

City Council Agenda
October 03, 2006
8:00PM
Council Chambers, City Hall
1000 San Pablo Avenue

Note: Council Meeting Day is TUESDAY, October 3, 2006

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

3-1. City Council minutes, September 18, 2006.

Staff recommendation: Approve.

3-2. a. Ratification of City of Albany net payroll in the amount of \$171,813.85; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of \$129,621.22. Total payroll in the amount of \$301,435.07. Payroll period: 09/01/06.

b. Ratification of Albany Municipal Services JPA net payroll in the amount of \$46,151.07; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of \$34,186.10. Total payroll in the amount of \$80,337.17. Payroll period: 09/01/06.

c. Ratification of City of Albany net payroll in the amount of \$193,727.33; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of \$217,075.58. Total payroll in the amount of \$410,802.91. Payroll period: 09/15/06.

d. Ratification of Albany Municipal Services JPA net payroll in the amount of \$43,737.88; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of \$44,380.09. Total payroll in the amount of \$88,117.97. Payroll period: 09/15/06.

Staff recommendation: Ratify.

3-3. a. Ratification of bills, claims & demands against the City of Albany in the amount of \$15,015.91. Period: 08/01/06.

b. Ratification of bills, claims & demands against the City of Albany in the amount of \$1,091,073.18. Period: 08/25/06.

c. Ratification of bills, claims & demands against the City of Albany in the amount of \$20,265.91. Period: 09/05/06.

d. Ratification of bills, claims & demands against the City of Albany in the amount of \$115,426.02. Period: 09/13/06.

e. Ratification of bills, claims & demands against the City of Albany in the amount of \$622,091.57. Period: 09/22/06. Staff recommendation: Ratify.

3-4. Ratify pension payments in the amount of \$106,425.30 for the month of September, 2006.

Staff recommendation: Ratify.

3-5. Status Report on 2005-06 City Council Goals.

Staff Report
Council Goals Update, Sept. 06
Capital Improvement Program Update, Sept. 06

Staff recommendation: Accept status report on implementation of City Council 2005-06 goals.

3-6. Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Nute Engineering to provide services for the Pierce/Cleveland Sewer Rehabilitation project beyond the original scope.

Staff Report
Nute Engineering Letter

Staff recommendation: Authorize the City Administrator to execute an amendment to Contract #04-11 between Nute Engineering for an additional \$14,261 to compensate for design services involving the Pierce/Cleveland Sewer Rehabilitation project beyond the original contract amount of \$21,000.

3-7. Resolution #06-61 - A Resolution of the Albany City Council Authorizing the Submission of a California River Parkways Grant in the amount of \$2,100,000 to the California Resources Agency for Phase 3 (from 6th Street to 8th Street) of the Codornices Creek Restoration and Trail Project.

Staff Report
Resolution 06-61
Codornices Creek Overviews (2)

Staff recommendation: Approve Resolution #06-61.

3-8. Resolution #06-62 - A Resolution of the Albany City Council Authorizing the City of Albany to Transfer Ownership of a 1990 Dodge Panel Van to the Las Positas College Administration of Justice Program.

Staff Report
Resolution 06-62
Letter from Las Positas College

Staff recommendation: Approve Resolution #06-62.

3-9. Resolution #06-63 - A Resolution of the Albany City Council Adopting Revised California Environmental Quality Act Implementing Procedures.

Staff Report
Resolution 06-63
CEQA Implementing Procedures
Correspondence from Jean Safir
Planning & Zoning Commission Minutes Excerpt

Staff recommendation: Approve Resolution #06-63.

3-10. Resolution #06-64 - A Resolution of the Albany City Council Authorizing Execution of a Regulatory Agreement and Declaration of Restrictive Covenants - Inclusionary Housing (Affordable Housing Agreement) for 727 San Pablo Avenue.

Staff Report
Resolution 06-64
Agreement

Staff recommendation: Approve Resolution #06-64.

3-11. Reglazing of the Stair Tower windows at the Albany Community Center Contract #06-21.

Staff Report

Staff recommendation: Make a finding that: 1) No bids were received for the subject work. 2) Per the City Charter, the City has satisfied the requirements for public bidding. 3) Authorize staff to negotiate directly with a contractor and hire same to perform the proposed work of contract #06-21 (reglaze 12 existing Stair Tower windows and repair the drywall and paint therein).

3-12. Liability coverage for selected artists to install public art, as part of the Parks renovation project.

Staff Report
Art Committee Report

Staff recommendation: Authorize the extension of coverage under the City's liability program to selected artist(s) for the installation of public art, as part of the renovation projects at Memorial, Ocean View and Terrace Parks, subject to City requirements.

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

6-1. Clarification of City Council action regarding proposed Street Closure Cornell, Talbot and Evelyn Avenues at Albany's northern border, with the 400 block of Kains Avenue to remain open.

Staff Report
Council Minutes 4/17/06
Council Minutes 5/15/06

Staff recommendation: 1) That the City Council confirm their prior action initiating an Amendment to the Circulation Element of the General Plan and authorizing an environmental review for the following proposed project: Closure of Cornell, Talbot and Evelyn Avenues, at Albany's northern border, with the 400 block of Kains Avenue to remain open. 2) Authorize that the environmental review document evaluate: a) partial closure of the 500 block of Kains Avenue at the northerly end; conversion to two-way traffic, with adequate access for emergency vehicles and trucks such as garbage trucks and b) traffic calming measures as an alternative in lieu of street closure.

6-2. Cable casting Policy Recommendations from Social and Economic Justice Commission.

Staff Report
SEJC Proposed Cable Casting Policy
Background Issues, Memorandum of 7/26/06
Surveys of Other Cities
Cable Television Access Policy
Cable Casting Time & Cost Estimate

Social & Economic Justice Commission Recommendation: 1) Cable cast all Waterfront related Commission meetings. 2) Cable cast all Planning & Zoning Commission meetings. 3) Allow other Commissions to request that two meetings be cable cast, and more per the procedures recommended. 4) Have DVDs or VHS tapes available at the Albany Library for checkout and have them available for purchase at City Hall. 5) Pursue funds needed to make additional venues possible, and to provide staff for operational needs, including coordinating the use of volunteers, particularly from Albany High School. < p>Staff recommendation: 1) Approve cable casting of City waterfront planning process meetings. 2) Direct staff to assess the need for a telecommunications coordinator to assist the City in meeting needs for increased public information via Cable TV Internet and other related telecommunications means. 3) Upon the establishment of necessary staffing and budget resources, and in conjunction with the City's existing Cable broadcast policy, approve the Social & Economic Justice Commission recommendations on the cable casting of City meetings and explore the feasibility of the additional Commission and staff recommendations for enhancements in the City's web site, cable channel and related telecommunications services.

6-3. Unaudited Financial Statements, June 30, 2006 and Interfund Transfers.

Staff Report

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures by: **Department**, and by: **Type Review of Revenues, Expenditures & Transfers**

Staff recommendation: That Council accept the unaudited financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, and approve the updated schedule of interfund transfers.

6-4. City Signage: Buchanan Medians.

Staff Report

Attachment: Sample Signs
Attachment: Sample Banner

Staff recommendation: Provide direction for staff to proceed on proposed metal or fabric banners for Buchanan entryway signage. Next step will be to return to Council with costs and a proposed timeline.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**
8. **OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENT OF EVENTS**
9. **ADJOURNMENT**

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