

**CITY OF ALBANY
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
STAFF REPORT**

Agenda Date: July 5, 2011
Reviewed by: BP

SUBJECT: 2010-12 City Council Objectives

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive a progress report on accomplishment of the City's 2010-12 Objectives, and provide new direction, if any, on changes in priorities for City Council objectives for the 2011-12 fiscal year.

BACKGROUND

As a companion to adoption of the City's 2010-12 Operating Budget, the City Council adopted 2010-12 Objectives. Periodically the City Council reviews the City's progress on accomplishing these objectives. This review is also an opportunity for staff to report on new items that have emerged, and for Council to provide direction on changes, if any, in its priorities for staff time, policy focus, and other city resources.

DISCUSSION

New objectives that staff recommends be added because of new opportunities or Council policy direction are:

- Improve internal/staff disaster response readiness and community disaster preparedness.
- Working with Community Development, prepare draft ordinance requiring self-closing doors in multi-family units
- Coordinate Albany Local Week (September 19-25, 2011) challenging residents to do everything in Albany for one week. Promote local shopping, events, restaurants and services.
- Organize Bike About Town (4th Friday of July, August, September) to increase awareness of new bike routes, draw residents to local businesses, create a sense of community and encourage residents to get out and be active.
- Acquire Pierce Street property from Caltrans for a maintenance center, park, bicycle path, and potential other uses, and begin concept design work
- Work with public transportation agencies on expanding service to/in Albany (BART and AC Transit)
- Continue the Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program and explore the possibility of grant funds to expand it to the Middle School

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT

Several of the objectives advance the City's sustainability goals.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Funding to achieve the objectives has been incorporated into the City's budget, except where noted.

Attachments

1. Objectives Progress Report, July 5, 2011