

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

Agenda Date: 09/18/06
Date Prepared: 09/12/06
Reviewed by: _____

SUBJECT: Televising the City-Initiated Waterfront Planning Consultant Selection Process

FROM: Jacqueline L. Bucholz, City Clerk

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the televising of the City-Initiated Waterfront Planning Consultant Selection Process, which is scheduled for October 4, 2006, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

BACKGROUND

The City Council authorized staff to facilitate the Planning & Zoning Commission sponsorship of a City-Initiated Waterfront Planning Process in consultation with other City Commissions/Committees.

Based on Council action, staff has prepared and distributed a Request for Qualifications for planning consultant services for Albany Waterfront Planning of the Golden Gate Fields property.

A public hearing has been scheduled for October 4, 2006, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber and it is recommended that this hearing be televised, as many Albany residents are interested in this matter.

Council will be receiving a recommendation in the near future from the Social & Economic Justice Commission regarding which City Commissions/Committees should be televised.

Staff is recommending that this public hearing be televised and if a part-time employee is used the cost would be \$20 per hour and if a full-time supervisor is needed the costs would increase.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Employee costs are \$20 per hour for a part-time employee and additional costs if a full-time supervisor were needed.

