

CITY OF ALLENTOWN

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RESOLUTION

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Introduced by City Council on April 3, 2024

City Council recommends the Mayor conduct a systematic study of the deployment of electric or hybrid vehicles prior to making any changes to the vehicle fleet.

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

WHEREAS, Allentown City Council approved a sustainability position in the 2024 proposed budget; and

WHEREAS, Council understood this position would include but not be limited to investigating sustainability issues to maintain environmental health, which could include a systematic study or a cost benefit analysis of the city's fleet maintenance policies; and

WHEREAS, Allentown City Council finds the mayor did not develop a city-wide policy on electronic vehicles – and incurred the costs of purchasing a vehicle for himself that was not included in the budget, as well as the costs of a charging station in the city garage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Allentown City Council concludes that no further investment in vehicles or their usage should occur until there a systematic examination of the issue be taken up by a consultant coordinated by the sustainability position and the cost and benefits be presented to council at a public meeting.