

ORDINANCE NO. 15118

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 2 - 2014

JANUARY 15, 2014

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2014 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Twenty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars (\$21,865) as a result of a grant from City of Service. The Cities of Service Impact Volunteering Fund Grant is part of an initiative to help cities use service as "strategy to tackle pressing local challenges." The City of Allentown proposed a new initiative to address quality of life issues such as graffiti, littered neighborhoods and illegal dumping.

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

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes an increase to the unappropriated balance of the General Fund in the amount of Twenty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars (\$21,865) reflecting receipt of grant funds.

SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation from the unappropriated balance of the General Fund in the following manner:

Department of Community and Economic Development
 Bureau of Planning and Zoning
 Office of Neighborhoods:

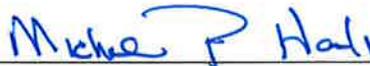
000-09-0902-0007-48	Grant, Non City Charges	\$ 18,000
000-09-0902-0007-68	Operating Materials and Supplies	3,190
000-09-0902-0007-58	Office Supplies	<u>675</u>
Total		\$21,865

SECTION THREE: That this Ordinance will take effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

	Yea	Nay
Joe Davis	X	
Jeanette Eichenwald	X	
Daryl Hendricks	X	
Cynthia Y. Mota	X	
Ray O'Connell, VP	X	
Peter G. Schweyer	X	
Julio A. Guridy, Pres.		
TOTAL	6	0

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council on February 19, 2014 and signed by the Mayor on March 4, 2014.



CITY CLERK

- **What Department or bureau is Bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?**

DCED, Bureau of Planning and Zoning, Office of Neighborhoods

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

The Bureau of Recycling and Solid Waste, the Office of Neighborhoods and the Assistant to the Mayor will work collaboratively to coordinate this initiative.

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish**
 - **What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this**
 - **How does this Bill related to the City's Vision/Mission/Priorities**

Allentown's grant project, Love Our City = SERVE Allentown, proposes a new initiative and campaign to address specific quality of life issues particularly graffiti, littered neighborhoods and illegal dumping. In addressing those local challenges our goal is to utilize our base of volunteers and equip them with staff support and mini-grant dollars as they resolve identified neighborhood issues replace the blight with beautification projects. Faith based leaders, neighborhood watch groups, and community organizations/individuals will be asked to assist the City in identifying blight in their neighborhoods and recruit these volunteers to eradicate blight where they live, work and worship. Addressing these challenges fulfills impact initiative elements in SERVE Allentown's service plan which was designed to engage citizens to work to strengthen their community. Beautification efforts will be implemented as a result of the implementation of approximately 25 mini-grants that will be made available to neighborhood/community organizations/ faith based groups.

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
 - **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

There is minimal financial impact on the General Fund due to the fact that the receipt of all the revenue will be in January 2014 and expenses will be throughout the year (and into 2015).

- **Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **If transferring funds, please make sure bill gives specific accounts; if appropriating funds from a grant list the agency awarding the grant.**

The Cities of Service Impact Volunteering Fund grant comes from the Cities of Service organization which provides technical support and grant funds to cities across the country that carry out volunteer initiatives. The grant totals \$25,000. The \$3,135 difference is reimbursement for the Neighborhood Coordinator salary.

- **Priority status/Deadlines, if any**

The Project will begin in January, 2014 therefore bill is necessary so that funds can be expensed.
The approximate end date for the project will be in July, 1015.

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

This grant supports the Committee Action