



# Allentown

435 Hamilton Street  
Allentown, Pa. 18101

## Minutes - Final

### City Council

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Wednesday, October 4, 2017

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

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#### Contract Review and Approval

#### Call to Order: Council President O'Connell

Rollcall

**Present:** 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, David McGuire, Julio Guridy, and Cynthia Mota

**Excused:** 1 - Roger MacLean

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

[15-1894](#)

R165

Authorization for Engagement of Professional Services with Sarah Winston for \$150 for Musical Entertainment during the Parks & Recreation Department's 4th Annual Fishing & Fun in the Park event on September 23, 2017.

**Attachments:** [Request for Council Approval - Sarah Winston- 9.11.17](#)

[Resolution #29554](#)

Ms. Beth Ann Strohl stated that this is for a performance that occurred on September 23.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated Fishing in the Park was a very successful day. He asked if there were any comments from his colleagues or the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, David McGuire, Julio Guridy, and Cynthia Mota

**Excused:** 1 - Roger MacLean

Enactment No: 29554

[15-1895](#)

R166

Authorization for Engagement of Professional Services with Joel Shimmer for \$150 for Musical Entertainment during the Parks & Recreation Department's 4th Annual Fishing & Fun in the Park event on September 23, 2017.

**Attachments:** [Request for Council Approval - Shimer Joel- 9.11.17](#)  
[Resolution #29555](#)

Ms. Beth Ann Strohl stated that this event also happened on September 23.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated that the musical entertainment was very good. He asked if there were any comments from my colleagues or the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, David McGuire, Julio Guridy, and Cynthia Mota

**Excused:** 1 - Roger MacLean

Enactment No: 29555

[15-1896](#)

R167

Authorization for Engagement of Professional Services with Colin Sheridan for \$225 for Photography/Videography Services during the Parks & Recreation Department's 4th Annual Fishing & Fun in the Park event on September 23, 2017.

**Attachments:** [Request for Council Approval - Colin Sheridan- 9.11.17](#)  
[Resolution #29556](#)

Ms. Beth Ann Strohl stated that these performances took place on September 23.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any comments from my colleagues or the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, David McGuire, Julio Guridy, and Cynthia Mota

**Excused:** 1 - Roger MacLean

Enactment No: 29556

[15-1892](#)

R168

Authorization for Engagement of Professional Services with Jose Cintron for \$400 for Musical Entertainment for the Parks & Recreation Department's Aquatics Teen Pool Parties at Jordan Pool and Mack Pool.

**Attachments:** [Request for Council Approval - Jose Cintron 9.13.17](#)  
[Resolution #29557](#)

Ms. Beth Ann Strohl stated that these performances occurred in the summer months.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked how was the turnout. He asked if kids go for free and asked if there are more boys than girls.

Ms. Lindsay Taylor stated that the turnout was better. This was the second year we have done it. They are getting an increasingly better response. She stated no, they pay. She stated that she doesn't know.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any comments from my colleagues.

Ms. Candida Affa asked are these two separate parties and was it \$400 for both.

Ms. Lindsay Taylor stated yes, and they were held on two different dates. That was the total.

Mr. Julio Guridy stated \$200 each.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any comments from the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, David McGuire, Julio Guridy, and Cynthia Mota

**Excused:** 1 - Roger MacLean

Enactment No: 29557

[15-1893](#)

R169

Authorization for Engagement of Professional Services with Lucky 7 Band for \$2,500 for Saturday in the Park Series performance.

**Attachments:** [Request for Council Approval - Park Lucky 7](#)  
[Resolution #29558](#)

Ms. Beth Ann Strohl stated that this performance occurred on September 9.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated that Mr. Hendricks was at this one.

Mr. Daryl Hendricks stated yes, it was well attended. It was an excellent day. It was a local favorite.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked did you do any dancing.

Mr. Daryl Hendricks stated no, I did not.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any comments from my colleagues or the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, David McGuire, Julio Guridy, and Cynthia Mota

**Excused:** 1 - Roger MacLean

Enactment No: 29558

[15-1897](#)

R170

Authorization for Engagement of Professional Services with Bethman Print Group for \$975 for the design of 2017 Lights in the Parkway marketing materials.

**Attachments:** [Request for Council Approval-Bethman Print Group](#)  
[Resolution #29559](#)

Ms. Beth Ann Strohl stated that these are for design for marketing material including social media marketing, flyers, posters, print and digital ads.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if this was for the design, the setup, and marketing it too. He asked if there were any comments from his colleagues.

Mr. Daryl Hendricks stated that he understands this group is out of Bethlehem. Have we used them in the past and did we have anybody from the city of Allentown?

Ms. Lindsay Taylor stated out of Springtown. She stated no, we did not. We did. We had two from the city of Allentown and one was astronomically high and the second, there were concerns about the delivery time. We needed a tight delivery on these products.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any other comments from my colleagues.

Mr. Lou Hershman, 405 N. Gilmore Street, asked about the bid. The audit is to ensure that the vendors are not suspended or disbarred before they are bid on. It was part of the audit report.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if we are using a vendor that has been suspended or disbarred.

Ms. Beth Ann Strohl stated that those findings were related to the audit that was performed. They pulled items from contracts from PennDot. She stated that Craig Messinger was involved in those. Those particular contracts were not awarded by the city of Allentown. They were awarded by PennDot. We do check the federal disbarment list to make sure the vendors are not on that particular list.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any other comments from the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, David McGuire, Julio Guridy, and Cynthia Mota

**Excused:** 1 - Roger MacLean

Enactment No: 29559

15-1903

R170B

Authorization of Engagement of Professional Services with McMahon Associates, Inc. for \$3800 to prepare a Green Light Go Grant Application submission for the intersections along 17th Street at Chew Street, Turner Street and Linden Street - this includes concept plans, cost estimates and associated documents for the submission.

**Attachments:** [R170B Request for Council Approval](#)  
[Resolution #29560](#)

Ms. Beth Ann Strohl stated that the cost for this service is under \$4,000 so only one quote was required.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked Mr. Messinger to tell Council what will happen at 17th and Chew, 17th and Turner, and 17th and Linden.

Mr. Craig Messinger stated that hopefully if we have a good enough proposal for the Green Light Go Grant we will actually be improving those intersections. Especially at 17th and Chew Streets. Make sure all the designs are up to today's standards. They are badly needed going between the two hospitals and the school in between.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if this will be like at Muhlenberg.

Mr. Craig Messinger stated that this will be upgrades to the traffic signals.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked who paid for the ones at Muhlenberg College. Someone will be killed at 17th and Chew Streets.

Mr. Craig Messinger stated that he can imagine that they probably had a grant to work through with the city. He stated that we are talking about two different things. I am talking about the actual intersection. That's in their hands. The hospital has been given insight. The only reason why the flashing lights are not upgraded is because of the hospital, not the city.

Mr. Nelson Varughese stated that they had a meeting with the hospital. We are going to design the flashing light on the top and both sides of the pedestal. We are going to get a permit that they are going to install. Once they get the permit, they are going to start to install.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked the timeline.

Mr. Nelson Varughese stated that within two weeks it will be sent to PennDot. They have a two year time to install it.

Mr. Craig Messinger stated that we are looking at the intersection itself. There might be something else that needs to be added. We want to have a good proposal to put in.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked any comments from my colleagues or the public.

Mr. Glenn Hunsicker asked if there are grant writers in the city, on the city's payroll.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated yes, we do, but this is a Green Light Go Grant Application.

Mr. Craig Messinger stated that this is not just the fact of the grant. It is the fact of the design, the study, the planning, and the concept plan.

Mr. Glenn Hunsicker stated that we have an engineering group. We should be doing this more in-house.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any other comments from the public.

**Yes:** 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, David McGuire, Julio Guridy, and Cynthia Mota

**Excused:** 1 - Roger MacLean

Enactment No: 29560

**ADJOURNED: 6:16 PM**