

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 15 – 2020

MARCH 4, 2020

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2020 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of One Million Nine Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Four (\$1,968,774.00) Dollars from the Allentown Neighborhood Improvement Zone District Authority (ANIZDA) Public Improvement Fund for improvements at Center Square and on Hamilton Street between 5th Street and Church Street as well as the South side of 6th Street between Hamilton and Type Streets.

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 2020 Capital Fund in the amount of One Million Nine Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Four (\$1,968,774.00) Dollars from the ANIZDA Public Improvement Fund as follows:

001-7142	Other Non-City	\$ 1,968,774
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SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation from the unappropriated balance of the Capital Fund as follows:

Monument Square Redesign

001-09-2401-2070-46	Other Contract Services	\$ 350,000
001-09-2401-2070-54	Repairs and Maintenance Supplies	<u>150,000</u>
	Total	\$ 500,000

Hamilton Streetscape Improvements

001-09-2402-2070-46	Other Contract Services	\$ 105,434
001-09-2402-2070-54	Repairs and Maintenance Supplies	257,500
001-09-2402-2070-76	Construction Contracts	<u>1,105,840</u>
	Total	\$ 1,468,774

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SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.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 Community and Economic Development

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

The purpose of this ordinance is to appropriate funds the City is receiving from the Allentown Neighborhood Improvement Zone District Authority (ANIZDA) Public Improvement Funds in the amount of \$1,968,774 for capital improvements that will be made within the NIZ area.

- **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**

There are two capital projects that will receive the ANIZDA funding. First is the Monument Square Redesign which will completely rehabilitate the 7th and Hamilton intersection to make it more pedestrian and vehicular friendly. Traffic flow will be adjusted, and pedestrian improvements will focus on safety, aesthetic appeal and activation.

The second capital project is Hamilton Streetscape – 5th to Church Streets. The focus of this project is to replace streetscape elements on Hamilton Street between 5th and Church Streets. Also, the south side of 6th Street between Hamilton and Type Street. The project includes new streetlights, street trees, curbing, sidewalks, ADA ramps, trash receptacles, benches, etc.

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**

- **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
- **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

The ANIZDA Public Improvement Funds allow the City to make much needed upgrades within the NIZ area. Additional funds for portions of the project that extend beyond the boundaries of the NIZ have been committed by CDBG.

- **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.**

Allentown Neighborhood Improvement Zone District Authority Public Improvement Funds

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

ANIZDA has approved this contribution to the City for these projects through Resolution R2019-180 and Resolution R2017-130.

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

These funds will enable the City to make improvements in the NIZ area which businesses have been complaining about for some time.