

ORDINANCE NO. 14961

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 103 - 2011

DECEMBER 7, 2011

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Section 527.03 of Article 527 Snow Routes to add South 10th Street from Martin Luther King, Jr., Drive to Wyoming Street as a snow emergency route during the construction of the 15th Street Bridge.

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

SECTION ONE: That Section 527.03 of Article 527 Snow Routes be amended as follows:

527.03 SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTES

UPON DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY AND FOR THE DURATION THEREOF
PARKING SHALL BE PROHIBITED ON THE FOLLOWING STREETS,
EXCEPT AS PROVIDED FOR IN ARTICLE 527.02:

STREET	FROM	TO
Chew	4 th	City Line
South 8th	Walnut	Union
South 8th	Harrison	Susquehanna
Emaus Ave	Bradford	Mack Boulevard
15th	Elm	Mauch Chunk Road
North 4 th	Gordon	Chew
South 4 th	Hamilton	Walnut
South 4 th	Priscilla	Susquehanna
Front	North-City Line	Gordon
Gordon	American Parkway	Front
East Hamilton	Carlisle	Aubrey
Hamilton	Front	4 th
Hamilton	12 th	20 th
Hanover Avenue	East Hamilton	City Line
Irving	Hanover Avenue	Union Boulevard
Lehigh	Auburn	South 12 th
Liberty	17 th	19 th
North 19 th	Liberty	Roth Avenue
Oxford Drive	Lehigh	Salisbury Drive
7 th	Union	City Line
17 th	Hamilton	City Line

Susquehanna	South 4 th	City Line
Tilghman	Front	30 th
12 th	Green	Tilghman
12 th	Hamilton	Walnut
24 th	Hamilton	East Texas Boulevard
Union Boulevard	Irving	Club Avenue
Walnut	South 4 th	South 12 th
St. John	South 8 th	Lehigh
South 10 th	Martin Luther King, Jr., Dr.	Wyoming

(13557 §1 3/20/97)

SECTION TWO: That this Ordinance will take effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION THREE: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

	Yea	Nay
Michael D'Amore	x	
Michael Donovan	x	
Jeanette Eichenwald	x	
Julio A. Guridy	x	
Ray O'Connell	x	
Mike Schlossberg	x	
Peter G. Schweyer, Pres.	x	
TOTAL	7	0

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council on December 21st and signed by the Mayor on December 26th, 2011.



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 Bill will add South 10th Street from Martin Luther King Jr. Drive to Wyoming Street to the Snow Emergency Routes. These signs are only temporary and will be removed after the new 15th Street Bridge is opened.

- **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 section of S. 10th Street is part of the 15th Street Bridge detour route. During past heavy snow, this street becomes very narrow with piles of snow as residents shovel out their cars. When this occurs, cars can't pass in opposite directions. Increased traffic volumes will make this street impassable. If we post this as a snow emergency route, cars will be removed and the snow can be plowed from curb to curb.

The benefits of doing this will create better traffic flow for this detour route. The down-side will be that residents will have to find parking at other places in their neighborhood during the snow emergency.

This Bill meets the City's priorities of keeping major streets open during heavy snow.

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**

- **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
- **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

The financial impact would be the cost of the No Parking Snow Emergency signs (\$200-\$300). When removed the signs could be used to replace other worn out signs on other snow emergency routes

- **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.**

Priority status/Deadlines, if any

When this topic was first discussed we were going to handle it as a change to the traffic control map. This would have allowed us to post the signs and then get City Council approval within the 90 days as outlined in the ordinance for temporary signs. Now realizing that the existing snow emergency routes were set up by separate ordinance means we need City Council approval before we can enforce the signs. We need to get this approved ASAP.

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

This bill is important to allow for better traffic flow on a detour route.