RESOLUTION NO.	5349
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A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ALBANY TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT FUNDS THROUGH THE OREGON ENERGY TRUST AND THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY.

WHEREAS, the City is interested in obtaining additional funding for the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) expansion project; and

WHEREAS, there are grant funds available from the Oregon Energy Trust and the Oregon Department of Energy; and

WHEREAS, the City is interested in applying for these energy-related grants for projects that can demonstrate electrical energy efficiency gains and can demonstrate total energy efficiency gains from all energy sources, inclusive of all energy types (electrical, chemical, diesel) from Business Energy Tax Credits (BETC; and

WHEREAS, in order to complete a grant application for both of the above programs, a detailed technical analysis of the energy needs must be prepared; and

WHEREAS, in support of this effort, the City's consultant for the WWTP Expansion project, CH2M Hill, has been working closely with another consulting firm, BacGen, of Seattle, WA, to prepare an initial analysis to see if the expanded WWTP can demonstrate process efficiencies which would likely lead to a successful grant award; and

WHEREAS, from preliminary calculations, it appears the WWTP project will be successful in meeting the grant award criteria established by both grant programs; and

WHEREAS, a receipt of these funds would reduce total City funding to construct the WWTP improvements; and

WHEREAS, these Oregon Energy Trust and Oregon Department of Energy grant applications will apply for approximately \$250,000 in support of the City's WWTP improvement project, resulting in approximately a net grant award of about \$200,000 after grant application preparation expenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Albany approves and endorses the submittal of a grant application to the Oregon Energy Trust and the Oregon Department of Energy for the purpose of receiving grant awards in support of the WWTP expansion and improvement project.

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DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2006.

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