

ORDINANCE NO. 14736

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 60 - 2009

AUGUST 5, 2009

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2009 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Four Hundred Eighteen Thousand (\$418,000) Dollars reflecting receipt of a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) to install new street lights, underground wiring, curb and sidewalk repairs along North Seventh Street from Turner Street to Gordon Street. The Bureau of Traffic Planning and Control is supervising and monitoring the grant.

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 Capital Fund in the amount of Four Hundred Eighteen Thousand (\$418,000) Dollars reflecting receipt of a grant from PennDOT to install street lights, wiring, curb and sidewalk along North Seventh Street.

SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation from the unappropriated balance of the Capital Fund to the existing Capital Program project number 1231, 7th Street – Street/Pedestrian Lighting Upgrade

001-03-1231-0911-76	Construction Contracts	408,500	<u>389,000</u>
001-03-1231-0911-44	Professional Service Fee	9,500	<u>29,000</u>
Total			418,000

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SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

Amendment to Change Construction Contracts to \$389,000 and Professional Service Fee to \$29,000

	Yea	Nay
Michael Donovan	X	
Jeanette Eichenwald	X	
Julio A. Guridy		
David M. Howells, Sr.	X	
Tony Phillips	X	
Peter G. Schweyer	X	
Michael D'Amore, President	X	
TOTAL	6	0

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council and signed by His Honor the Mayor on the 24th day of August, 2009.

CITY CLERK

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

This Bill originated from the Bureau of Traffic Planning and Control.

- Summary and Facts of the Bill

The City has received Transportation Enhancement Grants from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for a total of \$1,464,250.00. The grant money will be used to install new street lighting/pedestrian lighting, new underground wiring, curb and sidewalk repairs from Gordon Street to the bridge over Sumner Avenue. This Bill amends the Capital Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of \$418,000 which will be used to extend the project to Turner Street. The City must pay the construction and inspection costs and then request reimbursement from PennDOT.

- Purpose

What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish - It places the grant money into account 76 in Capital Account 1231.

What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this –This additional money will extend the project an additional two blocks. Currently the City is experiencing numerous underground street light wiring problems along the 7th Street corridor. The installation of new wires will solve the underground problem. The new lighting will improved the amount of light on the street as well as increasing the pedestrian lighting.

How does this Bill related to the City's Vision/Mission/Priorities- This Resolution relates to the City's Mission of providing safe streets for both pedestrian and vehicular traffic.

- Financial Impact

Cost (Initial and ongoing)- This project is 100% grant funded. The only ongoing cost will be about \$100 a year for the net increase of several new lights in the 2 block area.

Benefits (initial and ongoing) – Initial and ongoing benefits will be increased lighting on the street and on the sidewalk. We will not have monthly power outages like we currently are experiencing. The old street light poles will be used for replacing poles that were knocked down do to an accident.

- Funding Sources

Federal grant from PennDOT.

- Priority status/Deadlines, if any

We will be just extending the existing contract with Miller Brothers who are the current contractor for the other blocks on 7th Street. They have agreed to hold their bid prices provided that they can start these two blocks as soon as possible.

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

If Council doesn't support this Bill, the City will loose the \$418,000 in grant money.