



Allentown

435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, Pa. 18101

Minutes - Final

City Council

Wednesday, May 13, 2020

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Special Contract Meeting

This Contract meeting is a do-over due to an internet outage which impacted the ability to solicit comments and livestream the meeting.

The purpose of the Contract Approval meeting is to ensure that procedures relating to engaging in contracts, professional services and change orders are followed pursuant to legislation passed by Council - noted below. The projects and funding have already been approved.

City Council plans to conduct regularly scheduled Council Meetings. Our intent is to continue to ensure an open government by conducting regularly scheduled council meetings with active public participation, while implementing safety precautions established by the CDC and Commonwealth Health Department and following Governor Wolf's Order. These accommodations are shaped by guidance offered by the Pennsylvania Office of Open Records and are consistent with our Home Rule Charter and applicable laws.

Essential Issues: Council will only consider legislation that is essential and important to city operations – we do not plan to entertain any legislation dealing with sensitive neighborhood issues like re-zonings and the like.

Remote Participation of Councilmembers, City Staff and our Citizens: While the Council and City Hall doors are physically closed to the public, the Council Chambers are open to the public through electronic means. The public, City staff and councilpersons are afforded the opportunity to participate remotely. Councilpersons and city staff participating in chambers will follow CDC guidelines – six-foot separation, separate microphones and wearing masks. These efforts are geared towards minimizing the number of people in the room at the same time to protect against community spread of the virus. Also, to protect against community spread, members of the public are invited to participate in public comment and courtesy of the floor through electronic means. We will be making every effort to create as many opportunities for residents to comment on legislation and bring issues to Courtesy of the Floor.

Encouraging Written Public Comments and Courtesy of the Floor Statements: Public comments will be accepted in writing through an email to the City Clerk at Michael.Hanlon@Allentownpa.gov or sending an email to Public.Comment@Allentownpa.gov. Emailed public comment must be submitted by 5:00 pm on the day of the meeting to make it available and distribute it. The comments received will be read into the record by the City Clerk. The email must follow the regular format of council meetings – include your name and address on the email. A Courtesy of the Floor section will be created for items not on the agenda. Please forward these requests to the City Clerk's email noted above.

Live Comments During the Meeting: Email - Council will be taking live comments during the meeting following the regular protocols using email. Email can be sent to the City Clerk at Michael.Hanlon@Allentownpa.gov or to Public.Comment@Allentownpa.gov. A reminder that comments must be directed to legislation under review except for Courtesy of the Floor.

The meeting is livestreamed and can be found at the city website: <https://www.allentownpa.gov/> under Public Meetings or simply go directly to the link <https://allentownpa.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>. Make sure the drop-down menu references City Council and is on the current month. The complete agenda and legislation are found there. When the meeting starts, it will say Meeting in Progress on the right-hand side. Click that and you will join the meeting. The livestream works best with up to date browsers. After the meeting is over, the video will be uploaded into the file. Should you have any questions on this, call the City Council Office at 610-437-7556.

Record of Meeting: The video and minutes of the meeting will be posted on the City website as soon as possible after the meeting for review.

Roll Call

Cynthia Mota participated remotely using Microsoft

Present: 6 - Cynthia Mota, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, Ed Zucal, Ce-Ce Gerlach, and Joshua Siegel
Absent: 1 - Candida Affa

RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):

[15-3558](#)

R46

Authorization for Contract with Asphalt Maintenance Solutions, LLC for \$641,478 to apply various surface treatments to city roadways and for incidental work as authorized by the City, the contract was competitively bid.

Attachments: [R46 Request for Council Approval - Asphalt Maint. C12-000235- Bid No. 2020-07](#)

Mr. Daryl Hendricks thanked Mr. Hanlon and asked if there were any questions, concerns or comments from his colleagues or the public.

Yes: 6 - Cynthia Mota, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, Ed Zucal, Ce-Ce Gerlach, and Joshua Siegel

Absent: 1 - Candida Affa

Enactment No: 29965

[15-3560](#)

R47

Authorization for Contract with G & B Construction Group, Inc. for \$238,730 to do curb and sidewalk in conjunction with the 2020 streets improvements program, along with incidental work as may be authorized, competitively bid.

Attachments: [R47 GB Construction Group Inc. C12- - Bid No. 2020-14](#)

Mr. Daryl Hendricks asked if there were any questions, concerns or comments from his colleagues or the public.

Yes: 6 - Cynthia Mota, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, Ed Zucal, Ce-Ce Gerlach, and Joshua Siegel

Absent: 1 - Candida Affa

Enactment No: 29966

[15-3562](#)

R48

Authorization for Contract with Kuharchik Construction, Inc. for \$257,955.00. for traffic signals improvement at 15 intersections on Lehigh Street and two (2) adjoining intersections for a total of 15 intersections, competitively bid, 3 bidders.

Attachments: [R48 Kuharchik Construction-C48-000028 Bid No. 2020-13](#)

Mr. Daryl Hendricks asked if there were any questions, concerns or comments from his colleagues or the public.

Yes: 6 - Cynthia Mota, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, Ed Zucal, Ce-Ce Gerlach, and Joshua Siegel

Absent: 1 - Candida Affa

Enactment No: 29968

[15-3563](#)

R49

Authorization for Contract with Construction Masters Services, Inc. for \$1,710,328.75 for ADA Ramps compliance, along with incidental work as may be authorized, competitively bid, 5 responses.

Attachments: [R49 Construction Masters C12-000232-Bid No.2020-08](#)

Mr. Daryl Hendricks asked if there were any questions, concerns or comments from his colleagues or the public.

Yes: 6 - Cynthia Mota, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, Ed Zucal, Ce-Ce Gerlach, and Joshua Siegel

Absent: 1 - Candida Affa

Enactment No: 29967

[15-3561](#)

R50

Authorization for Engagement of Professional Services with Larson Design Group for \$1,800 to terminate the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Stormwater Permit for the Keck Park Project, legal requirement.

Attachments: [R50 Keck Park Project](#)

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Yes: 6 - Cynthia Mota, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, Ed Zucal, Ce-Ce Gerlach, and Joshua Siegel

Absent: 1 - Candida Affa

Enactment No: 29969

[15-3559](#)

R51

Authorization for Contract with Buckman's Inc., at the unit prices for various pool chemicals, for an estimated budget of \$30,000; competitively bid, two bidders.

Attachments: [R51 Buckmans - BID No. 2020-02- pool chemicals](#)

Mr. Daryl Hendricks asked if there were any questions, concerns or comments from his colleagues or the public.

Yes: 6 - Cynthia Mota, Daryl Hendricks, Julio Guridy, Ed Zucal, Ce-Ce Gerlach, and Joshua Siegel

Absent: 1 - Candida Affa

Enactment No: 29970

Mr. Julio Guridy stated that this is what Council already discussed at the last meeting. Just for the record, they are not taking comments or asking questions because Council already did that at the last meeting.

Mr. Michael Hanlon stated yes.

Mr. Daryl Hendricks stated that Council was all satisfied with the answers presented to them last week and none were required this week and none were required this week. That's why the vote went as it was.

Mr. Julio Guridy stated there were no changes.

Mr. Michael Hanlon stated that there were no changes.

Mr. Matthew Kloiber stated that people had the opportunity to comment this week. As the City Clerk mentioned, no one commented on any of the Contracts.

Mr. Daryl Hendricks stated that this would have been a second chance for them had they had concerns.

[15-3564](#)

Contract Procedures

Attachments: [Article 130.16 Contracts](#)

ADJOURNED: 6:06 PM