



Minutes

Annual General Meeting of Electors

Monday, 25 February 2019, 6.00pm

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held in the Town Hall, City of Fremantle
on Monday 25 February 2019 at 6.00 pm.

1. Official opening, welcome and acknowledgement

The Mayor, Dr Brad Pettitt declared the meeting open at 6.00 pm and welcomed members of the public to the meeting.

2. Attendance

Dr Brad Pettitt	Mayor
Mr Philip St John	Chief Executive Officer
Mr Glen Dougall	Director City Business
Mr Paul Garbett	Director Strategic Planning and Projects
Ms Fiona Hodges	Director Community Development
Mr Graham Tattersall	Director Infrastructure and Project Delivery
Ms Charlie Clarke	Manager Governance
Mr Paul Dunlop	Manager Communications and Media
Ms Tanya Toon-Poynton	Meeting Support Officer

Electors

Mr Brian Smith
Cr Bryn Jones
Cr Jenny Archibald
Cr Dave Hume
Mr Roel Loopers
Mr Chris Williams
Mr Simon Moran
Mr Kel Smith
Mrs Shirley Burbidge
Cr Jeff McDonald
Mr William Burbidge
Mr Sam Wainwright
Mr Charles Nicholson
Cr Ingrid Waltham
Cr Jon Strachan
Cr Adin Lang
Ms Olwyn Williams
Cr Rachel Pemberton
Cr Hannah Fitzhardinge
Mr Andrew Luobikis
Mr Robert Peters
Cr Doug Thompson

3. Presentation of the Annual Report

Director of City Business, Mr Glen Dougall gave a short presentation on the Annual Report 2017 – 2018.

Moved: Mayor, Brad Pettitt

Seconded: Brian Smith

That the City of Fremantle Annual Report 2017 - 2018, including financial statements and auditor's report, as attached to this agenda be received.

Carried by simple majority vote

4. Public question time

Summary of questions from Chris Williams

1. Referring to page 81 of the financial reports and to the schedule of real estate assets I sent to the City and ask:

- a. on what page are the "accompanying notes" referred to?

Response: The schedule of real estate is in Note 7 in the full financial statements. The full financial statements will be sent to Mr Williams.

- b. Was any part of the increase in the total equity from \$493,953,163 (1 July 2016) to \$546,098,174 attributable to allocating a net present value to the new Civic Centre?

Response: The new Civic building has not yet been built so no new value exists on the City's balance sheet. Any value provided to the balance sheet will be based on cost price until a market revaluation is required under the accounting standards.

- c. If not, how was the \$39.2 million increase in equity derived and on which assets?

Response: Note 11 on page 43 of the full financial statements indicates where the revaluation of assets adjustments have been made.

- d. Was any part of the approximately \$11.26 million decrease from \$546,098,174 (30 June 2017) to \$477,692,144 attributable to sale of income earning assets? If not, how was it derived and on which assets?

Response: Commercial property was not revalued in 2017/18. Market valuations are undertaken very three years in accordance with accounting standards. For the 2018/18 year the City's infrastructure assets (roads, drains, footpaths etc) were revalued.

- e. If the property is concerned were rental properties, what was the gross rental of the properties?

Response: not applicable

2. Which City properties have been sold as of 30 June 2018 and when was the Point Street carpark and the Queensgate building and carpark sold?

Response: The only property I recall being sold as of 30 June 2018 is the property on the corner of Holdsworth and Parry Streets, for approximately 1.3 million.
Queensgate was sold in the 2016/17 financial year and the City will confirm the date Point Street carpark was sold.

3. Why was the Spicer Site sold as part of the Kings Square deal and why did Council approve the sale by Sirona to Minderoo?

Response: The City will take the question on notice.

Summary of questions and statements from Shirley Burbidge

1. Could you please acknowledge the Round House in future annual reports?

Response: Visits to the Round House have not been recorded in the annual report as it is not a City facility, however it is a good idea and can be considered.

2. Could you please monitor the 30 minute car parking bays in the Cappuccino Strip car park? I have recently noticed council and JP vehicles parked in the bays. These vehicles could be parked elsewhere to keep the 30 minute bays free for council and library visitors.

Response: Thank you for the feedback, the City will investigate the issue.

3. Thank you for installing the dog drinking fountain at Stevens Reserve, and note the latch is broken on the gate on Swanbourne Street.
4. It is disgraceful that the overwhelming support for the re-opening of the intersection of Scott Street and Hampton Road was not considered in the decision making.

Summary of question from Chris Williams

1. Why is the council selling the Leisure Centre carpark?

Response: No council decision has been made on selling the Leisure Centre carpark. The council has had a conversation around whether or not we could sell the Leisure Centre carpark in the future, however it has been with the intent of replacing the parking in the area.

Summary of question from Simon Moran

1. Why do some areas on Market Street and South Terrace have a reduced distance between the road and the café obstructions? It takes our walk space, and seems very unsafe, with some places a distance of under 200mm to the kerb. What is the required distance and will it be policed?

Response: The City will take the question on notice.

Summary of statement and question by Charles Nicholson

1. There is no mention of our beaches listed as an asset in the Annual Report.
2. When will there be a comprehensive plan of McCabe Park, which will meet the needs of the park users?

Response: The City will take the question on notice.

Summary of question from William Burbidge

1. Why did the Council not consider the officer recommendation to keep the intersection of Scott Street and Hampton Rd open?

Response: The council debated this heavily before the decision to close the intersection was made. There were many challenges the City worked through with Main Roads, and the decision was primarily for safety reasons, and overtaking in the bus lane.

Summary of question from Andrew Luobikis

- 1 The corner of High Street and Montreal Street is a safety issue. There is rubbish, car bodies and squatters in the buildings, and it is a health issue. Is the City going to put pressure on Main Roads to do something about it?

Response: The City is liaising with Main Roads and are aware of the issues on the site. The buildings are planned to be demolished as part of the Main Roads upgrade of High Street, however this is now subject to EPA approval to proceed. The City notes the potential issues and will raise the concerns with Main Roads.

5. Acceptance of motions

Motion proposed by Mrs Shirley Burbidge

Moved: Shirley Burbidge

Seconded: Kel Smith

That the Council remove the 4 parking bays on the southern side of Wray Avenue outside Moondyne Joe's Hotel.

Carried by simple majority vote

6. Closure

Mayor, Brad Pettitt declared the meeting closed at 6.30 pm