



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

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**RESOLUTION**

**R94 - 2025**

***Introduced by the Administration on July 23, 2025***

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Authorizes the submission of a Formal Application for funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant in the amount of approximately Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) to complete a StreetScape Project on Jordan Street from Turner to Gordon Street.

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***Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That***

**WHEREAS**, the City of Allentown is desirous of obtaining funds from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant. This project will enhance and improve two blocks of Jordan Street and will include upgraded ADA compliant sidewalks, trees, lighting, and street paving.

**WHEREAS**, this project supports Allentown's vision of creating a safe, healthy, and connected city by improving pedestrian infrastructure, accessibility, and neighborhood livability.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Allentown City Council hereby authorizes the City of Allentown to submit the application for approximately Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Allentown hereby designates Matt Tuerk, Mayor, and Bina Patel, Finance Director, as the official(s) to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Allentown and the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Multimodal Transportation Fund to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

## Legislative Template

- What department or bureau is this bill originating from?

Department of Public Works- Traffic Planning & Control

- Summary and facts of the bill.

The City is submitting a formal application for the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant in amount of \$3,000,000 for a StreetScape Project on Jordan Street from Turner to Gordon Street.

- Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:

- a. What does the bill do?

This resolution is a requirement of the formal application to demonstrate the City's support of this application.

- b. What are the benefits of doing this?

This project will enhance and improve two blocks of Jordan Street. It will include upgraded and ADA compliant Sidewalks, Trees, Lighting and Repaved Roads.

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

This project supports Allentown's vision of creating a safe, healthy, and connected city by improving pedestrian infrastructure, accessibility, and neighborhood livability. It aligns with city priorities around equitable investment, multimodal transportation, and sustainable infrastructure that enhances quality of life for all residents.

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

- a. Cost (initial and ongoing)

We are requesting \$3,000,000 for this project. No Match Required.

- b. Benefits (initial and ongoing)

This project will provide improvements to a densely populated neighborhood, which will improve quality of life. No match is required for this grant.

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

This grant is due July 31,2025

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

Allentown City Council should support the Jordan Street Multimodal Improvement Project because it directly addresses long-standing safety and accessibility concerns in a densely populated neighborhood. The project will modernize critical infrastructure by repaving the roadway, adding ADA-compliant sidewalks and ramps, installing new trees and upgraded lighting, all of which enhance public safety and mobility for residents of all ages and abilities.