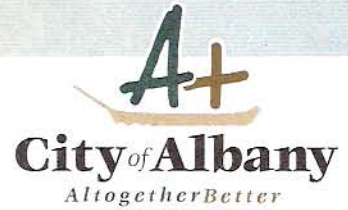


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Dear Neil,

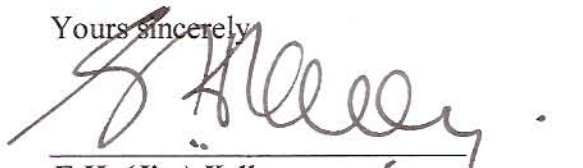
Sorry it has taken me so long to reply to your letters of 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> June, 1998.

In reference to your offer to brief the Commissioners on your Rainbow 2000 project, I have discussed it with the Chairman and Commissioners. They have already seen literature on your ideas and at this time believe they are adequately informed on what it is all about.

Also, as you can appreciate, this is an extremely busy time for Commissioners and staff dealing with pressing needs involving the 1998/99 budget and amalgamation issues.

Regarding the Albany 2001 re-enactment, the earlier letter of 2<sup>nd</sup> February from the Town of Albany states a position which the Commissioners reconsidered when they were in Albany on 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 1998. Although it will be some time before the City will be in a position to develop an events policy, it would be reasonable to work on the assumption that if a specific request is put forward the City Council will consider support to the actual event itself. I believe it is unlikely that the City of Albany would support costs or resourcing the arranging of the event, and the actual level of funding or in-kind support for the event would be dependent upon budgeting considerations and the community value conveyed through the submission.

Yours sincerely

  
**E.H. (Jim) Kelly**  
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