RESOLUTION NO. 2015-4

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF FY15-16 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECT APPLICATIONS TO ALAMEDA COUNTY AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ALAMEDA COUNTY FOR THE PROPOSED USE OF FY15-16 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS PROJECTED TO BE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,826

WHEREAS, Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG) is one of the longest-running programs of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, the program funds activities such as affordable housing, antipoverty programs, and infrastructure development that benefit low-income people or contribute to the elimination of blight; and funds are allocated to localities based on formulas that reflect population, measures of poverty, age of housing stock, etc; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet administrative requirements of the program in a cost-effective manner, the cities of Albany, Emeryville, Piedmont, Dublin, Newark, and the unincorporated portions of Alameda County are consolidated as a single "Alameda County Urban County" grantee; and staffing for the "Urban County" is provided by Alameda County; and

WHEREAS, a requirement for using CDBG funds, with few exceptions, is that it must be demonstrated that the funds are serving very low or low income people or households; and another stipulation of this program is that across the Urban County cities collectively, no more than 15% of CDBG funds can be applied toward services; and

WHEREAS, examples of past projects funded through Albany's CDBG allocation include: Support of the Meals-on-Wheels program for seniors, the Alameda County 2-1-1, accessible curb ramps, Senior Center Repairs and expansion, Teen Center upgrade and Ocean View Park restrooms and Homeless Outreach and Engagement; and

WHEREAS, the City's projected allocation, based on information released by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in December 2014, is projected at \$82,826; and of Albany's CDBG allocation, revenues are assigned as follow: \$49,251 to Jurisdictional Improvements, \$26,975 to Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation and \$6,600 to general administration; and

WHEREAS, City staff is proposing that the funding available for FY 2015-16 be allocated as follow: \$26,975 to Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation, \$16,000 to Meals-on-Wheels, \$7,251 to Curb ramps and \$26,000 to Homeless Outreach and Engagement Program and \$6,600 to general administration; and

WHEREAS, it is important to note that County staff will review the budget requests for all of the Urban County cities to make sure that the expenditures in aggregate, meet HUD requirements; additionally budget adjustments may be required as the current funding is projected until confirmed by HUD;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Albany City Council authorizes the submission of FY15-16 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project applications to Alameda County and authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Alameda County for the proposed use of FY15-16 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds projected to be in the amount of \$82,826.

PETER MAASS, MAYOR



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

the 2nd day of February, 2015, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Barnes, McQuaid, Pilch, and Mayor Maass

NOES: none

ABSENT: Council Member Nason

Eilen Harrington

ABSTAINED: none

RECUSED: none

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 3rd

day of February, 2015.

Eileen Harrington

DEPUTY CITY CLERK