

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

Agenda Date: June 4, 2012

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT:** Pierce Street Pavement and Bikeway Project  
Speed Hump/Crosswalk Maintenance Agreement with City of Richmond

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Authorize the City Manager to sign the attached City of Richmond “Agreement for Maintenance of Speed Hump/Crosswalk on Pierce Street Adjacent to Albany City Limits”.

**BACKGROUND**

During the Pierce Street Pavement and Bikeway Project planning process, it was learned that the proposed speed hump/crosswalk at the northern end of the project was located partially within the City of Richmond right-of-way. Albany’s engineer on the project, Kimley-Horn, determined this to be the best location for slowing traffic and crossing pedestrians. Therefore, City staff met with Richmond staff and began the process of securing an Encroachment Permit. As part of that permit process, the City of Richmond requires that the encroaching party enter into a maintenance agreement upon completion of the project. The project is now complete, and the two cities are ready to finalize the Maintenance Agreement.

**DISCUSSION**

Exhibit A, attached to the Agreement, shows the location and design of the completed speed hump/crosswalk. A dashed line indicates the city limit line between Albany and Richmond. The portion of the project located within the Richmond right-of-way includes two curb ramps, the actual speed hump/crosswalk, speed hump markings, and signage.

The Maintenance Agreement delegates maintenance responsibility to the City of Albany, including graffiti removal from signs and surfaces located within a distance of ten feet from the hump/crosswalk. The Agreement contains mutual indemnity provisions whereby Albany and Richmond agree to defend and indemnify each other from liability arising out of either city's actions relating to the project.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT**

This speed hump/crosswalk project will slow traffic and provide pedestrians a safer crossing to access bus stops, and thereby have a direct benefit to air quality.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

None, as maintenance would be a normal cost of this Albany project regardless of encroachment into the City of Richmond.

**Attachments**

“Agreement for Maintenance” including Exhibit A