CITY OF ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Agenda Date: 3/16/2009 Reviewed by: BP

SUBJECT: Measure C Bonds Activity and Status

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Information only.

BACKGROUND

City of Albany Ordinance No. 06-09, adopted July 24, 2006 requires the City Administrator or Finance Director to file an annual report with the City Council, regarding funds collected and expended, as well as the status of projects listed in Measure C.

DISCUSSION

Measure C was approved by Albany voters in November, 2006 to help fund improvements to the Fire Station, a new Emergency Operations Center, and green building elements in the Civic Center project.

As of December 31, 2008, the total fund balance was \$5,415,467, including \$5,201,225 from the Capital Project Fund and \$214,242 from the Debt Service Fund. Funds of the Capital Project Fund are invested with LAIF (Local Agencies Investment Fund). Funds will be used for capital improvements as listed in the voter approved Measure C. The net debt proceeds available for capital expenditures were \$5,000,000; accumulated interest earnings on the funds were \$225,247; accumulated expenditures incurred for project management were \$24,022.

Proceeds of \$133,562 were deposited into the Debt Service Fund. This fund was established in fiscal year 2007-08. Property taxes of \$477,055 have been deposited to the Debt Service Fund along with \$3,778 in interest earnings. Accumulated expenditures were \$400,153, including \$304,493 paid for debt services and \$95,660 paid for bond issuance and administrative services. Project elements funded by Measure C were under construction as of December 31, 2008.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Interest is accruing on the bonds at the rates specified in the official bond statement, ranged from 3.5% to 4.6%. These rates are higher than the rate currently received on the bond proceeds invested in LAIF, which is 2.54% as of December 31, 2008.