RESOLUTION #09-51

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$39,585 WITH AECOM FOR THE DESIGN OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF SANTA FE AVENUE AND MARIN AVENUE AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS AROUND MARIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND WAIVING THE REQIREMENT TO OBTAIN MULTIPLE PROPOSALS FOR THIS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Albany received State funding through the California Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School program for the implementation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Marin Avenue and Santa Fe Avenue and for pedestrian improvements around Marin Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, the City has a design contract with AECOM for design consulting services to develop 100% Plans, Specifications, and Engineering (PS&E) for the Buchanan/Jackson Signal, which is another Safe Routes to School Project; and

WHEREAS, the City can achieve economies of scale by developing design plans for the two signal projects, the Buchanan/Jackson signal and the Marin/Santa Fe signal and by building these two projects together in the summer of 2010; and

WHEREAS, AECOM was the consulting firm conducting the Marin Avenue reconfiguration project (when it was known as Korve Engineering) and the Buchanan Bicycle and Pedestrian path project (as DMJM Harris), and its staff is knowledgeable of the project area; and

WHEREAS, this technical knowledge and plans are crucial for the design of the traffic signal and the pedestrian enhancements around Marin Elementary.

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WHEREAS, the City's Purchase Authorization Policy stipulates that City Staff obtain multiple proposals for contract of consultant services over \$15,000, and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to maximize efforts and financial resources by contracting with the same consultant (AECOM) for the design of the Marin/Santa Fe Avenues signal and the pedestrian enhancements at Marin Elementary School.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator to enter into a Consulting Services Agreement in the amount of \$39,585 with AECOM for the design of a traffic signal at the intersection of Santa Fe Avenue and Marin Avenue and pedestrian improvements around Marin Elementary School and to waive the requirement for obtaining multiple proposals for this project.

Marge Atkinson, Mayor