

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 45 - 2021

JUNE 2, 2021

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2021 General Fund by transferring Four Hundred Twenty Thousand Seven Hundred (\$420,7000) Dollars from the unappropriated balance of the General Fund to enable replacement of the existing chiller and four (4) pumps which are no longer working.

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

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes the transfer from the unappropriated balance of the General Fund in the following manner:

**Public Works
Building Maintenance**

000-03-0707-0001-46

Other Contract Services

\$ 420,700

SECTION TWO: That pursuant to Section 218 and upon the affirmative vote of six of seven councilpersons, this Ordinance will take effect immediately after final passage.

SECTION THREE: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.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

Finance Department

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

Providing funds for the replacement of the existing failing chiller and 4 associated pumps.

- **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**

This existing chiller and 4 related pumps are currently over 20 years old and have been failing over the last several years. Upon starting the unit for the 2021 spring/summer seasons the unit failed to operate beyond the ability to repair it. The new unit with a four year extended warranty on the parts and labor and four chilled water and condensing pumps is estimated to cost \$420,700. This ordinance will allow for the use of funds from the unappropriated balance of the General Fund for this necessary project.

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

The replacement of the chiller and pumps with newer, more efficient models will save the City money in the cost of operating the unit.

- **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.**

Funds are being transferred from the unappropriated balance of the General Fund.

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

This replacement is needed as soon as possible in order to provide good air quality to the employees, visitors to City Hall. The current unit is not functioning and air is being provided by a portable unit that is being rented on a month to month basis.

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

Without this replacement being done the air quality in City Hall will become a health hazard to the employees and visitors of City Hall.