ORDINANCE NO. 2014-09
AN ORDINANCE OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AMENDING SECTION 9-1.4 B. OF THE ALBANY MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE THE SPEED LIMIT FROM 25 MPH TO 30 MPH ON A PORTION OF CLEVELAND AVENUE

WHEREAS, the California Vehicle Code (CVC) and the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) requires that all municipalities conduct an Engineering Speed and Volume Survey for speed enforcement through radar and other forms of electronic enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the existing “prima facie speed limit on Cleveland Avenue from the Contra Costa County limit line southerly to a point northerly of the northerly line of Washington Avenue, is twenty-five (25) miles per hour;” and

WHEREAS, the results of the Engineering Speed and Volume Survey conducted by TJKM in 2014 suggest that the 85th percentile speed on Cleveland Avenue is 37mph; and

WHEREAS, the 10-mile pace is between 29 mph and 38 mph and that 90 percent of the vehicles in the survey fall within this range; and

WHEREAS, the 85th percentile speed falls within this 10-mile pace range, as expected, the traffic engineer determined that a downgrading of the 85th percentile speed by 5 mph is justified; and

WHEREAS, the residential segment of Cleveland Avenue, south of the intersection of Washington Avenue maintains a 25 mph speed limit; and

WHEREAS, the Albany Police Department supports the recommendation of this Study to downgrade the 85th percentile speed on Cleveland Avenue north of Washington
and increase the speed limit from 25 mph to 30 mph, and intends to enforce the new limit; and

WHEREAS, the Traffic and Safety Commission considered this item at its September 25, 2014 meeting and supports the change in the speed limit.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 9-1.4 SPEED LIMITS ON FRONTAGE ROADS

9-1.4 Speed Limits on Frontage Roads.
   a. Pierce Street. The prima facie speed limit on Pierce Street from a point nine hundred (900') feet northerly of the northerly right-of-way of Washington Avenue to the Contra Costa County line, is hereby fixed at twenty-five (25) miles per hour.
   b. Cleveland Avenue. The prima facie speed limit on Cleveland Avenue from the Contra Costa County line southerly to a point of the northerly line of Washington Avenue, is hereby fixed at thirty (30) miles per hour.
   c. Eastshore Frontage Road (aka East Shore Highway). The prima facie speed limit on the Eastshore Frontage Road from the Berkeley City limits to the end of the Eastshore Frontage Road, is hereby fixed at twenty-five (25) miles per hour.

PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall be posted at three public places within the City of Albany and shall become effective thirty days after the date of its posting.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Albany at its meeting on the 17th day of November, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES: Council members Barnes, Nason, Vice Mayor Maass, Mayor Wilke

NOES:
NOES:

ABSENT: Council Member Atkinson

ABSTAIN:

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Joanne Wile, Mayor
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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY,

The 17th day of November, 2014, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Barnes, Nason, Vice Mayor Maass, and Mayor Wile

NOES: none

ABSENT: Council Member Atkinson

ABSTAINED: none

RECUSED: none

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 18th day of November, 2014.

Nicole Almaguera
CITY CLERK