

CITY OF WILKES-BARRE
PENNSYLVANIA



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL

WORK SESSION

Date: December 19, 2019

Time: 5:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m. **MAYOR TONY GEORGE (SEE ATTACHED)**

WILKES-BARRE CITY COUNCIL

WORK SESSION

DECEMBER 19, 2019

Mayor's Agenda:

RESOLUTIONS:

Authorizing the proper city officials to prepare and submit the necessary application for a \$10,000 grant from Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA), for the Local Share Account – Luzerne County program funds. Further, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into the appropriate agreement with the CFA, along with any or all other project documents, related to the Institute's Workforce Pipeline Project, if the application is approved.

Authorizing the proper city officials to prepare and submit the necessary application for a \$250,000 grant from Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA), for the Local Share Account – Luzerne County program funds. Further, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into the appropriate agreement with the CFA, along with any or all other project documents, related to the Volunteers in Medicine's "Increase to Access to Care – Phase II" initiative, if the application is approved.

Authorizing the proper city officials to prepare and submit the necessary application for a \$35,000 grant from Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA), for the Local Share Account – Luzerne County program funds. Further, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into the appropriate agreement with the CFA, along with any or all other project documents, related to the Wilkes-Barre Connect Command Center Project, if the application is approved.

Authorizing the proper city officials to prepare and submit the necessary application for a \$188,500.00 grant from Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA), for the Local Share Account – Luzerne County program funds. Further, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into the appropriate agreement with the CFA, along with any or all other project documents, related to the F.M. Kirby Center HVAC Improvements Phase II Project, if the application is approved.

Authorizing the proper city officials to sign any and all necessary documents related to awarding the contract for fuel supply (and related services) to PSC for a three (3) year period beginning in 2020.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

RESOLUTIONS

MINUTES

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

ADJOURNMENT

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DECEMBER 19, 2019

RESOLUTIONS

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Prepare and submit the necessary application for a \$188,500 grant from Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA), for the Local Share Account-Luzerne County program funds. Further, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into the appropriate agreement with the CFA, along with any or all other project documents, related to the F.M. Kirby Center HVAC Improvements Phase 11 Project, if the application is approved.

Authorizing the proper city officials to sign any and all necessary documents related to awarding the contract for fuel supply (and related services) to PSC for a three (3) year period beginning in 2020.

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DECEMBER 19, 2019**

MINUTES

Of the Planning Commission of October 16, 2019.

Of the Planning Commission of November 20, 2019.

Of the Regular Session of City Council of November 21, 2019.

Of the Regular Session of City Council of December 5, 2019.



Resolution No. _____

Wilkes-Barre, PA _____

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre:

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Mohegan Sun Casino at Pocono Downs (Casino) has resulted in revenue from this facility allocated to a Local Share Account—Luzerne County (Account) administered by the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA); AND

WHEREAS, money in this Account is available for distribution to municipalities in Luzerne County; AND

WHEREAS, revenue in this Account is designated to improve the quality of life of citizens in the City of Wilkes-Barre and other municipalities in Luzerne County; AND

WHEREAS, the City of Wilkes-Barre is desirous of applying for a \$10,000.00 grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the CFA, for the Local Share Account- Luzerne County program funds. The funds will be used by The Institute employees to develop materials for parents (by county) that outline occupation growth, wages, skills, and education required so that parents can make informed decisions with their children on careers in NEPA that provide family sustaining wages and are representative of occupations requiring minimal post-secondary education to those that require terminal or professional training. The Institute will work to ensure that the materials are delivered in a fashion that are easy for parents to understand, are easily accessible and easily deployed to parents by the school districts or IU.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the CITY OF WILKES-BARRE that the proper City officials are hereby authorized to prepare and submit the necessary application to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the CFA, for the Local Share Account- Luzerne County program funds; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into the appropriate agreement with the CFA, along with any or all other project documents, related to The Institute's Workforce Pipeline project, if the application is approved.

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WHEREAS, revenue in this Account is designated to improve the quality of life of citizens in the City of Wilkes-Barre and other municipalities in Luzerne County; AND

WHEREAS, the City of Wilkes-Barre is desirous of applying for a \$250,000.00 grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the CFA, for the Local Share Account- Luzerne County program funds. The funding will be used to assist the Volunteers in Medicine (VIM) in renovating space on the second floor of their building at 190 North Pennsylvania Avenue, Wilkes-Barre, PA. The renovations will allow them to expand services based on the needs of the community. The behavioral health program is in high demand by the patients in this particular low-income population that have anxiety and depression due to socio-economic issues. Additional space will allow them to recruit volunteer psychologists, social workers, psychiatric nurse practitioners, and psychiatrist. The renovated area will also feature an exercise and wellness program to assist the 42% of VIM's patient population that are obese. Goals of purchasing eye care equipment to provide eye care at VIM is also part of the service expansion plan. The funds would greatly assist VIM in keeping our community healthy, well and working; AND

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the CITY OF WILKES-BARRE that the proper City officials are hereby authorized to prepare and submit the necessary application to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the CFA, for the Local Share Account- Luzerne County program funds; AND

FURTHER, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into the appropriate agreement with the CFA, along with any or all other project documents, related to the Volunteers in Medicine's "Increase to Access to Care – Phase II" initiative, if the application is approved.

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WHEREAS, the City of Wilkes-Barre is desirous of applying for a \$35,000.00 grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the CFA, for the Local Share Account- Luzerne County program funds. America turns 250 years old in July 2026. US Congress designated Pennsylvania as a host for the celebration. In turn, Governor Wolf and the legislative body created the America250PA Commission to integrate and design the celebration over the next seven years. In August, the Commission selected Wilkes-Barre Connect to serve as the lead Innovation Team for the initiative (www.america250pa.org) - leading up to the celebration in 2026.

Working directly with the Governor's office, Secretary of Education, and the America250PA Commission, Wilkes-Barre Connect launched its first initiative called the Direct Effect Innovation Challenge (DEIC). The DEIC allowed students from colleges and universities across PA to design and pitch marketing concepts to launch the America250PA initiative in January 2020 - serving as the foundation of innovative campaigns.

Over the next seven years, Wilkes-Barre Connect is tasked with developing and launching statewide programs to not only integrate the initiative into Pennsylvania, but spur innovation and economic development - complete with measurable and reportable impact reports. To ensure Wilkes-Barre remains the hub of the America250PA initiative, Wilkes-Barre Connect is working with a global tech company to develop a command center in the THINK Center. This command center (modeled after the center used by Marvel, Disney, Ford, Amazon, etc.) will allow us to drive new programs and initiatives, while providing real-time access to the Governor, his cabinet, and the America250PA Commission for impact reports.

The grant funds will be used to build this command center - which includes hardware and software. This investment will literally put Wilkes-Barre on the map in

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terms of cutting-edge technology that monitors, reports, and drives economic development for the entire state.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into the appropriate agreement with the CFA, along with any or all other project documents, related to the Wilkes-Barre Connect Command Center project, if the application is approved.



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WHEREAS, the City of Wilkes-Barre is desirous of applying for a \$188,500.00 grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the CFA, for the Local Share Account- Luzerne County program funds. The funds will be used to purchase new HVAC roof top units for the F.M. Kirby Center. The current HVAC system was installed in 1985 and is no longer energy efficient. Also, this project is necessary in order to conform to the upcoming freon government requirements that are expected to be implemented in the next two years because of the EPA's phase out of R-22; AND

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the CITY OF WILKES-BARRE that the proper City officials are hereby authorized to prepare and submit the necessary application to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the CFA, for the Local Share Account- Luzerne County program funds; AND

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BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre:

WHEREAS, the City of Wilkes-Barre has publicly advertised for bidders for fuel supply (and related services) for a three (3) year period beginning in 2020;

WHEREAS, Petroleum Service Company ("PSC") was the only entity to submit a bid;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre that the proper City officials are hereby authorized to sign any and all necessary documents related to awarding the contract for fuel supply (and related services) to PSC for a three (3) year period beginning in 2020.

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