



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. 57

RESOLUTION

R – 2024

Introduced by the Administration on April 3, 2024

Approves the Submission of an amendment to the 2021 Action Plan to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

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, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

Legislative Template

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

This resolution stems from the Department of Community and Economic Development serves as the template for the City of Allentown's request to reallocate unspent funds from the federal HOME-ARP program in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 to Ripple Community Inc. This piece of legislation serves a specific purpose, which contains all the recommended regulatory steps needed to reallocate federal funds.

- Summary and facts of the bill.

This legislation will allow the City to submit an amendment to its 2021 One Year Action Plan for the reallocation of unspent funds from the federal HOME-ARP fund program.

- 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 resolution authorizes the City to submit an amendment to the 2021 One Year Action plan to HUD. The Action Plan outlines the use of the federal funds for the program year in accordance with the priorities outlined in the Five Year Consolidated Plan.

- b. What are the benefits of doing this?

With the submission to HUD, we will be able to allocate unspent HOME-ARP funds to Ripple Community Inc. to support their affordable housing project.

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

This reallocation will support City residents by providing safe and affordable housing.

- Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. Cost (initial and ongoing)

There is no financial impact to the city, this project will be grant funded.

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

This bill has a high priority status. With this resolution, City Council is authorizing the City of Allentown to submit its amendment to the One Year Action Plan for the use of federal HOME-ARP grant.

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

This resolution allows us to submit our amendment to HUD for the reallocation of unspent funds.