



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

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RESOLUTION

R174 - 2025

Introduced by the Administration on November 19, 2025

Approves the submission of the formal application for the local share account grant on behalf of the Allentown Parking Authority to support the repair to the Spiral Parking Deck located at 836 W. Linden Street.

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown is desirous of submitting a formal application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development for a grant of five hundred four thousand dollars (\$504,000.00).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Allentown, Lehigh County hereby requests a local share account grant on behalf of the Allentown Parking Authority to support repairs to the Spiral Parking Deck located at 836 W. Linden Street.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that the City of Allentown hereby designates Matthew 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.

Legislative Template

- **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 Grants Department on behalf of the Allentown Parking Authority.

- **Summary and facts of the bill.**

The City of Allentown is submitting a formal application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for \$504,000 awarded from the Statewide Local Share Account (LSA) grant that will support the repair to the Spiral Parking Deck located at 836 W. Linden Street, Allentown, PA. Despite targeted maintenance efforts totaling \$1.1 million over the past three years, the Spiral deck continues to suffer from significant structural deterioration. Issues include aging concrete and safety concerns have not been resolved through repairs to date. Without additional and ongoing rehabilitation, the deck risks partial closure or complete decommissioning.

- **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?**

The Resolution is a requirement of the application to demonstrate the City's support for the project and to designate Mayor Matthew Tuerk as the signatory of the contract with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

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

The repair of the Spiral Deck will be accomplished through temporary scaffolding and shoring, full depth slab repair of over 2000 square feet of concrete, removal and replacement of 2 drains and line striping. Repairing the deck will preserve over 600 spaces to vital local businesses, residents, and visitors.

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

The project promotes economic resilience and preserves a critical transportation resource.

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

- a. **Cost (initial and ongoing)**

The grant application is for \$504,000. All funding commitments are the responsibility of the Allentown Parking Authority and there is no financial impact or risk to the City.

- b. **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

Repairing the spiral deck will preserve a large number of parking spaces, enhance pedestrian and vehicular safety through updated infrastructure, support equitable access to downtown services, including transit, retail and government offices and extend the life of a key public asset.

- **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 comes from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

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

The resolution is a requirement of the formal application. The grant application submission due date is November 30, 2025.

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

The resolution will allow the City to make a formal application for these funds to support this capital project.