

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

Agenda date: December1, 2008

Reviewed by: JRL

SUBJECT: Approval of Resolution #08-54 Adopting a Five Year Capital Improvement Plan for the City of Albany for Fiscal Years 2008-09 through 2012-13.

FROM: Beth Pollard, City Administrator
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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve Resolution #08-54, adopting a five-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for the City of Albany for fiscal years 2008-09 through 2012-13.

BACKGROUND

Every two years the City Council adopts a five-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The expenditures that have been scheduled for fiscal years 2008-09 and 2009-10, have been incorporated into the comprehensive operating budgets for those years. The CIP contains project schedules that display, by year of expenditures, the funding and expenditures for 35 active projects and 11 recently completed projects. While the funding for most projects has been identified, projects may also be in the CIP for which funding has not been identified or which are only partially funded at this time.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

An earlier draft of the CIP was discussed in a workshop held prior to the September 2, 2008 public hearing at the Council meeting. On October 23, 2008, the Traffic and Safety Commission discussed its recommendation to the Council regarding the expenditure of remaining Measure F funds allocated to Traffic Management/Calming projects. A table is attached that reflects their recommendation. In summary, they recommend that previously allocated funds be retained for the: 1) Buchanan Bicycle Path Project; 2) Stop Signs, Red Curbs, Speed Humps; 3) Cerrito Creek/Pierce Street Bicycle Path; 4) Jackson/Buchanan Traffic Signal. Several completed projects resulted in a cost savings due to grants (e.g., bike path under I-80/580, Ohlone bike path realignment at Washington and Portland). The Commission recommended that funds previously allocated to these projects be released for use on other traffic management projects.

Because the Commission believes that the Marin Avenue Phase I improvements are achieving traffic calming goals, they concluded that funding allocated for Marin Avenue Phase II (hardscape) be released for other projects, except for \$40,000 for restriping enhancements and a bulb-out at Masonic Avenue. The Commission also recommends that \$300,000 be allocated to the Buchanan Bicycle Path Project in anticipation of a construction grant that could require up to a 20% match, thereby allocating \$318,371 to that project.

SUSTAINABILITY

Factors affecting environmental and economic impacts of each project have either been discussed by the Council or will be discussed prior to commencement of the project.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no General Fund financing of the projects in the CIP. Some projects may require operating and maintenance expense funding from the General Fund after completion of the project. If operating funding is anticipated, this is disclosed in the "Funding Status/Operating Budget Impact" section of the project.

Attachments

1. Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2008-09 through 2012-13
2. Traffic and Safety Commission recommendation of 10-23-08
3. Resolution No. 08-54