

ORDINANCE NO. 15231

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 53 - 2015

AUGUST 19, 2015

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2015 Capital Fund Budget to provide for an appropriation of One Million Forty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$1,040,000.00) reflecting 80% reimbursable federal funds for the Preliminary and Final Design, Construction, Construction Management and Inspection of the proposed Mack Boulevard Improvements from Emmaus Avenue to the bridge overpass at Trout Creek Lane. Bureau of Engineering is supervising and monitoring the funds.

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

SECTION ONE: That the City Council authorizes an increase to the unappropriated balance of the Capital Fund in the amount of One Million Forty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$1,040,000.00) reflecting 80% reimbursable federal funds for the Preliminary and Final Design, Construction, Construction Management and Inspection of the proposed Mack Boulevard Improvements from Emmaus Avenue to the bridge overpass at Trout Creek Lane.

SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes an appropriation from the unappropriated balance of the Capital Fund to the Capital Program project number 1284, Mack Boulevard Improvements from Emmaus Avenue to the bridge overpass at Trout Creek Lane.

001-03-1284-1511-46	Other Contract Services	\$ 188,000.00
001-03-1284-1511-76	Construction Contracts	\$ 852,000.00
	Total	\$ 1,040,000.00

SECTION THREE: That this Ordinance takes 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SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.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	
Jeff Glazier	X	
Daryl Hendricks	X	
Cynthia Y. Mota	X	
Julio A. Guridy, VP	X	
Ray O'Connell, Pres.	X	
TOTAL	7	0

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council on September 16, 2015 and signed by the Mayor on September 22, 2015.

Michael P. Hart

CITY CLERK

LEGISLATIVE TEMPLATE

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

Department of Public Works, Engineering Bureau

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

This Bill will establish the account for federal funds for Capital Improvement Program 1284, Mack Boulevard Improvements Project Preliminary and Final Design, Construction, Construction Management and Inspection. The required 20% City local match fund accounts are already established with the 2015 budget.

- **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**

The Mack Boulevard Improvements project is scheduled to provide improvements to the Emaus Avenue to the bridge overpass at Trout Creek Lane. Mack Boulevard along this reach is too wide for the traffic volume which can contribute to driving too fast. There are also intersections that fall within areas of hard road bends resulting in poor sight distance. Restriping the roadway to transition to a single main travel lane with dedicated turn lanes will provide traffic calming, safer driving conditions and afford the development of dedicated on road bike lanes. The roadway will be repaired and overlaid prior to applying the new striping. New ADA handicap ramps will be constructed at the intersections.

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

We are budgeting \$ 1,040,000.00 of federal reimbursable funds for the construction of the project. The benefits include an improved infrastructure system to support economic development in the City of Allentown.

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.**

Funds are to be reimbursed 80% from the federal government and 20% from the local City of Allentown funds.

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

The project is currently under design and is expected to be bid in 2016 and the funds need to be appropriated in anticipation of this work.

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

The bill should be unanimously supported to improved infrastructure and economic development within the City of Allentown.