RESOLUTION NO. 2015-62

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL TO OF THE CITY OF ALBANY AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN A COUNTY-WIDE HOUSING NEXUS STUDY TO SUPPORT IMPACT FEES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING

WHEREAS, the dissolution of redevelopment agencies throughout California in 2012 eliminated the major source of funding for affordable housing in the City and other jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the need for affordable housing continues to be an important regional challenge; and

WHEREAS, despite the elimination of funding, the State of California still mandates that cities must form and facilitate the provision of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, having a local funding source often allows cities to secure additional state and federal resources; and

WHEREAS, an option to provide funding for affordable housing is the imposition of development impact fees, for which a nexus study is required; and

WHEREAS, the multi-jurisdictional approach includes economies of scale and is more cost effective costing less than half of a stand-alone nexus study prepared for one jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the multi-jurisdictional approach also allows close collaboration with neighboring jurisdictions on housing policy to learn about best practices; and
WHEREAS, participation in the county-wide nexus study of the impacts of various types of development on the demand for affordable housing would enable the City of Albany to consider the imposition of a “housing impact fee”; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted the 2015-2023 Housing Element which includes “Program 2.B Affordable Housing Nexus Study and Potential Impact Fee.”; and

WHEREAS, Housing Element identifies the Nexus Fee Study work plan be developed 2015 and the study initiated in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the preparation of the Nexus Fee Study supports Policy 2.1: Housing Diversity and Policy 2.3: Housing Affordability of the 2015-2023 Housing Element; and

WHEREAS, the cost sharing for the multi-jurisdictional approach would result in a base cost to the City of $32,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Albany City Council hereby resolves

SECTION 1. Authorize participation in a county-wide Housing Nexus Study to support impact fees for Affordable Housing.

SECTION 2. Authorize the City Manager to execute all documents associated with this effort.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Albany on the 21st day of September, 2015.
AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST: __________________ 

PETER MAASS, MAYOR

Nicole Almaguer

Albany City Clerk
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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY,
the 21st day of September, 2015, by the following votes:

AYES:    Council Members Barnes, McQuaid, Pilch and Mayor Maass

NOES:    none

ABSENT:  Council Member Nason

ABSTAINED: none

RECUSED: none

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 22nd
day of September, 2015.

Eileen Harrington
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

The City of Albany is dedicated to maintaining its small town ambiance, responding to the needs of a diverse community, and providing a safe, healthy and sustainable community.