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MINUTES OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL
IN SPECIAL SESSION,
COMMUNITY CENTER, 1249 MARIN AVENUE
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2008

7:00 p.m.

Mayor Lieber, who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, called the regular meeting of the Albany City Council to order on the above date.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Atkinson, Javandel, Okawachi, Wile & Mayor Lieber
Absent: None

STAFF PRESENT

Beth Pollard, City Administrator; Robert Zweben, City Attorney; Jacqueline Bucholz, City Clerk; Ann Chaney, Community Development Director; Charles Adams, Finance Director; Judy Lieberman, Assistant City Administrator; Kim Denton, City Treasurer; Penelope Leach, Recreation & Community Services Director.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

(Consent Calendar items are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. By approval of the Consent Calendar, the staff recommendations will be adopted unless otherwise modified by the City Council. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council Member or a member of the audience requests removal of the items from the Consent Calendar.)

- 3-1.** Resolution No. 08-70 – A Resolution of the Albany City Council, County of Alameda, State of California, Declaring the Results of the General Municipal Election Held on November 4, 2008.

Staff recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 08-70.

Mayor Lieber asked if anyone would like an item pulled off the Consent Calendar for discussion.

MOTION:

Moved by Council Member Javandel, seconded by Council Member Wile to approve the Consent Calendar, as submitted.

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Javandel, Okawachi, Wile & Mayor Lieber

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried and so ordered.

4. PRESENTATION

4-1. Resolution No. 08-75 – Thanking Jewel Okawachi for her Eight Years of Service.

Mayor Lieber read Resolution No. 08-75 in its entirety and presented Council Member Okawachi with a plaque.

Council Member Okawachi made a farewell speech and thanked everyone for their support during her tenure on the Council.

The following people spoke and presented Council Member Okawachi with plants and flowers: Joan Larson, Albany resident; Peggy Thomsen, Council Member elect; Ruth Ganong, Albany resident; Allan Maris, Albany resident; Caryle O’Keefe, Albany resident; John Kindle, Albany resident; Robert Cheasty, Solano Avenue Association and Citizens for Eastshore Park; Peggy McQuaid, Albany resident; Jim Cleveland, Albany resident.

The members of the City Council also praised and thanked Council Member Okawachi for her service to the City.

Council Member Javandel presented Resolution No. 08-75 – A Resolution of the Albany City Council Thanking Jewel Okawachi for Her Eight Years of Service on the City Council.

MOTION:

After reading the title, and waiving reading of entire Resolution, it was moved by Council Member Javandel and seconded by Council Member Wile to adopt Resolution No. 08-75.

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Javandel, Wile & Mayor Lieber

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Council Member Okawachi

ABSENT: None

Motion carried and so ordered.

Council Member Wile stated that in the spirit of Council Member Okawachi’s work she would like to thank Jose, Crazy Copy, for his work on the banners and stickers promoting shopping in Albany. Also thanked Katherine, Flowerland, for the greens around the banners.

Council Member Wile acknowledged the Senior Center Supervisor for her quick response in helping out a neighbor who is sick.

5. OATH OF OFFICE

The City Clerk asked the Council elected officials and the City Treasurer to come forward and take the Oath of Office. The Oath of Office was given to: City Council: Farid Javandel, Robert Lieber and Peggy Thomsen. City Treasurer: Kim Denton.

The City Clerk asked the Board of Education officials to come forward and take the Oath of Office. The Oath of Office was given to: Patricia Low and Ron Rosenbaum.

The City Administrator announced that there are refreshments available and invited everyone to participate.

6. ADJOURNMENT

7:30 p.m. – There being no other business before the City Council it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes submitted by Jacqueline L. Bucholz, CMC, City Clerk.

ROBERT S. LIEBER
MAYOR

ATTEST:

JACQUELINE L. BUCHOLZ, CMC
CITY CLERK

