## **RESOLUTION NO. 2012-9**

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL ALLOCATING \$4,750.00 FROM THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES FUND TO (1) IMPLEMENT A FIRE HYDRANT ART PROGRAM (2) RESTORE THE HERONS SCULPTURE AT THE ALBANY BULB (3) PURCHASE A ZINC PLATE FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTER FOYER ART GALLERY.

WHEREAS, in October 2007, the City of Albany adopted the Art in Public Places

Ordinance and the purposes of the Ordinance are to promote the acquisition, construction,
installation, restoration, and maintenance of public art pieces in Albany that will foster creativity,
freedom of expression, cultural awareness, civic pride, and strong sense of community; and

WHEREAS, the Arts Committee has developed a program for the artistic decoration of a selected number of existing fire hydrants in the City and is seeking creative designs in a way that adds interest, but does not compromise their functionality; and

WHEREAS, while the Arts Committee will review all applications for artistic consideration, finalists will be forwarded to the Fire Chief/Fire Marshal for final approval to ensure that design does not interfere with functionality; and

WHEREAS, the Arts Committee will review applications at their June meeting and selected artists will be expected to execute the work during the months of July and August 2012; and

WHEREAS, a stipend of \$150 per hydrant from Art in Public Places Fund will be paid to each artist upon completion of work and it is recommending that up to 10 hydrants be painted over the summer months; and

WHEREAS, the Herons was created by Mark Canepa in 1999 and the sculpture is now rusting and covered by graffiti and the artist submitted a proposal for on-site restoration in the amount of \$2,750.00; and

WHEREAS, a small plaque will be installed mentioning that gallery walls were renovated in 2011 with Percent-for-Arts funding is an effective way to let residents know how Public Art fees benefit the community; and

WHEREAS, the proposed projects fall within the scope of the Arts in Public Places
Ordinance in that the Fire Hydrant Art program will contribute to the promotion of art, the
Herons sculpture will be restored and the plaque installed at the gallery will build awareness of
how Public Art Fees contribute to the community in a positive way

WHEREAS, art work is expected to be created in a professional manner that is safe for the environment and respectful of its surroundings and selected artists will be responsible for the purchase of appropriate paint and materials in accordance with safety and environmental guidelines established by the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Albany City Council hereby allocates \$4750.00 from the Art in Public Places Fund to (1) implement a Fire Hydrant Art Program, (2) restore the Herons sculpture at the Albany bulb, and (3) purchase a zinc plaque for the Albany Community Center Foyer Art Gallery.

MAYOR Farid Javandel



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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY,

the 21st day of February, 2012, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Lieber, Thomsen, Wile, Vice Mayor Atkinson and Mayor Javandel

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 22nd

Day of February, 2012.

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DEPUTY CITY CLERK