of \$200,000 in Local Share Account Funds. This grant will fund the purchase of a new ambulance.

- 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

The Resolution is a requirement of the application to demonstrate the City's support of the application and designate the Mayor as the authorized signatory in the event of an award contract.

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

The grant request is for \$200,000. There is no match requirement.

- 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.

Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development

Priority status/Deadlines, if any

The resolution is an application requirement. Application is due November 15, 2019.

Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

The resolution will allow the City to make application for these funds that would assist the EMS department in purchasing the needed vehicle, thus enhancing their fleet and capacity to respond to the thousands of calls received each year.