

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 20 - 2024

MARCH 6, 2024

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2024 Capital Fund Budget to provide for an increase of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00) to the Capital Project Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. These funds have been awarded as an MTF-DCED grant and will be reimbursed when the project is completed. The project includes the replacement of the existing rusted streetlights with 24 new LED luminaires and street light poles.

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

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes a decrease to the unappropriated balance of the General Fund in the amount of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00) and transferred to the following account:

MLK Jr Dr Lighting Capital Account (2038)

001-7144	State Aid	\$350,000.00
001-03-2038-2410-76	Construction Contracts	\$350,000.00

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

SECTION THREE: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

Legislative Template

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

Public Works – Traffic Planning and Control

- Summary and facts of the bill.

The City was awarded a MTF-DCED grant in the amount of \$350,000. As part of the grant requirements, the City needed to provide a \$54,000 match. The match funds have been secured; however, the grant funds of \$350,000 need to be transferred into the capital account so the work can be done. Since this is a reimbursable grant, the funds will be reimbursed to the general fund capital fund account (001-7144) when the project is completed. The total estimated project cost will be \$404,000.

This grant is to upgrade the streetlights along the northside of Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., from 8th Street Bridge eastward to 4th and Union Street. The project includes the replacement of the existing rusted streetlights with 24 new LED luminaires and street light poles.

- 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 the capital account MLK Jr Dr Lighting (2038).

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.

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

The transfer is for \$350,000 as part of the reimbursable grant awarded.

- b. Benefits (initial and ongoing)

The City’s Grant Agreement contract verify that we will have the funds needed to go forward with all Grants 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 \$350,000 from the unappropriated balance to

The MLK Jr Dr Lighting capital account (2038)

001-03-2038-2410-76, Construction Contracts, \$350,000 and

001-7144 revenue account, state aid

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

n/a

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

The City was awarded this MTF-DCED grant and entered into an agreement to fulfill the work as described in the grant work scope.