

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 84 - 2023

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2023 General Fund budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Three Hundred Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$312,000.00) from the Safe Streets and Roads for All grant and Seventy-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$78,000.00) from the unappropriated balance as a grant match for an Action Plan.

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 2023 Capital Fund in the amount of Three Hundred Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$312,000.00) reflecting receipt of monies from the Safe Streets and Roads for All grant.

<b>Federal Aid</b>		
001-7143		<b>\$ 312,000.00</b>

SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation to the Capital Fund Public Works Department budget as follows:

<b>Public Works</b>		
001-03-2039-2311-46	<b>Other Contract Services</b>	<b>\$ 312,000.00</b>

SECTION THREE: That City Council authorizes an increase from the unappropriated balance of the 2023 General Fund to the Capital Fund Public Works Department budget in the amount of Seventy-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$78,000.00) as follows:

<b>Transfers In</b>		
001-2661		<b>\$ 78,000.00</b>

SECTION FOUR: That City Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation from the unappropriated balance of the General Fund to the Capital Fund Public Works Department budget as follows:

<b>Public Works</b>		
001-03-2039-2302-46	<b>Other Contract Services</b>	<b>\$ 78,000.00</b>

SECTION FIVE: That this Ordinance takes effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION SIX: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

- What department or bureau is this bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?

Public Works

- Summary and facts of the bill.

The City was awarded a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant in the amount of \$312,000. As part of the grant requirements, the City needs to provide a \$78,000 match. The grant funds of \$390,000 need to be transferred into a newly created capital account so the work can be started. Since this is a reimbursable grant, \$312,000 will be reimbursed to the general fund capital fund account (001-7143) when the project is completed. The total estimated project cost will be \$390,000.

The grant will be used to obtain a consultant to aid the city with the preparation, development, and implementation strategies for an Action Plan. The consultant will give the city guidance in planning structure, safety analysis, engagement and collaboration, equity considerations, policy and process changes, strategy and project selections, and progress and transparency. The creation of this action plan will involve robust community meetings and engagement initiatives in each corridor of the city, specific attention will be paid to center city due to its density and percentage of poverty. The City is in the creating-stages of a Vision Zero Plan to achieve zero deaths and serious injuries which brings urgency, accountability, ensuring transparency on progress and challenges.

- Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:
  - a. What does the bill do? What are the specific goals or tasks the bill seeks to accomplish?

This bill is to transfer funds from the unappropriated balance to a newly created capital account “Safe Streets and Roads for All”.

Since this is a reimbursable grant, the funds needed are a “loan” from the unappropriated balance and will be reimbursed when the work is completed.

- b. What are the benefits of doing this? What are the drawbacks?

The City was awarded this grant and have entered into an agreement to complete the work within this SS4A grant.

- Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:
  - a. Cost (initial and ongoing)

The transfer is for \$390,000 that includes the reimbursable and match needed for the SS4A grant awarded.

- Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:

- a. If transferring funds, please make sure to give specific account names and numbers. If appropriating funds from a grant, please list the agency awarding the grant.

Transfer \$390,000 from the unappropriated balance to a newly created Capital Account "Safe Streets and Roads for All" capital account.

001-03- <b>2039-2311</b> -46	\$312,000
001-03- <b>2039-2302</b> -46	\$78,000

- Priority status – Are there any deadlines to be aware of?

n/a

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

The City was awarded this SS4A grant and entered into an agreement to fulfill the work as described in the grant workscope.