CITY OF WILKES-BARRE PENNSYLVANIA



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

SPECIAL MEETING

CITY COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 22, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

RESOLUTIONS

ADJOURNMENT

CITY COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 22, 2023

Request a Luzerne County Local Share Assessment grant of \$300,000 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be used for the Irem Temple Restoration project. The funding will be used for general restoration costs of the Irem Temple located at 62 North Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA.

Request a Luzerne County Local Share Assessment grant of \$350,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be used for the Sherman Street Properties Business Center Roof Replacement.

Request a Luzerne County Local Share Assessment grant of \$900,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be used for the Wyoming Valley Art League Building Improvements. The funding will be used for construction of an elevator, handicap accessible restrooms, classrooms and other improvements as appropriate.

Request a Luzerne County Local Share Assessment Grant of \$300,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be used for the Little Theatre of Wilkes-Barre Roof Replacement and Exterior Improvements project. The funding will be used for the replacement of the roof and the repointing of the exterior brick facing on the building.

Request a Luzerne County Local Share Assessment Grant of \$131,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be used for the Osterhout Free Library New Restroom in the Children's Wing project. The funding will be used for construction of a safe, accessible, and family-friendly restroom that will serve over 16,000 visitors to the Children's Wing annually.



Resolutioi	n No.	R0067-23

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County hereby requests a Luzerne County Local Share Assessment grant of \$300,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be used for the Irem Temple Restoration project. The funding will be used for general restoration costs of the Irem Temple located at 62 North Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate George C. Brown, Mayor and Darren Snyder, City Controller as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Wilkes-Barre and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant along with any or all other project documents, related to the Irem Temple Restoration project, if the application is approved.

I, Cathy Payne, duly qualified City Clerk of the City of Wilkes-Baire, Luzeme County, Pennsylvania, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre at a regular meeting held September 22, 2023 and said Resolution has been recorded in the Minutes of the City of Wilkes-Barre and remains in effect as of this date.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I affix my hand and attach the seal of the City of Wilkes-Barre, this 22nd day of September, 2023.

City of Wilkes-Barre

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County hereby requests a Luzerne County Local Share Assessment grant of \$350,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be used for the Sherman Street Properties Business Center Roof Replacement. The business center currently provides warehousing, retail, distribution, food service & automotive repair spaces for 10 commercial businesses. The center was vacant for the 10 years prior to its purchase in 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate George C. Brown, Mayor and Darren Snyder, City Controller as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Wilkes-Barre and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant along with any or all other project documents, related to the Sherman Street Properties Business Center Roof Replacement project, if the application is approved.

I, Cathy Payne, duly qualified City Clerk of the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre at a regular meeting held September 22, 2023 and said Resolution has been recorded in the Minutes of the City of Wilkes-Barre and remains in effect as of this date.

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Resolution No. R0069-23	3
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BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County hereby requests a Luzerne County Local Share Assessment grant of \$900,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be used for the Wyoming Valley Art League Building Improvements. The funding will be used for construction of an elevator, handicap accessible restrooms, classrooms and other improvements as appropriate.

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I, Cathy Payne, duly qualified City Clerk of the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre at a regular meeting held September 22, 2023 and said Resolution has been recorded in the Minutes of the City of Wilkes-Barre and remains in effect as of this date.

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Resolution	No.	R0071-23

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate George C. Brown, Mayor and Darren Snyder, City Controller as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Wilkes-Barre and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant along with any or all other project documents, related to the Osterhout Free Library New Restroom in the Children's Wing project, if the application is approved.

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