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**MINUTES OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL**  
**IN REGULAR SESSION, 1000 SAN PABLO AVENUE**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2008**

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**8:00 p.m.**

Mayor Lieber, who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, called the regular meeting of the Albany City Council to order on the above date.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Council Members Atkinson, Javandel, Okawachi, Wile & Mayor Lieber  
Absent: None

**STAFF PRESENT**

Beth Pollard, City Administrator; Robert J. Zweben, City Attorney; Jacqueline L. Bucholz, City Clerk; Judy Lieberman, Assistant City Administrator; Ann Chaney, Community Development Director; Jeff Bond, Planning Manager; Rich Cunningham, Public Works Manager; Barry Whittaker, Project Manager; Randy Leptien, Contract Engineer; Penelope Leach, Recreation & Community Services Director; Jeremy Allen, Youth Services Supervisor; Marc McGinn, Fire Chief; Mike McQuiston, Police Chief.

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR**

(Consent Calendar items are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. By approval of the Consent Calendar, the staff recommendations will be adopted unless otherwise modified by the City Council. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council Member or a member of the audience requests removal of the items from the Consent Calendar.)

**3-1. Council Minutes, January 22, 2008.**

Staff recommendation: Approve.

**3-2. a. Ratification of City of Albany net payroll in the amount of \$187,609.82; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of**

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\$235,306.37. Total payroll in the amount of \$422,916.19. Payroll period: 01/18/08.

b. Ratification of Albany Municipal Services JPA net payroll in the amount of \$51,910.58; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of \$59,077.62. Total payroll in the amount of \$110,988.20. Payroll period: 01/18/08.

Staff recommendation: Ratify.

- 3-3.** a. Ratification of bills, claims & demands against the City of Albany in the amount of \$509,426.29. Period: 01/11/08.  
b. Ratification of bills, claims & demands against the City of Albany in the amount of \$744,845.85. Period: 01/25/08.  
c. Ratification of bills, claims & demands against the City of Albany JPA in the amount of \$45.00. Period: 12/28/07.  
d. Ratification of bills, claims & demands against the City of Albany JPA in the amount of \$297.70. Period: 01/11/08.  
e. Ratification of bills, claims & demands against the City of Albany JPA in the amount of \$257.00. Period: 01/25/08.  
(File #300-40)

Staff recommendation: Ratify.

- 3-4.** A rendering of the quarterly Cash and Investments Treasury Report of the City of Albany as of December 31, 2007, as required by Section 53646 of the California Government Code.  
(File #300-10)

Staff recommendation: Information only.

- 3-5.** Pension payments for the month of January, 2008, in the amount of \$110,176.51.

Staff recommendation: Ratify.

- 3-6.** Council Member Okawachi appointing Francesco Papalia to the Waterfront Committee.

Staff recommendation: Information only.

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- 3-7.** Ordinance No. 08-01 – An Ordinance of the Albany City Council Regarding Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy and Regulations. Second Reading – Pass-to-Print.  
(File #920-20)

Staff recommendation: Adopt Ordinance No. 08-01 for Second Reading – Pass-to-Print.

- 3-8.** 2008-09 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) City-County Agreement.  
(File #345-20)

Staff recommendation: Approve the recommended use of FY 2008-09 CDBG Funds in the amount of \$91,902 (\$85,302 jurisdictional improvements+\$6,600 general administration) for the following projects:  
1) Meals on Wheels Program - \$15,000. 2) Access Curb Ramps - \$70,429.  
3) Alameda Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care Council - \$1,473.  
4) 2-1-1 Program - \$5,000.

- 3-9.** Confirmation of Continued Existence of a Local Emergency on the Albany Shoreline.  
(File #520-30)

Staff recommendation: Confirm the continued existence of a local emergency pursuant to Resolution #07-69.

- 3-10.** Request for temporary street closure of Cornell Avenue (approximately 100 feet south of Solano Avenue) on February 10, 2008.  
(File #820-50)

Staff recommendation: Approve the request by Solano Avenue Association to close 100 feet of Cornell Avenue, south of Solano on Sunday, February 10, 2008, from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. with related police and public works services, in conjunction with the Lunar New Year Festival and Parade, subject to the Special Conditions.

- 3-11.** Clarifying of City Council direction on reviewing updates to City Smoking Regulations.  
(File #560-90)

Staff recommendation: That the City Council agendaize consideration of an ordinance to update the City’s smoking regulations at a regular City Council meeting in March.

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- 3-12.** Accepting donations for the newly created Poet Laureate Program.  
(File #900-40)

Staff recommendation: Authorize the establishment of a trust fund for the Poet Laureate Program created by the Arts Committee and authorize staff to accept the contributions.

- 3-13.** Authorize the Mayor to send a letter to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors expressing concern about the cost to consolidate election services.  
(File #630-10)

Mayor recommendation: Approve.

- 3-14.** Contract amendment with Jacobs Engineering for the 2007 Parks Rehabilitation Projects (Terrace Park, Memorial Park and Ball Field, Ocean View Park).  
(File #600-30)

Staff recommendation: Authorize the City Administrator to execute a contract amendment with Jacobs Engineering for additional compensation in the amount of \$60,617 to cover additional Engineering and Construction Administration services to the final completion of the 2007 Parks Rehabilitation Projects.

- 3-15.** Lease Agreement for 979 San Pablo Avenue.  
(File #600-20)

Staff recommendation: Authorize the City Administrator to enter into a lease agreement for the lease of 979 San Pablo Avenue, as a temporary site for City departments.

Mayor Lieber asked if anyone would like to remove an item from the Consent Calendar and the following items were removed for discussion: 3-1, 3-8, 3-11, 3-12 & 3-13.

**3-1. Minutes.**

Mayor Lieber stated that he asked the City Clerk to clarify the motion regarding the IPM Resolution/Policy, as follows: Page 11, Item 8-2 to include the following in the motion: add the words "or economic" to page 4, #7 of the IPM Policy.

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#### **3-8. CDBG Funds**

Council Member Okawachi asked how many access curb ramps would be left to do after the 82 are completed. The Community Development Director responded that she did not have the answer at this time but would bring the information back to Council.

#### **3-12. Poet Laureate Program**

Council Member Okawachi stated that she is happy to see this program and announced that the Albany Education Foundation has donated \$500 and the Friends of the Albany Library have donated \$250. Council Member Okawachi commented that the Arts Committee has proposed honoraria of \$1500 for the first two-year period.

#### **3-13. Cost of Consolidated Elections**

Council Member Okawachi stated that it definitely is appropriate to send a letter to the County but would prefer that the tone of the letter not be so strong especially the word "oppose".

Mayor Lieber responded that he believes the high cost is going to prevent cities from having elections other than the regular schedule one, which puts a damper on the democratic process. Mayor Lieber stated that he definitely opposes the high cost.

The City Administrator commented that she had a conversation with the County Administrator who indicated that the high costs are due to the State mandates that the County has to absorb.

#### **3-11. Smoking Ordinance**

Allan Maris, Social & Economic Justice Commission, stated that this item has been a complicated one for the Commission noting that it takes time to go through all the issues. Mr. Maris asked the Council for clarification before the Commission's next meeting.

Mayor Lieber stated that the original motion was for the Commission to finish its analysis and then Council would take up the issue.

Council Member Javandel stated that whatever the Commission gives the Council might not be the best; however, Council does expect something close to a final draft.

Council Member Atkinson agreed noting this is a very important issue and maybe it could be done in a two-step process.

Mayor Lieber clarified the motion stating that this issue is to go back to the Commission to complete its work and then to come back to Council.

Council Member Javandel stated that his intent of the motion was for a little more urgency and for the Commission to wrap up their discussions and return the issue back to Council.

Council Member Wile agreed with staff's recommendation that the Commission be given this issue for one more meeting.

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Mara Duncan, Social & Economic Justice Commission, noted that this issue has generated a lot of strong feelings from the community.

Mayor Lieber stated that Council should accept staff's recommendation and that this issue should come back to Council on an agenda in March, unless the agenda is too impacted at that time.

**MOTION:**

Moved by Council Member Javandel, seconded by Council Member Okawachi that the Social & Economic Justice Commission discuss this at one more meeting and that it comes back to Council at a March meeting.

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Javandel, Okawachi, Wile & Mayor Lieber

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried and so ordered.

**4. GOOD OF THE CITY/PUBLIC FORUM/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

For persons desiring to address the City Council on an item that is not on the agenda please note that City policy limits each speaker to three (3) minutes. The Brown Act limits the Council's ability to take and/or discuss items that are not on the agenda; therefore, such items are normally referred to staff for comment or to a future agenda.

Mayor Lieber opened the Good of the City/Public Forum/Announcements and asked if anyone would like to speak.

Council Members made the following announcements: Council Member Okawachi: 1) Friends of the Albany Library would be holding its 50 cents book sale on February 9, 10-4 p.m.

Council Member Atkinson: 1) Albany's centennial kick off is February 23, 2008. 2) Costco has biodegradable bags for wet garbage. 3) Urged residents to shop in Albany as much as they could.

Council Member Wile: 1) Congratulated staff for obtaining a \$50,000 grant for climate reduction. 2) Received a letter from the Police Chief regarding purchasing fuel efficiency police cars noting that all the cars have been switched to 4 cylinders and urged the City to look at the City fleet.

The City Administrator announced that the Jerome Blank clock will be re-installed tomorrow and thanked City staff and Dave's Auto Body and the Blank family for helping to get this project finished.

There being no one else wishing to speak Mayor Lieber closed the Public Forum/Good of the City/Announcements.

**5. PRESENTATION/PUBLIC HEARING**

## 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### 6-1. Removal of Monterey Pines from Gill Tract – Status Report

(File #510-50)

The Community Development Director reported that at last week's meeting the City Council authorized the Mayor to send a letter to the University of California, Berkeley urging them to provide the City with advance communication and opportunity for involvement before removing the second phase of Monterey Pines. The Council also directed the City Attorney to talk with UC Berkeley immediately about entering into a Tolling Agreement. The Council authorized staff to meet with UC staff to negotiate a modification to the plan based on the input received from the community.

City staff requested an on-site meeting with UC staff and on January 24, the City Administrator, Council Member Wile, Community Development Director and the City's Arborist surveyed the tree conditions with UC's Campus Landscape Architect, Master Arborist and Community Relations Assistant Director.

During the field inspection, City representatives observed clear evidence of canker pitch in the Monterey Pine, along with poor structure in the body of the trees, as well as beetle and fungi infestation.

Based on these observations, it was difficult to argue that the trees in Phase I should be saved. However, the City raised a number of concerns and requests for commitment that have been conveyed to U.C. The City will continue discussions with UC and report the progress to the City Council.

The Community Development Director noted that the City received a letter from U.C. reporting that they did have a wildlife arborist perform a site survey and that U.C. would be seeding the area with wildflowers. U.C. also noted that they would be willing to discuss the easement along San Pablo Avenue to accommodate a future bicycle trail and to do testing for chemicals in the soil.

Mayor Lieber stated that it is his belief that UC will not replant trees in that area due to future development plans, which concerns him a lot. Mayor Lieber also expressed concern about Phase II and the need for U.C. to give the City enough notice before any work is performed.

Mayor Lieber stated that the City needs to re-enforce what it has already noticed and would like authorization to write to U.C. regarding changes in their Master Plan and Zoning and all the concerns regarding property entitlements.

Council Member Wile agreed noting that the Council needs to be united and give the Mayor the authorization he requested.

The City Administrator recommended that the Park & Recreation Commission be given the task with working with staff and U.C. to develop some plans.

The following person from the public spoke. Mara Duncan asked questions about the chemicals in the soil and why it was not tested before the trees were cut down.

Mayor Lieber spoke about the chemicals in the tree that are released when the tree is cut and noted the danger is when the chemicals are inhaled, which become very toxic.

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**MOTION:**

Moved by Council Member Wile, seconded by Council Member Javandel to authorize the Mayor to write to U.C. regarding the removal of the trees; also that the Park & Recreation Commission collaborate with U.C. to work on a tree replanting program.

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Javandel, Okawachi, Wile & Mayor Lieber

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried and so ordered.

**6-2. Neilson Storm Drain Project**

(File #1030-70)

The Community Development Director reported that the Upper Village storm drain facilities are contained within underground pipes and culverts and for the most part are located on private residential properties between City streets. The City does not have an easement for access to, or maintenance of, the property pipes located on the private property. Several years ago, residents in the 1000 block of Curtis and Neilson Streets reported drainage problems that had become chronic during wet weather months.

In 1998, the City’s Watershed Management Plan (WMP) determined that these storm drain facilities do not have the capacity to convey a ten-year storm and that the pipes and culvert should be replaced with ones that ranged in diameter from 18 to 36 inches. Enlarging and repairing the Upper Village Creek system east of Key Route Blvd was identified as the number one priority project in the WMP.

In 2006, Albany voters approved Measure F, which identified funding for the Neilson-Curtis Storm Drain project. This project is intended to resolve the drainage problems experienced by the Curtis and Neilson Street residents.

The Community Development Director stated that although the project cost has escalated since the estimates in May, 2007, staff continues to recommend that a storm drain be installed in Neilson Street using tunneling methods. Chronic drainage conditions have persisted in this area, which was identified in 1998 as being the number one priority project in the WMP. Staff further recommends that URS be directed to prepare alternate plans using the Pilot Tube Micro tunneling approach and that the contract with URS be amended to enable them to provide construction, observation and review services on the project.

The following people spoke: Peter Rosenfeld, Albany resident; Allan Maris, Albany resident; Mara Duncan, Albany resident; Dolores Dalton, Albany resident.

A summary of the comments is as follows: Urged the Council to move forward, as the voters passed Measure F to correct the problem. Expressed concern about the schedule and stated that this project should be completed before December. Asked a question about process and how a resident can get an answer to questions posed. Spoke about the flooding problems in the Neilson-Curtis area noting that the residents in that area have been very patient but it is time for the problem to be corrected.

The City Engineer stated that the schedule for this project is as follows: Send out the bids some time in March and the contract should be awarded some time in June with completed date, hopefully, in December.



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Mayor Lieber commented on the question asked regarding response to citizens who ask questions during the meeting. Mayor Lieber stated that during the discussion period the public is asked for input and the Council listens to what the public has to say; however, this does not mean a back and forth conversation between the public, the staff and the Council. Mayor Lieber noted that the public should not expect to have a conversation with the Council and or staff.

Council Member Okawachi noted that she worked with Allan Maris on getting Measure F passed and agreed that the City needs to get on this and complete the project.

Council Member Javandel stated that he supported Measure F and would like to see the 30" pipe used.

### **MOTION:**

Moved by Council Member Javandel, seconded by Council Member Okawachi to approve staff's recommendation, as follows: 1) That the City Council authorize the City Administrator to amend the consultant services with: **URS Corporation** to: a) Prepare alternative plans for a Pilot Tube micro tunneling project for this storm drain project, and prepare bid documents in the amount of \$36,921. b) Provide construction, observation and review services in the amount of \$31,156. **Design Community and Environment (DC&E)** to: Revise the administrative draft environmental document for this project to analyze environmental effects that may result from a Pilot Tube micro tunneling project, in the amount of \$2,849. 2) That the City Council receive information regarding the funding shortfall. Staff will return at a subsequent meeting with a proposed funding plan and schedule that would involve borrowing \$2.4 million from the Statewide Community Infrastructure Program or from another City of Albany fund or reserves with a repayment schedule.

### **VOTE ON THE MOTION:**

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Javandel, Okawachi, Wile & Mayor Lieber

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried and so ordered.

## 6-3. Public Safety/Civic Center Project

(File #200-30)

The Public Works Manager reported that City is preparing for the seismic retrofitting, additions and renovation project of the Fire Station, Police Station and City Hall, which includes new roofs, and heating systems, both necessitated to accommodate the seismic work.

This project renovates and adds 500 square feet to the Police Station; renovates the Fire Station dorms and restrooms, and adds a storage area and expands the Day Room, renovates the kitchen and office areas. An Emergency Operations (EOC) Center and training facility would be built on the present asphalt space between the Police and Fire Stations. Fire protection sprinklers would be added to the entire Public Safety/Civic Center complex.

As provided for in the Measure C bond, a number of sustainable building elements have been incorporated into the project, including replacement of all windows

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and double-paned glass, furring and insulating the existing masonry walls wherever practicable, upgrading the roof insulation, and adding a roof-top solar collector system (hot water) on the Fire Station roof and adds a 30KW photovoltaic system on the Police Station roof.

The following person spoke: Mara Duncan. A summary of the comments is as follows: Asked about the U.C. Village relocation site costs and asked if the City was planning on using the site after the project has been completed.

Mayor Lieber responded that the City has entered into an agreement with U.C. Berkeley for the relocation of the Police and Fire Departments. All improvements to the land would be at the City’s expense and when the City leaves the area the land belongs to U.C. Berkeley.

The Project Manager stated that the project is estimated to take 2-3 years for the complete retrofit of the Civic Center project. This project should be under contract by April and should be completed at the end of 2009.

**MOTION:**

Moved by Council Member Javandel, seconded by Council Member Okawachi to approve staff’s recommendations, as follows: 1) Authorize staff to call for bids for the seismic retrofitting of the Civic Center buildings, and additions and renovations to the Fire and Police Department buildings, Contract C08-01. 2) Approve and authorize the City Administrator to execute Amendment #3 to the Agreement with Noll and Tam, Architects. 3) Authorize the Call for Bids and authorize the City Administrator to award a contract (or contracts, together) not to exceed \$250,000 for site preparations and modular hookups at the Monroe Street, UVA Police and Fire Temporary Quarters Site. 4) Authorize the City Administrator to enter into a lease agreement for the lease of modular buildings for police and fire temporary quarters. 5) Authorize the City Administrator to execute contract (or contracts, together) not to exceed \$250,000 with AT&T and Motorola re. Telephone, 911 facilities and radio antenna for the Temporary Quarters Site.

**ON THE QUESTION:**

Mayor Lieber indicated that he voted no on the bond issuance and believes this project is too expensive but does know how important it is as a public safety issue. However, as there are four affirmative votes for this motion he is going to go on record as voting no. Mayor Lieber clarified this stating if his vote were needed to pass the motion he would vote yes.

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Javandel, Okawachi and Wile.

NOES: Mayor Lieber ABSENT: None

Motion carried and so ordered.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

**7-1. Entertainment Permit – 1161 – 1175 Solano Avenue**  
(File #650-90)

The Planning Manager reported that the applicant would like to remodel three adjoined commercial spaces located at the northwest corner of the parcel that are

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currently occupied by a tennis shop, beauty salon and office building and add 159 sq.ft. commercial building that would have a café use. The subject property is a 16, 272 parcel located in the Solano Commercial District between 1161 and 1187 Solano Avenue, on the northeast corner of Stannage and Solano Avenues.

The applicant is currently in negotiations with Café Trieste as the potential tenant. The café offers coffee beverages and food and would like to also obtain a liquor license to serve beer, wine and specialty Italian liqueurs.

The applicant is also requesting an entertainment permit to allow amplified live music between the hours of 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 7pm and 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m and 5 p.m. on Sunday. The applicant has indicated that their operational intent is to maintain amplification at a level that would allow conversations to occur within the café while performances are occurring.

The Planning Manager noted that three separate public hearings have been held on the proposed project. On January 8, 2008, the Planning and Zoning Commission approved the design review and parking exception associated with the proposed application. On January 29, 2008, the Commission approved the Conditional Use Permit associated with the liqueur license.

To address potential noise issues the applicant agreed to a number of features that would mitigate the noise.

Mayor Lieber stated that he received a number of communications from neighbors expressing concern about the noise and noted that he is very sensitive to this issue. Mayor Lieber suggested that the approval include an annual review, as well as the three-month review.

The following people spoke: Malcolm Russell, Albany resident; David Jeffrey, Albany resident; Karen Losnick, Albany resident; Rose Levinson, Albany resident.

A summary of the comments is as follows: Expressed concern about parking and the area becoming a parking lot and that the project is being done in stages. Agreed that a three-month review plus the annual review should take place. Suggested that the City should look into a parking lot for people to use.

Council all agreed that there should be a three-month review plus an annual review as things change and the City needs to have a mechanism in place to deal with any changes that may occur.

Council Member Atkinson presented Resolution No. 08-5 – A Resolution of the Albany City Council Approving an Entertainment Permit to Allow Amplified Live Music between the Hours of 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Monday through Friday; 7 p.m. – 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 2 p.m. – 5 p.m. on Sunday.

**MOTION:**

After reading the title, and waiving reading of entire Resolution, it was moved by Council Member Atkinson and seconded by Council Member Javandel to adopt Resolution No. 08-5; and to include a three-month review plus an annual review to monitor the application.

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Javandel, Okawachi, Wile & Mayor Lieber

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried and so ordered.

**7-2. Community Media Access Committee**  
(File #110-30)

The Cable Coordinator reported that in 2000, the City Council approved a five-year Cable Television Programming Plan for community based cable television programming. It's purpose was to 1) address the Council's previously expressed interest in community cable television and 2) to involve more of the community in cable programming by developing and sponsoring video presentations featuring issues, people and points of interest in and around Albany.

The City Council approved a formation of a citizens *ad hoc* committee to the Council Cable TV Subcommittee. The purpose of the committee was to make recommendations to insure that Albany's Public Educational and Government access facilities are managed in the best public interest.

The *ad hoc* committee has been meeting on a regular basis to discuss and implement improvements to KALB's facilities and its programming. This effort has resulted in a number of benchmarks, notably, live broadcasts of City meetings.

The *ad hoc* committee members are unanimously in favor of creating a permanent committee to address the ongoing needs of KALB.

Council Member Atkinson suggested that the High School students be used as a resource and to work with the business community.

Council Member Okawachi agreed noting that small business owners need all the help they can get.

**MOTION:**

Moved by Mayor Lieber, seconded by Council Member Wile to direct staff to return with a resolution creating a new Community Media Access Committee from the current citizens' *ad hoc* committee.

The following people spoke: Allan Maris, Albany resident; Caryl O'Keefe, Albany resident.

A summary of the comments is as follows: Commended the *ad hoc* committee for a job well done and suggested that special community events be televised, such as: Little League games, High School Theatre and the Centennial Celebrations. Very glad to hear about the plans to web stream the Council meetings and urged the City to web stream and televise all City meetings. Mayor Lieber stated that he would like to see the School Board meetings televised.

**VOTE ON THE MOTION:**

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Javandel, Okawachi, Wile & Mayor Lieber

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried and so ordered.

**7-3. Paid Parking Program**  
(File #570-70)

The City Administrator reported that currently the City does not charge for use of the public right-of-way for vehicle parking. Many cities have established paid parking programs, with the most common approach being parking meters in the commercial

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district. Albany's neighbor, Berkeley, operates parking meters on its section of Solano Avenue, as well as in other commercial districts.

The City Administrator noted that because of the connection between paid parking and carbon emission reduction, the Sustainability Committee appears to be the most appropriate committee to refer the matter for review and recommendation.

Mayor Lieber reported that "free parking" is neither green nor sustainable and would like to refer this item to the Sustainability Committee to evaluate the information.

Council Member Okawachi stated that Chamber of Commerce tried to put parking meters on Solano Avenue but the public did not support the program.

Council Member Atkinson commented that the City should encourage discussion about this issue and is more than just parking it is how to look at sustainability.

Council Member Javandel suggested the Committee look at the new kind of meters where there is one per block and run on solar power. The Committee needs to look at all the different types of parking, resident, visitor, customer and how it all interacts.

Mayor Lieber stated that this issue should also go Traffic & Safety for their review and noted this idea will not happen overnight. Mayor Lieber commented that the community should be involved in these discussions.

The President of the Chamber of Commerce stated that the business community should be involved and their concerns should be discussed.

Council Member Javandel suggested that maybe the business community could validate parking for customers.

Council Member Wile stated that maybe some of the revenue from the meters could to the business district and used for residential repairs.

#### **MOTION:**

Moved by Council Member Javandel, seconded by Council Member Okawachi to refer this matter to the Sustainability Committee for their review and recommendation.

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Javandel, Okawachi, Wile & Mayor Lieber

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried and so ordered.

### **8. OTHER BUSINESS, REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTEND, ANNOUNCEMENT OF EVENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Council Member Atkinson announced the following: 1)Solano Association Lunar New Year Parade and celebration on Sunday, February 9 at 1 p.m. 2) Reminded everyone to vote tomorrow.

Council Member Okawachi announced that she attended the Albany Library Board meeting and would like to thank the Finance Director for a report he made on how funds are used in Albany.

Mayor Lieber announced that he is continuing to be very active in the community regarding the State aerial spraying of chemicals for the apple moth and noted he contacted Mayors, Legislators and Congressional delegates. Mayor Lieber stated that he is having some success and is hopeful that the area would not be sprayed.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

10:10 p.m. – There being no further business before the City Council it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes submitted by Jacqueline L. Bucholz, CMC, City Clerk.

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ROBER S. LIEBER  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JACQUELINE L. BUCHOLZ, CMC  
CITY CLERK