

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 44 - 2025

MAY 7, 2025

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2025 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars and Two Cents (\$16,322.02) from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Office of The State Fire Commissioner (OSFC) Grant to the Allentown Fire Department for the purchase of equipment.

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 General Fund in the amount Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars and Two Cents (\$16,322.02) reflecting receipt of monies from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Office of The State Fire Commissioner grant.

000-00-0000-0000-45240	Other Grants and Misc.	\$ 16,322.02
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SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation from the unappropriated balance of the General Fund to the Fire Department budget as follows:

Fire		
	000-05-0803-0028-50072	Equipment
		\$ 16,322.02

SECTION THREE: That this Ordinance will take effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.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

Allentown Fire Department

- Summary and facts of the bill.

The Allentown Fire Department was awarded a Pennsylvania Office of the State Fire Commissioner grant to purchase Ballistic Resistant Body Armor.

- 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 accepts funds granted by the PA Office of the State Fire Commissioner to purchase firefighter equipment.

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

This grant helps us provide the best service possible to our city. The department provides ballistic resistant body armor for all riding positions on the City's fire apparatus. Current inventory of this armor is reaching the end of its useful life. In addition, staffing increases require the City to have additional armor plates and plate carriers to ensure the safety of all firefighters.

- 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.

Appropriate \$16,322.02 that was awarded to the Allentown Fire Department from Acct #000-00-0000-0000-45240- (other grants & misc.) to Acct #000-05-0803-0028-50072-

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

The deadline to spend the funds is August 11, 2025.

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

These grant funds will provide equipment to ensure all Fire personnel will be properly trained to protect and serve the citizens of Allentown and provide a safe City for all who live, work and visit the City of Allentown. It has always been the City of Allentown's priority, as well as every elected officials' priority, to provide safe and efficient Public Safety services to ensure a safe environment.