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# **Annual General Meeting** of Electors

MEETING HELD ON

**TUESDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2009** 

# CITY OF JOONDALUP

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, JOONDALUP CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP ON TUESDAY, 24 NOVEMBER 2009

# **OPEN AND WELCOME**

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 1905 hrs and introduced the Councillors and Mr Patrick Warr, of Grant Thornton (WA), the City's Auditor.

#### **ATTENDANCES**

# Mayor:

TROY PICKARD

#### Councillors

Cr KERRY HOLLYWOOD North Ward – Deputy Mayor

Cr TOM McLEAN North Ward

Cr PHILIPPA TAYLOR North-Central Ward Cr TRONA YOUNG North-Central Ward

Cr LIAM GOBBERT
Cr GEOFF AMPHLETT
Cr CHRISTINE HAMILTON-PRIME
Cr MIKE NORMAN
Cr BRIAN CORR
Cr RUSS FISHWICK
Central Ward
Central Ward
South-West Ward
South-East Ward
South Ward

# Officers:

MR GARRY HUNT Chief Executive Officer

MR CLAYTON HIGHAM Acting Director, Planning and Development

MR JAMIE PARRY
MR MIKE TIDY
MR MARTYN GLOVER
MR MIKE SMITH
Director, Governance and Strategy
Director, Corporate Services
Director, Infrastructure Services
Manager, Governance and Marketing

MR SAID HAFEZ Manager Financial Services

MR MARK McCRORY Media Advisor

MRS JANET FOSTER Administrative Services Coordinator

MRS ROSE GARLICK Administrative Secretary

# In attendance

Mr Patrick Warr of Grant Thornton (WA), the City's Auditor.

### **APOLOGIES**

Apologies: Cr Fiona Diaz

Ms Diana Squires

# **Leave of Absence previously approved**

Cr John Chester 21 November 2009 to 3 December 2009 inclusive.

There were 10 members of the Public in attendance, who signed the register to record their attendance. There was one member of the Press in attendance.

Appendix 1 - Attendance Register, click here: agmattendance241109.pdf

#### ADDRESS BY THE MAYOR

The Mayor advised that this meeting is held in accordance with Section 5.27 of the Local Government Act 1995.

The meeting was advertised in the Community Newspaper on 5, 12 and 19 November 2009. It was also advertised on the City's website.

# **Video Presentation**

At this point a video presentation was given outlining the events, activities and achievements of the City of Joondalup for the 2008/09 financial year.

# Procedures at Electors' meetings:

The Mayor outlined the requirements for voting and speaking at an Electors Meeting and the definition of an Elector.

The Mayor advised that the purpose of tonight's meeting is not to adopt the Annual Report but to discuss its contents and raise any general business that Electors may have. The Local Government Act 1995 requires Council to adopt the Annual Report, and this was adopted by Council at its meeting on 13 October 2009.

In the past, matters raised at AGMs have been somewhat pointed. Any questions of a general nature raised tonight will be responded to, and questions requiring a more detailed response will be taken on notice. No discussion will be entered into on any matters raised.

## **CONTENTS OF THE 2008/2009 ANNUAL REPORT**

# Mr S Magyar, 31 Drummer Way, Heathridge:

Re: Financial Indicators on pages 42-43 of the Annual Report 2008-2009.

Q1 With reference to the Rates Coverage Ratio, what is the significance of the variations?

- A1 The Rates Coverage Ratio as it indicates in the report is the measure of the proportion of rates revenue that contributes to operating revenue. If the figure is declining that would suggest that the level of revenue derived from other sources is increasing and would generally be regarded as a good thing. The decline from 65% to 63% would be regarded as good although it is a very modest change. Traditionally the City's rate revenue has been in the low 60%.
- Q2 In the next year's Annual Report can there be red and green arrows pointing the appropriate way to say whether these changes or variations are positive or negative in the opinion of the administration?
- A2 This comment will be taken on board for consideration.

# Dr M Apthorpe, 69 Bacchante Circle, Ocean Reef:

Re: Biodiversity Indicator Information on page 17 of the Annual Report 2008-2009.

- With reference to the Graph on the Density of Priority Environmental Weeds, what is being measured in the graph which shows a reduction to 13% of priority environmental weeds? Are you measuring City effort or contractor effort or measuring the results to Community Volunteers Friends Groups?
- A1 The measure is the effort of all three parties that have been referred to, in reducing the weeds within natural reserves. As specified in the report there are a series of transects across those reserves which are measured annually and provide the City with the detail for this performance indicator.
- Q2 The priority environmental weeds that are measured are undoubtedly declining, what about all the other weeds that you are not targeting, that are growing in distribution?
- A2 The work on the priority of weeds has been particularly successful and there are now other weeds that will become priority weeds and the City is in the process of reviewing those species.
- Q3 When may the community have some input into what is classified as priority environmental weeds?
- A3 All of the Friends Groups will be consulted as part of the process.

# **GENERAL BUSINESS**

MOVED Mrs Marilyn Zakrevsky, 49 Korella Street, Mullaloo, SECONDED Dr M Apthorpe, 69 Bacchante Circle, Ocean Reef that Council enacts the following:

- 1 tree replacement in 2010 for dead and dying trees in Korella Park, Mullaloo;
- effective grassy weed control before seed-set to be undertaken by the City in 2010 as a priority in its management program for Korella Bushland and a copy of the City's works/management plan for Korella Bushland and the Perth Biodiversity Project Survey results for Korella Bushland to be provided to the Friends Group Coordinator;

- details of the new works for Tom Simpson Park, Mullaloo at approximately \$750,000 to be provided in the February 2010 Council meeting agenda;
- 4 Dampier Avenue bus stop seat/shelter of durable material to be replaced this year;
- 5 after hours Ranger visits to Korella Park car park to enforce the 'no golf practice' on ovals policy.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED (4/0)

MOVED Dr M Apthorpe, 69 Bacchante Circle, Ocean Reef SECONDED Mr S Magyar, 31 Drummer Way, Heathridge that the officers of the City of Joondalup at ground level be requested to communicate with the Friends Groups as to what they are going to do in the various reserves where Friends Groups are working and implement the following guiding principles and objectives of the City of Joondalup Strategic Plan:

- work in partnership with the community to build capacity;
- develop community ownership and identity;
- develop a supporting and trusting relationship with the community.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED (4/0)

MOVED Mr M Sideris, 12 Page Drive, Mullaloo, SECONDED Mr S Magyar, 31 Drummer Way, Heathridge that the Electors of the City of Joondalup require a proper, robust, transparent financial management plan by the inclusion of a cost benefit analysis, business plan and needs analysis with each report to Council that deals with a proposed project.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED (4/0)

MOVED Mr S Magyar, 31 Drummer Way, Heathridge, SECONDED Mrs Marilyn Zakrevsky, 49 Korella Street that this Meeting of Electors support the City's move towards improving its sustainability reporting through the use of the global reporting initiative.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED (4/0)

MOVED Mr S Magyar, 31 Drummer Way, Heathridge, SECONDED Dr M Apthorpe, 69 Bacchante Circle, Ocean Reef that this Meeting of Electors request Council to put a red or green arrow against each financial indicator to assist ratepayers to understand the financial indicators reported.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED (4/0)

# Mr M Sideris, 12 Page Drive, Mullaloo:

Re: Budget Papers

- Q1 At the Budget Meeting a full copy of the Budget Papers was requested and only an executive summary was provided. When can the full budget papers be provided?
- A1 Information on the full Budget Papers is available on the City's web site. A request can be made on <a href="mailto:info@Joondalup.wa.gov.au">info@Joondalup.wa.gov.au</a> for the link to access the full Budget Papers.

Re: CEO Salary Package

- Q2 With reference to the article in the West Australian regarding the CEO's salary package:
  - (a) Is this the total salary package?
  - (b) What is the cash component of the package?
  - (c) What is the salary sacrifice component of the package?
  - (d) What is the fringe benefit component of the package?
  - (e) What are the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)?
- A2 The salary package is the total package and the components of the package are not for public information. It is for the individual Chief Executive Officer to decide if he or she wishes to disclose the components of the package. The CEO has advised that Mr Sideris will be informed of the total package but not its breakdown.
- Q3 Can you confirm whether fringe benefit is part of the total package?
- A2 Yes.
- Q4 What are the KPIs?
- A4 The KPIs form part of the contract of the CEO which is a confidential document.
- Q5 There are certain parts of his contract I am entitled to, then could I be provided with a copy of his contract excluding those parts that I am not entitled to?
- A5 A response will be provided in writing.
- Q6 Why did the CEO not get a salary increase?
- A6 It was the decision of Council.
- Q7 Is it correct that he did not meet his KPIs?
- A7 No, that is not correct. The resolution passed by Council, which is available on line, praised the CEO's performance.

Re: Kite Board Surfing at Mullaloo Beach.

- Q8 When will the Beach Management Plan be made available?
- A8 Early in the New Year.

- Q9 Why are kite boarders still allowed to kite from Warren Way North and why isn't the City taking on board its responsibility to provide safe beach access?
- A9 This question will be taken on notice.

Re: Turf Master.

- Q10 When will we get a formal update on the Turf Master issue?
- A2 The Turf Master issue has been initiated through to a Supreme Court action. When there is something formal to report, it will be reported to the Council.
- Q11 Has a date been set for that Supreme Court hearing?
- A11 No.
- Q12 Will it come to Council before it goes to the Supreme Court?
- A12 No.

Re: Mullaloo Beach Tavern Redevelopment.

- Q13 Please advise why the changes to the original development approval did not come to this Council even though there were significant changes to that approval?
- A13 This question will be taken on notice.
- Q14 Can you provide the details of the following:
  - (a) total net lettable area of the Dome Café;
  - (b) the standing patronage for the Dome Café;
  - (c) the seating patronage for the Dome Café;
  - (d the car parking requirement for the Dome Café;
  - (e) if there was any cash-in-lieu involved?
- A14 The seating is 104. This was within the requirements of the planning approvals so there is no additional car parking required. The other parts of this question will be taken on notice.
- Q15 Will the Dome Café ever be granted a liquor license?
- A15 No response can be provided to this question as it would be hypothesising.

Re: New Works Programs - Strategic Financial Management Plan (SFMP).

- Q16 Three quarters of a million dollars has been identified for the Mullaloo Beach, Tom Simpson Park. What does the three quarters of a million dollars compose of as part of the proposed redevelopment?
- A16 The SFMC is not the five year Capital Works Program. They are different plans and have different purposes. The five year Capital Works Program has the capacity to answer those sorts of questions, but that level of detail is not provided in the SFMP. It is mainly a broad financial tool used by the City and for the information of the residents and ratepayers to be informed about the longer term fiscal challenges and opportunities that face the City.

# Mr S Magyar, 31 Drummer Way, Heathridge:

- Re: House of Representatives Standing Committee Report on Managing Our Coastal Zone in a Changing Climatic.
- Q1 Has the City obtained the report on 'Managing Our Coastal Zone in a Changing Climate' and has there been any preliminary examinations carried out on this report.
- A1 Not as yet. If information can be furnished by Mr Magyar through to <a href="mailto:info@Joondalup.wa.gov.au">info@Joondalup.wa.gov.au</a> the City can then look at the link referred to.

MOVED Mr S Magyar, 31 Drummer Way, Heathridge, SECONDED Mrs Marilyn Zakrevsky, 49 Korella Street, Mullaloo that the City continue the existence of the Sustainability Advisory Committee to enable community members to assist Council to be informed on the latest issues emerging regarding sustainability.

#### The Motion was Put and

CARRIED (4/0)

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 2010 hrs; the following Elected Members being present at that time:

MAYOR TROY PICKARD
Cr KERRY HOLLYWOOD
Cr TOM McLEAN
Cr PHILIPPA TAYLOR
Cr TRONA YOUNG
Cr LIAM GOBBERT
Cr GEOFF AMPHLETT
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