



**LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
Council Meeting Room
Luzerne County Courthouse
200 N. River Street
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701
AND
Video/Teleconference via ZOOM
March 08, 2022
5:40PM**

5:40 PM CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROPOSED ORDINANCE Amending the 2022 Fiscal Year Budgets for Luzerne County (Convention and Visitors)

This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Council on the matter listed on the Agenda. Each speaker shall have three (3) minutes to address Council. Speakers may not yield or transfer their time to another speaker.

Those attending in person are asked to complete and submit a Speaker Card to the Clerk of Council before the first speaker is called.

Those attending virtually are asked to refer to the Public Meetings Online page of County's Website at <https://www.luzernecounty.org/1279/Public-Meetings-Online> for more information on how to participate in Public Comment via technology.

ADJOURNMENT



AGENDA SUBMITTAL TO LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL

<u>ITEM TITLE</u>	<u>COUNCIL MEETING DATE</u>	<u>AGENDA NUMBER</u>
Amending 2022 Luzerne County Budgets for Luzerne County Visitors Bureau.	February 8 th , 2022	
Dept:	Convention & Visitors Bureau	
Contact:	Alan Stout	
Phone:	888-905-2872	

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:

Luzerne County Visitors Bureau and Budget and Finance recommends Luzerne County Council amendments the 2022 budgets for a grant awarded to the Visitors Bureau that was announced in late November of 2021. The grant is from DCED for Marketing to Attract Tourism.

SUMMARY:

Luzerne County Visitors Bureau was awarded \$250,000 dollars to attract tourism to Luzerne County. This grant is valid until 2024. The Visitors Bureau is planning on utilizing \$100,000 upon approval of Luzerne County Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

We recommend approval of this budget amendment to utilize \$100,000 dollars for a new digital sign in the new Visitors building and for online marketing in 2022.

FINANCING:

These funds will be received from DCED and deposited in the 431 Fund.

ALTERNATIVES:

Luzerne County Council can chose not to amend the 2022 budgets. We do not recommend because we will not be able to utilize DCED grant funds.

No. 2022-
ORDINANCE

*An Ordinance of County Council for the County of Luzerne
Amending the 2022 Fiscal Year Budgets for Luzerne County*

WHEREAS, the Administration has funding for the Marketing to Attract Tourism from Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (PA DCED),

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5.07 of the Home Rule Charter of Luzerne County, County Council adopted the 2022 Fiscal Year Budgets, which accounted for anticipated revenue and expenses;

And,

WHEREAS, Section 5.10 of the Home Rule Charter States County Council may amend any of the budgets at any time during the fiscal year by ordinance adopted by an administrative vote of at least a majority plus one of its current members after a public hearing has been held; and

WHEREAS, County Council for Luzerne desires to amend the budget at the appropriate line items in order to account for the receipt of funds to the 2022 Fiscal Year budget.

WHEREAS, therefore, the following is hereby ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Luzerne County Council:

SECTION ONE. Incorporation of Preamble.

The provisions set forth in the preamble to this ordinance are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety

SECTION TWO. Amendment of line in budget.

A public hearing having been held on _____ County Council hereby amends the following line items in the 2022 fiscal year budget in order to account for receipt of funds from Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

REVENUES:

Line Item- **431.30.4670.435.30 PADCED** shall be increased by \$250,000

EXPENDITURES:

Line Item- **431.30.4670.560.85 to Special Grants Expense** shall be increased by \$100,000

SECTION THREE. Remainder of Budget.

All other items in the 2022 Fiscal Year Luzerne County Budget shall remain unchanged.

SECTION FOUR. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after enactment.

ROLL CALL VOTE

LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL

Kendra Radle, Chair

ATTEST:

Sharon Lawrence,

Clerk to County Council

John Lombardo, Vice-Chair