RESOLUTION NO. 2019-97

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING THE
CITY OF ALBANY CLIMATE ACTION AND ADAPTATION PLAN AND
AUTHORIZING STAFF TO BEGIN IMPLEMENTATION

WHEREAS, the City of Albany General Plan established the objective of 60% greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions by 2035, and net zero emissions by 2050. Policy CON-3.1: Greenhouse Gas Reduction directs the City towards undertaking local programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany City Council agreed by consensus on October 7, 2019 to align with the State of California target of carbon neutrality by 2045; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Committee recommends that the City Council adopt a more stringent interim emissions reduction target of 70% reductions by 2030; and

WHEREAS, through the Albany City Council’s Strategic Vision, the City is committed to fostering a healthy and sustainable urban village by advancing actions that promote climate stability; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP) represents the culmination of over a year-long, communitywide development process; and

WHEREAS, the CAAP lays out a prioritized, strategic, and phased approach to reducing emissions within Albany and achieving carbon neutrality by 2045; and
WHEREAS, the CAAP focuses on reducing emissions from buildings and energy use, transportation, and the local economy, while also prioritizing adaptation to climate risks; and

WHEREAS, success of the CAAP will be measured through implementation status of the actions, through key performance indicators, and a greenhouse gas inventory to be updated every 3-5 years; and

WHEREAS, by implementing the CAAP, the City will demonstrate its leadership in climate action and adaptation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Albany City Council hereby adopt the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan and authorize staff to begin implementation.

ROCHELLE NASON, MAYOR