

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 41 - 2026

INTRODUCED BY

MAY 6, 2026

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2026 Capital Fund Budget to provide for an increase of One million Nine Hundred and Five thousand dollars (\$1,905,000) to fund the approved Parks Capital Projects as part of the 2026 Capital borrowing.

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

SECTION ONE: That the City Council authorizes an increase to the 2026 Capital Fund in the amount of One million Nine Hundred and Five thousand dollars (\$1,905,000) as follows:

Parks Ops Facility (2210)

001-08-2210-1426-50046	Other Contract Services	\$350,000
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Court Upgrades/Surfaces (2231)

001-08-2231-1426-50046	Other Contract Services	\$600,000
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MLK Trail (1663)

001-08-1663-1426-50046	Other Contract Services	\$655,000
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Fountain Park (2230)

001-08-2230-1426-50046	Other Contract Services	\$300,000
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SECTION TWO: That this Ordinance will take 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SECTION THREE: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.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?

Department of Parks and Recreation

- Summary and facts of the bill.

As part of the approved capital projects for Parks & Recreation, the ordinance is required to appropriate the funding for the following projects:

- 1.0 Parks Ops Facility: These funds will be used to begin the design and permitting phase of the project. The existing worksite for parks employees (“the Barn”) is not an acceptable place to house 43 SEIU employees. A building analysis was completed, and the existing facility received a “D” grade. A concept plan was completed and determined it was feasible to construct a new facility on site, north of the existing site, in the gravel lot. These funds will be used to start full design and permitting.
- 2.0 Court Upgrades/Surfaces: These funds will be used to remove and replace the safety surfacing at Cedar Beach Playground. The safety surfacing has reached the end of its useful life.
- 3.0 MLK Trail: Design for MLK trail phase 1, from Fountain Poolhouse to Lehigh Parkway is complete. These funds will supplement \$2.279 million in grant funding already acquired from DCED MTF, DCED CEAP, DCED MT, and DCED LSA.
- 4.0 Fountain Park: These funds will be used to close the funding gap needed to construct a restroom at the west end of the park, demolish the pool shell, and complete park design (with public input) and permitting. A park concept plan has been developed.

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

The total cost of the project is as follows:

Parks Ops Facility	\$350,000
Court Upgrades/Surfaces	\$600,000
MLK Trail	\$655,000
Fountain Park	\$300,000
Total	\$1,905,000