

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 92 - 2023

OCTOBER 4, 2023

AN ORDINANCE

This ordinance is to correct a misappropriation, from a listing of the account string error, that occurred in Ordinance 15886. This ordinance will reappropriate the ARPA money allocated to the HDC-Mid Atlantic 1528 West Hamilton St. Affordable Housing Project to the correct expense account. Ordinance 15886 allocated One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) to the 2023 General Fund Community Development Director Administration account. These funds should have been placed in the ARPA Fund Civic Expenses account.

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

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes a decrease, from a misappropriation, of the General Fund Community Development Director Administration account in the following manner:

000-09-0901-0001-40	General Fund Community Development Director Administration	\$ 1,000,000
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SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes an increase to the General Fund Transfers In account in the following manner:

000-2660	General Fund Transfers In	\$ 1,000,000
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SECTION THREE: That City Council authorizes an appropriation from the General Fund Interfund Transfers account to the ARPA Fund Civic Expenses account in the following manner:

019-01-0609-0001-88	General Fund Interfund Transfers	\$ 1,000,000
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019-01-0609-0001-40	ARPA Fund Civic Expenses	\$ 1,000,000
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SECTION FOUR: That this Ordinance takes effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION FIVE: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

SECTION SIX: That the Mayor and/or his designees are authorized to enter into any necessary agreements to distribute the funding to the project and protect the City's interests.

LEGISLATIVE TEMPLATE

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

Community and Economic Development

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

The Bill is necessary to appropriate \$1,000,000 of ARPA funding to HDC Mid Atlantic's 1528 West Hamilton Street Affordable housing project

- **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 Bill will allow the City to grant \$1,000,000 of ARPA funding to help cover a \$1.6 million dollar funding gap in HDC Mid Atlantic's 1528 West Hamilton St. affordable housing project. The project will create 49 deeply affordable housing units and has a total cost estimate of \$19,390,595. The Bill will advance Principle #2 of the Housing Section of Vision 2030: Increase the quantity of healthy, safe and affordable housing.

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

This is a one-time grant to the project. The project is expected to generate over \$50,000 in annual real estate taxes, with approximately \$11,800 going to the City.

- **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.**

In addition to 1,000,000 in ARPA funding the City is anticipating to commit \$850,000 of HUD HOME Funding.

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

High Priority. HDC Mid-Atlantic needs to secure its funding commitments so it can close on the property.

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

The funds will create new healthy, safe and affordable housing.