CITY OF ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Agenda Date: June 15, 2009

Reviewed by: BP

SUBJECT: Amendment of the General Fund Operating Budget for fiscal year 2009-10.

RESOLUTION: 09-30 A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL

AMENDING THE CITY OF ALBANY GENERAL FUND

OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2009-10

REPORT BY: Beth Pollard, City Administrator

Charles Adams, Finance and Administrative Services Director

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Council adopt Resolution 09-30 amending the fiscal year 2009-10 General Fund Operating Budget of the City of Albany.

BACKGROUND

On June 14, 2008, the Council adopted the operating budgets for fiscal years 2008-09 and 2009-10. Because the fiscal year 2009-10 budget projected an operating deficit of \$216,514, and in recognition that factors affecting the estimates of revenues and expenditures were likely to change significantly prior to July 1, 2009, the Council directed the staff to review fiscal year 2009-10 budget prior to the beginning of the fiscal year and to propose changes that would produce a balanced budget.

The objective of amending the budget is to ensure that the budget remains a valid and effective instrument for the control of the City's financial operations, that it serves as a benchmark for measurement of the City's financial status, and to ensure that the City's financial resources are utilized in accordance with plans and objectives that have been discussed and approved by the Council.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

The revised budget is presented in the attached document that compares the budget adopted June 14, 2008 to the proposed budget, revised in June 2009. Descriptions of the major changes in revenues and expenditures are in the attached document titled Notes on Operating Budget – June Revised.

SUSTAINABILITY

The proposed revised budget provides for continuation of all services and programs contained the previously adopted budget. It does not provide for any new activities that would impact environmental or financial conditions in the City.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The increases and decreases to revenues, expenditures and transfers yield a net change in excess of revenue over expenditures of \$240,480 between the adopted and revised budgets. If the budget results are achieved the excess of revenue over expenditures for the fiscal year will be \$23,966. This increase the General Fund operating reserves, is in line with expressed City goal of maintaining adequate operating reserves. Adoption of the revised budget will enhance the usefulness of the budget as a tool for controlling the financial affairs of the City.

ATTACHMENTS

- General Fund Operating Budget, Fiscal Year 2009-10
- Notes on Operating Budget June Revised
- Resolution No. 09-30