CITY OF ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Agenda Date: October 15, 2012

Reviewed by: BP

SUBJECT: Expansion of the Albany Homeless Task Force to a Tenth Person Selected from the

Albany Homeless Population

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SUMMARY

The action before the City Council to consider expanding the membership on the Homeless Task Force to a tenth member, selected from the Albany homeless population.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the addition of a homeless person to the Albany Homeless Task Force.

BACKGROUND

At the May 21, 2012 meeting, Council approved the creation of a Homeless Task Force to develop policies for homelessness throughout the City including consideration of the unique issues associated with homeless encampment on the Albany waterfront. Per Council action, the Homeless Task Force is currently comprised of the following:

- Up to two active members from the City's Waterfront Committee
- Up to two active members from the City's Social and Economic Justice Committee
- 5 members selected by the Council after an application process

Council nominations were approved at the July 2, 2012 City Council meeting.

DISCUSSION

The Homeless Task Force has met three times. At its September 20, 2012, a motion was approved by the Task Force to ask the City Council to expand membership on the Task Force with a tenth member, specifically selected from the Albany Homeless population. The Task Force also asked that the Council authorize the current members of the Task Force to establish a process to solicit and review nominations and to approve the selection of the new Task Force member.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no direct fiscal impact for adding an additional member to the Albany Homeless Task Force.

ATTACHMENTS

Draft Albany Homeless Task Force Work Plan