

ORDINANCE NO. 15214

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 32 - 2015

June 3, 2015

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2015 Capital Project Fund Budget to provide for a transfer of Twenty Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty (\$23,850) from Capital Project 1698 (Ice Skating Rink) to Capital Project 2202 (WPA Structures) for design services and construction documents necessary to rebuild a failing section of WPA stone masonry retaining wall along the Lehigh Parkway.

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

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes a transfer within the Capital Project Fund in the amount of Twenty Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty (\$23,850)

SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes a transfer from within the Capital Project Fund in the following manner:

FROM ACCOUNT

001-08-1698-1412-46	\$23,850.00
Parks and Recreation	
Ice Skating Rink	

TO ACCOUNT

001-08-2202-1412	\$23,850.00
Parks and Recreation	
WPA Structures	

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SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.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		
Jeff Glazier	X	
Daryl Hendricks	X	
Cynthia Y. Mota	X	
Julio A. Guridy, VP	X	
Ray O'Connell, Pres.	X	
TOTAL	6	0

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council on June 17, 2015 and signed by the Mayor on June 18, 2015.



CITY CLERK

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

Bill Origination: Parks and Recreation

- Summary and Facts of the Bill:

The proposed Ordinance transfers funds from the capital project Skating Rink To WPA Structures.

- Purpose

- o What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seeks to accomplish?

The Bill seeks to transfer funds that will enable the City to complete design and construction documents for the reconstruction of an 85' section of an approximately 13" high WPA stone retaining wall on the Lehigh Parkway.

- o What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this.

The benefits of doing this is that it will enable the repair of a significant section of a WPA retaining wall that is failing. Should this repair not be completed the wall will fail resulting in the need to close Lehigh Parkway as well as a very popular trail that runs along the banks of the Little Lehigh Creek at the foot of the wall.

- o How does this Bill related to the City's Vision/Mission/Priorities

The mission of the Allentown Department of Parks & Recreation is to enhance the quality of life in the City by providing and maintain quality parks, trails and greenspaces and by offering enriching recreational activities and facilities for people of all ages and abilities. The Bill directly relates to this as it concerns maintaining safe, quality facilities.

- Financial Impact

- o Cost (Initial and ongoing):

The cost for the preparation of design and construction documents is \$23,850. The estimated cost to rebuild the wall is \$520,000.

- o Benefits (initial and ongoing):

The benefits are that rebuilding the wall will maintain the stability and safety of the Lehigh Parkway and the trail below it and it will save a significant and historic WPA structure.

- Funding Sources

Capital funds will be transferred between established capital projects.

- Priority status/Deadlines, if any:

As soon as possible.

□ Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

As stated previously, this work needs to be completed, otherwise the wall will fail resulting in the closure of Lehigh Parkway and the trail below the wall.