CALL TO ORDER

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

3. REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION, IF ANY

4. PROCLAMATIONS

   4-1. Proclamation honoring Edward “Pete” Dowling on his 90th birthday.

   4-2. Proclamation – Blood Donor Month.

5. PRESENTATION

   5-1. Acknowledgement of community contributions of Albany’s Eagle Scouts:
       - Peter Goodman
       - Graham Guletz
       - Peter Hruska
       - Ben Pennell
       - Henry Treadway


       Staff recommendation. Receive presentation by the City’s independent auditors of the results of their examination of the City’s financial reports for fiscal year end June 30, 2009.
6. 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.)


Staff recommendation:

6-2. a. Ratification of City of Albany net payroll in the amount of $231,750.98; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of $183,252.78. Total payroll in the amount of $415,003.76. Payroll period: 12/04/09.
b. Ratification of City of Albany net payroll in the amount of $191,785.40; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of $244,161.44. Total payroll in the amount of $435,946.84. Payroll period: 12/18/09
c. Ratification of City of Albany net payroll in the amount of $215,812.58; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of $151,254.22. Total payroll in the amount of $367,066.80.
d. Ratification of Albany Municipal Services JPA net payroll in the amount of $54,516.43; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of $39,745.49. Total payroll in the amount of $94,261.92. Payroll period: 12/04/09.
e. Ratification of Albany Municipal Services JPA net payroll in the amount of $56,082.36; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of $58,792.61. Total payroll in the amount of $114,874.97. Payroll period: 12/18/09.
f. Ratification of Albany Municipal Services JPA net payroll in the amount of $57,972.28; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of $35,715.93. Payroll period: 12/31/09.

Staff recommendation: Ratify.

b. Ratification of bills, claims and demands against the City of Albany Joint Powers Authority in the amount of $1,014.34. Period: 12/11/09.

Staff recommendation: Ratify.

6-4. Consideration of Claim #AL615; Edwards v. City of Albany.
Staff recommendation: Reject the claim and authorize the City Clerk to send out the necessary rejection letter.

6-5. Sale of temporary Apparatus Bay Structure at 1051 Monroe.

Staff recommendation: Approve sale of apparatus bay metal building and storage containers to University of California for $50,000.


Staff recommendation: 1) Accept the Buck Consultants report on the actuarial valuation of the Police and Fire Relief and Pension Fund, as of June 30, 2009. 2) Approve a contribution to the Fund of $300,000 for the fiscal year 2009-10.


Staff recommendation: Ratify.


Staff recommendation: Note and file – information only.

6-10. Buchanan Bicycle/Pedestrian Path – Environmental Negative Declaration.

Staff recommendation: Approve the environmental documents for the Buchanan Bicycle and Pedestrian Project that include: 1) Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (Exhibit A). 2) Mitigation Monitoring Program (Exhibit B)

7. GOOD OF THE CITY/PUBLIC FORUM/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Staff recommendation: 1) Receive a staff summary of the January 4, 2010 City Council Study Session of the Climate Action Plan. 2) Direct the Sustainability Committee to complete the review if the Draft Climate Action Plan and work with the consultant to finalize the plan. 3) Direct the Sustainability Committee and the Planning & Zoning Commission to review the final Climate Action Plan and recommend adoption by the City Council in March, 2010.


Staff recommendation: Receive monthly progress report.


Staff recommendation: Approve Second Reading of Ordinance No. 09-017 waiving reading of entire Ordinance.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9-1. Council Member appointments to Regional and local bodies.

Staff recommendation: Confirm any changes in appointments to regional commissions, committees and boards.

10. OTHER BUSINESS, REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED, ANNOUNCEMENT OF EVENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

(Council and staff announcements: Council Member reports on State, regional and local boards, commissions and committees to which they are appointed by the City Council; Council Member announcement of requests for future agenda items. No public comment will be taken on announcement of future agenda items.

11. ADJOURNMENT

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