

**City Council Agenda
January 08, 2007
8:00PM
Council Chambers, City Hall
1000 San Pablo Avenue**

7:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Call to Order

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

City Council convenes in the Council Chamber and then adjourns to Executive Session to discuss the following pursuant to Government Code Section 54959.8

Agency Negotiator: City Administrator and Glenn Berkheimer, IEDA

Employee Organization: Albany Fire Fighters Association

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

3-1. City Council minutes, December 4 & 11, 2006.

Staff recommendation: Approve.

3-2. a. Ratification of City of Albany net payroll in the amount of \$204,709.81; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of \$165,612.75. Total payroll in the amount of \$370,322.56. Payroll period: 12/08/06.

b. Ratification of City of Albany net payroll in the amount of \$173,355.95; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of \$208,931.46. Total payroll in the amount of \$382,287.41. Payroll period: 12/22/06.

c. Ratification of Albany Municipal Services JPA net payroll in the amount of \$44,554.32; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of \$33,946.74. Total payroll in the amount of \$78,501.06. Payroll period: 12/08/06.

d. Ratification of Albany Municipal Services JPA net payroll in the amount of \$44,343.93; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of \$50,453.69. Total payroll in the amount of \$94,797.62. Payroll period: 12/22/06.

Staff recommendation: Ratify.

3-3. Ratification of pension payments in the amount of \$105,634.96 for the month of December, 2006.

Staff recommendation: Ratify.

3-4. June 30, 2006 Reports of the Independent Auditors.

Staff Report
Reinvestment Agency
Police & Fire Pension Board
Measure B
Independent Accounts Report

Staff recommendation: That Council accept the June 30, 2006 reports of the City's independent auditors on Albany Reinvestment Agency, Albany Police & Fire Relief Pension Fund, ACTIA Measure B Funds and Albany Appropriation Limit.

3-5. Council Member Wile appointing Joseph Lambert, Arts Committee.

Staff recommendation: Information only.

3-6. Council Member Atkinson appointing Wynette Weaver, Arts Committee; Sarita Mathiason, Charter Review Committee; Eddy So, Parks & Recreation Commission.

Staff recommendation: Information only.

3-7. Council Member Atkinson nominating Jan Hitchcock to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Staff recommendation: Council ratification.

3-8. Consideration of Claim #AL540; The UPS Store v. City of Albany.

Staff Report

Staff recommendation: Reject the claim and authorize the City Clerk to send out the rejection letter.

3-9. Resolution #07-01 - A Resolution of the Albany City Council Approving the Association of Bay Area Government (ABAG) Report "Taming Natural Disasters" as the City of Albany's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Staff Report
Resolution 07-01
Mitigation Plan Annex

Staff recommendation: Approve Resolution #07-01.

3-10. Waterfront Committee Appointments.

Staff Report

Staff recommendation: Close nominations and schedule appointments of the two at-large members of the Waterfront Committee for the meeting of January 22, 2007.

4. **GOOD OF THE CITY/PUBLIC FORUM**
5. **PRESENTATION/PUBLIC HEARING**
6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

6-1. Call for Bids, 2006 Parks Rehabilitation Projects, Terrace Park, Memorial Park & Ocean View Park

Staff Report
Designs
Construction Costs Summary

Staff recommendation: 1) Authorize calls for bids to renovate Terrace Park, Memorial Park Phase II (including the ball field renovation), and Ocean View Park; 2) Amend project budget and reallocate \$143,184 from Measure R funds for ball fields currently allocated for Pierce Street Park and \$381,657 from Measure F contingency funding allocated for parks and projects.

6-2. Clean and Green Task Force.

Staff Report
Letter

Staff recommendation: Consider Council Member Wile's proposal to appoint a Clean and Green Task Force, with the goals of attracting more green businesses to Albany and to find ways to attract firms that specialize in clean energy research and development, and possibly green light manufacturing to Albany's commercial redevelopment zone on Cleveland Avenue. (The proposed membership of the task force is James Carter, David Arkin, Pamela Evans, Anne Foreman, Miya Kitahara, Dan Lieberman, Sherman Lim, Maria Sanders, Alameda County Supervisor, Keith Carson or his representative, a representative from Congress Woman Barbara Lee's office (added since 12/18/06) and Council Members Javandel and Wile).

6-3. El Cerrito Plaza Condominium Project.

Staff Report
Letters

Mayor Lieber Recommendation: Mayor Lieber request for City Council authorization to send a letter to the City of El Cerrito reiterating the City's prior

correspondence advising them of the potential closure of Albany streets adjacent to El Cerrito Plaza, and request for authorization for the Mayor and/or another Council Member to meet with the developer of the El Cerrito Plaza project to discuss the potential to create a cul-de-sac at the end of Evelyn Street at the Plaza and to daylight Cerrito Creek between the Plaza property and Albany streets. (Oral Report)

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENT OF EVENTS

8-1. City offices will be closed on Monday, January 15, 2007, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

8-2. The regular meeting of Tuesday, January 16, 2007, has been cancelled. The City Council will meet instead on Monday, January 22, 2007.

9. ADJOURNMENT

(The Council meeting packet is available for public inspection at the Albany Library (526-3720), the Fire Department and the City Clerk's Office. If you have any questions pertaining to any agenda item or Council meeting procedure, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 528-5720.) *The City of Albany is dedicated to maintaining its small town ambiance, responding to the needs of the Community and providing a safe, healthy environment now and in the future.*

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