



# TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

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Jimmy DiPlacido, Vice-Chair  
Drew Rothman  
Mike Thompson  
Matt Vahey*

## *PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE*

### **A G E N D A** **September 5, 2018** **7:00 P.M.**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Motion to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2018 Public Safety Committee Meeting.

**3. PRESENTATION**

**4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE COMMISSIONER LORI SCHREIBER, CHAIR**

- a. **PS-01-090518** Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2159 amending Chapter 156 "Vehicles and Traffic" Article II "Traffic Regulations" Section 10 "U-turns," and 14- "Stop Intersections"; and Article III "Parking Regulations" Section 25" Parking Prohibited At All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here to Corner; and Section 28 - "Special Purpose Parking Zones".  
(PS-02-080918)

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE COMMISSIONER LORI SCHREIBER, CHAIR**

- a. **PS-02-090518** Consider a motion to approve Resolution 18-040, a Resolution of the Township of Abington, County of Montgomery, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to submit a proposal for continued funding of our Sobriety Checkpoint Program.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**7. ADJOURNMENT**



**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**AGENDA ITEM**

August 28, 2018

DATE

Police

DEPARTMENT

PS-01-090518

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Cost > \$10,000.

Yes

No

**PUBLIC BID REQUIRED**

Cost > \$20,100

Yes

No

**AGENDA ITEM:**

Adopt Ordinance No. 2159

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Consider a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2159, amending Chapter 156 - "Vehicles and Traffic," Article II - "Traffic Regulations," Sections 10 - "U-Turns," and 14 - "Stop Intersections" and Article III - "Parking Regulations," Sections 25 - "Parking Prohibited at All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here to Corner," and 28 - "Special Purpose Parking Zones," to add a "No U-Turn" sign on Cedar Road; add stop intersections on Fern Road, Garden Road, Geneva Avenue, Rosemore Avenue, Arden Avenue, Wyndale Avenue, Cadwalader Avenue, Felix Avenue and Leona Avenue, Stanley Avenue, and Kenmore Avenue; add "No Parking Here to Corner" on Cricket Avenue and Susquehanna Road; add "No Parking between 12AM and 7AM" on Old, Old York Road and repeal Special Purpose parking restrictions on Fairview Avenue and Woodlyn Avenue, all as more fully set forth in the Ordinance.

**PREVIOUS BOARD ACTIONS:**

The Board has previously approved the advertisement at the August 9th Board meeting. 8-26-18 - The Ordinance was advertised in the Times Chronicle.

**RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION:**

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2159 amending Chapter 156 (Vehicles and Traffic) Article II (Traffic Regulations) Section 10 (U-Turns) and 14 (Stop Intersections) and Article III (Parking Regulations) Sections 25 (Parking Prohibited At All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here To Corner) and 28 - (Special Purpose Parking Zones) at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

**TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2159**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING  
CHAPTER 156 – “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC,”  
ARTICLE II – “TRAFFIC REGULATIONS,” SECTIONS 10 – “U-TURNS,” AND  
14 – “STOP INTERSECTIONS”; AND  
ARTICLE III – “PARKING REGULATIONS”  
SECTIONS 25 – “PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES; NO PARKING BETWEEN  
SIGNS; NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER”,  
AND 28 – “SPECIAL PURPOSE PARKING ZONES”**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Abington is a Township of the First Class, duly organized and existing pursuant to the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to section 1502.44 of the First Class Township Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 53 P.S. §56544, the Board of Commissioners has the authority to enact and amend provisions of the Abington Township Code (“Code”) at any time it deems necessary for the health, safety, morals, general welfare, cleanliness, beauty, convenience and comfort of the Township and the inhabitants thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to section 1502.10 of the First Class Township Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 53 P.S. §56510, the Board of Commissioners has the authority to take all needful means for securing the safety of persons or property within the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to section 1502.49 of the First Class Township Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 53 P.S. §56549, the Board of Commissioners has the authority to regulate traffic and parking; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington has determined that the Code of Ordinances of the Township of Abington shall be amended at Chapter 156 – “Vehicles and Traffic,” Article II – “Traffic Regulations,” Sections 10 – “U-Turns,” and 14 –

“Stop Intersections,” and Article III – “Parking Regulations,” at Sections 25 – “Parking Prohibited at All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here to Corner,” and 28 – “Special Purpose Parking Zones,” should be amended for the health, safety, morals, general welfare, cleanliness, beauty, convenience and comfort of the Township and the inhabitants thereof.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington does hereby **ENACT** and **ORDAIN** as follows:

1. The Code of the Township of Abington is amended at Chapter 156 - “Vehicles and Traffic,” Article II – “Traffic Regulations,” at Section 10 – “U-Turns,” Article III, “Parking Regulations,” to **add** the following restrictions:

<b>Name of Highway</b>	<b>Side</b>	<b>Location</b>
Cedar Road	West	Oak Shade Ave.

2. The Code of the Township of Abington is amended at Chapter 156 - “Vehicles and Traffic,” Article II – “Traffic Regulations,” at Section 14 – “Stop Intersections,” to **add** the following restrictions:

<b>Name of Highway</b>	<b>Side</b>	<b>Location</b>
Fern Road	East	at Charles Street
Garden Road	East	at Charles Street
Geneva Avenue	All-Way	Roslyn Avenue
Rosemore Avenue	All-Way	Roslyn Avenue
Arden Avenue	East	at Hilltop Road
Wyndale Avenue	East	at Hilltop Road
Cadwalader Avenue	All-Way	at Cypress Road

Felix Avenue	South	at Sherman Avenue
Leona Avenue	North	at Claire Avenue
Felix Avenue	North	at Claire Avenue
Stanley Avenue	All-Way	at Menlo Avenue
Kenmore Avenue	All-Way	at Edgley Avenue

3. The Code of the Township of Abington is amended at Chapter 156 - "Vehicles and Traffic," Article III - "Parking Regulations," at Section 25 - "Parking Prohibited at All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here to Corner," to **add** the following restrictions:

<b>No Parking Here to Corner</b>	<b>Side</b>	<b>Location</b>
Cricket Avenue	East	30 ft. North of Jenkintown Road
Susquehanna Road	North	East of Westmont Ave. extending from the current sign eastward to 5 ft. east of the driveway at 2639 Susquehanna Road.
<b>No Parking Between 12AM And 7AM Sign</b>		<b>Location</b>
Old, Old York Road		In front of the Synagogue

4. The Code of the Township of Abington is amended at Chapter 156 - "Vehicles and Traffic," Article III - "Parking Regulations," at Section 28 - "Special Purpose Parking Zones," to **repeal** the following restrictions:

<b>Name of Highway</b>	<b>Authorized Purpose of Vehicle</b>	<b>Location</b>
Fairview Avenue	Handicapped Parking	in front of 1917 Fairview Avenue
Fairview Avenue	Handicapped Parking	in front of 1919 Fairview Avenue

Woodlyn Avenue

Handicapped Parking

in front of 126  
Woodlyn Avenue

5. All other ordinances, portions of ordinances, or any section of the Code inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.
6. This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment.

**ORDAINED AND ENACTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Richard J. Manfredi  
Township Manager, Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Wayne Luker, President



**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

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**AGENDA ITEM:**

Resolution 18-040 Sobriety Checkpoint Program

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This will be the seventeenth year of funding for the Eastern Montgomery County DUI Task Force. The Task Force consist of 7 Police Departments; Abington, Cheltenham, Lower Moreland, Springfield, Upper Dublin, Upper Moreland and Whitmarsh. The grant covers funding of Sobriety Checkpoints and Roving Patrols. This is a reimbursable grant that will cover the period from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019. The Township's match will cover the Social Security cost of the officers working the grant as this expense is not covered by the grant. At the conclusion of the grant the social security expense will be transferred to 01-04-044-5110.

**PREVIOUS BOARD ACTIONS:**

The Board has previously accepted Sobriety Checkpoint Grants from the Bureau of Highway Safety and Traffic Engineering.

**RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION:**

Motion to approve Resolution 18- 040 a Resolution of the Township of Abington, County of Montgomery, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to submit a proposal for continued funding of our Sobriety Checkpoint Program.

Resolution #18-040

A RESOLUTION, BY AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT PROGRAM APPROVAL TO THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATIONS BUREAU OF HIGHWAY SAFETY

Be it RESOLVED, by authority of the Board of Commissioner of the Township of Abington, Montgomery County, and it is hereby resolved by authority of the same, that the Township Manager of said MUNICIPALITY is authorized and directed to submit the attached Application to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, Bureau of Highway Safety and to sign this Application on behalf of the MUNICIPALITY.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON  
(Name of MUNICIPALITY)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature & designation of Official title)  
Richard J. Manfredi,  
Township Manager, Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature & designation of official title)  
Wayne C. Luker, President  
Board of Commissioners

I, Wayne C. Luker, President of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioner held this 13th day of September, 2018.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Signature & designation of official title)  
Wayne C. Luker, President  
Board of Commissioners



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Applicant Agency ABINGTON TOWNSHIP (46101)  
 Project Title Eastern Montgomery County DUI Taskforce  
 Sponsoring Grant Agency (if applicable)  
 Person who prepared this application Jack Murphy  
 SAP Billing Code 000

Please describe the project or task force in general and the success or results or previous grants. Provide information on the population and demographics or the area involved in the project, etc.

Also explain partnerships within the task force or project (i.e., working with PSP and other local departments.) In addition, provide information on the training experiences and needs in SFST and PennDOT checkpoint training.

The Abington Township Police Department in a collaborative effort with the police departments in Cheltenham, Lower Moreland, Springfield, Whitemarsh, Upper Dublin and Upper Moreland respectfully submit this proposal for continued funding from the Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Program to support our Sobriety Checkpoint Program. These seven departments make up the Eastern Montgomery County DUI Taskforce.

The police jurisdictions making up the taskforce service a population of 192,225 who live in a 73square mile area, with a total of approximately 320 police officers. That's equals to approximately 601 residents per police officer not including the vast number of transients that traverse the 150 miles of state highways in these areas every day.

The taskforce also works closely with other agencies. Whenever possible a DRE Officer from either the Pennsylvania State Police or an Officer from Upper Moreland PD will attend the checkpoint. The local fire departments supply a light truck for the checkpoints and a core group of volunteers from the Abington Citizens Police Academy help with the paperwork allowing the officers to return to the line faster.

At each checkpoint the host department provides at least one

**ProjectDescription continued**

additional officer at their expense with most departments supplying more than one.

All Officers attending the checkpoints are required to receive the standard checkpoint training with an up-date every two years. Officers working in the test area are required to have SFST training. As a result, in the 7 departments making up the taskforce, there are 88 Officers currently trained in checkpoint procedures and 79 trained in SFST procedures. In addition there are 12 Officers with ADIDE training and 1 officer that is DRE certificated.

## PROGRAM GOALS

Please provide the goal(s) of the project as well as the program objectives. The goal(s) should be a general end result for the project. Some examples of program goals are: "reduce impaired driving crashes", "increase seat belt usage", or "decrease aggressive driving crashes". Objectives measure the success of the program. They are specific targets that are measurable and attainable in a given period of time. Some examples of program objectives are: "to increase contacts by 10%", "to reduce impaired driving related crashes by 8%", or "to increase the seat belt rate 4%".

Goal: Reducing Impaired (DUI) Driving

### Objectives for this goal

1. To implement a sobriety checkpoint program utilizing the DUI Law Enforcement Manual compiled by PennDOT and the DUI LELs, to reduce the number of alcohol related accidents in the regional area.
2. To deter DUI activity by creating the perception that there is an increased likelihood that DUI violators will be arrested in the regional area.
3. To strengthen the existing relationship with the participating jurisdictions creating a long-term commitment to proactive collaboration in the future.
4. To target roadways that has been identified through crash and arrest data analysis as DUI problem roadways. Specifically Ridge Pike, Bethlehem Pike, Route 611, Byberry Road, SR309, Philmont Ave, and Huntingdon Pike.
5. Use Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and local statistical information on alcohol related crashes and arrests to determine number and location of checkpoints needed to reduce alcohol related crashes by 5%.

BUDGET NARRATIVE

Use this section to provide any necessary explanations of the proposed budget (i.e., if there are multiple coordinators or equipment needs.)

Our budget includes funding for 9 checkpoints, 8 roving patrols, attendance at the annual conference, and equipment purchase and maintenance.

## Coordinator

78 / hour X 54 Hours = \$4212

Assistant Coordinator (administration)

\$41/ hr. X 48 hours = \$1968

## Checkpoints

\$70 / hour X 5 hours X 14 officers X 9 events = \$44,100

## Roving Patrols

\$70 / hour X 5 hours X 1 officer X 8 events = \$2,800

## Equipment

Clean up & Maintenance = \$148

Lighting = \$700

Evidence & property container = \$52

Mouthpieces = \$100