



# CITY OF BETHLEHEM

10 E. Church Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018-6025

To: Grace Crampsie Smith, Chair of Finance Committee  
From: Laura Collins, Director of Community and Economic Development  
Date: 4/7/2025  
Subject: Choice Action Project

Action Requested: Budget Adjustment (Ordinance)

Proposed Transaction:

## REVENUE

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Change</u>
001A-30904	Escrow	\$293,851	\$403,851	\$110,000
			Total	\$110,000

## EXPENSE

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Change</u>
0304-421980	Choice Neighborhood	\$298,313	\$408,313	\$110,000
			Total	\$110,000

### Reason for Proposal:

As part of the Pembroke Choice Neighborhoods project, the City will complete an "Early Action Project" in the footprint of the Choice Neighborhoods project area. Residents, Steering Committee members, working group members, and City staff from multiple departments collaborated to select a project to improve Dutko Park (the triangle park between Stefkco Blvd., Pembroke Rd. , and Washington Ave.) that addresses pedestrian safety concerns, provides improved community gathering and recreation space, and showcases neighborhood pride. The project will be funded with \$150,000 from the HUD Choice Neighborhoods grant and \$110,000 from the City's Recreation Fee fund. This request is to recognize the \$110,000 from Recreation Fee fund as revenue in escrow and expense in the Community Development budget for the Choice Action Project.

This transaction will amend the total General Fund budget from \$113,009,937 to \$113,119,937 .

Thank you for your consideration.

BILL NO. 23-2025

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-\_\_\_\_\_**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM,  
COUNTIES OF LEHIGH AND NORTHAMPTON,  
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING  
THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR 2025.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. That total appropriations in the 2025 General Fund Budget be increased from One Hundred Thirteen Million, Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Thirty-Seven (\$113,009,937) Dollars to One Hundred Thirteen Million, One Hundred Nineteen Thousand, Nine Hundred Thirty-Seven (\$113,119,937) Dollars.

SECTION 2. That the following allocations be changed:

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
0304-421980	Choice Neighborhood	\$298,313	\$408,313
<b>Total Adj.</b>			<b>\$110,000</b>

SECTION 3. That the following source of revenue be changed:

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
001A-30904	Escrow	\$293,851	\$403,851
<b>Total Adj.</b>			<b>\$110,000</b>

SECTION 4. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Sponsored by: \_\_\_\_\_

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PASSED finally in Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

\_\_\_\_\_  
President of Council

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

This Ordinance approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Mayor