

City of Cockburn Annual General Meeting of Electors Minutes

For Tuesday, 4 February 2020

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS HELD ON TUESDAY, 4 FEBRUARY 2020 AT 7.00PM

PRESENT:

ELECTED MEMBERS

Mr L Howlett - Mayor (Presiding Member)

Ms L Kirkwood - Deputy Mayor
Dr C Terblanche - Councillor
Mr P Eva - Councillor
Ms C Stone - Councillor
Ms P Corke - Councillor

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr S Downing - Acting Chief Executive Officer

Mr D Green - Director Governance and Community Services

Mr D Arndt - Director Planning and Development
Mr C Sullivan - Director Engineering and Works

Mr N Mauricio - Acting Director Finance and Corporate Services
Mrs G Bowman - Executive Manager Strategy and Civic Support

Mrs S Seymour-Eyles - Manager Corporate Communications

Mrs S D'Agnone - Council Minutes Officer

There were 10 electors and one member of the press in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Mr S Cain, CEO - Leave of Absence

Mr K Allen - Apology Mr T Widenbar - Apology

1. DECLARATION OF MEETING

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 7.00pm and welcomed City of Cockburn ratepayers.

The Presiding Member acknowledged the Nyungar People who are the traditional custodians of the land on which the meeting is being held and paid respect to the Elders of the Nyungar Nation, both past and present and extended that respect to Indigenous Australians who may have been present.

2. PURPOSE OF MEETING

This Annual General Meeting of Electors has been called in accordance with the Section 5.27 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and the following matters discussed. The Annual General Meeting of Electors will be conducted in accordance with Section 5.31 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Clauses 17 and 18 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*.

3. ANNUAL REPORT

3.1 ANNUAL REPORT 2018/2019

- (a) Copies available on the website and at the door to Electors attending.
- (b) Queries to be answered by Presiding Member or appropriate Staff.

4. GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1 WRITTEN QUESTIONS

Nil

4.2 MOTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

4.3 OTHER BUSINESS

4.3.1 Maureen Fisher-Sim – Hamilton Hill Hamilton Hill Community Hub

- Q1 Is the Council aware of the site at the old Hamilton Hill High School and was it pursued for the Hub (Community Centre in Hamilton Hill)?
- A1 The Director Planning and Development advised the question would be taken on notice. His recollection, however, is that when Development West were assessing the site, one of the aspects they considered was the feasibility of the reuse of any of the buildings within the high school site. No building was identified as being suitable for those type of uses, primarily due to their location within the actual site itself, as well as the condition and types of existing buildings.

The Director Planning and Development could not recall whether allocations were considered, however with any subdivision there is the issue of provision of public open space, and any community facility would come out of that provision of open space.

There was a great deal of discussion through community consultation regarding retaining areas of public open space and usable open space. The Director undertook to contact officers from Development West to clarify that their assessment considered public open space.

Q2 Is there any opportunity to receive funding for an existing building similar to the vacated Salvation Army Hall?

The Director Governance and Community Services advised more information would be required to enable an assessment to be made on that basis.

- Q3 Is there any opportunity for the Hub Board to reuse the Memorial Hall as a Hub?
- A3 The Director Governance and Community Services advised that specific purposes have been allocated to the Memorial Hall, and reiterated that a proposal would be required to be submitted if the City was to consider the matter.
- Q4 Does Council have any updates on a suitable parcel of land to build a new Community Centre in Hamilton Hill?
- A4 The Director Planning and Development advised this matter is currently under investigation, including identifying potentially suitable sites for a Community Hub to be constructed.

4.3.2 CRAIG ASHWORTH, YANGEBUP – CITY OF COCKBURN COUNCIL MEETINGS POLICY

MOTION

MOVED Craig Ashworth, SECONDED Ari Hol

That Council Policy titled 'Council Meetings' be updated with one additional point, this being Item (6).

(6) Elected Member Voting

Elected Members are required to vote on each item presented in the agenda document. Voting outcomes will be recorded in the minutes directly below the resolution and will contain the following:

- Carried summary
- Elected Member name
- Elected Member vote recorded as Yes/No

CARRIED 5/2

Reason

These days with media there is quite a bit going on involving the City and other Councils, and having something like this where there is a mandate to record the vote will ensure better transparency and accountability for the decisions that are made on behalf of ratepayers.

5. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 7.11pm.

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