RESOLUTION NO. 09-59

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION’S ENERGY EFFICIENCY BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR FUNDS TO EXECUTE AN LED STREET LIGHT REPLACEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Albany recognizes that it is in the interest of the regional, state and national economy to stimulate the economy; create and retain jobs; reduce fossil fuel emissions; and reduce total energy usage and improve energy efficiency within our jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) funds are available through the California Energy Commission’s EECBG Program for grants to eligible local governments for cost-effective energy efficiency projects; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany is eligible for EECBG funding under the California Energy Commission’s EECBG Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany is proposing to implement the energy efficiency project described in Exhibit A in order to qualify for EECBG funds from the California Energy Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to the approval of the energy efficiency project described in Exhibit A; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in compliance with the CEQA, City of Albany City Council finds that the approval of the energy efficiency project described in Exhibit A is a “project” under CEQA that is exempt under Section 15301(1)(a), because the project consists of replacing existing High Pressure Sodium Vapor street lights with LED lights, considered as minor repair or alteration of existing structures or facilities, not expanding existing uses.
BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the City of Albany City Council authorizes the submittal of the application to the California Energy Commission’s EECBG Program for funds to execute the proposed project described in Exhibit A.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, if recommended for funding by the California Energy Commission, the City of Albany City Council authorizes City of Albany to accept a grant award up to the amount of this application for $88,846, and, that the City Administrator acting for the City of Albany is hereby authorized and empowered to execute in the name of City of Albany, all necessary contracts and agreements, and amendments hereto, to implement and carry out the purposes specified in the application.

The foregoing resolution was passed by the City of Albany City Council this 7th day of December, 2009.

Effective December 7, 2009.

ATTEST:

[Signature]

MAYOR

EXHIBIT A

Installation of 189 Light Emitting Diode (LED) lights within existing City street lights located within the public right of way. Removal of existing HSPV lights and proper disposal/recycling of lights.
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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY,
this 7th day of December, 2009, by the following votes:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 8th day of December, 2009.

JACQUELINE L. BUCHOLZ, CMC
CITY CLERK

The City of Albany is dedicated to maintaining its small town ambience, responding to the needs of the community, and providing a safe, healthy environment now and in the future.