

ORDINANCE NO. 14723

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 45 - 2009

JUNE 3, 2009

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2009 General Fund to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Sixty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents (\$67,849.58) from the United States Department of Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund for the demolition work at 716-718 Linden Street as well as the Calo Building at 5 North Front Street.

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

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes a Sixty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents (\$67,849.58) increase to the General Fund.

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:
Office of the Director**

000-09-0901-0001-46	Other Contract Services	\$67,849.58
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SECTION THREE: That this Ordinance 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SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.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
Michael Donovan	X	
Jeanette Eichenwald	X	
Julio A. Guridy	X	
David M. Howells, Sr.	X	
Tony Phillips	X	
Peter G. Schweyer	X	
Michael D'Amore, President	X	
TOTAL	7	0

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council and signed by His Honor the Mayor on the 18th day of June, 2009.



CITY CLERK

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

Department of Community & Economic Development.

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

The Department of Community and Economic Development is requesting an ordinance to authorize the appropriation of \$67,849.58 from the General Fund to the Department of Community and Economic Development, which will be offset by funds from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund.

- **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**

This ordinance will allow for payments to be issued in connection with two important redevelopment projects to the City: demolition of 716-718 Linden Street (managed by the Allentown Redevelopment Authority), and project management services needed for the demolition of the Calo Building (developer is AEDC).

The benefit of the demolition of 716-718 Linden Street is the elimination of a blighted building that has become a threat to the safety and health of the surrounding neighborhoods. EPA approved a sub-grant to be issued to the Allentown Redevelopment Authority from the City's Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund to cover the cost of demolition due to the extensive contamination existing at this site. Demolition will remove the contaminants and will allow for the reuse of the property so it can be returned to profitability for the City.

The Allentown Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) is serving as developer for the Calo Building project. Demolition of the structure is necessary to facilitate redevelopment due to the existing contamination at the site. After contamination has been eliminated, AEDC can sell the property to a developer for a productive use which will expand the City's tax base.

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

Funds have been received by the EPA.

- **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.**

EPA under the City's Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund.

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

Need to pay for services performed under above projects.

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

Grant has been approved, awarded and received by the City via a wire from EPA on Monday, May 18, 2009. Both projects are part of the City's Brownfield Redevelopment and Reuse Program which seeks to expand tax our base by turning contaminated sites back to green fields that will expand our tax base.