



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. _____

RESOLUTION

R124 - 2024

Introduced by the Administration on July 24, 2024

Approves the submission of an amendment to the 2020, 2021, and 2022 Action Plan to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown,

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown is eligible to apply for funding through federal housing and community development programs for use within the City; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development requires the City to prepare an Action Plan to receive such funding; and

WHEREAS, the Action Plan serves as the application for Community Development Block Grant Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program and Emergency Solutions Grants Program funds, and describes how the City plans to use the federal funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Allentown hereby approves of the submission to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development of the amendment to the Action Plan for the period January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020, January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, and January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

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

This bill originates from the Department of Community and Economic Development and serves as a template for the City of Allentown's request to reallocate unspent funds from the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$173,127.00. This legislation contains all recommended regulatory steps needed to reallocate federal funding.

- Summary and facts of the bill.

This legislation will allow the City to submit an amendment to its 2020, 2021, and 2022 One Year Action Plan for the allocation of unspent funds from the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

- 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 legislation authorizes the City to submit an amendment to its 2020, 2021, and 2022 One Year Action Plan which outlines the use of federal funds for that program year in accordance with the priorities outlined in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan.

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

These funds will be allocated to the Resurrected Community Development Corporation to provide environmental work, and for the remediation of existing hazardous material. Both are critical items that need to be addressed as part of the Academy's rehabilitation plan.

- c. How does this bill relate to the City's vision/mission/priorities?

The bill supports RCDC's rehabilitation project which promotes healthier and cleaner spaces for city residents.

- Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:

- a. Cost (initial and ongoing)

There is no financial impact on the City. This is a reimbursable grant.

- b. Benefits (initial and ongoing)

Reallocating these funds will support the Resurrected Community Development Corporation re-mediate environmental hazards within their building.

- 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.

The funding source for this resolution is the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, funds from stalled projects.

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

This bill has a high priority status.

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

This resolution allows the City to submit an amendment to HUD for the reallocation of funds to support Resurrected Community Development Corporation hazard remediation to promote a healthier Allentown.