# CITY OF ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

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**SUBJECT**: 2008 Sewer Project - East Albany Hill

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### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council adopt the following Resolutions Approving Grants of Easements for public Sanitary Sewers on the East Side of Albany Hill:

Resolution	Grantee	Address
No.		
09-52	Francis X. Chapman and Ebba M. De La	844 Washington Avenue
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09-53	Kay Kajiwara and Shirley I. Kajiwara	828 Polk Street
09-54	Jean Gooding Spencer	832 Polk Street
09-55	Theresa Rivarchik	846 Washington Avenue
09-56	Allan E. Riffer and Caryl O' Keefe	631 Jackson Street
09-57	Deanna E. Dal Bianco	921 Cerrito Street

### **BACKGROUND**

The City recently completed the rehabilitation of several easement sewers on the east side of Albany Hill. In order to perform the work, the City exercised rights in existing easements and obtained temporary rights from property owners to enter and construct. In a few cases, public sewer easements did not exist, or the rehabilitated sewers were constructed in different locations than the original sewer. In other instances, permanent rights to the public did not exist and several properties were served by a common private sewer lateral. City policy provides that, whenever possible, each property owner should have a direct connection to a public sewer main that is operated and maintained by the City. Accordingly, the City, working through a Licensed Right of Way Agent, obtained permanent grants of easement over the newly rehabilitated sanitary sewers in new locations or where easements did not previously exist.

## **DISCUSSION**

Attached to this staff report are the Grants of public Sewer Easements from the property owners listed above. Construction of the newly rehabilitated sewers has been completed and it is recommended that these easements be formally approved and accepted by the City. The Resolutions direct the City Clerk to record the easements in the office of the County Recorder.

# **SUSTAINABILITY**

Construction of the project reduced the amount of infiltration and inflow in the trunk sewers, pump stations and at the treatment plant operated by EBMUD. Easements provide for the maintenance of these sewers by the City.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

None

Attachments: Resolutions Grants of Easement