We, the members of the Albany City Council, recognize that many in our community are hurting and fearful as a result of the recent national election. Thus, we would like to take this opportunity to reaffirm that we welcome and value all of our diverse community members regardless of where they are from, who they love, how they worship, how they look, their abilities, or how they vote.

We invite the entire Albany community to join with us in creating a safe and welcoming city; one in which we celebrate our differences and learn from each other; one in which we are proud to raise our children.

“Diversity is not about how we differ. Diversity is about embracing one another's uniqueness.”

Ola Joseph

6:00 p.m. STUDY SESSION

Study Session: 2018 – 2022 Capital Improvement Plan

The Council will hold a study session to receive a staff presentation, public input, and discuss the proposed 2018 – 2022 Capital Improvement Plan

7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

3. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

3-1. Mayor’s Statement: Celebrating Martin Luther King Jr’s Birthday

4. REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION, IF ANY
5. 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.)

5-1. Minutes, January 8, 2018
Staff recommendation: Approve

5-2. Ratification of Payroll - Payroll Period: 1/5/18; Net Payroll: $298,477.97; Taxes, Benefits, Withholdings: $341,787.29; Total: $640,265.26
Staff recommendation: Ratify

5-3. Ratification of Bills, Claims and Demands - Ratification of bills, claims and demands against the City of Albany in the amount of: $8,000.00 (11/3/17); $138,173.79 (11/10/17); $785,049.51 (11/17/17); $1,712,256.41 (12/1/17); $441,367.14 (12/8/17); $332,051.33 (12/15/17); $163,373.29 (12/21/17); $442.11 (12/21/17); $7,204.68 (1/5/18); $74,023.38 (1/5/18); $899,383.70 (1/12/18)
Staff recommendation: Ratify

5-4. Albany Hill Eucalyptus Tree Maintenance
Staff recommendation: that the Council adopt Resolution No. 2018-13 authorizing the interim City Manager to execute Contract No. C18-9 with Professional Tree Care Company in the not-to-exceed amount of $39,000 to remove potentially hazardous eucalyptus trees from Albany Hill along Jackson and Taft streets

5-5. Extend Agreement with NBS for Assessment District Engineering and Finance & Property Fee Administration Services
Staff recommendation: that the Council adopt Resolution No. 2018-14, authorizing a two-year extension to an existing Agreement with NBS to Provide Assessment District Engineering and Parcel Tax Administration Services for two Fiscal Years (2018/19, and 2019/20).

5-6. Agreement with OpenGov, Inc. for the Provision of Financial Transparency Software
Staff recommendation: that the Council adopt Resolution No. 2018-17 authorizing the City to enter into a three-year agreement (proposed Contract No. C18-25) with OpenGov, Inc. for financial transparency software.
5-7. CIP Project No. 50103 – Senior Center Renovation Phase 2 Contract Award (C18-1) and Budget Adjustments

Staff recommendation: that the Council adopt Resolution 2018-7:

1. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to award Contract C18-1 to Greentech Industry Inc. to construct improvements to the kitchen facilities at the Senior Center (CIP No. 50103) in a not-to-exceed amount of $113,500, which includes the Base Bid in the amount of $95,300 and Bid Alternative #1 in the amount of $18,200.

2. Approve an additional allocation of budget to the project (CIP No. 50103) in the amount of $108,000 from the Designated Donations (Fund 0005) and General Capital (Fund 0001).

5-8. Authorizing Acceptance of a Grant from Bay Area Air Quality Management District for an Equipment Exchange Program

Staff recommendation: that the Council adopt Resolution No. 2018-15 authorizing the City to accept a grant in the amount of $24,509.08 from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District’s Commercial Lawn and Garden Equipment Exchange Program and direct staff to execute the necessary agreements and make the corresponding budget adjustments.

5-9. CIP Projects 10002/24004 – Marin Utility Undergrounding and Buchanan Bikeway Phase III Project Contract Change Order Approval

Staff recommendation: that the Council adopt Resolution No. 2018-16 authorizing the City Manager to execute Change Order #2 to Contract C17-1 with Ghilotti Construction in the amount of $66,772.79 for additional costs to resolve conflicts between proposed storm drains and existing water lines.

5-10. Temporary Janitorial Service Contract with Township Janitorial Inc.

Staff recommendation: that the Council adopt Resolution No. 2018-12 authorizing the Interim City Manager to award Contract C18-19 to Township Janitorial to provide month-to-month janitorial services in the monthly amount of $12,500 with a not to exceed total amount of $125,000.
5-11. Agreement with Godbe Research to Provide Voter Polling Services

Staff recommendation: that the Council:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2018-18 Authorizing the Interim City Manager to enter into an agreement with Godbe Research in the amount not to exceed $27,300 to provide voter polling services; and

2. Establish a subcommittee comprised of the Mayor and Vice Mayor to work with staff and the consultant to develop the voter polling survey

5-12. City Manager Employment Agreement

Mayor McQuaid recommendation: that the Council adopt Resolution No. 2018-20, appointing Nicole Almaguer as City Manager and authorizing the execution of an employment agreement

6. GOOD OF THE CITY/PUBLIC FORUM/ANNOUNCEMENTS

For persons desiring to address the City Council on an item that is not on the agenda. Please note that City policy limits each speaker up to three (3) minutes. The Mayor may reduce the time limit per speaker depending on the number of speakers. The Brown Act limits the Council’s ability to take and/or discuss items that are not on the agenda; therefore, such items are normally referred to staff for comment or to a future agenda.

All persons wishing to speak on an item on the agenda are to fill out speaker cards and provide to the City Clerk. Comments related to items appearing on the agenda are taken up at the time the City Council deliberates each action item. The Mayor will announce when the period for public comment is open on each agenda item.

7. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS ON STATE/REGIONAL LOCAL MEETINGS ATTENDED AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUTURE MEETINGS/CITY MANAGER REPORT/COMMENTS

(Council Member reports on State, regional, local bodies to which they are appointed by the City Council.)

8. PRESENTATION

9. PUBLIC HEARING
10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

10-1. Safety and Traffic Calming Improvements on Washington Avenue between Pierce Street and Cerrito Street

Traffic & Safety Commission recommendation: that the Council amend the Washington Avenue Traffic Calming Project currently included in the City’s CIP to include:

a) Construction of the planned raised crosswalk on Washington Avenue at Catherine’s Walk.
b) Development of 35% Plans, Specifications, and Estimates for the design of curb modifications to allow vehicles to park on Washington Avenue without blocking the sidewalk, including a parking inventory and comparison to less expensive alternatives.

Furthermore, the Traffic and Safety Commission asked staff to:

c) Evaluate the feasibility of installing speed humps on Washington Avenue between Polk Street and Cerrito Street.
d) Work with the residents to implement a pilot plan for changing parking patterns along this block to allow full pedestrian access on one side of the street and to delay implementation of the approved red zones and curb parking enforcement.

Staff recommendation: that the City Council approve the Traffic and Safety Commission Recommendation as stated from items a) to c), and direct staff to develop a program for enforcement of restrictions on sidewalk parking along the 800 block of Washington Avenue

11. **NEW BUSINESS**

12. **OTHER BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENT OF EVENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

(Council and staff announcements: Council Member announcement of requests for future agenda items. No public comment will be taken on announcement of future agenda items).

12-1. Upcoming City Events

@the Center: A Night at the Circus with Barrel Full of Monkeys, Friday, January 26, 2018, 7 PM, Community Center

Albany Community-Wide Clothing Swap: Tuesday, January 30, 2018, 7:30 PM, Community Center
12-2. Upcoming City Meetings

Planning & Zoning Commission, Wednesday, January 24, 7 PM, City Hall Council Chamber

Traffic & Safety Commission, Thursday, January 25, 7 PM, City Hall Council Chamber

Economic Development Committee, Thursday, February 1, 2018, 5 PM, City Hall Conference Room

12-3. The next Regular Meeting of the City Council will be held on Monday, February 5, 2018

13. ADJOURNMENT

Per City Council Resolution No. 09-1, no Council meeting shall continue past 10:30 p.m. unless a two-thirds majority of the Council votes to extend the meeting to discuss specified items; and any motion to extend the meeting beyond 10:30 p.m. shall include a list of specific agenda items to be covered. Any items not completed at a regularly scheduled Council meeting shall be continued to the next regular meeting or by a two-thirds majority vote of the Council to an adjourned regular meeting.

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The decision of the City Council is final as of the date of its decision unless judicial review is initiated pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5. Any such petition for judicial review is subject to the provisions of California Code of Civil Procedure 1094.6.
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