



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. 31212

**RESOLUTION**

**R13 - 2026**

***Introduced by the Administration on February 4, 2026***

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Authorizes the submission of a Formal Application for funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant (MTF-PennDOT) Grant Services in the amount of approximately Six Hundred Eighty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars (\$682,282) for the trail connection between Cedar Creek Park and Trexler Park.

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***Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That***

***WHEREAS***, the City of Allentown is desirous of obtaining funds from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF-PennDOT) Grant, for construction of the Cedar to Trexler Trail Connection Project, connecting the two parks with a safe travel route via sidewalks and a path.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Allentown City Council, hereby authorizes the City of Allentown to submit the application for approximately Six Hundred Eighty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars (\$682,282) in Multimodal Transportation Funds (MTF-PennDOT) to the Commonwealth Financing Authority.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that the City of Allentown hereby designates Matt Tuerk, Mayor, and Bina Patel, Finance Director, as the official(s) to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Allentown and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

|                            | Yea | Nay |
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| Candida Affa               | X   |     |
| Jeremy Binder              | X   |     |
| Ce-Ce Gerlach              | X   |     |
| Cynthia Y. Mota            |     |     |
| Cristian Pungo             | X   |     |
| Natalie Santos             | X   |     |
| Santo Napoli,<br>President | X   |     |
| TOTAL                      | 6   | 0   |

***THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the above copy of Resolution No. 31212 was adopted by the City Council of Allentown on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2026, and is on file in the City Clerk's Office.***

Michael P. Hughes  
City Clerk

## LEGISLATIVE TEMPLATE

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

Parks and Recreation

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

The purpose of this resolution is for design and construction of the Cedar Creek Park to Trexler Park trail connection.

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**
  - **What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish**  
Allows for design & construction of the connection.
  - **What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this**  
Allows the city to connect Trexler and Cedar Creek Park
  - **How does this Bill related to the City's Vision/Mission/Priorities**  
Provides for safe and accessible access to trails in the city.

This City is asking for \$682,282 in grant funding

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

MATCH: 30% match required under CFA Multimodal Transportation Fund for municipalities.

- **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.**

N/A

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

High priority, grant is due February 14<sup>th</sup>.

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

These funds will be used for the design and construction of the Cedar Creek Park and Trexler Park trail connection.