ORDINANCE NO. 14899

FILE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 34 - 2011

INTRODUCED BY

MAY 4, 2011

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2011 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Four Hundred Forty Four Thousand Six Hundred ($444,600) Dollars from the Federal Highway Administration through the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, Transportation, Community and System Preservation Program providing funding necessary for the construction of the Old Allentown Streetscape Improvements program.

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 Forty Four Thousand Six Hundred ($444,600) Dollars, reflecting reimbursements of grant funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the construction of Old Allentown Streetscape Improvements.

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

Department of Community and Economic Development
Bureau of Planning and Zoning
Old Allentown Streetscape:

001-09-1635-1110-46	**Contract/Service Fees**	**$ 53,352**
001-09-1635-1110-76	**Construction Contracts**	**$391,248**
Total		**$444,600**

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SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.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
W. Michael Donovan	X	
Jeanette Eichenwald	X	
Julio A. Guridy	X	
Ray O'Connell	X	
Michael Schlossberg	X	
Peter G. Schweyer, Vice President	X	
Michael D'Amore, President	X	
TOTAL	7	0

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council on June 1st and signed by the Mayor on June 9th, 2011.

Michael P. Healy

CITY CLERK

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

Bill Origination: Bureau of Planning and Zoning, Department of Community and Economic Development

Initiative: Old Allentown Site Improvement

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill:**

The proposed ordinance makes possible the receipt and disbursement of funds from a PennDot-FHWA grant for site improvements in Old Allentown.

- **Purpose**
  - 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 funds will be used to fund:

- *site improvements in an area generally between 9th and 10th Street principally along the Old Allentown cemetery such as:*
  - *benches,*
  - *decorative street lights,*
  - *parking meter sleeves,*
  - *brick sidewalk accenting,*
  - *trash receptacles*
- *street signs throughout the district, and*
- *traffic signs at various locations*
- *inspection costs*

- **Financial Impact**
  - Cost (Initial and ongoing):
  - Benefits (initial and ongoing):

Cost: The grant underwrites the cost of the project construction. The projects design costs were funded through an Elm Street Reinvestment Grant, and costs associated with converting the design to PennDot's bidding format through City capital improvement funds.

Benefits: The grant benefits the Old Allentown neighborhood and advances the City's community and economic development programs by enhancing an adjacent downtown neighborhood and its customer base. It builds upon:

- *OAPA's successful participation in the Elm Street program and its role in promoting historic design, and*
- *The cumulative efforts afforded by the City's historic district program.*

- **Funding Sources**

  Make sure bill gives specific accounts if money is moved around:

The funds originate from the Federal Highway Administration, and are administered and distributed by PennDot.

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

As soon as possible.

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

The grant is consistent with City's Comprehensive Plan, and furthers downtown economic and Old Allentown Historic District development.