Ordinance # 02-2011

An Ordinance of the Township of Allegheny, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, Authorizing Allegheny Township, (herein referred to as this "Government Unit") to join with other local governments for the purpose of intergovernmental cooperation.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT

This Agreement dated this 8th day of August, 2011, by and between:

THE CITY OF ARNOLD, a Municipal Corporation and Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, having its principal mailing address at 1829 Fifth Avenue, Arnold, PA 15068

AND

THE TOWNSHIP OF ALLEGHENY, a Municipal Corporation and Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, having its principal mailing address at 136 Community Building Road, Leechburg, PA 15656

AND

THE CITY OF LOWER BURRELL, a Municipal Corporation and Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, having its principal mailing address at 2800 Bethel Street

Lower Burrell, PA 15068-3227

AND

THE CITY OF NEW KENSINGTON, a Municipal Corporation and Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, having its principal mailing address at 301 Eleventh Street,

New Kensington, PA 15068

AND

THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER BURRELL, a Municipal Corporation and Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, having its principal mailing address at 3735 Seventh Street, New Kensington, PA 15068

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through the Department of Community and Economic Development has varied funding available to facilitate a Multi-Municipal Strategic Plan available to communities that are desirous of revitalizing their economic development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Arnold, the Township of Allegheny, the City of Lower Burrell, the City of New Kensington and the Township of Upper Burrell are desirous of combining efforts in order to pursue the revitalization of certain areas within each respective community through the completion of a Strategic Plan as well as pursue available funds in the form of grants, loans or funds in any other form available; and

WHEREAS, it is to the mutual benefit of the City of Arnold, the Township of Allegheny, the City of Lower Burrell, the City of New Kensington and the Township of Upper Burrell to coordinate efforts in order to Strategically Plan and apply for such funds so as to assist new business development, create new employment opportunities, promote historic preservation and obtain priority access to state programs for additional community and regional development; as well as any other program beneficial to the respective governmental agencies; and

WHEREAS, the respective governing bodies of the City of Arnold, the Township of Allegheny, the City of Lower Burrell, the City of New Kensington and the Township of Upper Burrell have determined that the revitalization of certain areas in each community should be accomplished through the Pennsylvania non-profit corporation Westmoreland Economic Development Initiative for Growth "WEDIG"; and

WHEREAS, each Municipality has collectively contributed \$5,000 to the WEDIG organization for the revitalization and development in each of the Municipalities throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development grant funds exist in order to undertake Multi-Municipal Planning Efforts; and

WHEREAS, Westmoreland Economic development Initiative for Growth (WEDIG) will make application for grant funds to facilitate the revitalization and development in each of the municipalities as aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the aforesaid Municipalities to enter into an Agreement for the purpose of having available for use throughout the territorial limits of the participating municipalities such grant funds that might be secured; and

WHEREAS, cooperation among Municipalities is sanctioned by Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes Title 53, Section 2301 et. seq., authorizing intergovernmental cooperation, and within the Redevelopment Cooperation Law, 35 P.S§1741 et. seq., and particularly §1746.1, authorizing and permitting the designation of WEDIG as an agent for municipalities and private entities.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained that Allegheny Township shall cooperate or agree in the exercise of any function, power or responsibility to, one or more other local governments, the federal government or any other state or its government.

Allegheny Township shall by further ordinance enter into intergovernmental cooperation agreements for delegating or transferring of functions, powers or responsibilities, to the other local governments mentioned herein or to a council of governments, consortium or any other similar entity, which further ordinance shall specify:

- (1) The conditions of agreement in the case of cooperation with or delegation to other local governments, the Commonwealth, other states or the Federal Government.
- (2) The duration of the term of the agreement.
- (3) The purpose and objectives of the agreement, including the powers and scope of authority delegated in the agreement.
- (4) The manner and extent of financing the agreement.
- (5) The organizational structure necessary to implement the agreement.
- (6) The manner in which real or personal property shall be acquired, managed, licensed or disposed of.
- (7) That Westmoreland Economic Development Initiative for Growth (WEDIG) shall be empowered to enter into contracts for policies of group insurance and employee benefits, including Social Security, for its employees.

This Ordinance shall be effective on August 8, 2011 and shall remain in force until modified, amended or rescinded by Allegheny Township, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania.

ENACTED AND ADOPTED by the Allegheny Township Board of Supervisors this 8th day of August, 2011..

A	TTEST:	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ALLEGHENY TOWNSHIP
	Stand. D	By:
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G	regory A. Primm, Township Manager	Kathryn Starr, Chairperson
A	llegheny Township, Westmoreland County	

APPROVED, this 8th day of August, 2011, by the Board of Supervisors of Allegheny Township, Westmoreland County.